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"I don't think there would be any dissent from the fact that you're here because you love our country. And I don't think there'd be any dissent from the notion that our country is in trouble."

Gary Bauer was the keynote speaker at ADA's summer event in Fremont, MI on July 29th, and his speech discussed some of the trouble that America is facing.

Gary's points of concern are many. He discussed at length and explained clearly and succinctly several of the threats presently facing our country.

He spoke on three issues in particular which face America today - militant Islam, the spending crisis, and the exclusion of God from our public arena.

"As we are gathered here tonight, at this very moment, there are evil men who worship death who are feverishly working to bring to you and your families and to free men and women everywhere sorrows greater than the sorrows we have already experienced. That is the central fact of our age. They don't want another 9/11 where 3,000 of us day, they want a morning where 300,000 of us die"

"I believe the most poisonous thing happening in Washington during this debate - the thing that could lay this country low quicker than even the obvious financial difficulties - is the rhetoric that is being used in high places [the purpose of which] is to divide us. It's the rhetoric coming from elected officials who said, 'elect me and I'll bring you together,' saying to Americans, "are you losing your house? That's because this guy over here's got a big house. You can't afford to buy a new car? That's because



that guy over there is driving a Mercedes' - this idea of diverting your attention away from the politicians that are dragging the economy down and trying to convince you to blame a fellow American for dragging the economy down."

"Believe it or not, folks, you are still a majority!... You believe that America is built on ordered liberty under God. You agree with the founders that only a virtuous people can remain free. That's what America was built on, not the freedom to do whatever you want - but to do the right thing and not have a government try to stop you from that...

Do you know every place that Judeo-Christian civilization goes it brings hope and liberty? It brings tolerance and freedom of religion. It spreads the idea of the dignity and value and worth of every human being regardless of the color of their skin. ..."

In spite of what could be depressing subjects, the evening had an encouraging message as Mr. Bauer appealed to his faith in the American people to once again honor God with our country - to become the "City on a Hill" that many of our great leaders have desired it to be.

"So Ladies and Gentlemen, the times are tough. The issues are big. The battle is hard. But if you will stand for these things; if you will teach your children and your grandchildren to be bold and stand against the culture; if you will remember these values when you go into the voting booth, I believe next year and five years and 100 years from now the world will still look at America and say to itself, "Look, there! America! A shining city upon a hill."

Many came from near and far to be with us for this engaging event with Gary Bauer,



founder and president of Campaign for Working Families and American Values.

Here are just a few comments of those who were with us for this outstanding event:

- "Fantastic evening"
- · "Incredible"
- "Will never regret my attendance! Great Encouragement"
- "It was really good. I enjoyed it!"
- "Gary Bauer was powerful and relevant and speaks with experience in government."
- "Tonight's program was outstanding."
- "Blessed to be here. Keep up the good work. I'd love to have a recording of tonight to share with others!"
- "I hope to be able to be used by God to further Gary's message in our nation."
- "This event inspired me more than words can express."
- "Glad we came from Portland to attend. Well worth it!"
- "A great evening!"
- "So glad I drove the 3 1/2 hours to come here. A great encouraging evening!"

Many have already asked if we recorded the event, and we did! We are happy to offer CDs for \$5 and DVDs for \$10 if you missed the event or just want to be reminded of Gary's amazing message.

See the enclosed response card for ordering information or call 1-888-733-2326. You can also order online at www.americandecency. org on our resource page.

If you don't receive Gary Bauer's daily emails, the End of Day Report, we strongly encourage you to get on his list. You can do by going to his website www.cwfpac.com and click on "Subscribe to EOD Report" or call Bauer's headquarters at: 703-671-8800.



From the desk of Bill Johnson

Reflections on several subjects

Reflections on the Gary Bauer event

We had hoped to fill the auditorium to capacity (600). We fell short with an estimated audience of 320 people. It was a great audience with so many wonderful comments afterwards. We had friends from Detroit and the surrounding area, from the Upper Peninsula, Grand Rapids and Holland, and, of course, from Fremont and our Newaygo County.

