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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 sware 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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### "STEALING OF FREEDOM"

by Pastor Bob Hallstrom

When somebody breaks into our house and ransacks the place, taking all that they want, we call that **theft**, and it is a **theft** of tangible assets. However, the eighth commandment, which states, "**thou shalt not steal**," refers to more than just tangible or physical property—it also refers to intangible things such as the **STEALING OF FREEDOM**.

Let me give you just one example. If you were arrested by a policeman and incarcerated in jail without just cause, that is referred to as **unlawful imprisonment**. Most arrests in conjunction with traffic stops fall into this category as, in most states, the policeman only has authority to take you before a magistrate—not to jail. I would not advise anyone to challenge this unless they are willing to go to jail and have read an understood the law of your state.

But why am I interested in **unlawful imprisonment**? Well it is the stealing of your **liberty** or your **freedom**. In a sense it is kidnapping, and certainly it is false imprisonment by the officers of your state. But **freedom** is something a **Freeman** enjoys and something that slaves do not enjoy, for slaves are not free. Any dictionary will tell you that **freedom** is defined as: "A state of exemption from the power or control of another...." A literal understanding of that definition would be there is no such thing as a freeman.

But what was the purpose of freedom? We know, from Genesis 1:26, that man's mission was to subdue and have dominion over the earth. Now if you **steal** a man, thus robbing him of his freedom, then that man comes under the control of another, and when that happens, how can he fulfill the prime directive given by God? Obviously he cannot.

I should point out that some men, perhaps even most men, are slaves by nature. They prefer to be controlled to some degree by man or state, rather than being in absolute 100% control of themselves under God. In fact, these men will tell you that we need to be controlled for the good of society. However, in Scripture slavery was also voluntary, and in some cases a dissatisfied slave could leave, and he could not be compelled to return, and other men were forbidden to deliver him to his master. We find this law in Deuteronomy 23:15-16:

"Thou shalt not deliver unto his master the servant which is escaped from his master unto thee: He shall dwell with thee, even among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him."

Notice that this implies a certain amount of liberty on the part of slaves, and also a duty of just treatment by their masters. And, for the most part, so it was in the pre-civil

War South as slaves lived in their own quarters, had guns to hunt with, a patch of ground on which to grow crops. Although they had a great deal of liberty, unlike slaves in Scripture, they could not leave their master as they were considered a form of personal property. But, some were given their freedom and others were allowed to purchase their freedom.

However, in Scripture, a man who abuses his freedom can be sold into slavery in order to work out his restitution. We know this from Exodus 22:3,

*"If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him; for he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft."*

The principle seems to be that if a man cannot use his freedom for its true purpose, godly dominion, reconstruction and restoration, he must then work towards restitution in his bondage. But masters were required to be fair in their dealing with their slaves and this was confirmed by Paul in Colossians 4:1 where he stated:

*"Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven."*

The prohibition of stealing referred originally to kidnapping as well. For example, we read in Genesis 40:15 of Joseph's removal from the land of Canaan. Joseph stated:

"For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews:...."

Joseph seemed to understand that to kidnap a man was a stealing of that man and to enslave him is to rob him of his freedom. I might point out that scripturally, kidnapping

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was punished by death for Exodus 21:6 states:

“And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death,”

Likewise we read in Deuteronomy 24:7,

“If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you.”

Certain things clearly appear in these two laws.

- First, they forbade the kidnapping of any man, whether Israelite or foreigner.

- Second, the selling of slaves was forbidden, and so a slave-market could not exist in Israel. Since Israelites were voluntary slaves, and since not even a foreign slave could be compelled to return to his master (Deut 23:15-16), slavery was on a different basis under the laws of God than in non-Biblical cultures. Scripturally, the slave was a member of the household, having certain rights in that family.

- The slave who was working out a restitution for theft had no incentive to escape, for to do so would make him an incorrigible criminal and subject to death. We have already seen that the death penalty is mandatory for kidnapping. No discretion is allowed the court, and so, to rob a man of his freedom required death.

- Fourth, Deuteronomy 24:7 forbids stealing a man by anyone who “maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him.” Likewise in 2 Peter 2:3, Peter tells us that we will be as merchandise: “*And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you.*”

Notice that this will be done, not with shackles, but by feigned words. In other words you will be enticed into becoming a slave for the “good of society.”

The best way to entice a man into slavery is to control his assets, for if we cannot use our property without permission, then we are slaves to those who control the conditions under which we can use our property. So, property is basic to man’s freedom and a tyrannical state always limits a man’s use of his property. For example, the state taxes it, or confiscates it, which is a highly effective means of enslaving a man without putting him in shackles. The control or theft of personal property must be viewed as more than the lawless seizure or destruction of property; it is an assault on a man’s freedom, and even his very life.

Neither the state nor any individual has any right to transgress this law. However, the state transgress this law all the time, not only by acts of confiscation, manipulation of money, and by taxation, but also by any and every undercutting of Biblical faith and education. For example, State supported and controlled education is theft, not only in its taxation plan, but also by virtue of its destruction of public character, so that a godly society is turned into a thieves’ market.

During the law-abiding time of Israel’s history, houses lacked doors. A curtain was hung in place of a door. Pagan dwellings in surrounding areas had heavy doors, sometimes of stone, carefully fitted into a stone wall, as a necessary protection against other men.

This difference, discovered by archeological work, is a striking one. When morality was the norm, when men were at peace with their neighbours, and when the law was obeyed and enforced, then the purpose of a door was

merely to ensure privacy, and a curtain, in a moderate climate, was sufficient. In lawless neighbouring countries, stone doors were required, and men lived as prisoners within their own homes, in effect besieged by a lawless world.

