

Quotes in the News

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"Somehow we're caught in an inescapable network of mutuality tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly. For some strange reason, I can never be what I ought to be until you are what you ought to be. You can never be what you ought to be until I am what I ought to be."

Martin Luther King Jr.

The late civil rights leader, in a speech at Western Michigan University, December 1963 (www.wmich.edu)

"What we're talking about here is whether churches in America will be capable of producing a prophetic voice in the present or in the future. The muscles that the church has at its disposal to shape people who know the heart of God and can bear witness in a prophetic way, those muscles are being eviscerated by consumerism."

Jeffrey MacDonald

Author of *Thieves in the Temple: The Christian Church and the Selling of the American Soul* (RNS)

"Suspicion is running riot in our country. Gossip is elevated to truth. Hatred and prejudice are elevated to patriotism. Lies are treated as truth. Anger has become a virtue, cool-headedness has become a sin. I never thought the days of Joe McCarthy would ever return, but they are here. And we will pay a terrible price for these voices of hate and gleeful betrayal of

the American spirit.”

Richard Bridges

Kentucky pastor

“We know what it is like when people have attacked us physically, have attacked us verbally, and others have remained silent. It cannot happen here in America in 2010.”

David Saperstein

Director of the [Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism](#), speaking about anti-Muslim bigotry sparked by opposition to a planned Islamic community center near Ground Zero (RNS)