Gary's presentation was superb! evaluation sheets reveal nothing short of 5 out of 5 (except one that rated it 4 + out of 5). I strongly urge you to get a copy of his message either in DVD or in CD form. His presentation is a significant message of warning, gracious exhortation, and encouragement. I have heard Gary on interviews with Dr. Dobson, on the radio, on television and at the Value Voters Summit in DC. This was a top notch message from one of America's great pro-family, Christian leaders. I know you are busy, but I believe you will find his perspective extremely helpful. Also, for those of you who receive email, if you aren't on Gary Bauer's email list, you truly should be. I urge you to sign up for his daily email alerts at: http://cwfpac. com/cwf eod request.php

On our audience at the Gary Bauer event

We give prayerful thought as to how God is leading us for a speaker for our summer conference. We desire to "understand the times in order to know what to do." [I Chronicles 12:32]

Our gathering was so enthusiastic and charged for the evening and even more so afterwards. In their being here, I know many share our thoughts "I wish that more

would have taken advantage of this great opportunity!" The music by Eric Horner and the message by Gary Bauer and the gathering with like-minded people of faith was both stirring, encouraging, and a reminder that there are many who share our faith, love for our country, and our desire to follow Jesus Christ more faithfully and obediently!

In addition, there were many who took our advice and brought young people with them. It is valuable for youth to hear such challenging messages and to see the enthusiastic response from many likeminded others. It helps these young ones to see that their moms and dads aren't the only ones who want to live lives unto the Lord in faithfulness and obedience. It is helpful for youth to see that others are also expressing deep concern about the direction in which our country is going.

On doing an overnight in the Fremont area

Though we are a small community, we do have three very nice overnight locations. Some are finding that our humble little community makes for a nice break from the quick pace and heavy traffic of the city. In the past summers, we reserved blocks of rooms for our conference but when so very few make early reservations, it puts undo pressure upon these places of business. We release the rooms a few weeks in advance if they haven't been reserved by conference attendees. I hope this will be helpful to you as you consider your plans next year.

Mark your calendar for Friday, July 27, 2012 – our next summer conference date. We are already considering several possibilities for speakers, location and musical support.

On the upcoming election

We seek your prayers as we are giving prayerful consideration to perhaps one of our greatest concerted efforts in recent years. We recognize full well that our country is in serious danger from within and without. Immorality, spiritual declension, godlessness, secularism, tyranny are descriptive words that are appropriate for our embattled country.

We are exploring an opportunity to be involved with coming alongside pastors urging and encouraging them on to rally the body of Christ to understand the times in order to live for Him with greater urgency and obedience for His glory and honor. Is America salvageable? Not without significant cross-bearing and the Lord's mercy. More on this soon.

On faithful friends

One of the greatest blessings of being in ministry is the many truly lovely people that I have met and been blessed by over these years.

One of our friends is a former General Motors foreman out of Owosso who is also a Detroit Tigers fan. We exchange baseball insights and in his support envelopes he sends me little notes that make me smile such as, "Looks like the Tigers are in need of a relief pitcher. Hope you're keeping your arm ready. It may be sooner than you think! :)

My heart is often touched by the heartaches that some are going through with the loss of a mate or failing health issues. So many have become as family and friends!

Thank you for your gracious stand with us and thank you for coming up to me at our conference and putting a face to your name! That means a lot.



At ADA's summer conference, "For Such a Time as This," Gary Bauer spoke with great insight and conviction about the attacks upon America today and his hope for our nation. Order his compelling message in either CD of DVD form.

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Yellow Journalism that Will Leave You Seeing Red

By Lisa VanHouten



Several weeks ago local Grand Rapids TV affiliate, WZZM-13, featured a lengthy segment during their 6:00 dinner hour news that would turn your stomach. No, it wasn't about a gruesome accident or a violent crime spree. The nausea-inducing story showcased couples engaged in polyamory, otherwise known as group marriage — basically wife-swapping. This dinner hour "news" story told how the two "wives" switch beds with the two "husbands" each night. The entire piece depicted this abhorrent lifestyle very positively.

We featured this in one of our daily email alert and urged our readers to express their indignation to WZZM. In addition, ADA mailed letters to the companies which advertised on that half hour of news, kindly alerting them to what their ad supported. We know of at least one major advertiser, General Motors, who expressed their displeasure to the station.

Now WZZM is at it again. Recently, again during the 6:00 dinner hour news, the station featured a segment on "swingers" – husbands and wives who swap sexual partners with another couple or within a group.

The "news" piece began by taking a sideways slam against Christianity - subtly mocking the strong conservative and Christian roots of this West Michigan area.