The same lawless siege-living condition again prevails in our society. By their destruction of godly education and of Biblical Law, the nations have robbed their people of freedom, and the people, by their apostasy, have denied themselves freedom. But to return again to the definition of theft as the stealing of freedom, the implication is clearly that property is freedom. A man is free if his person and his possessions are under his control. But if the state can prohibit you from using your property or if the state can take it away from you if you fail to perform, such as by paying real or personal property taxes, - then you are NOT free - they may not have you in shackles but they don’t need to shackle you because you are a willing slave!

The Psalmist long ago observed those who attempt to build up a city and to safeguard it without God, that, “*Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it; except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.*” Psalm 127:1.

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## FINANCIAL AND FAMILY PROBLEMS

in Robert Schuller’s Family Business - -the Megachurch

Robert Schuller, Sr. has had the largest following of any church in America. Two years ago his son was made the pastor, but he has since resigned—on Nov 29, 2008

That happens to be the 15th anniversary of our Jubilee Prayer campaign, so it caught my eye.

Apparently, father and son can’t get along so well, and contributions were down \$5 million last year, forcing them to sell properties that are probably hard to sell in today’s market. Especially in Orange County (California). I also found it interest-

ing that the following article would call his church a “family business.”

<http://www.onenewsnow.com/Church/Default.aspx?id=404824>

Is this a sign of more to come?

Courtesy God’s Kingdom Ministries 02/02/09

## MISGUIDED AND MISAPPLIED MISSIONARY EFFORTS

Col. J. Richard Niemela

FOR ALL . . . . What does it take to make today’s Christians awaken to the fact that Missionary work is not intended, nor ever was, to go to the alien nations . . . to people whose origins and understanding of the faith never can or will accept it . . . and they never have. How many missionaries have been driven from these countries, claiming some success in “saving souls,” etc. but when they leave, the natives soon revert to their previous ways. Or, as the Catholic church has done over the ages, adjusted their religious practices to accommodate bits and pieces of the alien faiths . . . as if such a move was both practical and just. hardly!

Jesus was clear about who His Sheep were. If you read John 10, you can see that He states that ONLY His sheep hear His voice. Those of you who seek to make sheep of everybody (dogs, goats, swine) ignore all of the verses and doctrines of the Word that directed the disciples to go only

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to the "lost sheep of the house of Israel." (Matt 10:6) [This does not mean the Jews - they are NOT His sheep - and so they readily admit].

Jesus also spoke to this point as well ... saying to the Canaanite woman, that, "I am not sent but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." (Matt 15:24). Are we then, to direct our faith and promises to those who are not His sheep? When we know that it has always failed, for no other nation - other than those who comprise the 'lost tribes of the nation of Israel' can meet these definitions and meet the Covenant Promises that God made with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob-Israel.

Read them, and if you can find any of them having been truly accomplished over the centuries in some non-Israelite nations and among other than Israelite peoples, please make careful note. But, no, none of these promises were manifest in ANY but the nations and peoples of Europe, and Great Britain and the United States (and their kindred peoples in South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

Further, I suggest that you read 1 Tim 8. It directs us to care for our OWN, and those that do not focus on our own Kin, is worse than an infidel (Paul's words).

So rather than wandering about the world, and trying to make Christians out of heathens, stay at home and care for those who are the truly blest and allied in the same purpose and cause with the Lord. For God was very specific in HIS directions. Here is one example only. "You only have I known of all the families of the earth..." (Amos 3:2). Why try and out-bid God by such programs? Would you rather accept some misguided, talmudically-influenced preacher, fresh out of theological school and listen to him, or would you rather read the Word for yourself and make your own decisions?

You cannot get something for nothing. you have to make the effort to study God's Word on your own.

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## **SÝMBOLISM OF THE SCRIPTURES**

**R. Llewelyn Williams**

The bride—this example of Bible symbolism is taken, not from the mineral, the vegetable, or the animal world, but from human life; and this particular symbol could not have been chosen, without irreverence, by anyone else but the LORD Himself, because it likens the relations between God and His people to the relationship between a husband and his wife.

God has created a nation which He designed to be, as it were, His wife and helpmeet in carrying out His Great Plan. To this nation, as to a bride, He gave His name, and called her Israel, which means Reigning with God.

But the wife was unfaithful; she deserted her husband for the idols of heathen; or as Jeremiah forcibly puts it; she played the harlot with many lovers (Jeremiah 3:1). The Divine Husband, however, was patient and forbearing; and we hear His voice pleading with her:

"Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the Lord." (Jeremiah 3:20). "Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord: for I am married unto you." (Jeremiah 3:14).

Prophet after prophet, warning after warning, was ignored and flouted. Israel wantonly persisted in her idolatry, until at last the time came when she had to be divorced. At this point the allegory is taken up by the prophet Hosea:

"Say ye unto your brethren, Ammi [My people]; and to your sisters, Ruhamah [Beloved]. Please with your mother, plead: for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts; lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst. And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they be the children of whoredoms. For their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, i will go after my lovers, that give me my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink. Therefore, behold, I will hedge

up thy way with thorns, and make a wall, that she shall not find her paths. And she shall follow after lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find them: then shall she say, I will go and return to my first husband; for then was it better with me than now. For she did not know that I gave her corn, and wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold, which they prepared for Baal. Therefore will I return, and take away my corn in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will recover my wool and my flax given to cover her nakedness. And now will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand. I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts. And I will destroy her vines and her fig trees, whereof she hath said, These are my rewards that my lovers have given me: and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them. And I will visit upon her the

days of Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and forgat me, saith the Lord." (Hosea 2:1-13).

