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"Blessed be the LORD God of *Israel*; For He hath visited and redeemed *His* people, And hath raised up an horn of salvation for *us* in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; That *we* should be saved from *our* enemies and from the hand of all that hate *us*; to perform the mercy promised to *our* fathers and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he swore to *our* father Abraham, That he would grant unto *us*, that *we* being delivered out of the hand of *our* enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of *our* lives." Luke 1:68-75; the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Germanic-Scandinavian people are *ISRAEL!*

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"WHO IS BEHIND THE PUSH FOR PLURALISM?"

by Pastor Lawrence Blanchard

Pluralism is aptly defined by Jewess Barbara Glueck, the executive director of the Jewish Committee's Cincinnati chapter:

"... the vision of America welcoming one faith and not favoring one faith over another." (Source: Kentucky Enquirer, "Ground-breaking a success; speakers to address religious pluralism" by Karen Vance, 9/16/06, B3).

Pluralism is religious tolerance and diversity. Pluralism has taken center stage now as a widely assumed and practiced American value supposedly based on a erroneously perceived Constitutional concept called "the separation of church and state." Historically speaking, religious pluralism is a rather recent phenomenon of the last 50 years or so. It was promoted by the Jews.

JEWISH INTEREST IN PLURALISM

Jewish promotion of religious pluralism goes back to at least 1913 when the Jewish organization, B'nai B'rith, set up its active wing, The **Anti-Defamation League**. This organization, along with others like the American Jewish Committee (1906) and the American Jewish Congress (1916) actively advanced the pluralism idea through the guise of racial equality for Blacks.

But it wasn't Black civil rights the Jews had an interest in so much as the Jews' goal to achieve acceptance among the White majority. It was tolerance and diversity that they sought for themselves because of the sordid reputation they had for unethical practices. The Jews were not only a mixed racial breed, but they followed the code of the Talmud which is virulently Anti-Christian.

The god of the Talmud is not the God of the Bible and the God of the true covenant people—today's Caucasian people. They are diametrically in conflict with each other. Thus, the Jews needed to promote religious pluralism.

Recently, Rabbi James Rudin addressed the Wise Temple in the Cincinnati area promoting his book, *The Baptising of America: The Religious Rights Plan for The Rest of Us*. He stated:

"America is in the midst of a push of a group of people I will call "Christocrats," a small group of Christians who want to fundamentally change the separation of church and state to create a Christian nation." (Ibid).

Rabbi Rudin advocates religious pluralism like all the Jews before him. Apparently, however, he has disregarded the vast amount of historical evidence that America was founded as a Christian nation. Of course, it has been now transformed into a secular, pluralistic nation thanks mainly to the Jewish influence and power.

If the Jews can't live in a pluralistic country where they

can practice anti-biblical Talmudic/Judaist principles, they will not survive. True biblical Christianity cannot, and will not, tolerate conflicting religions, because different religions represent **other** gods and laws.

PLURALISM: VIOLATION OF THE 1st COMMANDMENT

The reason the religious pluralism is not biblical is because the God of the Bible absolutely forbids it. It's the first Commandment:

"I am the LORD your God who brought you up out of the land of Egypt... You shall have no other gods before (or beside) Me." (Deut 5:6-7).

This is a command to Israel. It applies to Israelites, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—today's Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Germanic and Scandinavian people. The command was relevant then and now.

Today, however, the Caucasian people have been duped to believe that religious pluralism is okay with the Christian God. They have come to believe that we can all get along—all races and religions together. And the worst part of it is that what passes for evangelical Christianity (called Judeo/Christianity - most of today's churches) actually promotes racial and religious tolerance, leading our people astray.

The result? The destruction of biblical Christianity and biblical law as the ruling law, and the destruction of our nation. Obedience to pluralism is leading us into the judgment of God.

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How many of our people must be decimated by Jewish policies that have created the wars that our men have fought in, a false money system that has enslaved us, and uncontrolled immigration allowing aliens to take our wealth. Conflict and chaos will continue to be the norm as long as we go along to get along by bowing down to the god of religious pluralism. And what is the solution? God's covenant people must repent. Repent of religious tolerance and diversity and return to the living God of their fathers. Don't accept it—speak out against it, and don't support it! [read the books of Maccabees in the **Apocrypha** to see how some of our ancestors resisted demands of tyrants]

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JOHN PLOUGHMAN'S TALK
by Charles Haddon Spurgeon
SPENDING

To earn money is easy compared with spending it well; anybody may dig up potatoes, but it is not one in ten that can cook them. men do not become rich ny what they get, by what they save. Many men who have money are as short of wit as a hog is of wool. They are under the years of discretion though they have turned forty, and make ducks and drakes of hundreds as boys do on stones. What their fathers got with the rake they throw away with the shovel.

After the miser comes the prodigal. Often men say of the spendthrift, his old father was no man's friend but his own, and now the son is no man's enemy but his own. The fact is, the old gentleman went to death by the lean road, and his son has made up his mind to go there by the fat.

As soon as the spendthrift gets his estates it goes like a lump of butter in a greyhound's mouth. All his days are the first of April; he would buy an elephant at a bargain, or thatch his house with pancakes. Nothing is too foolish to tickle his fancy; his money burns holes in his pocket, and he must squander it, always boasting that his moot is, "Spend, and God will send."

He will not stay till he has his sheep before he shears them; he forestalls his income, draws upon his capital, and so kills the goose which lays the golden eggs, and cries out, "Who would have thought it?" He never spares at the brim, but he means, he says, to save at the bottom. He borrows at high interest of *Rob'em and Cheat'em, and Sell'em-up*, and when he gets cleaned out, he lays it all either upon the lawyers or else on the bad times.

Times never were good for lazy prodigals. If they were good to them they would be bad for all the world besides. Why men should be in such a hurry to make themselves beggars is a mystery, but nowadays, what with betting at horse races (or on the Pokies), laziness, and speculating, there seems to be a regular coach running to Needham every day. Ready money must be quite a curiosity to some men, and yet they spend like lords. They are gentlemen without means, which is much the same as plum-puddings without plums.

***Spending your money with many-a-guest,
Empties the larder, the cellar, and chest.***

If a little gambling is thrown in with fast living, money melts like a snowball in an oven. A young gambler is sure to be an old beggar, if he lives long enough.

***The Devil leads him by the nose,
Who the dice so often throws.***

There are more asses than those with four legs. I am sorry to say they are found among working men as well as fine gentlemen. Fellows who have no estate but their labours, and no family arms except those they work with, will yet spend their little hard earnings in waste. No sooner are their wages paid than away they go to the "Spotted Dog," or the "Marquis of Granby," to contribute their share of fools' money toward keeping up the landlord.

Drinking water neither makes a man sick nor in debt, nor his wife a widow; yet some men hardly know the flavor of it. Liquor guzzled down as it is by many a working man is nothing better than brown ruin. Men sit on the ale bench and wash out what little sense they ever had. I believe that farming people are a deal better manager with their money than city people are, for though their money be very little, their families look nice and tidy on Sundays (to go to meeting).

True, the rent isn't so bad in a village as in the city, and there's a bit of garden; still those city people earn money and have many chances of buying in a cheap market which the countryman has not. On the whole, I think 'tis very good management which keeps a family going on little in the country, and bad management that can't pay it on much more in the city.

Why, some families are as merry as mice in malt on very small wages; others are as wretched as rats in a trap on double the amount. Those who wear the shoe know best where it pinches, but economy is a fine thing. Some make soup out of a flint, and others cannot get nourishment out of gravy beef.

Some go to shop with as much wit as Samson had in both his shoulders, but no more. They do not buy well; they have not sense to lay out their money to advantage. Buyers ought to have a hundred eyes, but these have not even one, and they do not open that; well was it said that if fools did not go to market bad wares would never be sold.

They never get a pennyworth for their penny, and this often because

they are on the hunt for cheap things. They forget that generally the cheapest is the dearest, and one cannot buy a good quarter's worth of a bad article. Poor men often buy in very small quantities, and so pay through the nose. A man who buys by the pennyworth keeps his own house and another man's. Why not get two or three weeks' supply at once, and get it cheaper? Store is no sore.

People are often saving at the wrong place. Others look after small savings and forget greater things; they are penny wise and pound foolish; they spare at the spigot, and let all run away at the bung-hole. Some buy things they do not want, because they are great bargains; let me tell them what they do not want is dear at any price. Fine dressing makes a great hole in poor people's means.