The WZZM report stated: "We usually think of West Michigan as conservative and 'buttoned up,' but we've uncovered a group in the area you may not know about."

Grand Rapids is a pious city with ... values built around tradition - traditions deeply rooted in Christianity. ...

But underneath West Michigan's conservative exterior, a subculture is redefining commitment for themselves.

They're called "swingers" - couples who swap sexual partners. ...

Notice the negative-sounding terms used to describe Christians - "pious," "buttoned up," "conservative," – as opposed to those open, free-wheeling "swingers" is what WZZM infers. While the segment did offer one short quote from an area minister in opposition to infidelity, the bulk of the report by far focused on "swingers."

The piece goes on to interview a couple who engage in this perverse lifestyle, stating in part:

These two are open swingers. Why? The couple started swinging to experiment and stayed with it for the variety.

Bowling says, "I really enjoy it. It's the aspect of being able to be close to another person. It adds a little more spice. You can learn from that person and bring something you learned from that person back to your first relationship. It takes away that everyday you already know what's going to happen."

Bowling says swingers swap partners at private house parties, swingers clubs, including one in Kalamazoo, or at area hotels at bowl parties.

Kelly Draper says, "You rent a hotel room, throw your hotel key in there, women get to pick a key and go off with the gentleman, or vice a versa."

If sex with a stranger isn't your thing, some join with another couple and watch. As for jealousy, the two say the trick is having and keeping, not physical, but emotional monogamy. ... http://www.wzzm13.com/news/story.aspx?storyid=171574

The story goes on to make the unsubstantiated claim that swinging is "shockingly prevalent" in all walks of society. The segment also puts out this false and dangerous misinformation: "As for sexually transmitted diseases, they say swingers are strict about condom use, but say the same STD dangers lie in the 'vanilla' dating world."

"You'll never be 100 percent sure they

don't have an STD, but you can ask them for a card from their doctor or recent HIV test. That's the main one you want to be worried about is HIV or herpes because they're not curable."

However, a study done in the Netherlands that compared the medical records of self reported swingers to that of the general population found that STD prevalence was highest in young people, homosexual men, and swingers. In addition to the emotional and spiritual consequences of promiscuity and such aberrant sexuality, it is well-documented that many sexually transmitted diseases are not prevented by condom use – including the potential cervical cancercausing HPV and chlamydia which leads to greatly increased rates of infertility.

Abstinence speaker Pam Stenzel offers these sobering statistics:

Three million teenagers contract STDs annually. 25 million Americans are infected with the herpes virus. More than 40 percent of sexually active singles are infected with human papillomavirus (HPV), commonly called genital warts.

One in every 250 Americans has the AIDS virus. An estimated one in five Americans is infected with a viral STD, a figure that doesn't include bacterial diseases like chlamydia, syphilis and gonorrhea.

However, WZZM doesn't bother to offer any of these facts. Instead, the segment allows one of the swingers to make one final push to legitimize this perverse lifestyle, stating: "Try to be open minded. Loosen up a little bit. Consider the fact, swingers are just like you and everyone else. We're not bad people."

This is not news – but salacious, yellow journalism. Think of the many families with the evening news on during the dinner hour having their children exposed to such trash!

We should not sit back and allow such sin to be legitimized. Even if you don't live inWest Michigan, please join with us in expressing your concern to WZZM by mailing the enclosed postcard.

When Sodom and Gomorrah Comes to Your Town By Bill Johnson



Many churches today, seemingly afraid of offending man, are turning away from preaching and teaching the full counsel of God's Word.

When we twist the Bible to say whatever we want it to say and obey it only when it's convenient, we open ourselves (our individual lives, families, communities, schools, nation) to sins of all kinds.

Perversions like adultery, homosexuality, same-sex marriage, child pornography, obscenity.

Examples:

What does the Bible say about Christians marrying unbelievers:

"Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers." II Cor. 6:14

What does the Bible say about women in ordained positions including the pastorate: "... the husband of one wife ..." Titus 1:6 "... the husband of one wife ..." I Timothy 3:2

What does the Bible say about homosexuality?

"... God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done." Romans 1:28

and Romans 1:18-29

Recently I went back before the Holland City Council. Just a few short weeks ago, to its credit, the city council voted down a homosexual rights initiative by a vote of 5-4.

On July 4, the primary voice behind this initiative sought news coverage (and got it) as he stood on the steps of the Holland City Hall along with 41 backers to announce that "Pastor" Bill Freeman would be going back and "educating" and urging the city council to reverse their vote.