So the wife is divorced. She loses her husband's name, the proud title of "Israel," which she had taken in vain; and is driven out into the wilderness, where she may repent and be purified in the fire of affliction. Now it will be remembered that, before His marriage to Israel, God had made an everlasting covenant with her ancestors; this covenant He cannot break, and the erring wife is still necessary to His purpose. But the wife has now been granted a Bill of Divorcement; she cannot now return to her husband; and by Israel Law she deserves the death penalty for adultery.

We seem to have reached a deadlock; but what may seem a deadlock to man is not a deadlock to God. His plan for Israel's redemption is already in existence, and we find

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in the book of Isaiah:

*“Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more. For thy Maker is thine husband; the Lord of Hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; the God of the whole earth shall he be called. For the Lord hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God. For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer.”* (Isaiah 54:4-8).

The sinful wife can only be redeemed, bought back, by the blood sacrifice, of Jesus the Christ - who paid the price for her sin. She was under penalty of death for her sin, But Jesus took the penalty upon Himself. This returns Israel to Divine favour.

*“Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her. And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope; and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt. And it shall be at that day saith the Lord, that thou shalt call Me Ishi [husband]; and shalt call Me no more Baali [Lord]. For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.”* (Hosea 2:14-17).

*“And I will betroth thee unto Me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto Me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in loving kindness, and in mercies. I will even betroth thee unto Me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the Lord.”* (Hosea 2:19-20).

*“And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say unto them which were not my people [because they were divorced], Thou art my people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.”* (Hosea 2:23).

In due time the Redeemer came and we hear Zacharias the priest, filled with the Holy Spirit, breaking his long silence with a song of praise:

*“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 out 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 sware to our father Abraham.”* (Luke 1:68-73).

Some thirty years or so later, our Lord begins His ministry; and He very soon proclaims Himself as the Husband: “Can the children of the bride-chamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?” (Mark 2:19).

In the parables of the Royal Marriage Feast (Matthew 22:1-14), and the Ten Virgins (Matthew 25:1-13). He points to Himself as the Bridegroom. And when He can teach no longer, He lays down His life for the redemption and salvation of Israel. In that tremendous sacrifice; He fulfills the visions of the Patriarchs and Prophets throughout the ages; and His promise to His people echoes and re-echoes from the Cross of Calvary:

“I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have

redeemed thee. Sing, O ye heavens: for the Lord hath done it: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the Lord hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.” (Isaiah 44:22-23).

Here we must pause for a moment to refer to the widely accepted teaching that the Church [ecclesia] is the Bride of Christ. The Church, as we learn from the New Testament, is the Body of Christ (e.g. Ephesians 1:22-23). There is no need to labour this point, because the same people who teach that the Church is the Bride teach also that the Church is the Body. How they reconcile these two points of view is difficult to understand; because a man does not marry his own body, and the Church cannot be both the Body and the Bride of Christ, without destroying all the value of the symbolism.

However, the matter is finally settled for us in the revelation of Jesus Christ:

“And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb’s wife. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God.” (Revelation 21:9-10).

St John was carried away “to a great and high mountain”, which, in Bible symbolism, typifies an empire; and he was shown, not a church or a body of any kind, but a city, New Jerusalem; the future center of government and worship for all Israel. Moreover, that city was not ascending from the earth to heaven, but descending out of heaven from God.

The Great Book never lies, whether it speaks of events of the past or of events yet to come; and in God’s good time the vision of the future will be fulfilled:

“And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.” (Rev. 19:6-9).

Israel will yet make herself ready; she will again be reunited to her Redeemer; and in the joy of that reunion, she will sing again as in the days of her youth:

“I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.” (Isaiah 61:10).

And her joy will be not only for herself, but also for the glorious privilege of being the helpmeet of her Redeemer, and serving him.

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## **GOD COMMANDS RACIAL SEGREGATION**

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In the Bible, God repeatedly warns us against any mixing of races and especially against intermarriage and mongrelization. Some of this has been overlooked because of imperfect translation out of the Hebrew and Greek languages in which the Bible was written. Let us examine



some of these passages, carefully noting the exact meaning of the words used in the original tongues.

"So shall we be separated, I and thy people, **from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.**" (Exod 33:16).

"I am the Lord thy God, which have separated you from **other people.**" (Lev. 20:24).

"if ye do in any wise go back and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, even these that remain among you, and shall make marriage with them and **go in unto them and they to you** [sexual relations]; know for a certainty that they shall be snares and traps unto you and scourges in your sides and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the Lord your God has given you." (Josh 23:12-13)

"Neither shalt thou make marriage with them: thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son." (Deut 7:3)

Many warnings are given in the Bible not to mate with "the stranger." But the Hebrew words translated "stranger" in these verses are "zûwr," "nekar," and "nokriy" and each one means a person of a different race from ours. (There are other Hebrew words, "ger" and "towshab," meaning persons who are aliens only in a political sense, but of our race). The warning against race-mixing is always against those "strangers" who are zûwr, nekar, or nokriy. For example:

"For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange (zûwr) woman is a narrow pit." (Prov 23:27).

The reason for the warning is clear. MONGRELIZATION is the worst form of "GENOCIDE." If you kill 99% of a race, but leave the other 1% pure-blooded, they will in time restore the race. But, when you mongrelize them, you have destroyed that race eternally! Once mixed with the Black or Yellow races, the White Race would be totally and forever destroyed. Hence, God has forbidden it. ("**Thou shalt NOT commit adultery** [i.e. pollute with an impure admixture], Ex. 20:14).

"Rid me and deliver me from the hand of strange (nekar) children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood: That **our sons** may be as plants grown up in their youth, that **our daughters** may be as the polished cornices of a palace." (Psalm 144:11-12).

"Yet I planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed. **How then, art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a strange [zûwr] vine unto me?** Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat thirst: but thou saidest, **There is no hope: no: for I have loved strangers [zûwr] and after them I will go.**" Jer. 2:21, 25).