Whatever does John Ploughman, and such as work hard for their daily bread, want with silks and stains? It's like a blacksmith wearing a white silk apron. I hate to see a servant girl or a laborer's daughter tricked out as if she thought people would take her for a lady.

Why everybody knows a tadpole from a fish; nobody mistakes a poppy for a rose. Give me a woman in a nice neat dress clean and suitable, and for beauty she will beat the flashy young women all to pieces. Buy what suits yourself to wear, and if it does not suit other people to look at, let them shut their eyes. All women are good—either for something or for nothing. Their dress will generally tell

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you which.

I suppose we all find the money goes quite fast enough, but after all it was made to circulate, and there's no use in hoarding it. It is bad to see our money become a runaway servant, and leave us. It would be worse to have it stop with us and become our master.

We should try, as our minister said, "to find the golden mean," and neither be lavish nor stingy. He has money best spent who has the best wife. The husband may earn money, but usually only the wife can save it.

"A wise woman buildeth her house, but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands." The wife it seems, according to Solomon, is the builder or the real puller down.

A man cannot prosper till he gets his wife's leave. A thrifty housewife is better than a great income. A good wife and health are a man's best wealth. Bless their hearts, what should we do without them? It is said they like to have their own way, but the proverb says, a wife ought to have her will during life; she cannot make one when she dies.

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COURTSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

by David Barrett

What is courtship? I mean, how do you do it? What are the steps, or what is the process? Would you please explain what you mean by courtship?

These and other similar questions are often asked when the concept of courtship is raised. Although reasonable, these questions, far too often, receive inadequate answers. This may sound absurd, but a simple direct answer to these questions often has disastrous results. This is because answers often simply present courtship as certain steps in a process that incorporates the parents as primary in the choosing of one's life spouse. Thus, the typical modern approach of experimental and experiential dating is avoided.

Certainly, in the various ways that the details of this typical answer are given, it is essentially true to the form of the courtship process. Yet, because it is an answer of the "form" only, it, far too often, provides a false hope or insufficient understanding for a young person to fulfill what is required.

COURTSHIP: AN ALTERNATIVE PROCESS?

As the awareness of courtship has grown, so have its casualties. I do not mean to ignore the successes. For these, I praise God. Yet, I wonder why there have been drastic failures. I can name a number of young people, as I am sure you can as well, who to varying degrees have made the commitment to court and not date, yet have sadly and sinfully failed.

As I write, I picture the young man who chose to skip town and secretly marry the young woman who became pregnant out-of-wedlock within two years of declaring her stand for courtship. I also picture another young person deeply involved in a relationship against the parents' wishes.

You might say that each of these people and the others like them must not have really meant it when they made their commitment. I beg to differ. I believe they meant it as they understood it, an alternative process. What they did not know, or did not accept, was what it would take and what it would cost. They thought that courtship was the

simple matter of making a choice at the time of the process.

This is the unfortunate result of the "form" answers to the initial questions. Those "process" type answers are akin to speaking of the fruit of a tree without the awareness of what it takes to produce it. It is like the child who thinks milk comes from the store shelf.

THE BIBLICAL PRINCIPLE OF SOWING AND REAPING

The "process" of courtship, then, is like the fruit of the tree. It is the end of the matter. Like the fruit of the tree, it will not be obtained if the tree that naturally produces it does not exist. Like the young people mentioned earlier, we too can desire with deep commitment to eat of the right fruit, but if we have not laboured to plant the proper seed and to care in the growth of what will produce the desired fruit, then it will not be there at the needed time. . What will we do? Unfortunately, we will choose what looks good to our own eyes at the time.

What needs to be understood, then, is that courtship is far more a process, it is a way of life! A way of life that, if planted and developed in one's own life and family, will naturally produce, like the tree, the fruit of the process of courtship. If the proper seeds are not sown then the necessary fruit will not be available at the needed time of harvest. This is simply acknowledgment of The Biblical

Principle of Sowing and Reaping. What seeds need to be sown in one's life and family in order to reap the blessed benefits of the fruit of courtship? Other Biblical principles help provide the answer. The first seed to be planted is

THE PRINCIPLE OF GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY

Courtship as a process requires a complete trust in the overruling providence of God. This belief that God cares about your life and future marriage as deeply as He cares about your soul, will put one at peace in life. However, this principle must already be lived in one's life as a daily way of life. Do you trust in God's sovereignty now? If you falter in this area in your life today, how will you stand when the temptations

of dating as a more "reasonable" approach try you in the future?

THE PRINCIPLE OF GOD'S GOVERNMENT

A second seed to be planted is The Principle of God's Government; that is, submission and obedience to the God-ordained authorities in your life. The fruit of the courtship process requires cheerful and complete obedience to one's parents. God has provided your parents for a covering, a protection in your life. The wisdom they have certainly is a major reason for submission to them, but the purpose of this principle is far deeper than that. Submission to one's parents is required because of the awesome responsibility and accountability they have for you before God.

As a young woman, your parents are required of God to: prepare you to serve your one true husband, protect you from the beguilement of all others, and properly place you, equipped to serve as a helpmeet, under the covering of another.

As a young man, your parents have the great responsibility before God to: prepare you to lead and serve your wife, protect you from the seduction of others, and properly place you as the covering over another.

Do you submit in cheerful obedience to the guidance, corrections, and instructions of your parents? Are there



areas in your relationship with your parents where it is difficult for you to obey? If you have difficulty now, if you find yourself walking disobediently or unsubmitively in areas of your life with your parents, then you will not submit when the stakes are raised and your heartstrings are pulled by another.

GOD'S PRINCIPLE OF COVENANT

A third seed to be planted and nurtured in your life is God's Principle of Covenant. Certainly if you are not walking in covenant with God then that is the place to begin. God's covenant is both internal (salvation) and external (walking in accordance to His Word). God's covenant is one of you becoming a "friend of God"—a true friend, because you love each other, share common goals, and you can share with Him your deep hurts, desires, and struggles.

The courtship process requires an additional seed of covenant in order to be produced. That seed is a covenant of you with your parents. This covenant is both internal and external. Internally, it is a shared love of God and His Word. Externally, it is an agreement to seek the things of God and to work as a team for the furthering of His Kingdom in the earth. Additionally, like your covenant with God, your covenant with your parents is one that is to develop, out of your deep love for one another, into a "true friendship"—one in which you can freely share your hurts, your desires, and your struggles.

Do you love your parents as the best friends in your life? Can you share the deep feelings and thoughts that you have? Or, do you feel you need to hide things from them? If your parents are not your best friends now, if you do not have a covenant relationship with them today, then at the time of trial they will become the adversary in your eyes.

CONCLUSION

Courtship is not simply a process or an alternative choice to be made when the time comes. Courtship should be a natural process that comes forth as a ripened fruit on a tree. That will only be true if what is needed for the process has first been A WAY OF LIFE.

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THE BIOLOGICAL AND BIBLICAL DANGERS OF PROBLEM-CENTERED COUNSELING

by Martin and Deirdre Bobgan

In our recent book, *Christ-Centered Ministry versus Problem-Centered Counseling*, we reveal the origins of problem-centered counseling. We say that the psychological counseling movement inherited problem centered counseling from, among other things, the Mesmerian and Freudian precursors. We show in our current book and in past writings the parallels between the psychological counseling movement and the Biblical counseling movement and particularly both movements' orientation to problem-centeredness.

The American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC) is re-offering a program titled "Caring for People

God's Way II." AACC claims that "More than 50,000 individuals and churches enrolled in the original program." Their first come-on question for their \$400 enrollment fee is: "Do you find that family and friends often come to you for help with their problems?" This is just one of numerous examples of how problem-centered counseling has become the be-all and end-all of those who call themselves Christian counselors.

Talking about problems should not be the central content of personal ministry in the Body of Christ. Problems should be seen as opportunities for drawing close to the Lord and for growing spiritually. We are saying, "Do not talk about problems!" This is not an either/or situation; it is a matter of where the emphasis lies and how problems are addressed and used to motivate a believer to turn to the Lord, follow Him, and be further transformed into the likeness of Christ. We are advising believers to minimize and generalize talking about problems and to maximize and specialize in using problems as reminders to draw close to

God. Preoccupation with problems and seeking solutions through counseling often inhibit spiritual growth. Put simply, Christ must be the center of Christ-centered ministry, whereas problems tend to be the center of problem-centered counseling.

