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# Anheuser-Busch, Slimfast, American Home Products top sponsors of TV trash

Bristol-Myers Squibb is the only company named on last fall's list which appeared on the AFA's "Dirty Dozen" spring 1994 list of top sponsors of TV sex, violence and profanity.

Ralston Purina and Mazda have both appeared on the list in earlier years and both previously indicated they would clean up their act.

A total of 86% of all sex presented on prime-time programming on ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox is depicted outside

**See page 21 for the addresses and products of the "Dirty Dozen"**

## AFA's Dirty Dozen Prime-Time Viewing, May 1 - May 28, 1994

The score is based on the average number of sex, violence and profanity incidents sponsored per 30-second commercial aired.

Rank	Company	Score	Rank	Company	Score
1.	<b>Anheuser-Busch Co.</b>	22.36	7.	<b>Cotter &amp; Company</b>	19.45
	Colonial bread, Eagle snacks			True-Value stores	
2.	<b>Slimfast Foods Co.</b>	22.12	8.	<b>Ralston Purina Co.</b>	19.37
	Slimfast diet aids			Chex cereal, Hostess snacks	
3.	<b>American Home Prod.</b>	21.81	9.	<b>Subway Sandwich</b>	18.13
	Advil, Dimetapp, Robitussin		10.	<b>Mazda Motors</b>	18.04
4.	<b>Upjohn Company</b>	20.95		Mazda autos	
	Cortaid, Kaopectate, Motrin		11.	<b>MCI Communications</b>	17.98
5.	<b>Visa USA</b>	19.83		MCI, Friends and Family	
	VISA card		12.	<b>Bristol-Myers Squibb</b>	17.97
6.	<b>Shaw Industries</b>	19.58		Ban, Clairol, Nuprin, Ultresse	
	Trustmark carpet				

# AT&T calls on employees to help change laws making homosexual marriages legal

Communications giant AT&T has called on its employees to help change laws to make homosexual marriages legal.

At a recent LEAGUE (Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay United Employees at AT&T) conference in Boston, Jerre Stead, chairman and CEO of AT&T Global Information Solutions, called upon AT&T employees to help devise a legal definition of marriage so the company can work on extending domestic partner benefits to employees in states that do not recognize marriages between same-gender partners.

AT&T spokesman John Mellor recently told *Advertising Age* magazine, "Anyone with that kind of attitude (concern about the homosexual lifestyle) has to lose it."

The conference was hosted by LEAGUE's Boston chapter and attended by more than 360 employees. Other speakers at

the conference included homosexual congressman Barney Frank of Massachusetts and Brian McNaught, a homosexual activist and writer.

"It does not surprise us that AT&T has called upon its employees to help make homosexual marriages legal," said Donald E. Wildmon. "The company has been aggressively promoting the homosexual lifestyle among their employees for years. They have observed Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week and presented 'homophobia workshops' to their corporate managers in an effort to make homosexuality acceptable."

In an internal memo from Jack Shultz, Regional PR Vice-President of the Southern Region for AT&T, dated August 1, 1994, Shultz denies that AT&T was a sponsor of the Gay Games in New York. "In fact, AT&T was

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 Photocopy pages 3 & 4 and use as a bulletin insert or newsletter.

## Porn Awareness Week: make your community aware

How much pornography is available in your community? How is it affecting individuals in your community? What can you and/or your church do about it?

Those are some of the questions which will be asked during Pornography Awareness Week October 30-November 6. PAW was started by AFA over a decade ago to help communities combat the rise of pornography.

Local churches and groups can make a survey to see what

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## Are we losing the war by default?

*Ten years ago I wrote the following editorial for the AFA Journal. Looking over my files I decided that it was time to reprint it.*

There is a great spiritual war being waged today. An intentional effort is being made to change the very foundation on which Western civilization is built, to replace the Judeo-Christian concept of man with a secular and humanistic concept.

For the past several years I have racked my brain day after day trying to find some way to get that message across to the Christian community. This is the most frustrating part of our ministry. To get people to listen, to study, to become educated, to open their eyes, to address the problem.

The rank and file Christian leader, and even more so the rank and file Christian, has no concept that we are engaged in a spiritual war. In our denominations, the task of running the denomination and local church is all-consuming. To mention a spiritual war falls on deaf ears. We have a building to build, a budget to raise, a program to continue, an image to protect.

If, five years ago, someone had confronted me with the situation from the perspective I now have, I would have turned my back on him, ignored him as being a fanatic or extremist, and gone about my job of running the local church or doing my denominational duty. That is the frustrating part. I know why it is so difficult to reach the rank and file Christian leader, and, try as I may, I cannot do it very successfully.

All the while the clock keeps ticking, time

keeps running out. Within a few short years, without the active involvement of Christian leaders, our society will be so saturated with this secular religious mindset that the chances of preventing it from becoming the foundation of our society will be nil.

Ignorance and apathy are currently our two deadly sins. Literally.

The Christian community is losing this spiritual war. Losing by default. Losing without ever firing a shot. Losing without ever knowing that a war is going on.

What we are up against is not dirty words and dirty pictures. It is a philosophy of life which seeks to remove the influence of Christians and Christianity from our society.

Unless the Christian community becomes educated and involved quickly, involvement a few years down the road will be meaningless. We will have already lost the war.

Pessimistic? No, realistic.

Weep for our children and grandchildren if we fail.

October, 1984

### BACK TO THE PRESENT

Not much has changed in ten years. Christians are mostly still protecting the building, confining their activities to the structure. Outside is a decaying and hurting world. We have the troops to win the war. But we are still unwilling to lead them into battle.

I guess that two things are different. Morally, things are much worse than they were and we are much closer to losing than we were ten years ago.

So I appeal once again to the Christian leaders and to their followers – indeed to all concerned individuals – to get involved. There is still time to preserve our heritage for those who come after us. But conditions in our society won't improve until we do.

An electronic edition of the AFA Journal is available on America OnLine in the publications library of the Religion forum (keyword: RELIGION), and in both full text, and individual articles on CompuServe in the Christian Interactive Network's American Family Association library (GO CIN). Contact AFA on line in AFA's section on Christian Interactive Network on CompuServe, or on America OnLine (Screen Name: AmFamily1).

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## Love must be show-and-tell

I once heard a speaker on relationships say what men mean by good communication are the headlines and what women look for in quality communication is the fine print.

What is it about the male sex that has a difficult time expressing – or at least verbalizing – even small things like what happened at work to larger matters such as love and affection towards other people, even to God?

The other day my five-year-old son Wesley and I were lying in bed as the family was winding down – ever so slowly – for bedtime. I don't want to mislead you into thinking our family is super spiritual – because we're not – but one thing we do try to do each evening is pray with the children. We don't always make it there, but when we do I normally ask Wriley, my six-year-old daughter, to go first, then Wesley, then Mom and then me. Well, Wesley's usual response to my request for him to pray is a low, barely audible, "I don't want to." (And you thought I was going to quote him as saying something sweet and profound.) No real reason, just, "I don't want to." Now he doesn't mind holding hands and he doesn't mind closing his eyes but he, unlike Wriley who can pray for everybody and everything amen, doesn't like verbalizing a prayer. (But then, when I call home he doesn't like talking on the phone either, unlike Wriley who will talk about everybody and everything amen.) I've found, with rare exception, males are like this. Do you remember calling home from college? Who was the one that wanted to talk most and ask lots of questions? It was Mom, right? Dads generally just want to know if the oil has been changed in the car and if you are studying. One is a yes/no question and the other is relative. (Until the grades arrive home anyway.)

But on this particular night Wesley and I were alone for a couple of minutes and I asked him if we could pray. When I asked him if he would pray, he said yes. We're making progress here, I thought. So we both closed our eyes and I held his hand. Waiting I said, "You can go first." He squinted and said softly, "I don't

# Christian leaders ask advertisers to boycott ABC's NYPD Blue

Nearly 500 Christian leaders have asked network TV advertisers to refuse to support ABC's controversial soft-core pornographic series **NYPD Blue** with their advertising dollars.

The group – which includes heads of denominations, Christian broadcasters, college presidents and officials from approximately 50 denominations – also expressed appreciation to those advertisers which refused to support the program last fall. According to American Family Association, the network lost \$17-20 million last fall when advertisers shunned the program. In their recent stockholders meeting, ABC has refused to deny that figure.

“We agree with ABC that the extreme language, sex scenes and violence are not necessary to make the program good entertainment.

## Court nominee is judge who gave custody of child to homosexual lover

A California judge who in 1987 awarded custody of a teenager to the homosexual lover of his deceased father, rather than the teen's mother, has been nominated to be a U. S. District judge in San Diego.

In August, President Clinton nominated San Diego Superior Court Judge Judith McConnell to the lifetime appointment.

In the highly publicized 1987 case, McConnell gave custody of 16-year-old Brian Batey, to Craig Corbet who was the lover of Brian's father, Frank Batey. Brian's mother, Betty Lou Batey, was also seeking custody of the teenager. Frank Batey died of AIDS.

News accounts described Mrs. Batey as a “fundamentalist Christian.”

In rendering the verdict McConnell told Brian, “You are fortunate to have a person like Craig Corbet, a man who will provide you with a stable and wholesome environment.”

## Alcohol ad ban studied

A new study by the National Bureau of Economic research suggests that highway fatalities could be reduced by 2,000 to 3,000 a year if the government banned all broadcast advertising of beer and wine. Distilled spirits producers long ago agreed not to do broadcast ads.

Wall Street Journal, 5/31/94

We also are concerned that in breaking down the barriers of acceptability, ABC is opening new doors for even more extreme sex scenes, violence and language.

“We express appreciation for all advertisers that refused to support **NYPD Blue** with advertising dollars last season, and ask advertisers to continue their support of better

programs by refusing to support **NYPD Blue** in the upcoming season,” the group said in an open letter to the advertisers.

For a complete list of the Christian leaders supporting AFA's efforts by signing the statement, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to AFA – NYPD List, P.O. Drawer 2440, Tupelo, MS 38803.

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A supplement for local bulletins & newsletters from the American Family

## AFA offers counseling for porn and other sexual addicts

The Outreach Division of American Family Association has scheduled an intensive counseling session for pornography and sexual addicts October 10-14. The session will include four days of Christ-centered therapy and one day of on-going environmental strategy and will be held in a retreat setting.

“We want to help people who can't help themselves,” said Neal Clement, Director of the Outreach Division of AFA. “Addiction involves people telling themselves over and over again that their episode with pornography and inappropriate sexual behavior is the last one. However, the compulsive behavior continues.”

The week-long session will incorporate lecture series, support groups, exercise therapy, individual writings, trustbuilding exercises and home environmental strategies. Attendance at the session will be limited to 16.

The main focus of the session will be to equip men with the Godly tools and routines to offset the inappropriate sexual behavior and also the rituals that accompany the behavior.

The addict's best thinking put them in the condition of addiction. Now it is time to let others think for them and guide them in a Godly direction of recovery.

For more information, interested individuals should contact Neal Clement, AFA Outreach, 601-844-5036 or write P. O. Drawer 2440, Tupelo, MS 38803.

## AFA backs Christian Heritage Week

A number of states have designated a Christian Heritage Week in observance of the role Christianity has played in the history of the United States and its leaders. In most cases, it has been accomplished by proclamation of the governors. Arkansas, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Virginia and West Virginia are among the states which have passed such proclamations for 1994. Several selected Thanksgiving week, November 20-26.

U. S. Congressman Nick Rahall of West Virginia has also introduced H.J. Res. 113 to proclaim Thanksgiving week as national Christian Heritage Week. Interested citizens should ask their U. S. Representative to co-sponsor Rahall's bill. For more information on the national movement, call Mrs. Birdie Kyle at 202-225-3452.

For a CHW planning kit, send a large SASE to: Christian Heritage Week Ministry, P. O. Box 58, Athens, WV 24712.

# FRONT -

Making a difference in your community

■ The Christian Life Coalition of Dayton, Ohio, has begun a series of actions against a local store that advertised on a recent rerun of **Roseanne**. The episode of the ABC sitcom included an anti-Christian theme.

CLC President Donald P. Jackson said Lazarus, a local store, was an advertiser on the **Roseanne** episode. Jackson said Lazarus representatives who were contacted about their advertising "made it clear that their advertising desires were more important to the store than concerns by Christians about the program."