"They shall go with their flocks and their herds to seek the Lord, but they shall not find Him: He hath withdrawn Himself from them. **They have dealt treacherously against the Lord: for they have begotten strange [zûwr] children.**" (Hos. 5:6-7).

Noah was saved because he was pure-blooded, while those around him were mongrelized. Genesis 6:2, 4-5,

records the forbidden mixing of races and the evil results thereof. But of Noah,

"Noah was a just man and perfect [Hebrew: 'taw-meem'=without blemish] *in his generations*" [Heb: 'toled-aw' = descent, ancestry](Gen. 6:9). Hence, Noah and his family were saved while the mongrels were wiped out, in the flood.

Mongrelization is the sin for which Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed!!

"Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication and going after strange [Gk: 'heteros' = different] flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." (Jud 1:7).

Those who seek to force integration in the schools and churches are now beginning to admit that their purpose is to bring about RACIAL INTERMARRIAGE. They have even deceived certain well-meaning but ignorant clergymen into helping them. Even without intermarriage, just allowing Negroes into the White churches is disobedience to God. Do you say, "I didn't see that in my Bible?" That is only because mis-translation conceals it from you. No doubt, you were puzzled when you read the following:

"A bastard shall not enter into the Congregation of the Lord: even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the Congregation of the Lord." (Deut 23:2).

You wondered at this, because an illegitimate child is not to blame for the sins of its parents; and why should the penalty extend for ten generations? They might all be legitimately born.

But the Hebrew word mistranslated "bastard" is the word 'mamzer:' it means a MIXTURE, a HALF-BREED OR MONGREL. It has nothing to do with whether a child's parents were married, but it refers to the forbidden INTERMIXTURE of races. That is why the penalty extends for **10 generations**: and it shows how seriously God treats this sin. It is true that the mulatto child is not to blame for his parents' sin: [visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the children?? Ex. 20:5-6] BUT HE IS STILL A MULATTO. The first generation would be a half-breed; the second generation would have at least a quarter of the different blood; the third at least 1/8th; the fourth 1/16th; and so on. In the 10th generation, the coloured blood may be as small as one part in 1,024, yet God Himself says that this is too much to be allowed to "enter into the congregation

of the Lord."

If you admit that YOUR church is not worthy to be called "the Congregation of the Lord," then perhaps this doesn't concern you. But if your church is, or trying to be, "the Congregation of the Lord," HADN'T YOU BETTER OBEY GOD'S OWN COMMANDMENT concerning it? Call this to the attention of your minister, especially if there are coloureds in your congregation.

The unfortunate children of such marriages are not the guilty ones of course, the sin is that of their parents. Yet the fact that they cannot help what they are does not change

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the permanent fact that THEY ARE WHAT THEY ARE [a threat to my grand-, and great-grandchildren; when they will not readily be able to identify them as such anymore!!!!] The experience of thousands of years has demonstrated that the dark races to not have what it takes to produce the White Man's high civilization. They have never had it in their own lands and they only have it here because we, the White Majority, make it so. [To see what happens when the White Man becomes the minority, look at South Africa today - murder and mayhem, graft and corruption - defunct industries running down to oblivion]

The mixed breed is the same. It does not have in proper measure those qualities which God so carefully implanted in the White Race to carry out certain purposes which He had assigned to them. Recognition that God Himself, made the races different does not imply hatred or contempt for any of them. Difference has its purposes, which must be respected. I do not expect the family cat to sing like a canary, nor the canary to keep mice out of the kitchen. If I went quail hunting, I would not expect a horse to point quail for me, neither would I try to saddle and ride the best hunting dog in the world. All the family pets are equally loved and neither is despised because he can't do what some other does. Each has its own purpose and trying to mix them up or interbreed them can only harm them. I know that there are many people to whom these facts are new. There are also many who have learned the evil lesson that they can get more money or more political popularity by violating these Laws of God than by obeying them

Some of you might not like being reminded of these things. But remember, I did not write the Bible, God wrote it, through His prophets. His commandments are always right.

For our own good, for the very survival of our white race upon the earth and that we may face our God with a better conscience, we had better obey these laws of God.

Whites - be fruitful and multiply, ere you die out!  
 ("What is a racist? I believe in the preservation of all races. Those who would call me racist believe in the destruction of all races through miscegenation. What then, is a racist?" - quoted from Australian Beacon)

## SCRIPTURAL ADVICE FOR RAISING SEXUALLY PURE YOUNG PEOPLE

by J. Scott Krout

It was a typical shopping day for our family: a one-hour drive from our rural home in the wheat country of eastern Washington to the city of Spokane, where every two weeks we load up the car with groceries for our growing family. It's a time of togetherness, and our children look forward to stopping by a fast-food restaurant [not the Sodomite-supporting McDonald's, I hope!] on the way home and—if they've been good—maybe picking up treats for the ride home.

But the trip is enjoyable to me for another reason: the opportunity to read the messages that people put on their clothing and on the bumpers of their cars. It's a long-standing habit that I believe can serve as a useful gauge of the moral climate in our culture. Occasionally they are sobering or shocking; and sometimes they enrage or sadden me. This incident was anything but funny.

We had parked at a large grocery store and were unloading our four children when I spotted a teenage boy

and his mother. They had just parked and were walking by our vehicle toward the main entrance to the store. As they passed by, my eyes were drawn to the message on the front of the boy's shirt, which read in bold letters: PORN STAR. I blinked, then glanced up in shock at the mother, who looked at least as old as myself (I'm 34). Maybe I was expecting to see a distraught or embarrassed look on her face. Shouldn't she have been embarrassed by the message displayed across her young son's chest? I sure was. But she seemed perfectly undisturbed.