When an individual turns his/her back upon Truth, you and I are foolish if we aren't concerned, discerning, and alert to falsehood.

An insider stated that Bill Freeman graduated from Western Theological Seminary (Holland, MI) a few short years ago and that it was stated by a professor that he was the most heretical person to ever have graduated from this once thoroughly Biblical seminary.

See for yourself the thinking and theology of this man guising as a man of God at his website:

http://www.interfaithcongregation.org/

Here is what Freeman has to say about his "theology" which comes not from God's Word, but from his own imagination and which diminishes a holy, omnipotent God to a warm-fuzzy, feel-good sidekick:

"We are all responsible for being our own theologian and crafting our own theology."

"Chaplain Bill Freeman has two versions of his theology, one short and one long."

If I should ever die, God forbid, let this be my epitaph:THE ONLY PROOF HE NEEDED FOR THE EXISTENCE OF GOD WAS MUSIC. - Kurt Vonnegut

I believe in God whenever I feel a loving touch, hear birds singing, smell a rose, taste chocolate, see the smile of a child.

In our local communities there are such individuals who, for whatever reason, have turned their back upon rational thinking and the Christian world and life view. Such individuals have the tendency to aggressively press a godless agenda in the

name of justice, tolerance, anti-bullying, etc.

Why does the Bible refer to homosexuality as an abomination? Could it be because the Creator God knows that it is degrading, unnatural, harmful and often deadly and desecrates the image of God in His people?

My best friend in college died of AIDS. I know of others who tell of the filthiness, the perversity practiced by many homosexuals: multiple partners, unfaithfulness, lewd acts, the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

I used to wonder how Sodom and Gomorrah became Sodom and Gomorrah. I think we are getting a sense of how that came to be.

Good people said nothing and they did nothing while those practicing perversions pressed, pushed and became increasingly emboldened in their wickedness - while city leaders, pastors, Christian men and women remained silent and did little to nothing to uphold Biblical truth.

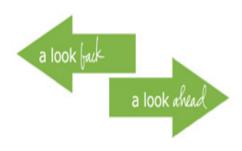
*Take Action: *
Urge Holland City Officials to stand firm against the homosexual rights initiative.

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Q and A: A look back and a look ahead Interview with Chris Johnson



1. You are closing in on two years of work here with American Decency Association. What have you learned from your time studying the culture from where you sit every day?

When you are not paying a whole lot of attention to what's going on around the country and the world, every once in a while something will force itself into your consciousness that really shocks you. "I can't believe Abercrombie and Fitch is doing this," or "how is Kia getting away with that," etc. Or, in politics especially, "WHAT WERE THEY THINKING!?" and then you go on with your life.

But when you are really looking for those types of stories and paying attention through the news - focusing on the filth - as a job, you begin to realize quite quickly how messed up and tainted the world really is. When you start delving in to human trafficking and the negative effects of pornography (even or especially on "porn stars"), and you juxtapose that against the sinless beings that we were created to be, you can't help but appreciate how much the world needs to hear the Truth, more specifically, God's Truth.

2. Within the last year you had a two month internship in Washington DC with cnsnews.com. Now that you had time to give even further thought about your time in Washington what did you learn from that experience?.

I'm so glad I don't live in the city! But, I'm not sorry I did it. There were definitely some exciting experiences. It's nice to have a better idea of how exactly a journalist works. I was able to be in a White House press briefing and interview a few congressmen

and just experience how a story actually becomes a story, which was pretty cool.

3. Do you sense God's hand in how things are unfolding in America today? If so, in what ways?

That is a tough question. I have no doubt that His hand is moving, but it's really not easy to say how it is moving. Will God lead America to blessing or will He justly remove His hand? Obviously there is no way of knowing now, but I think one way or another we will know soon. We are at a tipping point. In ten years, American will be a very different country, for better or worse, in my opinion.



4. Are there any particular Christians (living or dead) that have and/or are being used to influence your thinking and direction?

C.S. Lewis is one of my favorite authors/ thinkers. He was very logical and straight forward in his writing and yet he could communicate his message effectively even to children as he did in the Chronicles of Narnia. One commentator made fun of Sarah Palin when she said she read Lewis. He apparently didn't realize that Lewis wrote many philosophical and apologetic books and thought it was quite telling that she was a fan of a "children's author." I was thinking, "even if she does get her inspiration from Lewis and his Aslan, she's doing pretty well." There is so much treasure buried in those books. Mere Christianity, The Great Divorce, The Screwtape Letters are excellent as well.