CLC picketed the business, encouraged local churches to participate in a boycott of all Lazarus stores through the Christmas season and cut up their Lazarus credit cards and send the pieces back to the company.

■ The North Area AFA of Maplewood, Minnesota, reports a number of local advertisers have confirmed that they will no longer advertise on **NYPD Blue**. These include GMC Truck Division, Chrysler Corporation, the Mall of America, First Banks, Thrifty Car Rental, Cost Cutters, Walgreens, Quaker State Oil, Amoco, Suburban Chevrolet, Grabberts, Color Tile, Northwest Airlines and Sears.

The local AFA affiliate is leading a consumer letter writing campaign to inform local **NYPD Blue** advertisers that the program is offensive.

■ In July Esther Rachwal completed her first year as producer of an issues-oriented radio program on her local Christian station. Rachwal is the former president, now vice-president, of an AFA affiliate in Sarasota, Florida.

The five-minute weekly broadcast includes commentary on articles taken from the *AFA Journal*. Rachwal also challenges listeners to attend city and county commission meetings, write letters and call public officials about family-relevant issues.

## New video reveals homosexual agenda

**What's Wrong With Gay Rights?** examines the goals of the homosexual agenda in legislation, education, etc. 35-minute video only \$10. Order from: AFA of Ohio Foundation, P.O. Box 60, Bethel, Ohio 45106.

## News Briefs

### Vermont offers unmarried partners health benefits

Vermont has agreed to provide health care benefits to the unmarried partners of state workers. Both heterosexual and homosexual partners will be eligible for the health and dental benefits now offered to spouses, according to state Personnel Commissioner Thomas Torti. Torti said Vermont is the first state to offer such coverage.

Write or call: Governor Howard Dean, 109 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05609, 802-656-4277.

The Pocono (Stroudsburg, PA), 6/13/94

### Teen influenced by game to stab classmate found not guilty

A Fort Lauderdale, Florida, teenager influenced by the video game "Mortal Kombat" was found innocent by reason of insanity in the nearly fatal stabbing of a classmate. Paul Ban Schaik, 16, stabbed Christopher Hill, also 16, 17 times during class at Coconut Creek High School on February 7.

The Pastor's Weekly Briefing, 8/5/94

### "Sex Camp" for Girl Scouts

A Cincinnati, Ohio, Girl Scout council is sponsoring a "Human Sexuality Camp" that teaches girls nine methods of birth control; uses anatomically correct and realistic feeling models to show campers how to apply condoms and diaphragms; and encourages the girls to use the term "alternative" instead of "normal and abnormal" to describe sexual activities.

A list of vocabulary the girls learn includes: hooker, masochists, dyke, transvestite, fetishist, lesbian and transsexual.

Citizens' Courier, 9/94

### Study: Americans think problems are moral

A major new poll conducted by the Los Angeles Times shows that the biggest problems facing families in America, according to more than half of the respondents, are moral. Asked who's the "greater threat to American society," almost four in 10 picked "liberal groups like feminists and gay activists" and just one in 10 named the religious right. Furthermore, when asked which was the "greater danger" – intolerance of libertine lifestyles or the libertine

lifestyles themselves – respondents by a five-to-three margin blamed "harmful" lifestyles.

World, 8/13/94

### Teens say they don't care if drinking has negative impact on their lives

Most of the 93,000 adolescents in a recent USA Weekend survey say they know that teens who drink treat sex more casually, earn worse grades and get into more trouble than their sober peers. But many of them don't care.

Of the 22% who say they drink:

- 62% say they most often drink in homes and 12% get their alcohol from parents, with or without their knowledge.
- Most of the drinkers doubt an arrest, parental punishment or a "close call" in a car would halt their drinking.

### HBO producing work by homosexual activist

HBO has begun production on **The Celluloid Closet**, a feature-length documentary of Vito Russo's book on Hollywood's portrayal of homosexual characters in the movies.

The film is set to debut in late 1995. According to HBO, every major Hollywood studio is supporting the documentary by providing clips from the more than 100 films represented in **The Celluloid Closet**.

Russo, who died of AIDS in 1990, was co-founder of ACT-UP and GLAAD, two radical homosexual political action groups.

Daily Variety, 7/28/94

### School admits mistake in firing Christian

A California public school classroom assistant is back on the job after successfully claiming she was the target of religious discrimination.

Judy Wright was fired after a school district official heard her say her goal in life is to share her faith with others. Rim of the World Unified School District officials admitted they made a mistake and agreed to train all employees on the importance of religious tolerance.

The Pastor's Weekly Briefing, 8/19/94

## Where TV draws the line

It's good to know that TV people still maintain a modicum of professionalism. There are some things they just won't do.

There are images so tasteless, so bizarre, so shocking, that viewers just couldn't bear to see them. And our network affiliates respect that.

Two local stations told the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette that they had recently turned away such an offensive advertisement.

It showed (gasp) a sonogram of a pre-born baby. "When you start showing sonograms, for us, you've gone too far," one executive told the P-G.

Another affiliate ran the ad, but then beat retreat, calling it a "mistake," saying the image "violated the tastefulness component"

of their policy. The ad showed an ultrasound image along with a pro-life message. It said that the baby had fingerprints, a heartbeat and a working brain – and that she could still be aborted in most states. The spot was produced by the DeMoss Foundation as part of its "Life: What a Beautiful Choice" series.

We owe a debt of gratitude to the P-G's TV-radio editor, Robert Bianco. If not for his research, we never would have known where network affiliates draw the line.

It's not at televised suicide. Remember Bud Dwyer? It's not at frontal nudity. Check **NYPD Blue**. It's not at O.J. Simpson's public breakdown, right? And it's not at bloody murder scenes or screaming burn victims. Just watch the news tonight.

No, network affiliates have discovered the real horror, the dread experience that so many expectant parents endure day after day (and then inflict on their families and neighbors). They have known the horror of watching sonograms of developing babies.

Will government catch on? Might we hope that someday, thanks to federal regulation, doctors will no longer be permitted to prescribe this obscene procedure? (Ultrasound, that is.) That technicians will one day be forbidden to "violate tastefulness" by performing it?

Until that day, we'll just have to pray that our local network affiliates will remain as vigilant in their care for our delicate sensibilities.

Gimme a break.

Pittsburgh Catholic, 8/21/94

## Casual sex top theme of summer repeats

Casual and illicit sex continued to be prime-time's leading theme in a summer packed with repeats and series debuts. This month's features hold true to the networks' commitment to minimize marriage and family by focusing on sex, some 80% of which is between partners *not* married to each other.

■ **Love and War** (CBS, 8/15) The gals gather at the bar to discuss the most exciting places they've had sex. When they urge the guys to recount illicit sexual experiences, Ray suggests it is not a subject for mixed company. As it turns out, Ray is embarrassed that he is a virgin. When Meg uncovers that shocking truth, Ray's "friends" can hardly wait to spread the news. Eventually, they apologize and acknowledge that Ray is free to wait for the woman Ray loves (note, *not* the woman he marries). It is clear that they consider Ray an anachronism whose "problem" needs to be resolved. Ten profanities and at least that many sexual innuendoes fill the script, by Elaine Pope. It was produced by Shannon Gaughan.

**Advertiser: RJR Nabisco**

■ **Murphy Brown** (CBS, 8/15) Series heroine Murphy goes shopping with her boss, Miles, and inadvertently sees his genitals when she opens his dressing room door. The two of them manage to tell all of their colleagues at work, and the remainder of the 30-minute script is filled with no less than 50 lines of direct reference or double entendre regarding genital size and sexual innuendo.

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Neil Scovell and Rob Bragin wrote the script. It was produced by Bragin, Deborah Smith, DeAnn Heline, and Eileen Heisler.

**Advertiser: Bristol-Myers**

■ **Wings** (NBC, 8/16) Helen is headed to New York for Christmas with her lover, Brian and Alexandra plan to unwrap each other, and Antonio has sex with a casual acquaintance in his cab. In other words,

the main reason for Christmas is to have illicit sex. The script, written by Mark Reisman and Robin Chamberlin, totally denigrates the holiness of the Christmas season.

**Advertiser: Levi Strauss**

■ **Roseanne** (ABC, 8/30) This repeat episode used God's name in vain 13 times in a story focusing on the illicit sex of Beverly, Roseanne's mother. Beverly injured her back

when she and her sex partner fell off the bed at their retirement home. The conclusion featured Bev dressed in leather, with whips and handcuffs, preparing for perversion with her lover. David Forbes wrote the sick script; Kevin Abbott and Al Lowenstein are producers.

**Advertiser: AT&T**

■ **Models** (Fox, 8/10 and 8/17) Illicit sex, bed-hopping heroes, sex on the first date, profanity, drug deals, porn films, boozing it up, murder and adultery are the pastimes of the beautiful people in this summer replacement series. Jule Selbo wrote the first script, Robert Guza, Jr. the second; Phillips Wylly, Sr., produced both.

**Advertiser: Levi Strauss**

■ **She TV** (ABC, 8/16, 8/23 and 8/30) The August 16 debut of this series focused on illicit sex including a spoof of the promiscuous sexual exploits of **NYPD Blue's** hero, a lesbian Barbie doll skit complete with promiscuous Ken doll, Magic Johnson sex jokes and cross dressing jokes. On August 23, jokes and skits highlighted homosexuality, pedophilia, masturbation, promiscuity and adultery. Skits included scenes with a man holding women's breasts, a woman giving hints on how to turn a husband off, and hints for a girl on how to tell her boyfriend she's pregnant. On August 30, mothers at a young child's birthday party go sexually ballistic over the "Green Ranger," a man hired to entertain the children. A monologue has a woman fantasizing about sex with a famous country singer. Profanity occurs frequently in the scripts, written by a long list of "creative" minds. Courtney B. Conte is producer of these episodes.

**Advertiser: AT&T**

■ **Hotel Malibu** (CBS, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18 and 8/25) This CBS series debuted August 4, introducing the Mayfields - Eleanor (Mom), son Jack and daughter Stephanie. Mom and Jack have operated Hotel Malibu for years, but Jack is defrauding his mom in a land development scheme. A prominent Senator is easily seduced by one of the maids; he dies in her bed during sex. Her brother helps

## ABC rerun reveals contempt for Christian-

■ **Roseanne** (ABC, 8/16) A rerun, this episode is perhaps the most insidious attack on the Christian faith that AFA has witnessed in 17 years of reviewing prime-time programs. Sitcom parents Dan and Roseanne discover that 12-year-old D. J. has been lying about where he spends his afternoons.

They assign Darlene, his college sister, to follow him. She reports, "...it's worse than you thought. He's going to church!"

When D. J. confirms Darlene's report. Roseanne insists to D.J. that he can ask them anything he wants to know about God.

"What religion are we?" questions D.J.

"I have no idea," Mom retorts sarcastically.

Roseanne answers a phone call and arranges for the caller to see a new stove for sale at her diner. She says she won it in a game show. (The truth: the company mistakenly delivered *two* stoves instead of one.)

D. J. confronts his mom: "You were never on any game show."

"I was too on a game show. And if you didn't spend all your time down at that da-- church, you'd know that!" Mom screams back at him.

At the dinner table, D.J. asks his mother, "It's wrong to use swear words, right? Then how come you swear so much?"

"Well," she stammers, "because sometimes it's real hard not to. *But* if I swear as much as I wanted to, I'd never say anything else! So, you see, I'm using restraint and God loves that!"

"You wanta know why I swear, D.J.?" asks Darlene.

"Yeah, why?"

"Shut the he-- up!" she yells at her little brother.

Later, D.J. asks why Roseanne makes him lie about his age when they go to the movies. "...more money to give to charity," she lies.

Finally, D.J. declares, "I don't think Darlene and David should be having sex without being married." (David is her live-in boyfriend.)

Roseanne and Dan both refuse to address the issue. Darlene changes the subject by suggesting D.J. ask mom about the stove she's stealing. Roseanne insists that the company "gave" it to her, and that it's nothing to the "big company" which "screws little people" like her all the time.

Roseanne sells the stove and divides the money with her partners. Confronted by D.J. even as they divide the spoils, Roseanne screams at her child, "Get off my back!! Even God took a day off!!"