As they disappeared into the grocery store, I wondered about my oldest two children, who were just learning to read. Had one or both of them read the boy's shirt and inquired on the meaning of the words, what would I have told them? How straight forward should I be with my eight-year-old when discussing issues like sex?

The incident, shocking as it was, indeed served as a pretty good gauge of the present moral climate in our culture. I had dipped a toe into the dark, frigid waters of reality and was unsure how and even if, I should get in.

Of course, I'm not alone; sex is an issue all parents must face one way or another when raising their children. Judging by my observations, most are simply allowing our

culture to take care of the sticky business of educating their children about sex.

But, to the homeschooler living in this morally retrograde culture, the prospect of raising children that will grow into sexually-pure adults seems a daunting task. We are faced with a continual assault against our senses and our minds. And although we may escape the influence of public education, we must also be prepared to deal with sex in advertising and entertainment.

How can we teach our children God's principles of holiness and purity when we are continually bombarded by the prevailing mores of the day? How can God and His Word help homeschoolers to grow

their children upon a firm foundation of truth regarding sex and sexuality, so that they are prepared to meet the challenges and temptations that await them?

We must first look closer at the problem, which is made worse by the combined ignorance and negligence of many parents today. Because of the differences in men and women, most married women and mothers are ignorant of the extent that men and boys are affected by what they see.

I can recall with near-perfect clarity an event in my life that occurred nearly thirty years ago, when I was not yet ten years old. An older boy in our neighbourhood had led me to a stash of *Playboy* and *Penthouse* magazines that some resident college children had apparently disposed of in the garbage cans outside their apartment complex. I was not yet interested sexually in what I saw, since I had not even reached puberty, nor can I recall having seen such material before that time. Yet, the memory can still be brought to mind as if it happened yesterday.

My discussions with other men have confirmed my theory that this resilience of sexual memories is common among men. What I would have given for that kind of memory while in school, or today when trying to memorize Scripture or the names of people I meet. Women, especially those who are married and raising children, must realize the powerful and enduring effect that things seen have on their husbands and sons.

men, on the other hand, are negligent in not facing this

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truth and taking adequate measures to protect themselves and their sons from what they see. Many men seem to lean on the “I’m just window-shopping, I’m not looking to buy” excuse, erroneously thinking that only the physical act of taking another woman is not adultery, while simply looking at them is not; although Jesus clearly teaches us the dangers in “looking to lust after,” women. (Matt 5:28)

But, speaking of Scripture, what does God teach us about sex and sexuality? Where in the Word can the Christian go for help in raising up pure children? The familiar stories of King David and Joseph offer excellent examples of both victory and defeat in the area of sexual temptation. Read the story of David and Bathsheba beginning at 2 Samuel 11:2. Notice that David committed adultery in his heart (see Mat. 5:28) even before he sent to have Bathsheba brought to him (vs 4).

When you decide to bring up the issue of sex with your children (especially your sons) point out the truth that men have not changed at all in the area of temptation, even since the time of King David. Use the image of David looking down upon Bathsheba as she bathed herself as a lesson to your daughters about the way they should present themselves in public. Then, pray with your children for God’s help in time of temptation. Ask Him to make your children’s hearts and minds sensitive to issues of modesty. Ask Him to strengthen their resolve when faced with the peer pressure of wearing the latest clothing styles if they are immodest.

The story of Joseph is a fine example of what a man in the throes of temptation must do to stay the course and claim victory in this area. In Genesis 39:7 we see that Joseph was tempted by Potiphar’s wife, who probably was a beautiful and tempting woman since Potiphar, a man of great stature in Egypt, could have had his choice among the Egyptian women. But notice the measures that Joseph took to keep himself safe from her: he neither listened to her, nor lay by her, nor even spent time to be with her (vs 10). And when she caught him alone in the house, he fled from her as he had before (vs 12).

Use this story to teach your sons about fleeing from temptation. I can tell you that one of the best ways to protect your own mind and those of your sons is to either get rid of or severely limit the use of the television in your home. Also, stay OUT of the theater and keep your children out as well. My wife and I keep a television only for the purpose of watching family-friendly or educational videos. We try to check out every video first—even if it is rated G—before it is presented to our children. We follow the “strike one and you’re out” philosophy: the video goes back to the store the first time we notice something bad about it.

Exercise the same measures with the Internet, using filters or other means to prevent your children from entering sexually explicit sites. And again, pray with your children. Ask God to help your sons resist the temptations that are displayed all around them.

look at the issue of dating with your sons and daughters. If you haven’t done so, examine some alternatives to dating, such as courtship, which can allow much more parental involvement and can serve to keep lines of communication open when your children begin showing inter-

est in the opposite sex.

We’ve decided that young princes who seek to acquaint themselves with our daughters must get to know our family first, especially Dad. By spending time alone with the young men, perhaps taking them fishing, or shooting, or something, each young man and I will begin to know each other in a relaxed atmosphere in which good discussions about relationships can occur. He will begin to understand the family that he may someday marry into, and we will begin to know just what kind of young men our daughters may marry. It’s a better option than dating, where young men are pressured by their peers into “getting some action” and young women are taught that sex means popularity and acceptance. They also learn the lie that sex is the way to demonstrate true love.

The stories of David and Joseph are good places to start, but God’s Word is full of good advice on the issues of sex. Other avenues exist to find sound Biblical teaching on sex and raising up our children in a sex-driven culture.

Focus on the Family is an excellent place to find information and help and is a great place from which to link up with other resources. Dr. James Dobson’s recent book, *Bringing up Boys*, covers the topic of sex and boys from every angle and is a great read for anyone faced with the challenge of bringing up the next generation of sexually-pure men.