In certain situations there are biological and Biblical reasons why one should not use problem-centered counseling.

BIOLOGICAL REASONS

Problem-centered counseling can be particularly dangerous where there are undetected physical disorders. During the history of psychiatry and psycho-therapy, there have always been and still are undetected physical diseases that were and are

treated as mental disorders. Two examples are general paresis, caused by the spirochete of syphilis invading the brain, and pellagrous psychosis, caused by a dietary deficiency of nicotinic acid. In both cases numerous people who have suffered from these diseases were labeled schizophrenic and treated accordingly. The following account is just one of many case histories involving misdiagnosis.

A twenty-two-year-old woman exhibited certain symptoms similar to those of schizophrenia. Rather than suggesting a comprehensive physical exam, the psychiatrist to whom she was referred diagnosed her condition as schizophrenia and treated her accordingly. However, it was later discovered that her depression and hallucinations were due to pellagrous psychosis, which had been brought on by a crash diet and near starvation conditions.

Treating such a person with psychotherapy or psychotropic medication, instead of treating the physical problem, not only prevents possible cure, but also adds even more horror to the agony of the disease itself. Can you imagine, how many people have suffered from such physical diseases and have been treated psychologically by a psychiatrist or psychotherapist because of ignorance of the real problem? Even Parkinson's disease was once considered a mental disorder and treated by means of psychotherapy.

This raises the whole problem of misdiagnosis and the tendency to refer people to psychotherapy. There have been and still are great numbers of individuals erroneously referred to psychotherapy who are really suffering from physical disorders. Sydney Walker III, a neuropsychiatrist, says:

"Each year, hundreds of thousands of Americans who



are actually suffering from common medical conditions such as hyperthyroidism, Lyme disease, and even poor nutrition are misdiagnosed with psychiatric disorders. Studies show that the rate of misdiagnosis is more than 4 in 10.”

There is a whole range of bodily disorders that have mental-emotional, behavioral symptoms. Some of these biological disorders are in their embryonic stages—not yet detectable. These symptoms can result in personal discomfort and interpersonal problems. Very often, in the absence of a verifiable disease, problem-centered counselors will deal with such problems as psychological or spiritual problems. However, a Christ-centered minister will help persons, whatever their origin of the symptoms, by moving as rapidly as possible from problem-centeredness to Christ-centeredness and by using the problems as a catalyst to draw closer to Christ. We are both biological and spiritual beings. Therefore, when appropriate, the helper will suggest that the seeker look into his physical condition.

BIBLICAL REASONS

There are doctrinal reasons why a person seeking ministry should not discuss certain problems of living with others and why helpers should neither encourage them to do so nor participate in such talk. We discuss only four of the many Biblical doctrines violated by psychological and Biblical problem-centered counseling approaches.

VIOLATING THE ONE FLESH OF MARRIAGE

Marriage provides many opportunities for spiritual growth, but instead of using these constructively, partners often focus on problems, blame each other, and want the other spouse or circumstance to change. Instead of seeking the Lord to work in their own lives, they go to counseling, talk about their problems, and expect the counselor to do something (change circumstances or the other spouse). Quite often people want the counselor to help the other partner see their point of view. If the counseling does not fix the problems, the people feel they have done everything they can, figure there is no hope for change, and move into the direction of separation and divorce—all at the expense of their precious children’s well-being.

Marriage counseling is big business in the world and in the church. As more and more people have been going to marriage counseling, more and more have become divorced, and this includes professing Christians, who are divorcing at about the same rate as unbelievers.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

“Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of the Lord.” (Eph 5:21).

“Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.” (Eph 5:22).

“Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church [the congregation of Israel, CIM] and gave Himself for it.” (Eph 5:25),

Based on these verses, we conclude that the following problem-centered counseling activities are un-Biblical:

1. It is un-Biblical to discuss marital problems with others or complain about one’s spouse. If a husband is loving his wife as Christ loves the Church, he will not be exposing her weaknesses and failures to others (including to the children). If the wife is honoring her husband, submitting to him (as the Church to Christ) and loving him (Titus 2:3-4), she will not be exposing his weaknesses and failures to others (including the children). Of course, there

are necessary exceptions, such as pornography, illegal drug use or drunkenness, which should be brought to the attention of the church leadership.

2. It is un-Biblical to discuss marital problems with others or complain about one’s spouse in his/her absence. Proverbs 18:17 says, “*He that is first in his own cause seemeth just; but his neighbour cometh and searcheth him.*” Very often one spouse will attempt to get a counselor or friend to see a situation from that spouse’s perspective by talking about the other spouse in his/her absence. The one who is first to state the case may gain support from the counselor or friend, but the truth may be revealed later. Furthermore, this kind of gossip leads to a further rift in the marriage relationship. It ends up being the kind of gossip that separates people. Proverbs 17:9 advises, “*He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends.*”

3. It is un-Biblical to discuss marital problems with others for the purpose of getting a spouse to change. If people are in a personal conflict with another person and believe that it is primarily the other person’s fault, they are wasting a valuable opportunity if they are trying to change the other person or simply hoping for the other person to change. Such conflict can be an exceptional opportunity for spiritual growth. If one’s eyes are on the other person and that person’s need for change, one can get bogged down and waste the opportunity. Every difficulty in life is an opportunity for spiritual growth (Rom 5:1-5; 8:28-29). So often believers pray for God to change the other person when they themselves are in a perfect place to draw close to the Lord, to come to know Him more deeply, and to love Him more completely. All believers have

numerous opportunities to focus on their own relationship with Christ, to look to Him to work in their own lives for spiritual growth, and to confess their own sins rather than the shortcomings and failures of others. Shifting the focus to how others must change defeats the purpose of spiritual transformation and growth (see Genesis 3:12-13).

DISHONOURING FATHER AND MOTHER

Problem-centered counseling, when looking for the source of problems in a person’s upbringing, usually leads a person to violate God’s commandment to: “*Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee*” (Ex. 20:12). Even if a seeker is having problems, the fifth commandment must be obeyed. This commandment requires just what it says—honour to mother and father. This would necessitate not dishonouring mother and/or father to a “third party,” especially when they are not there to respond. (Prov 18:17).

Problem-centered counselors often permit their counselees to dishonour their mothers and fathers. They often encourage and participate in the process. Those who follow the Freudian formula will dishonour their mothers and fathers by blaming them for their current problems and particularly by blaming their mothers. It is un-Biblical to do so.

Christ-centered ministers do not need to talk about the seeker’s mother and father, but will encourage the direction away from parental blame towards a focus on growing spiritually in the likeness of Christ. Jesus, the Word of God, and the work of holy spirit will be the emphasis. After all, every true believer has been born from above and has a new

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BLAMING THE PAST

“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus” (Phil. 3:13-14).

There are good reasons why the Apostle Paul, under the unktion of holy spirit, set himself as an example to follow. Though it is in-Biblical to do so, many problem-centered counselors emphasize and dwell on the past. Dwelling on the past can be a great impediment to pressing *“toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”*

In addition, focusing on the past majors on what was done to the old man of the flesh, which is to be put off rather than to be “healed” or fixed. Turning to the past to find reasons for present problems places blame on others and circumstances rather than on one’s own responsibilities and possibilities. Because of the nature of memory, remembering the past cannot be done without enhancing, embellishing, omitting, or creating details to fill in the blanks. Therefore, this is a faulty method of help because of the brain’s limited ability to remember and tendency to distort.

Christ dealt with every believer’s past at the cross when He died for their sins. When believer’s identify with Christ’s death and resurrection they are free from the past of the flesh as well as the power of the flesh. They have a new life in Christ and are to live according to that new life. Attempts to heal the hurts of the past are futile because one is not to heal that which is to be counted dead and buried. Such attempts give power to the flesh and will result in fleshly living in place of walking according to the spirit. Christ-centered ministers will encourage and help a seeker to leave the past at the foot of the cross and to “press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

CENTERING ON SELF AND EMPOWERING THE FLESH

“That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness” (Eph 4:22-24).

“Then said Jesus unto His disciples, ‘If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me’” (Matt 16:24); also see Mark 8:34 and Luke 9:23).

“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me” (Gal 2:20).