Leon, Roseanne's homosexual business partner, observes, "That delivery man is *cute!* Wait 'til he finds out he's gay!"

Simply put, the story is that of a young boy searching for a moral anchor. He raises the issues of lying, cheating, stealing, and illicit teen sex, and on every point his family ridicules, patronizes or openly attacks him for implying that there are any standards of right and wrong.

Contempt for Christianity is the clear theme from start to finish.

**Advertisers: Levi Strauss, PM/General Foods**

her hide the body. Ensuing episodes follow Jack's land scam, focus on his promiscuity, and clarify that illicit sex is going to be a mainstay of the series. Bernard Lechowick wrote and Deepak Nayar produced the initial episodes.

**Advertiser: Procter & Gamble**

■ **Jewels** (NBC, 8/12 and 13) This miniseries delivered what NBC promised – sleazy and illicit sex, revolving around the wealthy Whitfields. After divorcing her first husband, Sara Thompson falls in love with William Whitfield. While he's away in World War II, the Germans turn the Whitfield's French estate into a hospital and Sara falls in love with her German captor. After the war, the show follows Whitfield children to adulthood, through their jealousies and illicit affairs. Phillip Whitfield even begins having sex with his brother's wife. Several bed scenes and semi-nude scenes occur. The series, based on a Danielle Steel novel, was produced by Hans Proppe.

**Advertiser: Procter & Gamble**

■ **Martin** (Fox, 9/1) This episode is the season premiere, and continues the series' focus on the illicit sexual relationship of a live-together couple. Martin, the series hero, has disappeared and left Gina, his lover, only a video-taped message saying he has to get away for awhile. Gina is frantic in her search for him. When a cancelled check leads her to a religious cult's commune, she and her friends go to rescue Martin.

Martin explains that he cannot go with her, and that he is celibate now. (To the latter declaration, Gina reacts with horror.) When "Her Motherness," the cult leader, offers Martin the position of "high priest" in exchange for sex, Martin decides to return to Gina. Phil Kellard and Tom Moore wrote the script which boasted a dozen profanities; producers were Cheryl Holliday and Mark J. Greenberg.

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■ **Living Single** (Fox, 9/1) Another season premiere, this episode focused again on the sexual exploits of the series regulars – four single

## THE GOOD STUFF

Fortunately, summer re-runs also included a few bright spots. Among them were the following. Procter and Gamble was top advertiser on these three.

### CBS movie is rare decent story

On August 14, CBS repeated **The Secret**, a movie focusing on relationships of three generations – nine-year-old Danny, his father Patrick, and Grandpa. Patrick resents his father because he avoided spending time with Patrick during his boyhood. On the other hand, there is a close bond between Grandpa and Danny.

After Danny's teacher discovers he has a learning disability, he is diagnosed as having dyslexia. Ultimately, Grandpa confesses before a political rally (while campaigning for a town council seat) that he has never been able to read. This act of honesty results in a healing of strained relationships among all three of the main characters.

Producers were Craig Anderson and Robert Halmi; Cynthia A. Cherbak wrote the script.

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### ABC sitcom episode deserves applause

The August 17 repeat of **Home Improvement** had family-oriented fare with no profanity and no sleaze. Jill, the sitcom mom, and hubby Tim attend a dinner honoring Jill for her charity work. Tim forgot a promise to provide hosts a photo of Jill and, at the last minute, gave them her driver's license photo. Arriving at the dinner, Jill is greeted by a poster-size copy of the pitiful and unflattering photo, on which attendees had written notes of thanks and congratulations. Jill is hurt that Tim hadn't taken the event seriously. He resolves the problem by surprising her a few days later with a poster of a glamorous Jill, complete with notes from friends.

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### Christy scores again

CBS repeated initial episodes of the highly-acclaimed **Christy** series, based on Catherine Marshall's novel of the same title. The August 24 episode, written by Patricia Green, had no profanity. The story focused on a long-standing feud between the McCombs and the Taylors. Christy, a teacher in a mission school, uses the play *Romeo and Juliet* to teach children the futility of family feuds.

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women and two men. Kyle and Maxine (who normally hate each other, as evidenced by their constant put-downs and name-calling) awaken one morning to discover that they'd spent the night having drunken sex together. Both confess to their friends the next morning, and the balance of the 30 minutes is spent in speculation on whether they'll decide to continue to hate each other or become sex partners. In addition, series star Khadija boasts to the other women about having sex three times last night with her new lover – in the kitchen.

### Advertiser: McDonald's Anti-Christian themes return

■ **Law & Order** (NBC, 8/31) The New York clergyman depicted in this episode is a self-righteous, irrational anti-Semitic law breaker. Rev. Ott is incensed when a 12-year-old black child is killed as he dashes into the street in front of a car driven by Joshua Burger, a Jew. The preacher holds street rallies which lead to riots in which a young black man pulls a passing motorist from his car and beats him to death. The preacher, the murderer's attorney and

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### NEA wants refund from film maker

The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) wants its money back from a film maker who used a tax-funded grant in the making of a movie about an incestuous relationship between a teenage boy and his mother. But returning the money has nothing to do with the content of the film.

David O. Russell, the director of **Spanking the Monkey** (a slang term for masturbation), was awarded an NEA grant in 1989 to make a half-hour film entitled "Lucky Garden." In 1991 he informed the NEA that he wanted to change his project. The NEA said no, so Russell promised in writing that he would stick to the original film, but he didn't.

The film is about a college student home for the summer, caring for his bored, demanding mother who is suffering from a broken leg. The two end up in an incestuous interlude.

### Leftwingers silent about Clinton using pulpit to push crime bill

There should be no more criticism from President Clinton, leftwing organizations or Democratic Party leaders of conservative Christians concerned about the future of our country concerning the role of religion. The President recently used the pulpit of the Full Gospel AME Zion Church in Temple Hills, Maryland, to promote his crime bill. They criticize and condemn religious conservatives who act on their values, then turn around and use the pulpit of a church to promote the President's political agenda.

Not surprisingly, People for the American Way, the ACLU, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, or no other leftwing group criticized the President for his actions. "Where

are their red flags of alarm and declarations that the foundation of America is being threatened? Where are their cries about the separation of church and state?" asked AFA president Donald E. Wildmon.

Wildmon said the President's actions are nothing new for the liberal left. "They have been using organized religion for years to promote their values."

### Homosexual Disney executive interviewed in *The Advocate*

Tom Shumacher, the executive producer of Disney's animation blockbuster **The Lion King**, was featured in an interview in *The Advocate*, a well-known national magazine for homosexuals.

In the interview Shumacher, an open homosexual, said, "I was an out [of the closet] gay man when I came to Disney. I know it is surprising, because when people think of this company, they remember gay men not being able to dance together at Disneyland. But now there are a lot of gay people here at every level. It is a very supportive environment."

The 36-year-old vice-president of feature animation is "one of the most influential homosexuals in Hollywood, he leads the department that cultivates stories to be turned into Disney magic," the *Advocate* article said.

Commenting on his work at Disney, Shumacher said, "We endeavor to make movies about something. This department is now developing about 25 features. With every one of them we say, 'What is this about?' Sometimes they are quite noble." *The Advocate* said, "Shumacher's self-defined role is to develop stories with a social consciousness."

When *The Advocate* asked whether there will ever be a place for homosexual characters to appear in a Disney cartoon classic, Shumacher answers, "I am loathe to say there are characters who

## American families

### Recent studies on family life

From the University of North Carolina and the Battelle Centers for Public Health Research and Evaluation (about the effects of social context on the sexual behavior of adolescent women)

- A young woman who lives with a divorced mother employed outside the home is significantly more likely to engage in premarital intercourse than peers living in intact homes in which mothers are homemakers.
- Religious commitment reduces the likelihood of premarital intercourse.

The Family in America, New Research, 9/94

From the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the University of Utah

- The children most at risk of being abused are those who are not living with both biological parents.

The Family in America, New Research, 9/94

From Louis Harris and Associates, Inc. (a survey of teachers, students and law enforcement officials concerning the reason for violence in schools)

- All three groups agree: the leading cause of violence in public schools is "lack of parental supervision at home."
- Second leading cause is "lack of family involvement with the school."

The Family in America, New Research, 9/94

From the Census Bureau report "Marital Status and Living Arrangements"

- 27% or 18 million American children grow up in single-parent homes.
- The single parent is almost as likely to be never married (35%) as divorced (37%).
- The number of unmarried couples living together numbers 3.5 million, nearly seven times the 1970 figure.

National and International Religion Report, 8/22/94

From the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) a study that challenges the widespread assumptions that adopted children and their families have more problems than natural families.

- The four-year survey found "most adoptive families are thriving, and most adoptive adolescents show no sign that adoption has a negative effect on their identity development, mental health or well-being."

Presbyterian Pro-Life News, Fall, 1994

are gay in our movies because people will want me to go backward and point them out."

Actors Ernie Sabella and Nathan Lane said in a New York Times interview that the characters they played [Timon, the meerkat, and Pumbaa, the wart hog] in the hit Disney movie **The Lion King** are homosexual. (See *AFA Journal*, 9/94.)

Shumacher also told *The Ad-*

*vocate* that he was instrumental in bringing homosexual musician Elton John into **The Lion King** project to compose the music.

Commenting about Disney's supportive work environment for homosexuals, Schumacher said he takes his male lover, whom he calls his "husband," to Disney company retreats and that Disney executives Michael

Eisner and Jeffrey Katzenberg don't "bat an eye."

Human Events, 8/12/94;  
New York Times, 6/12/94;  
The Advocate, 6/25/94

### Senate says no to paying for pro-homosexual teaching in schools

The Senate voted 63-36 in early August to cut off federal funds to any school district that teaches acceptance of homosexuality as a lifestyle. The vote came on an amendment to an education funding bill proposed by Republican Senator Jesse Helms (NC) and Senator Lob Smith (NH).

The House of Representatives included a similar amendment when it passed the Elementary and Secondary Education Act which provides \$12.5 billion in federal funds to the nation's public schools. Differences between the two versions will have to be worked out by a conference committee before the bill can be signed into law by President Clinton. A House challenge is expected, and House-Senate conferees could eliminate it altogether.

Smith said school districts use the money to buy books and other materials that are "so graphic and so disgusting that I can't display them here on the floor of the United States Senate."

Homosexual rights lobbyists are downplaying the impact of the vote saying they are confident the proposal will die before final approval.

The measure would cut federal aid to districts that "carry out a program or activity that has either the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative." Included would be such programs as Project 10, a nationally known counseling program for homosexual high school students and curricula like *Heather Has Two Mommies* and *Daddy's Roommate* which depict homosexual couples in family settings with children.

Openly homosexual Los Angeles school board member Jeff

Horton said, "I can't imagine the federal government just cutting off money to Los Angeles - no matter what we did. My position would be, screw 'em. We're going to continue to meet the needs of all students and take what comes."

Write or call your Senator or Congressman at:  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510  
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Washington, DC 20515  
phone: 202-225-3121

L.A. Times, 8/4/94; Clarion-Ledger, 8/2/94;  
Washington Times, 8/2/94

### Seattle recognizes domestic partners

Seattle joins a handful of other cities across the nation in allowing unmarried homosexual and heterosexual couples to register as domestic partners with the city.

Clarion-Ledger, 8/3/94

### GM jumps on "diversity" bandwagon

In a recent company publication entitled "Public Interest Report," General Motors introduced its new recognition of the importance of "diversity" in its workforce.

The publication states: "By diversity, we mean much more than race and gender. Diversity also includes such factors as family status, military service, ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, education, age and physical abilities."

The address: General Motors Corporation, Chrm. John G. Smale, 3004 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202, Phone 313-556-5000.

### USDA employee threatens suit over rights violation

One of the USDA's own equal opportunity managers has threatened to bring suit against his employer for violation of his civil rights. (See *AFA Journal*, 7/94.)

In a television interview 49-year-old Karl Mertz expressed

disapproval of his department's policy concerning the promotion of homosexuality (See *AFA Journal*, 9/94). He was officially on vacation at the time. Mertz was quickly transferred from his position as EEO manager of a 10-state Southeastern region on the Agricultural Research Service to a post for which he says he has "no training, no experience, and no interest."

Mertz is now being represented by the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty.

