

## **California Board of Education: 2006 Instructions on Textbook Content**

### **2005 History–Social Science Primary Adoption, February 27 Edits and Corrections List**

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[Paragraphs and questions referred to below are not included for reasons of space. The rulings included are the pertinent information regarding “The Bronze Bow”]

from page 1:

This list contains edits and corrections that were originally prepared for the Ad Hoc Committee of the Curriculum Commission....SBE and CDE staff consulted with and considered the views of content experts to develop a recommendation on these edits.

from pages 82 - 83:

p. 157, paragraph 3, **This misrepresents Jewish teachings and follows the outdated replacement theology idea that Judaism is a religion of law, but Christianity is a religion of love. This is untrue and defames Judaism**, contrary to Category 1 Criterion #10. Judaism did not and does not emphasize “An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth.”

Delete: “~~The beatitudes were different from traditional Jewish teachings as well. And this made enemies for Jesus, too. Justice played an important role in traditional Jewish teachings. But Jesus taught a message of forgiveness. ‘You have heard it said, ‘An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.’ But I say to you...if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other cheek as well.~~”

Change to: “Justice, love, helping others, and forgiveness played an important role in traditional Jewish teachings, and Jesus taught all of these. However, Jesus also introduced new ideas--to love your enemies and to forgive even those who do not repent for their wrongdoings. Jesus taught, ‘I say to you...if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other cheek as well.”

from page 88:

**This question promotes a false idea from replacement theology that Jesus’ teachings were different from traditional Jewish teachings.** In fact, Jesus taught traditional Jewish ideals of love of God, love your neighbor, help those in need, follow the commandments, and lead a moral life. His different teachings were to love your enemies and to forgive those who do not repent. Further, **this question blames the Jews for the crucifixion and must be removed because it promotes anti-Semitism.**