Finally, prayer—fervent and continual prayer—is critical for the challenge of raising children to become sexually-pure adults. Pray that God will help each of us in our own walk, so that we in turn model holiness for our children. Lift up each child in prayer, seeking His help daily with the struggles that they face. The parents that find rest and instruction in the daily communion with God will in turn raise children who do the same.

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### A QUESTION OF SECURITY by Rachel Thomson

I can remember very clearly lay-  
ing in bed in the dark, cool hours of

the morning, listening to a clock tick away the minutes and wishing that my wide eyes would go to sleep. I remember staring up at the planks of the high, wooden ceiling and watching the desert breeze rustle the curtains.

Mostly, I remember the questions running through my head .....

What if? What if this happens .... what if that?

Only a few days before, I had heard the Lord tell me to leave home and go to teach school in Michigan. Not a very scary prospect, really, but for me it was a little nerve-racking. I’d never lived away from home. I’d never taught school. The thing worrying me most was the prospect of leaving the ministry I’d been involved with and going to a place where I knew the spiritual climate was not going to be so intense—a place where there would be a lot of dangers, spiritually speaking.

*What if?*

This same stomach-churning worry had come around to bother me at various times throughout my life. When I was younger, I couldn’t call someone on the phone without feeling sick. I’m not sure what I was afraid of, but I was. The first day of school felt the same way. So did going to

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youth group in California, right after my family moved west. They were little things, but they all set off the same little warning bells in my head. Something here is not safe.

Safety and security are terribly important to us as human beings. I can't remember being born, but I imagine a baby is asking the same question as it enters the world ... Is this safe?

God built this instinct for safety into us for a reason. After all, if we didn't have it, we might have run ourselves off of the face of the earth a long time ago, jumping off cliffs because, well, it looked like fun at the time.

At the same time, God gave us the will to deny that instinct for safety. He built other desires into us as well—desires for freedom, for growth, for new horizons. And that's a good thing, because He very rarely allows us to live in safety for long. It takes a crazy sort of courage to follow in the steps of a soldier to go into battle. Even if that soldier is guaranteed victory in the end, as we Christians are, there are no promises that the journey to the end will be a smooth one.

Take the pioneer missionaries of ages past for an example. When Gladys Aylward began saving her shillings for a train ride to China, she was not thinking in terms of security. If she had asked God if it would be safe or not, the answer would have been no. The tiny English woman knew she would be facing hunger, cold, exhaustion and hostility as she attempted to preach the gospel in a far northern province of China. [she should have read Sandy Blanchard's article *Confessions of a Missionary Kid*, before she went!]. She did not expect to face the guns and terror of Japanese soldiers as WWII spread its influence even to her remote corner of the world. Faced with some of life's hardest decisions, the missionary became a spy, a relief worker, and a mother to more than 200 orphans. Today, her legacy of courage and faithfulness to God is an inspiration to thousands of people, not to mention the descendants of those who first heard the Gospel.

Is it dangerous to follow the Lord's leading? Oh, yes. But we must ask ourselves—is safety what we truly ought to seek? Did God send us into this world to build walls around ourselves, or to go out and face the enemy? Most of us, in theory, would agree with the second statement. So why, when the marching orders come, is it so hard for us to step out in faith?

For me, the answer came clearly that sleepless summer night. I wrestled with my questions until the realization finally hit me that God would be in Michigan, too. What then was I really worried about? I realized that night that I was putting my faith in the wrong thing—in circumstances, instead of in the living God.

Therein lies our problem, I think. We measure safety by circumstances, instead of seeking it under the Shadow of His Wings—the only place we are truly safe.

In the book of Jeremiah, the long-suffering prophet records a story that graphically illustrates this same principle. At the time the story takes place, most of the Israelite people had been removed from their homeland and taken into captivity in Assyria and Babylon. The population of Judah was not made up of a few farmers and poverty-stricken people who were not judged any kind of threat to the Babylonians. An Israelite named Gedaliah was appointed to govern them

Before long, refugees from the captivity began to straggle back into Judah from their hiding places in Moab,

Ammon, Edom, and all of the surrounding countries. Included among them were soldiers who had been hiding in the fields, including a man named Johanan. Gedaliah was a good ruler, and the people of Israel slowly began to pick up the shattered pieces of their lives.

One day, Johanan approached Gedaliah with a rumor that one of the soldiers, Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, had been enlisted by the king of Ammon to assassinate the governor. Johanan offered to kill Ishmael first, but Gedaliah, believing that the rumor was false, refused to allow it.

Secure in his belief that Ishmael meant him no harm, Gedaliah and a number of other Israelites in Mizpah sat down to a friendly meal with the son of Nethaniah. When the time of fellowship was over, the treacherous Ishmael killed Gedaliah and all of the men that were with him. He and his fellows kidnapped a good number of Israelites and headed for Ammon.

It didn't take the story long to reach the ears of Johanan, who rounded up a band of men and headed out after Ishmael. In a battle in the valley of Gibeon, Johanan rescued Ishmael's captives and killed most of his men, although Ishmael himself escaped into the wilderness, eventually making it back to the land of the Ammonites.

All of this made the Judeans realize just how precarious their position in their burned-out land was. There were very few of them, and their appointed governor, who had kept their conquerors happy, was dead. Their enemies, men like the king of Ammon, were on every side.

Frightened and shaken by Ammon's nearly successful attempt to destroy them, the remnant of Israel approached the prophet Jeremiah with a request. "Inquire unto your God for us,"

Johanan said, "And, we will do whatever He says."

Jeremiah returned to them with the word of the Lord: "Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid; be not afraid of him, saith the LORD: for I am with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand. And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land. But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the LORD your God, saying, 'No; but we will go into the land of Egypt [is that like: 'we are going to take out insurance, so we won't be affected?'], where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there we will dwell.' and now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; if ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there; then it shall come to pass, that the sword which ye feared, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye were afraid, shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die." (Jer. 42:11-16).