As we have said elsewhere: The client (i.e. the self) comes with a problem. The counseling is directed at the self with the problem. Thus, problem-centered counseling is actually self-centered counseling. The two are inextricably

linked. It would be appropriate to refer to this un-Biblical activity as problem/self-centered counseling.

FOCUSING ON PROBLEMS

A person seeking counsel generally does so because there is a problem. Thus, the problem becomes the center of the counsel. Problem-centered counseling spends much time going over problems (often in great detail) to discover the source of the problems. However, this long process ends up being guesswork. Psychological counselors may attempt to find the source in the unconscious and the past (parents and circumstances) or in the person’s present circumstances and erroneous thinking. Biblical counselors may attempt to find the source in what they refer to as the idols of the heart (Jeremiah 17:9-10) and/or to identify sins related to Bible verses, e.g. drunkenness (1 Cor. 6:9-11). Nevertheless, just as Job’s three friends pontificated much about the source of Job’s problems, they were only guessing according to their own limited knowledge and understanding. They ended up falsely accusing Job and misrepresenting God. Only God knows the heart and what must be changed. people can see outward sin and may be called to confront such when necessary, but too much problem-centered counseling is based on assumptions about the person. Even if the source could be accurately identified, does that bring a solution or merely a reason or excuse for the problem?

AN EXAMPLE

According to *Psychotherapy Networker*, a journal for mental-health professionals, “80% of therapists in private practice do couples therapy” (Vol 26, No 6, p28). Think about the following scenario:

A couple with a problem comes to a therapist for counseling. In order for the counseling to be done the couple has to describe the problem. He says, she says, and then typically the therapist asks questions that lead more

deeply into the details of the problem. The two spouses often challenge one another or sometimes disagree with each other’s assessment of the problem. The therapist has been trained not to take sides but to referee the interactions over the airing of the problems, typically without judgment, though this is changing among some counselors who now want to take sides. When the therapist knows enough, suggestion and recommendations are made to improve the problem with a hopeful commitment on the part of one or both spouses to work on improving the problem. A future appointment is scheduled for the couple to come back and report on their progress with the problem or lack of it.

Whether it’s a couple or an individual, the scenario is quite similar. The problem, whatever it might be, is central to all the conversation carried on. Because the counselor’s role is problem solver, the problem-centered counselor has to know about the problem. The problem-centered counselor needs to hear the problem explained; try to understand it according to some theory or guesswork; and offer some kind of solution. En route to suggestions and assignments, if given, there will no doubt be a violation of the Biblical principles described in this article; violating the one flesh of marriage, dishonouring father and mother, blaming the

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past, centering on self and empowering the flesh.

LOOKING UNTO JESUS

In Christ-centered ministry the person coming alongside does not need to know the specific problems or the details. Neither is there a necessity to guess at what might be the source. Instead, both the seeker and helper are to deal with life Biblically and spiritually. Walking according to the spirit is living by Christ's life and therefore walking in love.

Love is always the issue in the Christian life. Love is to be nourished and encouraged in one another. There should be a constant flow of love, which includes mercy and truth. Love also includes obedience to the Lord. Therefore, if there is known sin, the flow of love is diminished.

The focus of ministry should not be on the problems. Focusing on the problems and rehearsing wrongs committed against oneself tend to increase the intensity of the problems. Therefore talking about problems is discouraged and seeking the Lord and His Word is encouraged.

What? How can problems be handled if they are not carefully described? First of all, God knows the problem completely. He knows what needs to be changed in each person involved. The person who comes alongside will only get a partial view at most.

In Christ-centered ministry, the emphasis is on Christ and Him crucified and all that involves. As Paul declared, "*But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the spirit of the Lord*" (2 Cor 3:18).

As we know Christ more and focus on Him—His love, His sacrifice, His patient endurance, His long-suffering, His peace, His joy—we become more like Him. Then as the fruit of the spirit grows in our lives, we will learn to love the way He loves, rest in His peace that passes understanding, and even experience His joy—the kind of joy that enabled Him to endure the cross.

The Christ-centered helper and the seeker will be studying and applying the Word of God. They will be spending time in God's Word so that holy spirit will have the opportunity to work in them both.

"For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do." (Heb 4:12-13).

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Tim 3:16-17).

The Christ-centered helper will enter this relationship with the understanding that encouragement and guidelines will be given for the seeker to know the love of Christ in a greater way and to be conformed unto His image. The seeker can learn and use suggestions from the helper. However, the seeker has the final responsibility to discern and do the Lord's will as he goes before the Lord in prayer and seeks help from the only true Counselor.

"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. For if a

man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let every man prove his own work, and the shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. For every man shall bear his own burden" (Galatians 6:1-5).

CONCLUSION

A Christ-centered helper moves a person as quickly as possible from problem-centeredness to Christ-centeredness. The helper does not need to know the problem, let alone the details of the problem. Without the client being permitted to talk about the failures of spouse, father, or mother, without the client being able to talk at length about the past, and without the client avoiding self denial, a psychological or Biblical problem-centered counselor would probably not know what to do and would even be perplexed. However, any Biblical counselor would be un-Biblical to encourage or even pursue such talk.

On the other hand, there is much to talk about and do in Christ-centered ministry because it teaches and proclaims

Christ and Him crucified and all that the Word says about Him. nevertheless, because the direction is always towards Christ and the believer's relationship with Christ, the counselor must say with John the Baptist, "*He must increase, but I must decrease*" (John 3:30). The work is ongoing, but the helper fades more and more into the background.

Christ-centered ministry encourages both denying self and living for and growing in Christ. No one can do what needs to be done in the seeker as much as what the Lord and the seeker can do together. As Paul urged believers:

"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. Do all things without murmurings and disputings: that ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world: holding forth the word of life" (Phil 2:12-16a).

Nothing the world offers can even touch what is available to every true believer for living life to the fullest, for growing into the likeness of Christ, and for ministering life to one another. May each of us take courage and minister God's love in mercy and truth and avoid the dangers of problem-centered counseling.

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HOMESCHOOLING IS A RELAY RACE

by Michael J. McHugh

Homeschool parents have many responsibilities confronting them in the race to prepare their children both academically and spiritually for service within Christ's Kingdom. What a growing number of home educators are realizing, however, is that their task is ultimately like a type of relay race as they work toward the goal of someday handing off their children to Godly marriage partners. Even homeschoolers, therefore, are not spared from this paradox of parenting in that they are working hard to train and nurture their beloved children precisely so they can give them away.

Christian parents must never lose sight of the fact that the normal culmination of Biblical child training is when their child is successfully united to a Godly marriage partner. Moms and dads, therefore, must remember how impor-



tant it is for them to set a true and Godly example before their children of how a Christian marriage relationship is to function. They also need to invest time and energy instructing their children in what the Scriptures say about the covenant of marriage and how the differing roles of husband and wife are ultimately complimentary and under the Lordship of Christ. The Word of God provides clear instruction in regard to marriage beginning in Genesis 2, and continuing on in passages such as Leviticus 18, Mark 6:18, 1 Cor 6-7, and Eph 5.

Once parents have taken the responsibility to instruct their children in regard to Biblical marriage, and made it a point to model these same principles on a daily basis, they must determine how they will help their older children to select suitable marriage partners. Fathers, in particular, have the duty to take the lead in guiding and protecting their children while they pursue what is commonly called either Biblical courtship or Christian dating. Regardless of the specific mode a particular mom and dad select to guide their children toward marriage, fathers must insist that their children only consider suitors who are **DEDICATED CHRISTIANS**. In addition, fathers must be willing to help their daughters qualify potential suitors by taking the time to personally interview each one who comes calling.

Obviously, there is no one set of questions that fathers should use as they interact with young men who have expressed an interest in their daughter. nevertheless, here are a few sample questions that dads could use as they seek to evaluate a suitor. These same questions, by the way, would also be suitable to use in a slightly modified fashion when evaluating a young woman to determine if she is suitable for your son.

- Do you consider yourself a Christian? If so, why?
- Who is God, and in what respect is He Lord of your life?
- Tell me your view of the Bible and the Law of God.
- Describe your current relationship with your parents, and local church leaders. Do you attend church regularly? Which one? Have you had any problems relating to Godly authorities in your life?
- What are your goals in life on both a spiritual and career level? What do you envisage for any children the Lord may bless you with? [baptism, homeschooling, etc]
- How do I know that I can trust you to treat my daughter honourably and with moral integrity?

