

Alabama judge is good neighbor

Judge Roy Moore is a good neighbor. You may recall that Judge Moore has steadfastly kept the Ten Commandments posted in his Alabama courtroom despite threats to strip him of his position.

Following are excerpts from a poem Judge Moore penned called "America the Beautiful":

"America the Beautiful, or so you used to be, Land of the Pilgrims pride, I'm glad they'll never see Babies piled in dumpsters, Abortion on demand. Oh, sweet land of liberty, your house is on the sand.

"Our children wander aimlessly, poisoned by cocaine, Choosing to indulge their lusts, when God



has said abstain. From sea to shining sea our nation turns away From the teaching of God's Law and the need to pray.

"You think that God's not angry that our land's a moral slum? How much longer will He wait before His judgement comes? How are we to face our God from whom we cannot hide? What then is left for us to do, but stem this

evil tide?

"If we who are His children will humbly turn and pray, Seek His holy face and mend our evil way, Then God will hear from Heaven and forgive us of our sins. He'll heal our sickly land and those who live within.

"But, America the Beautiful, if you don't, then you'll see a sad but Holy God withdraw His hand from thee."

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