I am also a big fan of R.C. Sproul. I took a theology class and a philosophy class on video which he taught, and went to several conferences put on by his Ligonier Ministries. Mom also used to listen to his teachings on cassette and I overheard that a lot growing up. I haven't found anything I disagree with him on yet.

5. Are there one or two politicians that you are particularly impressed with? If so who and how?

I have a few heroes in Washington right now. I'm a big fan of Congressman Paul Ryan. He put forward a budget this year that would really help get the country back on track fiscally. He was much maligned and slandered for that budget, but if you actually pay attention to what he says it makes a lot of sense. Even though he was being continually lied about, he refused to back off from such an important issue, and I have lot of respect for that.

6. Do you have any particular prayer requests for yourself and/or ADA as we move into these increasingly concerning days?

Only that I and ADA would have open eyes as we try to follow God's leading.



Part of our team having a presence at Fremont's Gerber Baby Food Festival

Whose Morality will Prevail?

By Lisa VanHouten



Last September a new reality television show premiered on the cable channel TLC (The Learning Channel). This reality show, "Sister Wives," showcased an actual polygamist family living in Utah – a husband with four "wives" and sixteen children.

We began monitoring this program and quickly saw how polygamy was positively portrayed – swaying undiscerning viewers with a sympathetic plea for acceptance from the law-breaking polygamists – depicting this aberrant lifestyle as just a "normal" family.

The polygamist "wives" made comments such as: "We know it's illegal, but we made a conscious decision, based on our own faith and our belief systems, that this is what we wanted to do." One also claimed, "We believe consenting adults should be with who they want." The husband of this harem stated, "...it's hard to dictate by law who you love."

In response we wrote:

Where have we heard that rationalization before? 'The law can't dictate who we love.' 'We're consenting adults.' Every argument that is used for the acceptance of gay marriage can also be applied to polygamy or any combination. The proponents of such want their own sinful lifestyles validated with a stamp of approval, claiming that the institution of marriage can change with the cultural winds of the time. However, politicians and judges do not define marriage – God does, and He and His principles are timeless and absolute.

Not a message that plays well to the seared consciences of those who push for the legitimization of polygamy or gay marriage.

And while some may say this one obscure television show won't singlehandedly undermine traditional marriage – it

certainly is a step in that direction. Twenty years ago we wouldn't have envisioned the fight we face against those pushing for gay marriage. What will we face twenty years from now?

- ADA email alert, September 30, 2010

Sadly, it didn't take twenty years to face that battle - rather, less than one. A recent Fox News article reports: A polygamous family made famous by the reality TV show "Sister Wives" plans to challenge the Utah bigamy law that makes their lifestyle illegal, a Washington-based attorney said Tuesday. ...

Turley (the attorney) said he believes the case represents the "strongest factual and legal basis for a challenge to the criminalization of polygamy" ever filed in the federal courts. ... http://www.foxnews.com/entertainment/2011/07/12/sister-wives-challenge-utah-bigamy-law/?test=faces

In a recent email, Gary Bauer gave this strong warning and call to action:

... Archbishop Timothy Dolan recently warned that New York's "latest dilution of the authentic understanding of marriage" would inevitably lead to "another redefinition to justify multiple partners and infidelity." He was right to be concerned, and his warning was prophetic.

Those of us who have been fighting the militant homosexual rights movement have warned for years that polygamy is the next logical step in the battle to redefine marriage. Liberals were quick to accuse us of hyperbole and scare tactics.

But none of them could adequately answer the question posed in yesterday's report: If society can no longer limit marriage to the union of one man and one woman, on what legal basis can it justify discriminating against the love of one man and three women?

We're about to learn the answer to that very question. Today's New York Times reports that a "proud polygamist," and the subject of the reality show "Sister Wives," is taking his case to federal court, arguing that consenting adults have a right to engage in whatever "intimate conduct" they choose. He is relying on the Supreme Court's 2003 ruling in Lawrence v. Texas. That case has

been frequently cited by legal scholars as the foundation for the judicial imposition of same-sex "marriage" on all 50 states.