The mere fact that a young man is willing to submit himself to an interview with the father of a girl he is pursuing, helps to establish the fact that such a man is seriously interested in her. For this reason, fathers must be gracious and gentle as they interview young men who have come to ask permission to court or date their daughters. Even when a father determines not to permit a particular young man to pursue his daughter, he must not be rude or overbearing; but rather, firm and kind as he sends the man on his way.

It almost goes without saying that selecting a proper marriage partner is one of the most significant decisions that any person can make. young adults, therefore, need the guidance, support, and protection of their parents as they seek to find a marriage partner with whom they can be equally yoked. When homeschool parents fail to prepare and shepherd their children toward Christian marriage, they often find that all of their hard work in the area of child

training is ultimately undermined. It is, after all, a well established fact that in the relay race of Christian homeschooling, the issue of who wins or loses is often decided on the basis of how well and firmly the baton of faith is passed to the next generation.

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BECAUSE I SAID SO!

by Bob Surgenor

When I was growing up, it was not a common thing for me to question an order from my parents. The few times I did ask why I was required to do something, I received the same answer from my Dad and Mom, "**Because I said so!**" My parents may not have realized it at the time, but they were preparing me for the real world, where we are not always entitled to question a direct order from authority.

Today's child-rearing "experts" feel differently. The modern psychologist argues that the child should be treated much like an adult, and that the youngster is entitled to all of the rights and privileges of the parent. I recently attended a high school commencement ceremony, where the speaker told the parents in the audience, "Your children deserve your respect. 'Because I said so' just doesn't cut it any more!"

**MASS REBELLION
 AGAINST AUTHORITY**

In 1988, President Ronald Reagan came to Berea to speak at Baldwin Wallace College. I was one of the police officers assigned to the president's protection detail along with numerous Secret Service agents. After the president concluded his speech, he indicated to us that he wanted to go across the street and visit the Cleveland Browns football team at their practice facility. There was one problem. We had to clear a route for the

president's limousine to cross the street and enter the driveway of the Brown's practice facility, and it was being blocked by hundreds of anti-Reagan protestors.

We politely advised the protestors that they had to move. We were immediately met with a barrage of questions. One woman wanted to know why we were violating her right to free speech. Another protestor, waving his sign, "Reagan is a murderer," yelled, "I want to know why we have to move!" A teenage girl pointed at my face and stated, "Until you tell us what law we're violating, I'm not moving!"

It is not the practice of the Secret Service to telegraph the movements of the president. In fact, the feds usually disguise the president's route in order to protect him from organized attacks on the motorcade. Sometimes they send out a "fake" motorcade and then send the president in another direction. When the Secret Service clears the route, they are not required to advise anyone why they are doing so. The public is required by law to comply with the request of the agents. They are not entitled to an explanation.

About half of the protestors changed their mind when the paddy wagon pulled up. A large number continued to insist on an explanation of why they were required to move. Even as they were placed in handcuffs and hauled away, they continued to yell, "You are required to tell me why you're arresting me!" These protestors obviously were never required to comply with the authority of their parents, simply, "Because they said so!"

LAWLESSNESS

WHO IS THE JESUS OF SCRIPTURE?

by Francis Christen

*'Jesus - a second person?' 'Son of God' - or
 'God the Son'? 'What is a "person"?'*

*How many gods are there. 'Pre-existence'? God
 in the Old Testament. What did the Gnostics
 believe? Another Jesus? Unity for the Christian,
 will be reflected in doctrine—not feelings of
 false love. Did God die? 'Christ' is not a name,
 but a word that means 'anointed.'*

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When I was a patrolman on the road, I encountered an increasing number of young people who insisted on an explanation of my enforcement action. On one traffic stop, dispatch had advised me that the young man I had pulled over had a warrant out of Cleveland. When I approached the car and advised the young man to exit the vehicle, he insisted to know why he was required to get out of his car. When I advised him that there was a warrant for his arrest, he insisted on knowing the details. I tried explaining that I did not know the details, but it was a good warrant and he was required to go with me. The young man stated, "I'm not going anywhere until I get an explanation!" The young man ended up fighting with three officers, all the while yelling, "You can't do this until you tell me what this is about!" He ended up being charged with resisting arrest in addition to the Cleveland charges. Obviously, this young man was never told by his parents, "Because I said so!"

EXPERT IGNORANCE OF THE SCRIPTURES

William and Martha Sears, a husband and wife team of so-called "child-rearing experts," state in their book, *The Discipline Book*, "The traditional way of disciplining, authoritarianism, focuses on parents as authority figures whom children must obey or face the consequences. As one authoritarian father put it: 'I'm the dad, he's the child, and that's that! I don't need this modern psychology stuff. If he gets out of line, I'll show him who's boss.' Many problems can occur with authoritarian parenting. The child who is told he must obey 'or else' may behave, but he does so out of fear, not respect. 'Honor thy father and mother' is the wise and time-honored teaching; not fear them."

You will notice that the Sears' take a swipe at the Bible. William and Martha Sears know even less about the Bible than they do about child-rearing. Most of the "Anti-spanking" and "Positive Parenting" crowd know very little about what **God** teaches.

THE SUPREME AUTHORITY
When God provided Moses with the Ten Commandments on mount Sinai, they weren't a list of "debatable subjects." They were commands! Deuteronomy 5:32 says, "**Ye shall observe to do therefore as the Lord your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.**" In Deuteronomy 12:32, God instructs the children of Israel, "**What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.**" This certainly doesn't sound like a God who is asking for a debate on His instruction. God is basically saying, "Do what I tell you to do and don't question Me."

Proverbs 31:17 tell us, "*The eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.*" There are times when a terrible harm can come to a child if they do not immediately comply with the instruction of the parent. My children understood that there were times that they were to comply with my orders simply "**because I said so!**"

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"A NATION AND A COMPANY OF NATIONS SHALL BE OF THEE"

Historic Research Group - Discussion paper.

The statement below is perhaps the traditional one with many of the British-Israel, Anglo-Israel, Israel-Identity, Identity and Christian-Israelite groups in their interpretation of the statement made in Genesis 35:11. However, the question is asked—is this the correct interpretation of the source reference mentioned?

"Israel has become "a nation and a company of nations" (Gen. 35:11) - the United States of America became the nation, and the British Empire/Commonwealth became the company of nations."

The source reference - Genesis 35:

10. And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel.

11. And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; **a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee**, and kings shall come out of thy loins;

12. And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.

This begs the question: What about the other nations that also constitute the modern Commonwealth of Israel? -

Norway, Ireland, Sweden, Netherlands, Iceland, Switzerland, Belgium, France, Finland, Germany, Greenland, etc.-to name just a few, and when you think of it, a large portion of modern Israel nations are they not? These of our kindred have unfortunately been left out of the picture.

Another Interpretation

When God made the promise to Jacob/Israel the **nation of Israel** had not yet been formed. Later when Israel moved into Canaan/Palestine they eventually established a United Kingdom under King David and then Solomon:

This was obviously the first part of the promise - "**A Nation**." The "**Nation**" then divided into two constituent parts - **Israel and Judah**. After a while Israel and a large portion of Judah was taken into captivity by the Assyrians.

They then formed a larger number of nations - **a company of nations**.

These nations were known by different names historically, and the nations they formed sometimes only lasted for a short time. Generally we can identify them under these names - the list below is not exhaustive by any means:

Parthia, Sparta (plus other Greek states), Milesians, Troy, Carthage, Vandals, Goths, Ostragoths, Visigoths, Cymru/Welsh, Germans, Normans, Bretons, Britons, Irish, Scots, Galatians, Khumri, Massagetæ, Alba, Kernow, Etruscans, Norway, English, Tocharians, Scythians, Netherlands, Angles, Veneti, Scuths, Albany, Sweden, Belgium, France, New Zealand, Australia, Canada, USA - etc. etc.

This view covers all the different groups that have made up the "**company of nations**" that have constituted the Israel nations over the 2,500 + years.