Human Events, 8/5/94

### Ad in college newspaper encourages acceptance of homosexuals

When students returned to school at the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) this fall, they were greeted by an ad in the campus newspaper with the headline: "Your Gay and Lesbian Friends Welcome You Back to School."

The ad, which ran in the Daily Mississippian, was written by an organization called Sons and Daughters of America of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and paid for by an alumnus.

The ad features a photo of a smiling, handsome college male on his way to class. The text of the ad reads in part: "By the time you graduate, there is a good chance one of your friends will tell you he or she is gay. Being gay is not a choice, but you can choose to accept and support your friends at a time when they need you most." The ad also includes the telephone number of the local Gay Alliance. Included in the ad in small print: "The views reflected in this ad do not necessarily represent those of the Daily Mississippian or the University of Mississippi."

If your college newspaper has run this ad or a similar one, please send it to the *AFA Journal*.

### CBS chooses homosexual to play homosexual in new prime-time sitcom

CBS has cast prime-time's first openly homosexual actor to play a homosexual character in

the new sitcom *Daddy's Girls* set to premiere September 21 at 7:30 p.m., Central Time.

Harvey Fierstein, the outspoken playwright and actor who has been openly homosexual for years, will play a supporting character described in press materials as a "very creative and highly strung designer."

When asked at a press gathering about Fox network's decision to cut away from a *Melrose Place* gay character as he was about to kiss another man, Fierstein said, "I think we're going to skip the kissing and I'll go straight to my knees."

Concerning the development of his character, Dennis, Fierstein said, "They're still sort of deciding whether he has a long-term relationship or whether he'll be a slut."

Minneapolis Star Tribune, 8/11/94; Dispatches, 8/19/94

### Prospects bleak for AIDS treatment

A sense of foreboding pervaded the 10th International Conference on AIDS held in Yokohama, Japan, in early August. More than 11,000 scientists, journalists and AIDS activists and patients from 128 countries attended. Highlights from the conference:

- Experts revealed that advances in AIDS treatment are few and far between. "There will not be major breakthroughs [announced] here," said Dr. Peter Piot of the World Health Organization (WHO). At the first conference nine years ago in Atlanta researchers predicted the development of a vaccine by 1986.

- Dr. George Lundberg, editor of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* predicted that "no successful method of treatment or prevention will have been fully implemented" at the end of the next century and "AIDS will still be a serious endemic disease throughout the world" then.

- Worldwide the estimated number of AIDS cases has gone up 60% in the last year from 2.5

million in July, 1993, to about 4 million today. The pace of increase is somewhat slower in the U.S.

• The WHO expects the number of HIV-positive individuals in Asia, 2.5 million now, to quadruple to 10 million by the turn of the century. Asia is becoming the center of the global AIDS epidemic.

### Hefner signs books at Kmart-owned book store

Playboy empire founder Hugh Hefner autographed copies of *40 Years: The Playboy Book*, at a Brentano's book store in Century City, California, on August 4.

Brentano's is owned by Kmart, one of the nation's largest retailers of pornography in America. Kmart also owns Waldenbooks and Borders Book Stores.

The American Family Association has been leading a boycott of Kmart for four years.

Variety, 7/26/94

### Porn tied to murder case

The father and mother of an eight-year-old girl found strangled in her home face charges of raping and murdering their daughter on July 31, 1992. Police searching the home of Gussie Willis Vann, 42, found sexually oriented paraphernalia, pornographic magazines, videotapes and guns.

Vann is already serving a 50-year sentence after being convicted in January for raping his 15-year-old niece.

Commercial Appeal, 8/10/94

### Sears photographer doing business with Playboy

CPI Corporation, the company contracted through Sears to provide portrait services to families under the name "Sears Portrait Studios," is planning to diversify into the business of helping *Playboy* magazine digitally catalogue its nine million photographs, according to *Forbes* magazine.

CPI Corporation of St. Louis, Missouri, pioneered the idea of

putting photo studios in retail chains. Today there are 1,000 Sears Portrait Studios throughout North America.

The address: Sears, Roebuck and Co., Chrm. Edward A. Brennan, 3333 Beverly Rd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60179, Phone 708-286-2500.

Forbes, 10/25/93

### Esquire plans centerfolds

*Esquire* magazine will begin running nude centerfolds starting with its November issue. The editor-in-chief of the publication said, "We are not dipping into sleaze. It will be very high-end. I can't imagine anyone would object to it." Model Cindy Crawford is among those expected to be featured as centerfolds.

The address: Hearst Corporation, Chrm. Randolph Hearst, 959 Eighth Ave., New York, NY 10019, Phone 212-649-2000.

Advertising Age, 8/22/94

### Raucy rap group, New 2 Live Crew, banned

The rap group New 2 Live Crew has been banned from future shows at Bayfront Center in St. Petersburg, Florida, amid allegations of an on-stage sex act during a concert this summer.

St. Petersburg police chief said the group is under criminal investigation over a performance in which the rap group pulled about 20 audience members on stage to join four female dancers.

A 14-year-old boy from the audience dropped his pants and one of the women allegedly performed oral sex on him before the crowd of 5,000, a police spokeswoman said.

New 2 Live Crew is an offshoot of the original raucy rap group 2 Live Crew.

In a related story the original 2 Live Crew's Luther Campbell is starting a pornography magazine named *Scandalous*. The magazine is planned to debut this winter. Campbell promises three centerfolds depicting women of all races.

Associated Press, 8/4/94;

Newsweek, 8/1/94

### Prayer interrupts burglary

When Cindy Hartman walked in on a burglary in progress in her home, the thief was confronted with much more than a frightened victim.

Mrs. Hartman, 26, noticed an end table missing as she entered her home. The phone was ringing, so she answered it. As she was talking on the phone, she was confronted by the burglar already in the house. He ripped the phone cord out of the wall and ordered her into a cramped bedroom closet.

She dropped to her knees.

"I asked if I could pray for him," she said. "I told him: 'I want you to know that God loves you, and I forgive you.'"

"She asked him if he would like to kneel down with her and she'd pray for him, and he did," Kevin Hartman, her husband, said. "That's when he pretty much broke down."

The burglar got on his knees, apologized profusely and yelled to a woman in a pickup truck: "We've got to unload all of this. This is a Christian home and a Christian family. We can't do this to them."

Mrs. Hartman stayed put as the furniture was moved from the truck back into her home.

Jonesboro (Arkansas) Sun, 7/29/94

### Two Disney movies avoid NC-17, another pending

Two movies made by Disney-owned companies have been edited to avoid an NC-17 (formerly "X") rating. The re-rating appeal of another Disney NC-17 film is pending. An NC-17 rating limits a film's money making potential.

*Color of Night*, described as an "erotic thriller," avoided the NC-17 rating by editing the most explicit scenes which featured full frontal nudity between the stars, Bruce Willis and Jane Marsh.

Bootleg copies of the movie were distributed in Hollywood

and the producer, Hollywood Pictures, was warned that if changes weren't made the film would receive the adults only label (See *AFA Journal*, 8/94.) Hollywood Pictures is owned by the Walt Disney Company.

*The Advocate*, produced by Miramax Films, was slapped with an NC-17 rating for its nudity. The Disney-owned company hired well-known attorney William Kunstler to represent them in an appeal to the Motion Picture Association of America. When the appeal to re-rate the film was denied, Miramax threatened court action to secure an "R" rating without cuts. Later, however, the company cut a 12-second sex scene and the MPA granted the "R" rating.

Miramax also produced the film *Clerks* which received an NC-17 rating for its graphic language describing the sex act. Miramax hired high profile attorney Alan Dershowitz to appeal the rating. *Clerks* is scheduled to be released October 21. At press time the NC-17 rating stood.

The Sunday Oklahoman, 8/7/94;

Daily Variety, 8/4/94; 8/9/94; 8/10/94;

8/12/94; 8/17/94; USA Today, 8/22/94

### Disney and others making lesbian films

Several movies about lesbian life are planned for release in the coming year.

• **Chicks in White Satin** is from Disney's Hollywood Pictures. The film is about a lesbian couple who decide on a semitraditional "commitment ceremony."

• **Boys on the Side** stars Whoopi Goldberg, Drew Barrymore and Mary-Louise Parker. The film is planned for distribution next year.

• **Sister, My Sister** is about lesbian housemaids who share their dark secret in a traditional French town.

• **Bar Girls** is a comedy about lesbian relationships.

• **The Grethe Cammer-meyer Story** is an NBC-TV movie starring Glenn Close and produced by Barbara Streisand.

• **A Tale of Two Brides** is a

Columbia Pictures release about two sisters planning a wedding - one of them is a lesbian.

Glamour, 8/94

### New film looks at Hollywood and violence

**Licensed to Kill: Unholy Hollywood** is a new documentary from American Portrait Films, Inc. which exposes the violence of Hollywood. Aimed at pastors, youth leaders and teens, the film explores our culture's fascination with dramatized violence and its effect on the viewer.

**Licensed to Kill** was produced by Eric Holmberg, producer of **Hell's Bells**, **MTV Examined** and **Massacre of Innocence**.

The documentary is \$19.95 and is available at Christian bookstores.

### MTV offers new outrageous cartoon

In the gross-out style of **Beavis and Butt-head**, MTV has debuted another repulsive cartoon series, **The Brothers Grunt**.

*TV Guide* says the four main characters are "pale, twitchy, with horrific patches of bulging veins, clad in naught but Bermuda shorts, black socks and wing tips. They ooze, belch, turn themselves more or less inside out, and much more. Beer is guzzled by the mugful, and in one repulsive early scene - family alert! - a brother picks up an old condom in the street and sniffs it. This, at 7 p.m."

TV Guide, 8/13/94

### Killer views violent film, goes on killing spree

Possibly just hours before he began a spree of rapes and slayings, serial killer Danny Harold Rollings watched the movie **Exorcist III**.

In his death penalty trial in Gainesville, Florida, a defense psychiatrist testified that Rollings lived in a world of "magic, fantasy and mysticism" and could have been influenced by the movie.

A second mental health expert noted the similarities between

Rollings' slayings of five college students in August, 1990, and the movie in which a killing spirit named "Gemini" was blamed for stabbings, mutilations and decapitations.

Associated Press, 3/18/94

### Focus on the Family picks a bone with Blockbuster

Bob DeMoss, Jr., the editor of *Parental Guidance*, a publication of Focus on the Family, is encouraging readers to write or call Blockbuster Entertainment Corporation and encourage the company to return to its family-friendly roots.

On a recent visit to his local Blockbuster DeMoss found:

- More than 700 "slasher films."
- A newly designed in-store rating, "17+," created by Blockbuster, evidently used to identify videos containing material closer to "X" than "R." DeMoss said the new rating was "routinely placed on salacious titles oozing with half-dressed, well-endowed women."

• A new "Wild Action" section featuring titles such as **Women in Cages**, **Stripped to Kill** and **Too Hot to Handle**.

• Over 100 titles under the selection category "Wild Comedies." Titles included **Swinging Wives**, **Going All the Way**, and **Best Buns on the Beach**.

• Availability of movies in an "R" rating or the "uncut" versions featuring the inclusion of "explicit scenes never before released."

• **Erotic Tales of the Unexpected**, a video from Playboy's "Inside Out" series.

• Misleading rating - DeMoss found titles rated "R" that MPAA researchers say have never been rated at all.

Address concerns to:

Mr. N. Wayne Huizenga,  
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Blockbuster Entertainment  
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901 East Las Olas Blvd.

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## Church of the Brethren responds to *Journal* article

On behalf of the Church of the Brethren, I welcome this opportunity to respond to concerns raised by an article in the July 1994 issue of the *AFA Journal* and to clarify the official denominational policy on homosexuality.

In May 1994, while serving as a volunteer in the Church of the Brethren Washington Office, John L. Harvey used office letterhead to write a personal letter of support to IKEA furniture company, with a copy to AFA, regarding a television commercial featuring a homosexual male couple. The resulting AFA headline implied [to our thinking] that the Church of the Brethren supports homosexuality. This, in fact, is not the case.

In 1983, our Annual Conference, the body of highest authority in the Church of the Brethren, adopted a statement on human sexuality which clearly declared that the homosexual lifestyle "is not acceptable," and at the same time opposed harassment. This official position was reaffirmed by the Annual Conference in 1993 and again in 1994.