In fact, in his dissenting opinion in Lawrence, Justice Scalia warned that if Texas was prohibited from basing laws on "moral choices," then laws against samesex marriage and bigamy would inevitably be called into question. Well, here we are.

When the left insists that we cannot legislate morality, it is lying. All law is someone's interpretation of morality -- someone's decision that THIS is right and THAT is wrong. The question is: Whose morality will prevail? The left has every intention of imposing its morality on society. Senate Democrats have announced hearings on legislation that would repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and legalize same-sex "marriage."

This is why it is so important for men and women of faith to be involved in the political arena. Yes, prayer is important, but action is necessary too. David didn't just pray that God would defeat Goliath; he picked up stones and fought.

- Gary Bauer, End of Day Report 7/12/11

Friends, the battle is real and is upon us today. We cannot sit idly back as Biblical Truth is trampled. Yes, we absolutely must get on our knees and pray like never before for God's mercy and intervention within our sinful land, but we also need to engage in the battle ourselves. I urge you to get involved in this important fight to uphold the sanctity of marriage.

That includes voting only for candidates who strongly hold this view of marriage and who commit to defend it – from local officials all the way to federal representatives and the key presidential race next year. Urge these representatives and leaders to proactively promote and defend traditional marriage and let them know you are watching!

Kindly, but firmly defend biblical marriage within your community and among your family and friends. For an excellent list of talking points to help you speak out on this issue go to www.nationformarriage. org and click on the "Get Informed" link.

Gay Rights vs. Common Sense

by Chris Johnson



I wrote recently about some of the social arguments against "non-discrimination" laws. But there are not only many legal arguments against pushing homosexuality onto our culture, but there are perhaps even more medical reasons against the gay lifestyle.

Why would a government which claims to seek to "save lives and protect people" through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) want to encourage behavior which keeps a deadly disease like HIV thriving?

The CDC recently released a report which was based on HIV testing of 8,153 homosexual men. The findings revealed that 19% of the gays in the study were infected with HIV and of that number, 44% were unaware of their infection

A 2006 CDC study estimated that of the 56,000 new HIV cases just in that year, 53% were the results of homosexual activity. The other means of contraction were heterosexual relationships and sharing needles for the use of drugs which, incidentally, is also more frequent in the homosexual community.

A CDC official, Amy Lansky, estimated at an HIV prevention conference in 2009 that the incidence of AIDS in homosexuals was 50 times higher than in normal sexual relationships.

Just to wrap that all up, 1 in 5 homosexual men currently have HIV, although almost half are unaware and thus not being treated. In 2006, over half of the new HIV cases were in homosexual men. Finally, the risk of contracting AIDS is 50 times higher

in a homosexual relationship than in a heterosexual relationship.

Thebody.com, which calls itself, "The Complete HIV/ AIDS Resource" also reports that anal cancer is a very serious problem among homosexual men. 35 out of 100,000 gay men will develop anal cancer. The rate among straight men is 0.9 out of 100,000.

Surely, an activity that is that deadly and destructive is frowned upon by our watchful government?

Anyone who's even heard the word "news" knows that's not true. From the court's overturning Proposition 8 to President Obama refusing to defend the Defense of Marriage Act, from countless local ordinances like the one in Holland that was recently rejected to the removal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, government at every level is trying to force acceptance of this disease-ridden lifestyle onto its remaining moral citizens.

"But," the argument is, "you can't get in the way of love." Throughout the entertainment world, gay and lesbian characters are cast as smart, stylish, admirable members of society who are in faithful, loving relationships with their soul mate, who just happens to be the same sex as them.

I know this is hard to believe, but what you see on TV isn't necessarily true. There's a reason deadly sexually transmitted diseases thrive in the homosexual community.

The Agape Press reported on a survey released by a homosexual newspaper, The Advocate, in 2006 which revealed that the 28% of the gay men surveyed had had between 51 and 300 sexual partners in their lifetime.

Another study by University of Chicago professors and reported by the Baptist Press revealed that over 60% of gay men in Chicago had over 30 sexual partners, with many having over 60. 55% of gay men in Shoreland, which the story calls the "gay center" of Chicago, have an STD.

Yet another report said that the average homosexual relationship lasts 1.5 years and includes around 8 sexual partners outside of the main relationship.

And that, in the words of Paul Harvey, is the rest of the story.

If homosexuality or pornography is a struggle for you or a loved one, help is available! Below are two sources of help that we highly recommend.