CONCLUSION:

The alternative interpretation of the source reference presented here, is faithful to the evidence of the historical records that we have access to. It avoids any interpretation based upon political or religious bias of the time, and gives

MIND CONTROLLED GUN CONFISCATION

by Bill Schnoebelen

Are the shootings of the Stockton schoolyard, McDonald's, Columbine, Jonesborough, Pennsylvania Amish school, and Virginia Tech simply the work of mad, out-of-control gun owners of which the only answer is to confiscate all citizens weapons, or could it be the work of a secret mind control program called MK Ultra? Why do the shootings follow a four-step pattern? They attack our safe places—"This could never happen here." The gunman has no pattern that can be stopped—"Leaving the only solution, to confiscate the guns." The gunman has no or little reason to kill the victims. When finished killing, they kill themselves. Then come the calls for more gun control. 2hr40

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a better understanding of the overall context of the source reference. -----

WHAT'S A NAME?

Historic Research Group - Discussion Paper

Isaiah 62:2 *"And the Gentiles (correctly Nations as that is what the word means) shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name."*

Isaiah 65:15 *"And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name."*

The above source references from the Book of Isaiah have been used by a number of British-Israel, Anglo-Israel, Israel-Identity, Identity Christian-Israelite groups to justify a theory that the new name indicated in these references is the designation 'Christian.' They quote Acts 11:16 *"... And the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch."*

One brochure I received recently, written by a man from North Carolina USA, argued this very thing - the new name for Israel will be Christian. His argument was most unfortunate - he was reading into the source references that which was not there, thus making a whole new doctrine out of a zealous desire to make scripture say something, which it was not meant to say.

In another place the writer of the brochure tried to argue that Hosea's designation "sons of the living God" is proof of his argument. Hosea 1:10 *"Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God."*

I am at a loss to see how he came to that conclusion - the term "sons of the living God" is one of status. Israel was divorced and then through that great forensic act - the death of Jesus on the cross - were brought back into a covenant relationship with God. See 1 John 3:1 *"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God."*

This is one of many ideas that have been developed by well-meaning folk who hold to the false dichotomy of the church and Israel theory - these they say are the so-called two peoples of God (*an idea made popular by the Scofield reference Bible notes*). Many writers mix up religious designations with racial/national designations; a perfect example is the noun 'Jew' as we have it in modern English. The word defines a religious situation and not a racial one.

Israel has been called many names, as shown below. This was a promise to Abraham in Genesis 35:11 *"And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins."*

Some of the names of Israel:

Parthia, Sparta (plus other Greek states), Milesians, Troy, Carthage, Vandals, Goths, Ostragoths, Visigoths, Cymru/Welsh, Germans, Normans, Bretons, Irish, Scots, Galatians, Khumri/Wales, Massagetae, Alba, Kernow, Etruscans, Norway, English, Tocharians, Scythians, Netherlands, Angles, Veneti, Scuths, Albany, Sweden, Norway, Belgium, France, New Zealand, Australia, Canada, USA - etc, etc.

Once you start reading the Bible as **history** and not as a religious instruction book, you get a better understanding

of what it is saying.

The prophet Isaiah was writing primarily to Judah and Jerusalem and not to Israel, although Israel was mentioned at times. This paper does not have the space to go into all the details of Isaiah's book, but we hope we have been able to contribute to a further understanding of the Bible - our true foundational document.

Courtesy Historic Research Group, Whangarei, New Ulster, NZ

K. RUDD'S FETISH FOR POLITICAL PERSECUTION—SOVIET STYLE

It was once said to me that the measure of a man can be determined by his ability to take criticism.

Naturally this speaks volumes when one views the tactics and behaviour exhibited by dictatorial and totalitarian leaders and their regimes. Leaders who tolerate no criticism, no opposing position on any issue - such dissent is to be hounded into silence, prosecuted under oppressive laws stifling freedom of speech and expression.

Welcome to life in Australia 2008. Socialist governments from coast to coast and an emboldened internationalist multiculturalist lobby growing fat, arrogant and ever more dangerous on the taxes of Australian workers. Perhaps a little over-dramatic?

The Australian Protectionist Party, the only effective, mainstream patriotic party in existence in our nation today, has come to the attention of that government department known as the "Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission." Equal opportunity, except in the area of free speech and open discussion for Australians.

This body acts as little more than a government agency (as in the same manner as the Soviet KGB), they use their position to intimidate and bully those whose position on issues affecting the nation's future is at odds with those held by their pay-

masters.

So, what exercise in horrendous racial vilification are the Australian Protectionists (and according to HREOC, the National Chairman, Andrew Phillips) supposed to have carried out, thereby falling foul of our open-minded regime led by a power-mad Sinophile who claimed he intended to govern for ALL Australians?

A complaint has been lodged by a government employee of yet another dictatorial social engineering department located in W.A. Apparently this person is of Islamic Arab persuasion and had a leaflet she claims to be from the Protectionists sent to her by a friend "for her interest."

So, the leaflet, available on the internet for anyone to download, was put into a friend's letterbox and sent to the complainant for her interest.

Apparently the poor woman was so outraged and offended at receiving the leaflet, 90% of which consisted of reprinted tracts of the utterances of the Prophet Mohammed, that she began making abusive and threatening phone calls to the WA branch (as if they had put the leaflet into her box) and then lodged a confused and bitter complaint against the Party with Krudd's Thought Police.

Despite claiming the desire to "negotiate" and "have all leafleting and activities cease," the true motivation of both the plaintiff and the Human Rights Thought Police are much darker than they would have us all believe. The plaintiff apparently shrieked at Australian Protectionists



that “you’ll all be going to gaol for SEVEN years” (hmmm, doesn’t sound very conciliatory now, does it?), while the Thought Police sent out interesting extracts from the Racial Vilification Laws which truly set out how oppressive the system really is.

The law states that Australians are free to believe whatever they wish (sounds quite reasonable, doesn’t it?) in private. Apparently, one falls foul of the law once “one causes words, sounds, images or writing to be communicated to the public” or “is done in the sight or hearing of people who are in a public place.”

Perhaps this does not sound too much like a One Party State in practice, but let us look deeply at what they’re REALLY saying here. A group of reasonable, patriotic Australians who are naturally law abiding wish to discuss a contentious issue, such as say, immigration and national identity. Not wanting to fall foul of the law, one of them decides to hold a meeting to discuss the issue in the privacy of his own home, or hires a small hall so people can discuss their concerns in private.

At what point does the transmission of an “offensive personal point of view” attracting “7 years goal” to the public really take place? As with all dictatorial systems, a public meeting is deemed to take place once 3 or more people are gathered together in one place.

All it takes is for one person to disagree with a point of discussion in a room containing 3 or more people, lodge a complaint—and you’ve broken the law. Perhaps a journalist has heard of this quiet meeting and chosen to invite themselves along?

There you have it. All patriotic Aussies are entitled to their own opinions in our “free and democratic land” just as it should be. Just don’t ever get the idea of meeting with like-minded people, forget about raising issues of importance for discussion by your fellow Australians and absolutely forget about ANY idea of forming a political movement to represent your wishes.

George Orwell would be proud. — Regardless of these developments, the Australian Protectionist Party leadership are committed to standing firm against the actions of a dictatorial government and their globalist cronies. APP is devoted to the task of speaking out for Australians on ALL issues, be they threats to Aussie manufacturing jobs, the attempts to drive farmers off their land and endanger the viability of our primary industry through cheap imports, attacks on the biological integrity of our land through lowered quarantine standards, the actions of social engineers in our education system instructing our children to loathe their own identity and culture, immigration and the threat to freedom of speech which has long been treasured by Aussies as a gift to the nation by our founders - ***a gift paid for with the blood of diggers on foreign battlefields.***

As in the past, there is a renewed effort to deny Australians their right to freedom of speech and self-determination. members of the Protectionist Party and the Party’s National Committee will be resisting any attempts to deny Australians their right to discuss issues of national interest and deny us the tradition of questioning the dubious actions and motivations of remote and disinterested governments.

“If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot

stamping on a human face - forever” - George Orwell, 1984.

Australia—it’s YOUR country, protect what is left for future generations. (courtesy **Andrew Phillips**)

GOD’S LAW AND GOD’S LOVE

by **Arnold Kennedy**

“If you love Me, keep My commandments.” (Jn 14:15)

“This is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.” (1Jn 5:3)

WHAT HAS GOD JOINED

In order to serve the Lord faithfully, we must not only distinguish things that differ but also preserve the connection of things God has joined. Law and love are two such things that God has joined. They are inseparable mates.

When Martin Luther said, “Love God and do as you please,” his point was this: If you truly love God, you will do what pleases Him. But that still leaves the question, What is pleasing to God? Thus Luther’s statement needs some explanation, lest the issue be oversimplified or confused.