It was a pronouncement that was hard for Johanan and the Israelites to accept. After all, telling them to stay in the land was a bit like telling the Jews to stay in their ghettos while the Nazis closed in. The circumstances did not favour staying in the land of Israel, certainly. Just over the border to the south, the land of Egypt beckoned.

The choice was clear: Put your trust in circumstances, or put your trust in God and obey. Sadly, the Israelites had not yet learned the lesson that the captivity to Babylon was meant to teach them. Johanan became angry and accused Jeremiah of speaking falsely. "God has not said this to us," he told him. "We are going to Egypt." ["God has not told us

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not to get insurance, so we are insuring ourselves against everything!"]

Jeremiah went with them, weeping all the way, I suspect. Egypt of that day had all the food and water the refugees would need—and a military to protect them. The government was friendly to them. It looked like a paradise. Tragically, this “paradise” was nothing but a cruel mirage. For Egypt, too, was about to be judged—the sword of Babylon would fall across its pyramids just as surely as it fell on the wall of Jerusalem.

The Israelites of that day would have done well to remember the words of their father David, who, while he lived a life of dangers, tragedies, and triumphs, never forgot just where his safety lay: “My soul, wait thou only upon God: For my expectation is from Him. He only is my rock and my salvation: He is my defence; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge is in my God. Trust in Him at all times; ye people, Pour out your heart before Him: God is a refuge for us. Selah.” (Psalm 62:5-8).

If God is directing your feet in a new path, you are likely to be weighing this age-old question—where is my safety, truly? The circumstances may look daunting, and Egypt is just over the border, only a few steps back from obedience. Whatever the decision facing you, remember the lesson of Jeremiah and Johanan—of trust in circumstances, or trust in God. His Word is true, and He never fails.

I remind you, with David: Trust in Him at all times, ye people. God is a refuge for us. Selah.

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## HATE LAWS: ROPES AROUND OUR THROATS

by Harmony Grant

As we wait to see if the noose of hate crime laws will lynch American freedoms, other nations already suffer the chokehold. President Obama backs HR 262 and 256, two ominous “anti-hate” bills (see video Hate Bill Lies Exposed! and article ADL’s New ‘Trojan Horse’ Hate Bill at [www.truthtellers.org](http://www.truthtellers.org)) that will strangle US free speech rights, especially for Christians, conservatives, and anyone who criticizes a federally protected group.

Canadians, Brits, and too many others (Germans) are already gripped by these laws. They squeeze the jugular of the public square, gagging anyone who expresses politically forbidden beliefs. Much of Europe now looks more like a Mideast dictatorship than a free Western nation. Unless we can stop it, the federal hate law will break America’s neck the same way.

### CONSIDER THE INSANITY

In Britain, a senior diplomat—who served in the Mideast “and is considered an expert on the area”—was arrested for yelling at the TV while riding an exercise bike at the gym. He was watching a news report about Israel pounding the people of Gaza in their military assault. I guess the incredible injustice hit him a little too hard. I’ve had the same reaction while watching news at the gym; anger makes really good cardio.

Apparently, gym staff and members heard him shout “j\*\*\*ing Israelies, f\*\*\*ing Jews,” and also that Israeli soldiers should be “wiped off the face of the earth.” He was probably viewing infants and mothers whose homes were decimated, maybe bloodied men carried from exploding walls during the 22-day siege that destroyed the homes of 30,000 Palestinians and killed more than 1,330. Yeah, that could provoke a reaction. The diplomat was later arrested and now faces up to seven years in prison, a fine, or both!

What kind of country arrests someone for an explosion of righteous anger, however crudely expressed? What kind of country arrests someone for their *words*? I’ll tell you: a country bound and gagged by Jewish-inspired “anti-hate” laws. Of course, these laws don’t apply to all hate. Do you think the diplomat would be in trouble if he yelled at a report about “homophobic” Christians or yelled “f\*\*\*ing Klansmen” at a news spot on skinheads? Hardly. No, he’s in trouble because he blurted his honest response to Jewish evil—his state’s sacred cow.

A few other protected groups are also off limits, including Muslims and homosexuals. Whether criticism comes in a film or newspaper column or is shouted out with expletives doesn’t really matter. You can expect a knock at the door and an arrest warrant if you speak out.

Just ask Geert Wilders, a Dutch politician being prosecuted for his critique of Islam. In 2008 Wilders released a 10-minute, self-produced film, “Fitna.” Most of the film is made of quotes from the Koran and scenes of an Imam calling for Jews’ deaths. Now Wilders is being prosecuted for hate speech, six months after the court declared his speech valid. It changed its mind and he again faces possible prison time. Already his freedom is curtailed: Wilders needs constant police protection because of all the death threats he gets and can no longer travel abroad unless the destination government promises in writing not to extradite him for trial.

An insightful Harverford college student columnist points out that “the Amsterdam court claimed that [Wilders] was liable for prosecution because the offense generated by his ‘one-sided generalizations’ outweighed his right to free speech.

“‘One-sided generalizations’ is a phrase more commonly found on professors’ comments on student essays than in criminal proceedings and would certainly justify a grade reduction. That it could also justify arrest and prosecution is laughable. That a modern, democratic nation can use ‘hate speech’ and ‘human rights’ legislation as a weapon of repression is frightening. (Another charge against Mr. Wilders was ‘insulting Muslim worshippers.’)”

This defense of democratic freedoms shouldn’t be hidden in the column of a college sophomore. Americans of all political stripes and in all positions should be jamming our lawmakers’ phones to protest that an “anti-hate” (anti-free speech) bill even made it *into* our legislative halls. We should shout from every column, podcast, and blog that these laws are turning Western nations into Soviet-style police states where citizens face jail time if they speak their minds!