Pure Life Ministries

14 School St. Dry Ridge, KY 41035 Phone: 888.PURELIFE

Or: 859-824-4444 - administrative offices



Faithful and True Ministries, Inc.

Mark R. Laaser, PhD 15798 Venture Lane Eden Prairie, MN 55344

phone: 952-746-3880

Christ and His principles continue to be expelled from the public schools By Lisa VanHouten

Sunday, July 24 saw the first same sex "marriages" performed in New York state. I'm sure it is no coincidence that the powers and principalities behind this new law choose the Lord's Day to establish this affront to God's law and design for marriage.

While gay marriage was being legalized in New York, California was busy mandating the indoctrination of millions of school children

California has become the first state in the nation to require public schools to add lessons about gay history to social studies classes ...

The bill has drawn criticism from some churches and conservative groups that argue such instruction would expose students to a subject that some parents find objectionable.

Democratic state Sen. Mark Leno of San Francisco, the bill's author, has said that teaching gay history in public schools will teach students to be more accepting of gays and lesbians. ...

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This law is reported to affect curriculum from kindergarten through high school and the San Francisco Chronicle, asserts: "The provision on [homosexual] inclusion in textbooks could reach beyond California, too, as many book publishers tailor their texts to California's standards because of the state's large population."

So, when it comes to public school textbooks, it's not what plays in Peoria, but California, that counts. What textbook publishers sell to large states such as California, they'll sell to schools across the country.

Students in today's public school system may learn all about Heather and her two mommies, or how to put a condom on a banana. They'll learn all about the "superheroes" of gay history opposing discrimination from those "intolerant, religious bigots" like you and me. Pick up most of today's public school history textbooks and you'll be steeped in the "religion" of secular humanism. You'll



even learn about the historical contributions of Muslims, Buddhists, and Hindus. However, what you won't find is any reference to the Christian faith of our own Founding Fathers. Yet, read the actual writings of these men and you will find indisputable proof and acknowledgement that Christianity and Biblical principles were central to the formation of our government. Those historical facts don't make it into today's revisionist history.

According to David Barton's WallBuilders, Thomas Paine was one of the very least religious of our Founders. Paine, as you may recall, wrote the treatise *Common Sense* in 1776 which helped to bolster the American Revolution. Then in 1792 he moved to France for a time to support the French Revolution. WallBuilders states that in 1794 Paine, "... published his Age of Reason, the deistic work, which brought him much criticism from his former American friends. Upon his return to America in 1802, he found no welcome and eventually died as an outcast."

It sounds as if Paine might have fit in quite nicely with the "progressives" of today. Yet take a look at this quote from Paine in which he strongly criticized the education philosophy within the school system of France.

"It has been the error of the schools to teach astronomy, and all the other sciences and subjects of natural philosophy, as accomplishments only; whereas they should be taught theologically, or with reference to the Being who is the author of them: for all the principles of science are of Divine origin. Man cannot make, or invent, or contrive principles. He can only discover them; and he ought to look through the discovery to the Author. ..."

While America's public schools once

taught our nation's Christian heritage and welcomed Christian prayers and influence, God has now been expelled.

Instead our schools have become the greatest form of secular indoctrination there is. 20th century American educator Sam Blumenfeld summed up the direction of America's schools: "The plain truth is that there has been in this country a deliberate plan to change the nature of American education so that the American people could be easily led into socialism."

Any educator from the last century and this one should be familiar with the name John Dewey. Many would say that his educational philosophy shaped public education within the last one hundred years more than any other and still wields great influence with the "progressives" that lead our schools and train today's teachers.

John Dewey's goal for public schools was this: "Every teacher should realize he is a social servant set apart for the maintenance of the proper social order and the securing of the right social growth. ...

According to Dewey, it is not churches and parents, but teachers' and schools' responsibility to decide what is "proper" and "right" social order.

As we see with this California law, today's schools are teaching that homosexuality is the "right" and "proper" social order. Parents and churches may teach the truth of God's word – that homosexual behavior is a sin and offense to God – but for 12+ years, millions of children are taught a different belief – one that purposefully and defiantly opposes biblical morality.

As a former public school teacher, I know there are many dedicated, Christian teachers within the public school system who are serving in this mission field, however the reality is that there is little they can do to overtly express the Christian perspective.

Abraham Lincoln once stated:"The philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next." The truth of that is already evident within our culture.