One of the greatest difficulties in dealing with this subject is the many ways the words themselves, *law* and *love*, are used in the Bible. In elsewhere we discussed the different meanings of the word *law*. Likewise, in Scripture we read of the love of Christ, love of your wife, love for our neighbour, love for our enemies, and a special and peculiar love for the brethren. Volumes have been written on these two little words, *law* and *love*.

Every true Christian wants to know how to please God. This desire comes with the new birth and immediately thrusts us into the Bible, where God’s will is expressed. But how does God express His will? Does He simply say, “Love . . .” or does He express His will by giving us His commandments? The Bible clearly does both, all the while teaching us the proper relationship between law and love.

We must exercise our best efforts to discern what that relationship is. The assortment of books, discussions, and opinions on this subject is vast. Thus sorting through the issues requires prayer and the plentiful work of holy spirit. May God give us all discernment to distinguish things that differ and to join things that must be understood together.

“ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE”?

Every heresy and cult waves the word *love* around like a banner of virtue. It is their favourite word, but it is never connected to God’s Law. The hippie movement of the sixties also proclaimed this word—painted on vans and placards—often in the form of “free love.” Political liberals continue to speak of love divorced from individual responsibility.

In March of 1965, *Time* magazine reported a meeting of nine hundred ministers and students at Harvard Divinity School in which they considered the subject of the “new morality.” The title of the article, “Love in Place of Law?” set up an antithesis. Under the heading, “We are Delivered,” the article said, “Inevitably, the speakers reached no definite conclusion, but they generally agreed, that, in some respects, the new morality is a healthy advance as a genuine effort to take literally St. Paul’s teaching that through

Legal Matters?

THE AUTHORITY OF LAW

by **Charles A. Weisman**

This material deals with the oldest and most basic legal principle associated with the use of law, one which today is being grossly ignored and violated. This ancient principle relates to the enacting authority of a law, which is necessary to give law its authority, authenticity, identity and validity. Most “law” today exists by way of various codes or revised statutes, which fail to use this required enacting authority. This makes these statutory works invalid as a law which citizens are subject to. Due to this, all criminal prosecutions, both State and Federal, are groundless, and the courts are without jurisdiction to render any judgment

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Christ we are delivered from the Law.”

Though these words do come from the New Testament, they certainly do not teach what the Harvard speakers implied. Some questions need to be asked about the context of Paul’s words” In what respect are we delivered from the Law, and, from what Laws are we delivered? People who are motivated by genuine love are certainly not lawless. They love the moral and ethical standard that Christ loved and kept, contrary to the words of Princeton president, Paul Ramsey, who said in the same article, “Lists of cans and cannots are meaningless.”

Now, we are not surprised at this dangerous, destructive ignorance when we find it among cults, liberals, and agnostics. But when Bible-believing preachers set up a false antithesis between law and love, we should be shocked, appalled, saddened, and greatly pained. Setting up a false antithesis between law and love (as if they are conflicting, opposing ideas) is one of the subtlest ways to undermine the Ten Commandments, biblical morality, and true Christianity. Granted there is a difference between law and love; but there is also an immutable connection. The failure to see this unchangeable relationship has led people into countless errors, heresies, and spiritual shipwrecks.

AN IMMUTABLE CONNECTION

Let us consider a few passages that show the immutable connection between law and love. Notice how love is joined to the Ten Commandments in the following teaching of Paul:

“Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “you shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not bear false witness,” “You shall not covet,” and if there be any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” Love does no harm to a neighbour, therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.” (Rom 13:8-10)

Moreover, what better definition of love could we give than the biblical one we have from John, the great apostle of love himself? *“For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.” (1 John 5:3).*

Observe, also, our Lord’s conversation with the lawyer in Matt 22:35-40. When asked in vs 36, *“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?”* Our Lord immediately connected God’s commandments and God’s love. Jesus always connected law and love. What could be plainer than the following examples?

“He who has MY commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love Me does not keep My words ; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father’s who sent Me.” (John 14:21, 23-24)

“If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you . . . You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.” (John 15:10, 12, 14).

These statements should settle forever the fact that

there is an eternal relationship between God’s law and God’s love. To emphasize that love itself is a command is consistent with many New Testament passages: “Love your neighbour” (Matt 5:43); “Love your enemies” (Luk 6:27, 35); “Love one another” (Rom 13:8); “Love your wives” (Eph 5:25); “Love the brotherhood” (1 Pet 2:17). These passages are sufficiently clear to show that there is a vital connection between law and love. They should cause us to renounce any teaching—whether packaged in clever illustrations or dispensed via subtle implications—that would separate law and love. If ever the biblical teaching about the commandments was needed in the home, the church, and the nation, it is now! With lawlessness rampant, we certainly do not need preachers and teachers who separate what God has joined together. The “love only” doctrine is the enemy of true Christianity, of the Bible, and of the souls of men. It is not biblical love at all. Nor is lawless love Christlike.

The gospel of Jesus breathes the spirit of holy love namely:

- Love is the fulfilling of all gospel precepts
- Love is the pledge of all gospel joys.
- Love is the evidence of gospel power.
- Love is the ripe fruit of the spirit (Gal 5:22-23).

The spirit of genuine love is never, never, at the expense of law and truth. Nor is love ever separated from the biblical directives for holy living that are objectively and eternally set out in the Ten Commandments. This is underscored in that great love chapter in the Bible, where Paul says that “love rejoices in the truth” (1 Cor 13:6).

The connection between law and love is deeply embedded in the Old Testament, as well as the New. This is illustrated in Exodus 20, where

God gave the Decalogue at Sinai. Before giving the Ten Commandments, God reminded the Israelites of His redemptive love. ‘I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt’ (vs 2). That was a loving redemptive act. Not only does the prologue to the Ten Commandments speak of God’s redeeming love, but later, in reference to the second commandment, vs 6 speaks of God’s “showing mercy” to His people. Love and mercy are harmoniously tied to the Decalogue.

Jesus reaffirmed that connection in John 14:15, “If you love Me, keep My commandments.” His summary of the law in Matthew 22:37-40—the law of love for God and neighbour—echoes the love command given with the law in Deuteronomy 6:5. Not only our Lord and His apostles, but the whole Bible joins God’s Law and God’s love,

LOVE AS MOTIVE

Love has no eyes except the holy law of God, no direction apart from God’s commands. Paul spoke of the love of Jesus constraining us. It moves us to duty. Love is the only true motive for all worship and duty, but by itself it does not define either. Therefore, we may not put love “in place of law.” They belong together. Christian behaviour springs from love to God and our neighbour. If we loved them perfectly, our character and behaviour would be perfect because it would conform to God’s will. Love is a motive for and expresses itself in obedient action.

Such action fulfils the law: “Love does no harm to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilment of the law” (Rom 13:10). Motive and action cannot be more tightly

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joined than they are in this passage. If love does not constrain us to fulfil the moral law, it is not the love of which the Bible speaks. The apostle Paul made this very clear when he said that *“the love of Christ constrains us”* (2 Cor 5:14). It is the love of God that puts the law of God into effect.

Genuine love for God is intensely preoccupied with Him as the Supreme Object of love. It is, therefore, intrinsically active in doing His will. Love itself is commanded in the Old Testament as well as the New. Jesus said, *“These things I command you, that you love one another”* (John 15:17). Love is also described as a command in Deuteronomy 6:5-7, *“You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart; you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.”*

We must be very clear that the command to love will not create love or generate love. This command, like every other, cannot create the disposition or will to obey. But the mere fact that love is a command should silence those who argue for an antithesis between law and love. Moses, Jesus, and Paul all connected law and love, as does John in 1 John 5:3, *“For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.”*

Woe to anyone who separates what Moses, Jesus, and the apostles have said belong together! *What God has joined let no man put asunder!*

IN MEMORY OF E. RAYMOND CAPT

Eugene Raymond Capt, 93, passed away peacefully at his home on March 11, 2008, with his family by his side.

He was born on August 15, 1914 in Los Angeles, CA. After retiring as a general contractor in the San Gabriel Valley, he relocated to the Santa Rosa Valley in 1966 to pursue his long time passion for Biblical archeology.

