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sur le thème :

Evangelicalism, survivalism and legal reform in contemporary America

The current cycle of primaries for the presidential nominations has highlighted the popularity of radical religious politics in contemporary America. Over the last decade, a growing number of evangelicals have become disenchanted with older strategies of political and legal influence, and have begun to withdraw from mainstream society in an effort to sit out an impending social collapse. These strategies of survival are reflected in home education (now involving over 1.7m American children), at one end of the spectrum, to secession and migration to the Pacific North West, and homesteading, at the other. These strategies of survival are being developed with a view to renewing a broken society. This social renewal is often premised on assumptions that the USA, as a "Christian nation," ought to return to its biblical legal foundations. Many of these believers look with admiration to the legal codes of the early colonies, which explicitly echoed Mosaic legislation, developing arguments that a future American government should reinstate both biblical laws and biblical punishments. But the current cycle of primaries has indicated that this radical view of legal reform is no longer the prerogative of an eccentric fringe. As candidates debate whether a flat tax of 10% could provide for national needs, the radical legal reform envisaged by migrant homesteaders in Idaho may be much more popular than we might expect.

Vendredi 1^{er} Avril 2016, de 15h00 à 17h00
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Salle 410T (4^e étage)

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