Mr. Harvey has publicly apologized for inappropriately using denominational letterhead and his volunteer title in his personal letter. He has also explained that his letter was never intended to reflect the official policy of the Church of the Brethren.

Though I regret the confusion stemming from the publication of Mr. Harvey's letter, I appreciate the invitation from AFA to provide this means of accurately presenting the official position of the Church of the Brethren on this matter.

(Rev. Dr.) Donald E. Miller  
General Secretary  
Church of the Brethren

### resurrection not true

A movie which suggests that the resurrection of Jesus Christ is not true is scheduled to begin shooting in January, 1995.

**The Body** is based on an adaptation of a Richard Saphir novel which *Daily Variety* says, "might be a cross - no pun intended - between **The Last Temptation of Christ** and **Raiders of the Lost Ark**."

The story is about a Jerusalem archaeologist who finds a tomb that is supposed to be where Jesus was buried and rose. The archaeologist finds human bones with evidence that points to the identity of Christ.

Catholic, Jewish and Palestinian groups become involved in trying to cover up or expose the finding - all for their own political purposes.

Daily Variety, 8/2/94

### U.S. Senator Burns says no to homosexuals

Due to an error in a list published by the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), a homosexual lobby, the *AFA Journal* incorrectly reported in the August, 1994, edition (page 9) that U.S. Senator Conrad Burns of Montana, was one of a group of Senators who had signed a pledge saying they will not discriminate in employment practices based on sexual preference. Burns did not sign the pledge.

Instead, he faxed to HRCF a page from his office personnel manual stating the applicable provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1991 to which all Senate offices are subject. The policy makes no specific statement concerning non-discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

# Can they do that in school?

PARENTS ACROSS THE NATION ARE beginning to question some of the activities in which their children are asked to participate in public schools. These include self-esteem curriculum, assessment tests asking personal questions about the students and their families, and similar matters. Often the school will tell students, and even parents, that they are

not permitted to see the instructional materials for these programs. There is protection against such intrusions into family privacy, but many are not aware of it.

## THE HATCH AMENDMENT

Enacted in 1978 and amended in 1994, the so-called "Hatch Amendment" (20 U.S.C.

§1232h) requires that all instructional material, including teachers' manuals, films, tapes, or other supplementary materials that will be used in connection with any applicable program shall be available for inspection by the parents or guardians of the children. It also forbids schools to require students to submit to any survey, analysis or evaluation that is designed to elicit information about:

- (a) political affiliations;
- (b) mental and psychological problems potentially embarrassing to the student or his family;
- (c) sex behavior and attitudes;
- (d) illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating and demeaning behavior;
- (e) critical appraisals of other individuals with whom the students have close family relationships;

(f) legally recognized privileged and analogous relationships such as lawyers, physicians or ministers; and

(g) income (other than required by law), without the prior consent of the student (if an adult) or the prior written consent of the parent (if the student is a minor).

The previous version of the Hatch Amendment was limited to experimental and unproven projects or techniques. The 1994 changes expand its coverage to all areas of educational materials and practices.

## STATE LAWS PROVIDING FOR PARENTAL RIGHTS

Some states have laws establishing parental rights of decision-making and authority for the education and welfare of the students. If your state has such a law, you should familiarize yourself with it, then compare the materials and programs at the school with the law's requirements.

## STATE OR DISTRICT GUIDELINES FOR CURRICULUM SELECTION

Most states, and many regional or local school districts, have guidelines for the selection and adoption of curriculum materials. Parents are entitled to review these guidelines, and are often permitted to participate in the selection process. This involvement can give parents input at this crucial stage to help select appropriate curriculum materials.

## THE ESTABLISHMENT CLAUSE OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT

This prohibits the state (through the schools) from "the establishment" of any religion. This means that a school may not act in such a manner as to give the appearance of endorsing or encouraging a religion. The establishment clause is violated when a

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## Help restore our nation to her foundation of faith, family and freedom. Start an Aletheia club in your high school.

Aletheia is a new Christian club forming in public high schools around the country. Here are some common questions and answers concerning Aletheia.

**Q:** Does a high school have the constitutional right to form a Bible club which would meet on school grounds?

**A:** The Equal Access Act, passed by Congress in June, 1984, forbids any public secondary school from banning Bible clubs as long as a school has a "limited open forum." Only where a school has prohibited all extracurricular clubs may it exclude Bible clubs. Schools may not require attendance at a Bible club; clubs must be non-discriminatory and

non-disruptive; and clubs need to follow all school regulations set for other clubs.

**Q:** What is Aletheia?

**A:** Aletheia is a student-led, national public school Christian club. The purpose of Aletheia is students supporting students in the Biblical truth about faith, family and freedom. Aletheia is a New Testament Greek word meaning "truth."

**Q:** How can an Aletheia group be started in my community?

**A:** An Aletheia group starts with you. Since Aletheia is a student-organized and student-led group, your involvement is essential. To help

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FAITH, FAMILY & FREEDOM

# War with fatherhood has taken toll

By **MONA CHAREN**

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**T**wo extremely active preschoolers keep me more or less permanently behind the times on the subject of movies. But I did recently see *The Remains of the Day* on tape.

The movie reminds one, once again, of the essential fragility of things that seem so enduring.

Look at the social hierarchy depicted, accurately I think, in that film. The code of duty, honor and responsibility that was so ingrained in generations of Britons – a code that was strong enough to keep the butler serving at table even while his father lay dying upstairs – all of that has been swept away in a heartbeat.

One of the differences between conservatives and liberals is that liberals tend to think you can tinker with social, economic and political arrangements endlessly, while conservatives believe that the veneer of civilization is actually quite thin – and too much tampering with the foundations will bring the whole thing down.

What puts our civilization at risk? What forces are at work that could make 1994 America look as antique 50 years from now as the butler's world looks to us in *The Remains of the Day*?

The forces that were unleashed by, roughly speaking, Woodstock – a lamentable anniversary – have been corroding the foundations of our civilization for 30 years. These years have witnessed a thoroughgoing attack on the American character. Instead of inculcating notions of honor, self-reliance, duty and responsibility we have become a nation of self-pitying whiners, fast with a lawsuit and slow with child-support checks. We wallow in excuses for poor products and lousy test scores.

But the most worrisome aspect of the decline of character is reflected in families. To an unprecedented degree, American men are not performing their jobs as fathers.

David Blankenhorn directs the Institute for American Values in New York, and together with Don Eberly of the Commonwealth Foundation in Pennsylvania, he has launched the "Fatherhood Initiative."

There is, these men believe, nothing more important to the health of society than men undertaking the role of father.

"There is very little you can do to sever

the ties between women and their children," Blankenhorn notes. "Crack cocaine can do it but that's about it. Otherwise the emotional ties are firm."

But men are different. Men can detach themselves from their children, and our experience of the past 30 years has shown just how easily they can let go (just how fragile are the foundations of civilization). Without the strong societal message that to be a good man means shouldering the responsibilities for your wife and children, many men are content to abandon their families.

And when they do, the results for children are catastrophic. Sixty percent of rapists, 72% of adolescent murderers and 70% of long-term prison inmates grew up in fatherless homes. Forty percent of American children now live in families without their biological fathers. Half of these have never been in their father's home.

But it isn't just at the pathological extremes that father absence works its mischief. Every child needs a father. A boy needs a father to show him what it means to be a man.

He learns how to treat women by watching the way his father treats his mother. Girls derive ambition, self-confidence and a general attitude toward men from their relationship with Dad.

This is not to slight mothers. Mothers are crucial too. But mothers are not abandoning their children. As Blankenhorn notes, it is not necessary for society to urge mothers to undertake their responsibilities.

But the data are quite clear that mothers alone have a tough time socializing their children, particularly their sons. And they have a tough time making ends meet. Seventy-five percent of children in single-parent families experience poverty before the age of 11.

For 30 years our culture has been at war with fatherhood. It was claimed that fathers were stifling, emotionally remote, overly strict and ultimately, superfluous. Feminists who see today's challenge as getting fathers to pay child support are missing the point. The great challenge is to return men to the business of being fathers.



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# Emergency room philosophy

BY DR. JOHN SILBER

Right to Read Report, March 1994

Let me begin with what may seem to be a truism: the most important duty of our schools is to teach all students to read and write. This is a truism only in the sense that it is obviously true. But unfortunately it is not a truism in the sense that it does not need saying, because as a matter of tragic fact our schools fail to teach many of their students to read and write.

If you ask the Census Bureau, you will be told that 95% of Americans are literate. This figure is obtained through an appallingly dishonest process. The Census Bureau counts as literate anyone who attends school through the fifth grade, entirely without regard to whether he or she can read or write. When we look at the actual performance of adult Americans, we find that the truth is grim indeed.

A recent major study commissioned by the federal government reports that almost half of adult Americans lack the literacy needed to write a letter correcting a billing error. This means that nearly half of Americans are, in essence, uneducated. In fact, they are also left uneducable, for if their schools fail to teach them to read and write, they cannot teach them anything else and, worst of all, they rob them of the ability to learn on their own. Can anyone doubt that not being able to read makes school devastatingly boring and powerfully encourages dropping out?

A student who is fully literate, by contrast, is capable not merely of participating in the structured education provided by a curriculum and a classroom, but also of further independent self-education.

And the quality of self-education is not limited by whatever inadequacies may exist in the classroom. The education afforded Abraham Lincoln in the frontier schools was both erratic and primitive. But Lincoln was taught to read and write, and he took it from there; he educated himself in geometry, literature and law by reading on his own.

The millions of American children who are not taught to read lose the opportunity for education of any sort. They are disqualified for any but the least attractive and worst-paying jobs in the economy. They are unable to participate in their society and must exist, at best, as third-class citizens. Their inability

and dependency cripple the country's ability to compete in a global and interdependent economy.

If our schools fail to teach our children to read and write, they fail essentially and inexcusably. If as many as 20% of the surgical patients at a hospital died on the operating table, that hospital would be shut down and might never reopen. But the schools are not held accountable for a far worse rate of failure.

This failure is neither tolerable nor inevitable. We must realize that our high illiteracy rates are an American disease. In other English-speaking countries, from England to Jamaica to New Zealand, any child of at least ordinary intelligence becomes literate

**What happened to America? The answer is quite clear. The teaching of reading, which had once been the province of elementary school teachers was delivered into the hands of so-called "experts" in the schools of education. And such experts recoil at the old maxim "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." They proceed with a different and perverse maxim: "If it works in practice, it must be wrong in theory." Inflamed by their dogmatism, they rejected the traditional use of phonetics in teaching reading, and replaced it with word-recognition, often called "look-**

in the earliest school years and thus enabled to complete the later stages and to lead a fulfilled life in a modern society.

This was once the case in the United States. During World War II, for example, the armed forces learned through testing that only 9% of inductees were illiterate; and most of these had never gone to school. But by 1964, 20% of inductees – most of whom had gone to school – were illiterate. And another 20% were only marginally literate.

Sixty years ago, the public would have been puzzled by the title of a book called *Why Johnny Can't Read*. But by 1955, when Rudolf Flesch used the title, everyone knew what he meant.

And one group in America has suffered disproportionately from our failure to teach literacy. One of the most appalling declines in literacy has occurred among African-Americans over 14. In 1930, over 80% of African-Americans could read. In 1990, however, only 56% of African-Americans over 14 could read! This decline is the more appalling when we consider that between 1930 and 1990, the nation made a major commitment to educating black children on terms of equality with white children. If our schools were performing competently, the proportion of literate blacks would have increased sharply.

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Because they correctly observed that English spelling is not as completely phonetic as that of Italian, Spanish or German, they missed the far more important point that English is written phonetically. They proceeded to teach reading as if English were Chinese, a language in which the written characters give no clue whatever to the sounds of the words.

To treat English as if it were Chinese requires first-grade students who enter school with an oral vocabulary of from three to six

thousand words to memorize the spelling of these thousands of words. Had they been taught the phonetic method, after learning a few hundred words they could deduce by phonetic techniques the pronunciation of thousands. A child who has learned to sound the letters of the alphabet can move quickly from the simple word bat to read cat, fat, hat, mat, pat, rat, sat, and so on.