Ray became interested in archeology at an early age with an interest in the Great Pyramid of Giza. With extensive research, guiding tours to the Holy Land and Europe, and his many photographs taken all over the world, he compiled lecture series, wrote numerous books and produced many videos.

He received a Master's Degree in Biblical history and archeology from Covenant College in Florida. In 1972 he was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. In 1976 he received an honorary doctorate of literature from the Academia Testina Per Le Scienze in Pescara, Italy.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice, in 1987 and his youngest daughter in 2006.

He is survived by his current wife, Christina, 8 children, 24 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Ray continued his interest in Biblical archeology right up until the end. Recently he said that, with all of the research that he had in mind to do, and books he planned to write, he would have to live to be 100 to complete it all. When he knew that the Lord would soon be calling him home he asked others to complete the jobs that he had in mind.

Ray will be missed by all who have known him and have learned from his extensive research through the years. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. May God's blessings be with them.

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IMPRECATORY PRAYER REGARDING THE DEVIL *sermon notes from Pastor mark Downey*



The controversy over the subject of satan continues to escalate from certain quarters who demand war and death for those who disagree with them. Some have become so enamored with their so-called “Satan” that they have resorted to lemming-like imprecatory prayers against the imaginary. As a necessary equilibrium for down-to-earth Christian theology, I was compelled by the holy spirit to provide an alternative imprecatory for a proper exegesis of satanic-related metaphors in contradistinction to the religious hysteria of the literal Judaic ‘pro-Satan’ crowd. Let me reiterate, after dozens of commentaries, that those of us who do not subscribe to the judeo version of a creature called “Satan,” does not mean that the subject of satan or its permutations has no meaning in the Bible. Indeed, it does and that is the intent of this prayer.

For those who don't know what an imprecatory is, it is a petition to God for divine judgment. I think this subject just goes to show you that if our people are really interested in divine intervention, then we should be praying for each other to overcome the things that impede our maturing in Jesus and a remnant's resolve to the adversity we face. It isn't demons from hell or a commander-in-chief of such nonsensical realms that quench our relationship with God, but rather the insidious propensity to whore after strange gods that estrange us from our Creator. May this prayer call the lost sheep of the house of Israel out of darkness and mitigate our past failures to enter back into His marvelous light and everlasting mercy.

The Prayer:

Our Father in Heaven, You have told us that your Kingdom is not in word, but in power (1 Cor 4:19) and that all authority is given unto Jesus the Christ, in heaven and in earth (Mat 28:18). You have instructed us to “Learn not the way of the heathen” (Jer 10:2) and to not heed the “doctrines of devils” (1 Tim 4:1). Your first commandment tells us, “Thou shalt have no other gods before Me” (Ex 20:3), because “There is none else, there is no God beside Me” (Isa 45:5). And so we pray and appeal to the God of Israel to pound and pulverize the pusillanimous preachers who puke a putrid propaganda of paganism and puff. We pray that Your people, who are called by Your authority, are not so easily persuaded by every wind of doctrine and the tradition of elders who are “Speaking lies in hypocrisy.”

We pray that the great “I Am” will curse the purveyors of other supernatural beings and wicked superstitions as manifested in the corruptions of the Word of God, such as the arbitrary personification of words like satan, devil and serpent, just as the pantheon of mongrel mythologies do with vice and virtue. We pray that You prepare the hearts of Your people to study, rightly dividing the word of truth so that these words can be seen for what they really are. Move Your people to hate the real satans, the human adversaries of God, false accusers, slanderers, calumniators, carnality and sin. Help Your people identify the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, for that is all that is in the world that can defeat us (1 John 2:16).

We pray that you expose the lies and that the truth be known that there never was an incarnation of an opposite deity of God called “Satan” or a renegade fallen angel. Let us recognize that the only opposition to God is from man following the ungodly. We pray that You crush the advocacy of other supernatural entities in competition with the one true God. O Lord, demolish and destroy their false teachings and damnable heresies. We pray that the blindness upon Israel be lifted and that our true enemies are not confused with illusionary idols of the heart.

May our people come to an understanding between satan and jews, for they are collectively one and the same, adversaries to God and false accusers, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. we pray that the head of

each wolf in sheep's clothing is severed from the body of Christ, which leadeth the flock astray. Let Your ecclesia be perfectly joined together having the same mind (1 Cor 1:10) through the revealed truth.

We pray that You awaken Your people from the snake peddlers selling "another gospel" of "strong delusion" and scapegoat theology. Lord, give us a love of Your truth, which shall make us free from the witchcraft of vain imaginations, for it is rebellion against God to believe in any other supernatural deity, which some proclaim to be "the god of this world" wielding diabolical powers. Lord, open our eyes that we may see that it is the sin nature of man that has prevented the Kingdom of Heaven from governing the earth and bringing forth the restoration of Paradise.

We pray for Your servants to effectively fight against the fables of a literally personified devil and to bring repentance from the church of Christ for formerly held beliefs bearing mischief, which contradict the Word which proceedeth from the mouth of God. We pray that Your Israel people seek and find the satan or devil from within that defiles us and separates us from the love of our Kinsman Redeemer. Lord, we give you all the glory for the victory over worldliness and the cause of death, that there might be eternal life with Thee. We give thanksgiving for all the power You have in taking away our sins and blessing a contrite heart with revival. We are thankful and comforted to know that this word 'devil' relates to sin and that sin demands accountability, because "Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed" (James 1:14). Praise God, we can now be responsible for our own lives and so doing be delivered from our enemies and from the hand of all that hate us (Luke 1:71). Let the blame for our sins rest solely upon ourselves. May the righteousness of Christ shine in our heart and minds and thereby be anathema to the adversaries of God, as You command us to "Repent, for the Kingdom is at hand" (Mat 4:17) and "Your redemption draweth nigh" (Luk 21:28).

We pray that those who lie in wait to deceive our kindred and elevate the jew to some sort of supernatural spawning will receive unto themselves a double portion of divine judgment; for the jew is nothing more or less than the mongrel antichrist abomination "Against whom the Lord hath indignation forever" (Malac 1:4). Let us not empower those who hate the Lord with an unbelievable supernatural ancestry, when their heritage is merely that of mongrelization.

We pray that you bring back reality and common sense and that we be not conformed to the spiritual pollutions of this world, so that we may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God (Romans 12:2). Thank you Lord for answering this prayer according to Your purposes and Plan for the Ages... in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

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CONSEQUENCES OF CANNABIS USE

by Jenny Stokes

The evidence continues to mount that cannabis use has dangerous consequences. Researchers have followed more than 8000 Brisbane families with children who were born at the Mater Hospital in Brisbane between 1981 and 1983. Interviews at regular intervals with the mothers and children provide valuable information about behaviour and its causes. The outline of the study and research have been published in Journals and on the hospital's website.¹

MENTAL HEALTH

Research has shown there is a link between cannabis use and mental health problems. However, one of the questions often asked is 'Did the cannabis use cause the mental health problems or did the mental health problems lead to the cannabis use?' Professor Jake Najman, who started the Mater Hospital study, has analysed the data relating to children who have become drug users and says the study found those children 'disproportionately' had mental health problems. The advantage of the Mater Hospital study, he says, is that it can be determined whether the mental health problems occurred before or after the drug use began. He has found that the data shows that the cannabis use led to the development of the person's mental health problems.²

LUNG CANCER

Researchers from the Medical Research Institute of New Zealand have found that people who smoke cannabis regularly have a much higher risk of lung cancer.^{3,4} The researchers asked 79 people with lung cancer under the age of 55 about their exposure to various risk factors for lung cancer, including tobacco and cannabis. They selected 324 controls randomly from the electoral roll, matching them by age to the cancer patients. They took into account the fact that people who often smoke cannabis also smoke tobacco. The study found that people who smoked more than one cannabis cigarette a day for 10 years, or two a day for five years, were about six times more likely to develop lung cancer than those who didn't smoke cannabis at all. They found that for every year a person smoked one cannabis joint a day their risk of getting lung cancer was increased by an additional eight per cent.

The researchers said that cannabis smoke contains twice the level of carcinogens compared with tobacco smoke. Other factors that contribute to the increased risk are that cannabis smokers inhale more deeply and don't use a filter. They concluded that one joint of cannabis equates to about 20 tobacco cigarettes for lung cancer risk. A high number of young people with lung cancer had smoked cannabis regularly. The researchers concluded that "long-term cannabis use increases the risk of lung cancer in young adults."

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