

## Christian Nation – Study Guide 2

Imagine laying a cement foundation and writing your name, with your finger, in the cement while it was still wet. Now, imagine that the cement hardened with your name in it. If that cement still existed 21 years later, what would you still see in it? Have you ever done anything like that?

The “finger of God” does many mighty works. He used His fingers to heal people, lift up children, and even write in the dirt when the Pharisees wanted Him to condemn the woman caught in adultery. Paul tells Timothy that the foundation of God - God’s foundation - has this seal written in it (imagine God using his finger to write this seal in wet cement) – See [2 Timothy 2:19](#). What is the very last saying mentioned by Paul to Timothy in that passage?

The Declaration and Constitution are often referred to as our “Founding documents,” and the Treaty of Tripoli (about 10 years afterward) rejects the idea that the “United States is not in ANY sense **founded** on the **Christian** religion. What does the Jesus, Himself, tell us to expect when anything is built without this **name-containing** foundation? ([See Luke 6:49](#))

It is little known that the Treaty of Tripoli required an annual tax be payed to the the Muslims... a “protection tax.” In Islam this is known as a jizya tax. Jizya is “**material proof** of the non-Muslims’ submission to the Islamic laws.” <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jizya>

Thinking back to [part 1](#) of this series (click the link for a refresher), do you believe the original settlers (those whose governing writings preceded the Constitution) intended Christianity to be officially established, officially making this a Christian nation?