The results of the non-phonetic approach were, predictably, disastrous. Since the theory was utterly wrong-headed, the teachers forced to use it were bound to fail with many of their pupils. We must not blame the teachers for this failure but those educationists who imposed methods bound to fail.

The most remarkable feature of the crisis in literacy is the fact that we stand for it. We would be less forgiving in almost any other area. If the [transit authority] came up with the cock-eyed theory that red is an improper color for mass transit and consequently closed down the Red Line, those responsible would be promptly removed.

But we accept the fundamental failure of our schools in developing literacy. We continue school committees and superintendents in office and we continue to provide funding for schools that fail in their most elemental duty. And so of course the failure goes on with our acquiescence.

It appears that our schools are not persuaded by simple self-respect to do the job for which they were created. The International Reading Association, the professional organization of teachers of reading, holds the position that phonics and look-see are equally satisfactory methods for teaching reading. This is like saying that radar and astrology are equally satisfactory techniques for predicting the weather. The dogmatic denial of error does not hide the tragic consequences of error. It is clear that the educational establishment ignores the disastrous results they produce.

We can see how little they understand the crisis they have brought upon us when we consider a recent proposal by the Commission on Reading of the National Council of Teachers of English to replace the phrase "standard English" with "privileged English." That is, African-American and Hispanic children are to be kept in a linguistic ghetto separate from the American mainstream. Denied standard English as a privileged dialect, schoolchildren are denied the language of Abraham Lincoln and Martin Luther King, of Mark Twain and Ralph Ellison, of W.E.B. Dubois and Carl Sandburg. For their language is a birthright of all American children, one that no one has the right to deny. The fact is, moreover, that standard English does confer

privileges on its users, and these privileges must be available to every child. That is what equality of opportunity means.

Let me propose a means for ending the failure and assuring all our children the birthright of language that makes us human. We must establish a reasonable criterion for success in teaching reading and writing and tie state aid to meeting the criterion. Let us say that no school system can receive state aid unless 90% of its fourth-grade students read and write at the fourth-grade level.

There is, of course, an analogous problem with the third "R." The literacy study I cited earlier also reports that nearly half of the adults surveyed were unable to calculate travel times using printed bus schedules. Evidence abounds that large numbers of Americans do not know enough arithmetic to balance a checkbook.

And here too the educationists have brought disaster upon us through the adoption of a fashionable theory without regard to results. In this case, the fad was "new math," deriving from set theory, which is perfectly useful in its place, that is, in higher mathematics. But it is as hostile to success in ciphering as look-see is to success in reading. Again, the educationist fixes a clock that was not broken, and millions of Americans are paying the price for their pretentious folly, deprived of the ability to work with numbers.

About the only good news in the teaching of mathematics is that the schools of Nebraska, a state which has rejected the New Math and gone back to traditional curricula, starting with counting sticks, are now fourth in the nation in mathematics.

And so I propose that adequate performance on math scores in the fourth grade be made another requirement for state funding. In the absence of any recognition by the schools that they are failing to teach arithmetic as well as reading and writing, drastic action will be required to get their attention.

I do not believe that reading, writing and arithmetic constitute an adequate curriculum for our schools. But they are prerequisites for any curriculum at all. In focusing my attention, and I hope yours, on these elementary issues, I am adopting the philosophy of the emergency room. We must stabilize the vital signs before considering long-term treatment. And we should have no doubt that judged by their performance, our schools are candidates for the emergency room.

*Dr. Silber gave these remarks to the Massachusetts Commission on the Common Core of Learning, Gardner Auditorium, The State House, January 12, 1994.*

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# Clinton stops prosecution of obscenity

“Is the war on pornography over?” I have been asked that question periodically in the 18 months since leaving my Washington, D.C. post as head of the U.S. Department of Justice, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, the office responsible for prosecuting violations of federal obscenity (hard core pornography) laws. The question refers to the federal effort, begun by Attorney General Edwin Meese, III in 1986 targeting those trafficking in obscenity. The answer, though not readily apparent until recently is now clearly “yes.” *The war on pornography* (a phrase coined by Dr. James Dobson) is over and pornographers have won.

Nearly every battle in that war, however, was won decisively by the Department of Justice. This raises a far more important question: “How then, was it possible to lose the war?” That’s a fair question. To understand the answer, one must understand how the war was fought. In 1986, against the advice of nearly all his senior advisors, and with the strong encouragement of President Ronald Reagan, Meese set up a special prosecution task force to lead his effort. The task force, later renamed the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), was staffed by first-rate and experienced obscenity prosecutors. The prosecution of obscenity was made a “priority” by Meese, and the 93 U. S. Attorneys, the chief federal prosecutors throughout the country, knew the boss meant business. Meese ordered each U.S. Attorney to designate and train from his staff an obscenity prosecutor. He also enlisted the considerable investigative resources of the FBI, the Postal Inspection Service, and the U.S. Customs Service. Working with the Los Angeles Police Department (L.A. is home to most of the country’s major pornographers.), CEOS developed a long list of pornography kings from coast to coast who were suspected of being major obscenity violators, and targeted them for investigation. Thus began the war.

Those targeted quickly learned how formidable the federal effort was and they had no doubt that war had been declared on them. One by one the porn kings were convicted and sent off to jail. Many of those convicted had their business assets confiscated by the federal government to assure they wouldn’t return to their businesses after serving their time. The nature of pornography itself changed. It became “softer” because the industry knew that the harder the material,

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the easier the conviction. We were working down our target list and by the end of the Bush Administration, those in the pornography industry knew it was just a matter of time until the feds arrived at their door. While the end of the war was not yet in sight, its outcome was not in doubt.

Three elements were critical to the Justice Department success against pornographers during the Reagan and Bush presidencies – leadership, commitment, and resources. Both Presidents Reagan and Bush and their Attorneys General provided strong leadership for the war on pornography and spoke out regularly on its importance. President Reagan got Congress to pass his Child Exploitation and Obscenity Act of 1988, giving strong new tools to federal prosecutors. President Bush, speaking for the White House, twice condemned the ACLU notion that pornography is one of the “blessings of liberty” in American society and promised no let up in the effort. The commitment from the U.S. Attorneys and their staffs to prosecute those trafficking in illegal pornography was firm and constant. But leadership and commitment would have been meaningless without the resources necessary to conduct a nationwide campaign. While for nearly twenty years prior to this time, no substantial federal resources were made available for the prosecution of obscenity and thus the pornography industry thrived, this changed dramatically under Meese and succeeding U.S. Attorneys Richard Thornburgh and William Barr. We were given the resources to win and while winning didn’t come easy, it came often.

It is easy to fix a date that the war on pornography was lost, January 20, 1993 – Inauguration Day – though we didn’t know it for sometime thereafter. No final battle was fought. It was just a quiet, slow surrender.

In the Clinton Administration, neither the President nor the Attorney General has provided any leadership on the issue. Soon after he was sworn in, the President fired Bush’s U.S. Attorneys and appointed his own. Those he appointed generally have demonstrated that they are not committed to obscenity prosecutions and, in fact, for the most part, oppose them. As a consequence of this lack of leadership and of commitment, no significant federal resources are spent

on obscenity prosecutions. This explains a recent Wall Street Journal headline, “Porn Broker... Thrives in Business of Supplying Adult Entertainment.” The article details Kenny Guarino’s recent rise to the top of the pornography industry with his company, Southpoint Industries, which since last fall is publicly traded on the NASDAQ national stock market. The fact that Guarino (who, the Journal article intimates has ties to the Gambino organized crime family) would sell stock in his company on a national stock exchange says more about the priority of obscenity prosecutions in the Clinton Justice Department than it does about the hubris of those in the pornography industry.

One federal prosecutor told me recently that the prosecution of obscenity is a “dead issue” in this administration. Another, who has personally been responsible for numerous successful prosecutions, lamented to me that the effort is right back to where we were several years ago – no Washington leadership and not much happening. Still another, a senior Justice Department official, told me that the Clinton Administration targeted CEOS for abolishment. Only the great public and Congressional outcry over the Department’s weakened child pornography prosecution standard saved the section. Senior Justice and White House officials realized such a move could only further embarrass the Administration and increase the public outcry. The Department’s child pornography debacle itself only served to embolden those trafficking in illegal adult pornography. They could readily assume that if the Department wasn’t serious about prosecuting child pornographers, it certainly wasn’t interested in them.

The Supreme Court has ruled that prevailing community standards determine what pornography is “obscene” and only obscene pornography can be outlawed. Thus, perhaps in Manhattan only the more extreme hard-core pornography may be illegal, while pornography showing “mere” lewd exhibition of the genitals may be illegal under community standards in Tupelo, Mississippi. But what is illegal is essentially determined by what is successfully prosecuted in a community. That is because all pornography is presumptively protected by the First Amendment, according to the Supreme Court, until a court (normally in a jury trial) determines it to be “obscene.” Once certain items of pornography are determined in a court proceeding to be obscene in a community, then those items serve as a

guide for community standards. A typical prosecution may involve, for example, five or ten pornographic videos. The jury may find all videos to be obscene or may say, based on the themes or content involved, some are obscene and others are not. Whatever they decide helps to define community standards. Thus, when a U.S. Attorney refuses to bring any obscenity prosecution within his jurisdiction, he is, in effect, setting the community standard. And the standard is "anything goes." This is the problem the Clinton Administration is now creating. All pornography will soon be considered, by default, "non-obscene" and, thus, in effect, legal in all communities across America.

The question I have for President Clinton is why surrender to the pornography industry? Decency should not be a Republican-only issue. Nor is the First Amendment the

issue. The Supreme Court has held repeatedly that obscenity is without First Amendment protection.

By stating that the war on pornography is over, I don't mean that no one is fighting any longer. There are many across the land still in the fight and many will never give up. God bless them! But the spread of illegal pornography cannot be stopped without the leadership, commitment and resources of the federal government. Pornographers know this and, like Kenny Guarino, they're taking advantage of the opportunity President Clinton is giving them to expand their empires.

In his 1992 Presidential campaign, Bill Clinton wrote the following to those who would ask his views on the prosecution of illegal pornography: "Be assured that aggressive enforcement of federal obscenity laws by the Justice Department – particularly by

the Child Exploitation and Obscenity section – will be a priority in a Clinton-Gore administration." This unequivocal promise has been broken. The White House should hear from you on this. And it is appropriate to let your local United States Attorney know your views. (Some states have one U.S. Attorney, while larger states have as many as four. To locate the U.S. Attorney in your area, call information in the major cities.)

The short history of the Clinton Administration demonstrates that it has an extremely liberal agenda and the only way to alter it is with extreme public pressure. Let pressure begin.

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# Letters from porn addicts offer hope, seek help

When I was about eight or nine years old, I was sexually abused by another boy about five years older than myself. Ever since that time or until I was 37 years old, I had a confused belief system as to what sex or love or intimacy was. I believed sex was love....

I wanted to be loved, and since sex equaled love, I believed sex would satisfy my intimacy needs. I also believed sex outside marriage was wrong. So I fell easily into viewing sexually explicit material, rationalizing that it was okay....

I firmly believed that when I was married my problems would be solved. Sex would be morally right and all my intimacy needs would be met. The search and despair would be over. I...married at 19. I was in full realization that my needs were not being met by age 20. I began to press my wife for more and more diversified sexual relations. If she would not comply with my demands, I secretly viewed pornography.... I was very good at making her believe she was at fault for all our problems....

I had become a Christian at age 17. Most of my life improved as a result; I even grasped that pornography was morally wrong. However, over the years I increasingly spent more time alone literally idolizing and worshiping the fantasies pornography stimulated....

I prayed for deliverance. I went to Bible college, I went forward at revival meetings. I tried everything I could to be free, yet I could not get free. I lived alone in a hell that only another addict can understand. I was without a future and without a hope.

The reason I write this letter is not to those who cannot understand, but to those who can – to give you hope. I lived without hope until age 37.

In the past two years of my recovery from addiction to pornography, I have learned that I am powerless in my own ability to overcome sin. I have learned if I turn my will and my life over to God, to Jesus Christ as revealed through His Holy Spirit, He can and will restore my life to sanity....

Looking back over the past two years,

**I prayed for deliverance... I tried everything I could to be free... I lived alone in a hell that only another addict can understand. I was without a future and without a hope.**

I know that God is transforming my belief system. I am grateful to Him for this process. One thing I know and am convinced of: I have come from shame to grace. I am free from the darkness that held me captive for 27 years and God is the giver of that freedom.

This letter...reflects only some of my pain and none of the pain endured by the marriage partner. I include this statement out of respect for my wife who has suffered much during the years of my addiction, and yet remains with me in my recovery. For this I am grateful.

Free through Christ,  
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## CRY FOR HELP

I can't tell you how hard it is to write this letter. Not to say I'm just realizing my sin, but admitting I need help. I've always been an independent person, but I realize I can't overcome this alone. I've been raised in a Christian home with Godly parents. I can't tell them I'm addicted to porn – it would kill them. However, the pain from guilt, conviction and just knowing this is wrong is too much for me. That's why I'm writing to you.

It's starting to affect me physically, mentally and of course spiritually. What scares me most is not what I've done, but how far will I go. What's next? So far it's just magazines and videos. Will I go to another level of sin? Please, God, no!

Lust is so progressive, it never lets you be satisfied very long. ... I really desire to have God's plan for my life. I hope a wife and family are part of that. But I don't feel that will happen until this is remedied.

I feel this is coming to a head soon. I just don't know how, when or where. Sometimes I wish I'd just get caught so it would all be over. ... I hope you can make some sense of it all. Please give me some solid counsel on how to overcome this. I don't know what to do or how to do it, but I feel this may be the first step.

Thanks and God bless,  
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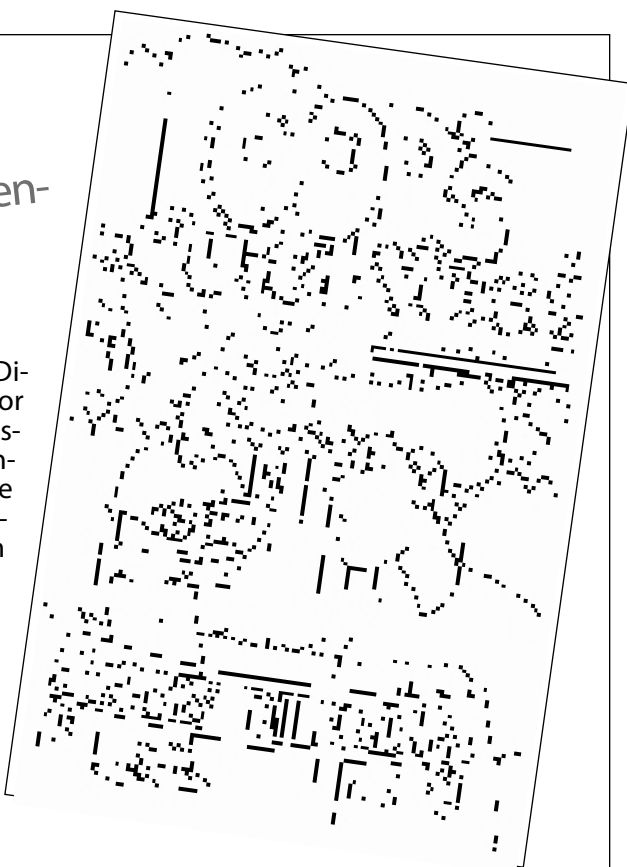
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## Prevention is part of the answer

**By NEAL CLEMENT**  
Director, AFA Outreach Division

I've talked to many pornography addicts in the last year and all of them have one common characteristic. That one characteristic is the age of their first time use of pornography. It is usually around the age of 11 or 12.

If we know from our studies the average age of first time pornography use is 11, than we probably have many 7- and 8-year-olds involved also. These children are looking at pornography out of curiosity or peer pressure, because they don't know it is wrong.

The most frequently given reason for first time use is that it was readily available in their home or in the home of a friend.

Responding to information we've obtained from various samplings, AFA has decided to work in the area of prevention as well as treatment for eliminating porn addiction.

Parents, wake up! Educate your children about the devastating effects of pornography. If you don't educate them, who will? If a child knows pornography is wrong in the very beginning, he may be less likely to get involved in the first place.

At AFA we are trying to help individuals who are struggling with pornography and other sexual addictions, but are also trying to prevent children from ever looking at the first magazine or video. By doing this we can lessen the demand for the filth and avoid the shame and guilt that accompanies addiction to pornography.

**Pornography Awareness Week**  
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Order your information packet today.  
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# The press continues to flaunt its ignorance

BY CAL THOMAS

Los Angeles Times Syndicate

GLORY BE! THE NEW YORK TIMES AND CBS News, definers of the news that is fit to print and broadcast, decided to boldly go where few journalists have gone before: into the valley of cultural outcasts where religious believers, a.k.a. conservative Christians, hang out.

These media gods have delivered to the nation a poll that reaches the most amazing conclusions. It turns out, to what I'm sure must have been the astonishment of the New York Times and CBS (but not to most people who do other things on Sunday mornings in addition to, or instead of, reading the Times and watching CBS), that the "Christian right, which has been the focus of an intense debate in the Republican Party, is a far more diverse group in terms of geography, politics and even religious doctrine than is generally suggested by either its critics or its most vocal proponents."

That CBS and the New York Times have been among those doing the general suggesting goes unadmitted in a news story on the poll. But they do admit to a "caricature" of Christians as "Republican Southerners (who follow a monolithic religious agenda."

"They are as likely to be Democrats as Republicans," the poll says. "And while they are disproportionately from the South, conservative Christians live in all parts of the country."

That ought to cause great concern among people who thought they had these folks isolated. Why, employees of the Times or CBS might be living closer to one or more of these people than they think.

There's more. The poll suggests that the debate over the appropriate role of religion in politics "cannot be painted in the sort of black-and-white terms offered by either side." Including, one might add, the media gods who have deliberately closed their eyes to this subject for years, preferring to stereotype, caricature, ridicule and portray in black-and-white such people and their deeply held beliefs.

It gets better (or worse, depending on your perspective).

The poll found the education backgrounds of these people "are roughly the same as all Americans." This after years of portraying

conservative Christians as snake handlers, book burners, misogynists and racists who didn't graduate from real universities and who never read books, other than the King James version of the Bible.

It is the equivalent of discovering that blacks are fully human or that women can succeed working outside as well as inside the home. The press continues to flaunt its deliberate ignorance of religion and religious people. Editors would never allow any other group to be portrayed in this manner, especially a group so large.

Recall a Washington Post story that described evangelicals and fundamentalists (the press uses these words but few nonreligious reporters can define them) as "poor, uneducated and easy to command." Following a flood of phone calls and letters protesting such a stereotype, the Post ombudsman lamely explained that most reporters don't know any of "these people." Since they are everywhere in the country, why can't journalists find them and fairly report on their beliefs?

When Jimmy Carter burst on the national scene in 1976, he proclaimed himself to have been "born again." NBC's John Chancellor took to the air and said, "We've looked up 'born again' and it is nothing new." That's right, John. The term wasn't invented by Jimmy Carter, though the One who coined it had the same initials. Millions of Americans who profess to have been born again laughed or were outraged at such ignorance. (For the theologically challenged, the definition is found in the New Testament, Book of John, Chapter 3.)

Information about the beliefs of people the Times/CBS News poll surveyed is not classified. It is available in the Book most newsrooms have, but seldom consult. How can we report on people whose beliefs we don't know? We read the platforms of political parties, but refuse to read the spiritual platform of believers. This is journalistically indefensible. Reporters and commentators have an obligation to understand the terms and beliefs of persons about whom they write. They don't have to believe in the same things to do their job well, but accuracy and fairness ought to be expected.

Eighteen years have passed since Jimmy Carter ran for president. There is no excuse for waiting so long to do a survey like this. Because religion is so intertwined with

contemporary politics, newsrooms ought to conduct an affirmative action program to include people on their staffs who believe as millions of Americans do and who can report correctly and fairly on those beliefs in a way that will inform all of us.



## TV reviews...from page 7

others feel the murder is justified and that the murderer should not be held responsible. Frequent profanity occurs in the Michael S. Chernuchin-William N. Fordes script. It was produced by Jeffrey Hayes.

**Advertiser: PM/General Foods**

■ **Picket Fences** (CBS, 8/19) This repeat reveals Father Barrett's sexual fetish. When a fire damages the parish house, the sheriff stumbles upon the Catholic priest's closet filled with women's high heels. They give him sexual pleasure, he explains. The story line also includes discussion using numerous euphemisms for masturbation. David E. Kelley, Geoffrey Neigher and Ann Donahue wrote it; Donahue, Jonathan Pontell and Robert Breech are producers.

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■ **Arly Hanks** (CBS, 8/20) Set in Maggody, Arkansas (population 755), this story focuses on the illegal and unethical dealings of town council members and the mayor, in addition to the mayor's illicit sexual escapades. Three characters are identified as Christian: (1) the mayor's wife, a naive, sanctimonious, holier-than-thou nag; (2) Eula, the butt of jokes and the caricature of the "pious Christian woman;" and (3) a pastor who prays for the mayor and his wife about the "disgusting urges brought on by firm, lovely bodies in provocative clothing." Sean Clark did the teleplay; it was produced by Arlene Sanford.

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## P&G sponsors violent movie

The Fox network's August 15 movie, **License to Kill** (a James Bond movie), boasts almost 100 gunshots and more than 30 explosions. Violence is the solution to almost any problem, and fiery crashes light up the screen at every turn. In addition, it features a lengthy barroom brawl with countless blows exchanged among heroes and villains, and a scene in which hero Bond torches the villain. Good does win over evil, but much of the violence is unquestionably gratuitous. Michael G. Wilson and Richard Maibaum wrote the script. Wilson and Albert R. Broccoli were producers.

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## Pepsi, ABC debut anti-family show

"I can't even look at my mother without wanting to stab her – repeatedly!" thinks 15-year-old Angela Chase, heroine of ABC's new **My So-Called Life**. The line is typical of the teen's thought patterns in the August 25 series debut, written by Winnie Holzman. Executive producers are Marshall Herkovitz and Edward Zwick.

In addition, Angela routinely lies to her parents. In one scene, she tells them she's going to a school play rehearsal, but instead goes to a party at which she falls into a mud puddle. When she returns home, hair and clothes askew, Mom yells, "Where the hell have you been?"

Angela's best friends include Rayanne, who gets drunk at the party, and Rickie, a bisexual male.

**Top advertiser: Pepsi**

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1. **Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc.**, Chrm. August A. Busch III, One Busch Place, St. Louis, MO 63118, Phone 314-577-2000, FAX 314-577-2900. PRODUCTS: Break Cake snack cakes, Budweiser beer, Colonial bread, Eagle snack products, Michelob beer. *Sample programs: House Party 2; Thelma & Louise; The Stand-Part 4; Terminator 2: Judgment Day; Melrose Place (5/18/94); Martin (5/12/94).*

2. **Slimfast Foods Company**, Chrm. S. Daniel Abraham, P.O. Box 5047, FDR Station, New York, NY 10150, Phone 212-688-4420, FAX 212-415-7171. PRODUCTS: Slimfast diet aids. *Sample programs: Cape Fear; Getting Gotti; The Stand-Part 4; Terminator 2: Judgment Day; NYPD Blue (5/3/94).*

3. **American Home Products Corp.**, Chrm. John R. Stafford, 685 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017, Phone 212-878-5000. PRODUCTS: Advil pain reliever, Anacin pain medication, Chap Stick, Chef Boyardee food products, Compound W wart remover, Crunch 'N' Munch snacks, Denorex dandruff shampoo, Dimetapp sinus medication, Donnagel, Dristan Cold, Jiffy-Pop popcorn, Pam cooking spray, Preparation H hemorrhoid medication, Robitussin cough medicine and cough drops, Sleep-Eze medication, SMA infant formula. *Sample programs: Robin Hood; Terminator 2: Judgment Day; Naked Gun; Menendez: Movie; City Slickers.*

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Zabriskie, 7000 Portage Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49001, Phone 616-323-4000, FAX 616-323-7034, **TOLL FREE: 1-800-253-8600**. PRODUCTS: Cortaid, Dramamine, Haltran analgesic, Kaopectate medicine, Motrin pain medication, Rogaine, Unicap vitamins, Upjohn pharmaceuticals. *Sample programs: Robin Hood; Walker, Texas Ranger (5/14/94); Naked Gun; Backdraft; City Slickers.*

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These companies may preview the programs in advance and approved them for sponsorship. Should you contact these companies, they will respond with a letter saying they have exceptionally high TV sponsorship standards. Such response is a deception intended to confuse the consumer. Without the approval and financial support of the companies which sponsor the sex, violence and profanity, the programs could not exist.

In many cases these companies helped sponsor offensive programs after other companies, concerned about the negative effect TV is having on our society, withdrew their sponsorship. These companies were thus able to buy sponsorship at a greatly reduced rate (the trade term is distressed merchandise) because they did not care about the content of the program, only the price.

If you are concerned about the filth on TV and the effect it is having on our children and families, contact the sponsors. They are responsible for providing it.

Please send us copies of replies you receive from advertisers and others. Also, send news clippings on family issues. Please include the name and the date of the publication from which the clipping came. Thank you.

## AFA Resources

- **Homosexuality in America: Exposing the Myths**
- **Public School Sex Education: A Report.** A documented study on sex education and school-based health clinics.
- **A Guide to What One Person Can Do About Pornography.** Step-by-step guide to fight porn in your community.
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school coerces (even implicitly) a student to participate in a religious activity.

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This clause prohibits the state from interfering with an individual's "free exercise" of religion. Sometimes overlapping the establishment clause, this clause prohibits the state from acting in a way that is hostile to, or inhibits one from freely exercising, one's sincerely-held religious beliefs.

Parents who inform themselves about these important rights, and involve themselves in the processes of the school, are better able to see that their children are brought up in an environment which reflects their values and beliefs.



### Porn Awareness Week...from page 1

kinds of pornography and how much of it is available in their community. Video outlets and convenience stores should be among those surveyed. Stores selling or renting porn videos or magazines can be approached and asked to discontinue sales and/or rental. Citizens should approach their local law enforcement officials and ask that their obscenity laws be enforced. Private actions initiated by groups or individuals are often among the most effective means of combating pornography.

Many pastors are expected to preach on the subject on either October 30 or November 6 and encourage their members to get involved.

Pornography Awareness Week may go unnoticed in your community unless citizens are willing to become involved. To this end, you can choose (1) not to consume pornography; (2) to pray about the success of national efforts; (3) not to patronize individuals, businesses or corporations which produce, distribute or sell pornography, while patronizing those which do not; (4) to voice your concerns to other citizens about the pornography problem in your community; (5) to encourage family members and friends who are addicted to pornography to reach out for help by calling the AFA Outreach Division at 601-844-5036; (6) to order the Pornography Awareness Week Information Packet from AFA; (7) and to organize with other concerned individuals to work toward a common goal.

In addition to the materials advertised regularly in the *AFA Journal*, AFA has a new resource available. A comic book entitled *God's Quiet Voice: John's Dilemma* has been produced by AFA. This comic book is

designed as a Sunday School supplement for students in grades 3-6. It teaches youngsters how to make the right decisions concerning pornography and includes a discussion page for use in classroom settings. The story also focuses on pastor/family relationships.

The prices for *God's Quiet Voice: John's Dilemma* is \$2 for a single copy, 2-9 copies \$1.50 each, 10-49 copies \$1 each and 50 or more copies 75¢ each including shipping. Order from AFA and include payment with your order.

One copy of *God's Quiet Voice: John's Dilemma* is included in the PAW Information Packet. Also included is a White Ribbon Against Pornography (you can reorder more if you like it), samples of anti-porn billboards which can be ordered, a fact sheet on pornography, a proclamation for use by your mayor, governor or other elected official, a press release, a Picket Packet, an Outreach brochure on how to deal with pornography addiction, and copies of *A Guide To What One Person Can Do About Pornography and Pornography: A Report*.

The cost is \$3 per packet. Include payment with order. Shipping is included. Order from AFA Resources, P.O. Drawer 2440, Tupelo, MS 38803.



### Love must...from page 2

God, um, (10 seconds of silence here), um, dear God, um...I don't really have anything to say." So I gave him a few simple words, which he repeated, we said good night, and off to sleep he went.

For some reason it seems boys and men find it difficult to verbally express affection and love to others. Wesley will one day outgrow his inability to say a prayer, but we all, especially men, need to get past whatever it is that keeps us from telling those around us how we feel about them. Yes, we need to demonstrate love to our wives, our family, and to God, but they also need to hear it from us and hear it often.

How often do we tell God that we love him? Do we demonstrate that love with our lives? How often do we tell our wives that we love them, and show that love to be genuine with our actions? The same with our children and others around us.

Jesus set the standard for us. He told his disciples he loved them and then he proved it. Indeed, words are cheap if they are not backed up with actions. But then again, there are no more powerful words in the world than, "I love you." So let me encourage you to do as Wesley will be doing in kindergarten this fall: play a little show-and-tell with those you love and care for.



**AT&T...from page 1**


not a sponsor" of the Gay Games. *Business Week* (July 4, 1994) contradicts Mr. Shultz: "Legitimized by mainstream corporate sponsors such as AT&T, Miller Brewing Co., and Hiram Walker & Sons, organizers (of the Gay Games) hope their success marks a...change in the way companies view these customers (homosexuals)." Bruce Horowitz of the Los Angeles Times, in a syndicated column, on June 8, 1994, wrote: "...for the first time since their beginning in 1982, (the Gay Games) are attracting major sponsors on a national scale. A growing contingent—from AT&T to Miller Beer – has discovered that for a fraction of the cost of airing a single TV spot during the forthcoming World Cup soccer tournament they can link up in a big way with the Gay Games and speak to millions of consumers who have been mostly ignored by major marketers."

Concerning AT&T's sponsorship, *Advertising Age* (May 30, 1994) said: "Next month, advertisers including AT&T Corp., Continental Airlines, Hiram Walker & Sons, Miller Brewing Co. and Nora Beverages' Naya spring water will connect with the biggest gay and lesbian marketing event of the year."

AT&T has also sponsored the homosexual musical *Falsettos*, used McNaught's video "On Being Gay" to indoctrinate AT&T employees, and promoted "comprehensive" sex education programs advocating homosexuality.

AFA is offering an alternative to AT&T. "Lifeline long distance is a company with a distinctively Christian difference. When AFA supporters switch to Lifeline, AFA will receive 10% of their long distance phone charges. It doesn't cost AFA supporters anything and in most cases will save them money on their long distance calls," Wildmon said. Many homosexual groups are already using other long distance carriers offering similar plans for homosexual groups.

AFA has learned that AT&T is calling many who have switched, telling them information they have received from AFA is wrong and that AFA is sending a letter of apology. "That is absolutely false," Wildmon stated. "Every bit of information we have given regarding AT&T has been correct, and we have not been asked nor will we provide a letter of apology to AT&T."

In order for AFA to get credit when you switch, be sure to tell the operator that you want to support AFA. Pastors can also help by encouraging their members to switch to Lifeline and asking them to mention AFA when they switch. To switch from AT&T to Lifeline, call 1-800-800-7550. 

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- AT&T was one of the main financial sponsors of the Gay Games IV and Cultural Festival in New York, part of a huge calendar of events in June specifically designed to reshape America's traditional moral values.
- AT&T is directly soliciting homosexual customers through a mail campaign which comes in a lavender envelope and a letter from AT&T's homosexual employee group.
- AT&T doesn't seem to care about family values. Concerning a customer backlash because of their support for homosexuality, a company spokesman told an advertising trade publi-

cation, "Anyone with that kind of attitude [concern about the homosexual lifestyle] has to lose it."

- AT&T has sponsored the homosexual musical *Falsettos*.
- AT&T indoctrinates their employees to accept homosexuality using the video "On Being Gay" by homosexual activist Brian McNaught.
- At the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association in 1993 AT&T was among companies named as progressive because of support for homosexual causes.

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# It is time for Christians to come out of the closet

By **MIKE JACKSON**

Senior Pastor • Bethel Assembly of God  
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I am a member of the “Christian right.” This is my first real step out of the closet. Although I have been a part of this much maligned group for as far back as I can remember, I never really gave it all that much thought until recently. To be honest, I have never considered myself much of a radical (I never had a “Honk if you love Jesus” bumper sticker, for instance); nevertheless, I do count myself a Christian and I do hold strongly to some conservative views.

What made me want to come out and be counted? I am not sure. To be honest, I was happy hiding in my anonymity. I would guess that it has been the recent much publicized attacks on my kind by the media left, the President, and the Surgeon General (She calls us “the unchristian right”) among others. Since I do not want to let my more famous friends take all the heat, I think this might be a good time to step forward and be counted.

Have you wondered why the “right” is now considered to be so wrong? My theory is that the “unchristian left” is sensing a turning of the tide. Recent conservative victories in Virginia and Texas as well as a dramatic decrease in the number of abortions are causing hysterical howls among those on the left. They were content as long as my kind posed no threat; however, that is no longer the case.

Francis Bacon once observed, “Public envy is an ostracism that eclipses men when they grow too great.” In other words, as the Christian right grows in numbers and political clout, the liberal elite become envious if not jealous of their power and influence. Their method of dealing with this is to try to divide Americans one against another; to resort to name calling and political repression; to paint one group as being intolerant, bigoted and wrong, and the cause for all of the evil in the land. This same tactic was used in Germany under Hitler against the Jews and in the Soviet Union against the Jews as well.

While I am quick to admit that not everyone who lays claim to religion is a member of the Christian right, nevertheless religious power is vast in this great nation. Money contributed to religion in 1992 amounted to \$56.7 billion compared to a paltry \$4 billion

spent on pro football, baseball and basketball. Attendance for religious services totaled 5.6 billion in 1993. That is about 55 times greater than the 103 million total attendance reported by the three main professional sports leagues. George Cornell, the recently retired AP Religion Editor, has said, “Religion is quite alive and strong in this country. But it has been shut out and declared taboo by the

## Faith in God makes a difference for the good!

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elite thinkers in medical schools, psychiatry, courts, and the media. For all its true strength, there is a real drive to squeeze religion out of the public square.”

Presently there are those who are seeking

## I’m waiting.

to deny Americans the right to openly discuss matters of faith while they are at work. There is also a move afoot to remove “In God we trust” from our currency. God has already been removed from the public schools! Where does this squeezing out of religion end?

As I observe what is taking place, I can’t help but wonder why. My faith teaches me to pay my taxes and to obey the laws of the land. The members of the “right,” as a rule, strongly believe in the work ethic. While abortion is considered a tragic sin, love for one another is the greatest of virtues. My children have been taught to honor their parents and to pay their bills on time. They are to be honest and nonviolent. Sex is reserved for marriage and then to be given only and always to the marriage partner. We worship God rather than self or the state. Drugs, crime and AIDS are not problems that I generally have to deal with within the fellowship where I worship. Faith in God makes a difference for the good! What would you propose to replace such teachings that would improve upon society and the family unit?

I’m waiting.

To be honest, I do not see the “right”

being stilled. The values that we hold are the very values that men and women have fought and died for in numerous wars over the years. These traditional values are not exclusively Protestant or Catholic. Many people who do not hold to a particular faith still hold to morals and a sense of right and wrong. You see, the “right” does not have a corner on *right!*

Have you ever stopped to consider what America might be like without the influence of faith? Maybe we could replace Christmas with Santa Claus Day and *Joy to the World* with *Material Girl*. The courts would possibly swear in witnesses with their hand on

a J. C. Penney’s catalogue. Churches would be turned into museums. The Bible would become just another book of antiquity, the Ten Commandments simply ten suggestions.

What would the poor and the homeless do

without the Salvation Army, rescue missions or the many other charitable efforts of the churches? What about the great religious hospitals? What about the great religious schools and universities? What about voices like Billy Graham and Mother Teresa?

Do we strike “Under God” from our Pledge of Allegiance? Do we exchange the crosses and words of hope in our cemeteries for dollar signs and question marks? What about virtues such as “love your neighbor as yourself?” Are you ready to substitute *Cop Killer for God Bless America?* Where does it all end? I am afraid that those on the left are seeking to turn freedom of religion to freedom from religion!

Alexis de Tocqueville once noted: “America is great because she is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great.”

Faith in God and country is a major part of that goodness. It has been proven that the Soviet Union fell because it could hold captive the bodies of its citizenry, but not their souls. I believe that the same holds true for America. Our souls cry for righteousness!