But that isn’t happening. The alarms aren’t sounding. Even now, nearly five weeks after the federal hate crimes bills were introduced into the new Democrat-controlled Congress, the most influential Christian/conservative

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“watchdog” group in America, Focus on the Family, has published no alert. And so the noose inches closer to the jugular of our republic.

Canadians also, like the British and Dutch, squirm in the torturous grip of their own federal hate laws, with conservatives trying to repeal its harshest points. Canadians have been threatened by police just for seeking to distribute Christian fliers; they have been arraigned for newspaper columns; they have been fined for republishing Bible verses! Conservatives who want to take back freedom have already had their legs kicked out from under them.

If Americans want to avoid the same death of freedom, we should protest *before* the rope is knotted, *before* the “anti-hate” bills pass. If we don’t, any citizen—especially conservatives, especially Christians—can expect arrest for forbidden words uploaded to *You Tube*, religious concern expressed in a *Letter to the Editor* ... or banned emotions we blurt at the gym.

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**WHAT I TEACH MY CHILDREN  
ABOUT CHARLES DARWIN**  
by Doug Phillips (Feb 12, AD2009)

A fatherly lesson on the Bicentennial of the birth of the Great Apostle of Evolution

Today is the bicentennial of Charles Darwin’s birth. What shall we tell our children about this great man? I have pondered this question for some time. Certainly there is much to say about the specifics of his Theory, its pernicious influence on the world, and the shoddy scholarship that produced it. Perhaps there is even more to say about the god-like status attributed to him by his worshippers in the unbelieving world, or the deep faith in man, materialism, and process to which they cling.

But on a more fundamental level, there are just a few things I want my children to know about Darwin the man. These are the summaries of my lessons to my children:

1. Darwin Was Bitter.

Charles Darwin was once a student of theology preparing for the priesthood in the Anglican Church. His experiences in university, travelling, and through his studies contributed to his gradual rejection of the Bible over time. However, it was when he lost his beloved daughter, Annie, that Darwin began to grow bitter. Darwin allowed his bitterness over the death of his daughter to destroy his faith in God. This bitterness impacted Darwin’s entire worldview, and he turned to vain speculation and “the oppositions of science falsely so called” (1 Tim. 6:21). Darwin became foolish because he said in his heart that there is no God (Proverbs 14:1). He lacked knowledge because he refused to fear God (Proverbs 1:7). Because he was bitter at God, his reason was adversely affected, as explained in 1 Corinthians 2:14: “But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”

2. Darwin Worshipped a False God.

All men are religious because all men have an object of

worship. They either worship the Creator, or they worship the creature—but they worship something (Romans 1). Darwin’s bitterness directed him to a new form of religious zealotry. He exchanged faith in Christianity for a form of religious pantheism known as materialism. By faith he tenaciously clung to this belief system, exalting the vain speculations and reasoning of man over the infallible revelation of God. In the end, Darwin’s God was his mind, and his mind told him that truth could be found in the material world without reference to any higher authority like the God of the Bible.

3. Darwin Was Sloppy and He Was NOT a Scientist

Darwin was a theology student. He was not a scientist. He was, however, able to talk his way into opportunities through which he hoped to present himself to others as a naturalist. Darwin allowed his new-formed faith in man, materialism, and process to justify irrationality, shoddy scholarship, and wild speculation.

Once in the field, his lack of training and his inability to draw reasonable conclusions from his observations became apparent. This is why many followers of his Theory of Evolution must ignore the actual research of Darwin during the voyage of the *Beagle* and elsewhere, since so much of his work in places like the Galapagos Islands has been discredited.

4. Darwin Trained His Children to Hate the God of the Bible

Every father leaves a legacy to his children. That legacy is defined by the battles he fought, the character he modeled, the lessons he left behind through word and deed. Darwin’s life legacy was the rejection of the faith of his fathers for a faith in the autonomous mind of man as the final and absolute court of appeal for all matters religious and scientific. Free from the bondage of Divine Revelation, Darwin believed man could finally come to truth.

Darwin’s progeny took the philosophy of their famous ancestor and used it to justify a bold and arrogant atheism. Darwin’s rejection of the

faith of his own fathers and his embrace of the new theology of naturalistic materialism resulted in generations of God-haters in the Darwin family. Commenting on his own materialistic faith which negates the belief in God, Sir Charles Galton Darwin, grandson of the author of *Origin of the Species*, wrote: I am entirely lacking in the thing which so many people seem to regard as their mainstay in life, a mystical sense of religion. This I lack, and am perfectly content to be without it.”

5. Darwin Trained Others to be Hateful Towards their Fellow Man.

Darwin introduced the world to a form of radical atheistic fundamentalism that is responsible for bigotry, hatred, and the death of untold numbers of humans. This religious fundamentalist worldview is also exclusive. By this I mean that the leaders of this faith cannot tolerate opposing views. In fact, the high priest of this new religion—men who populate universities around the world—demand that all individuals submit to the tenets of their faith or be excluded from both the discussion and the political franchise.

Darwin’s presuppositions included a form of racial bigotry, a belief that the world matures as the strong kill the weak, and the assumption that man can know truth apart from Jesus Christ—of whom the Bible says He is “the way, the truth and the light.” Future followers of these principles

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that Darwin taught in moderation would take them to an extreme, applying them to social theory. It was the neo-Darwinian social theorists who gave us abortion, eugenics, Nazism, and a host of evils that plague the earth to this day.

6. Darwin's Legacy Could be the Legacy of Anyone who Worship the Creature more than the Creator.

When men look to the creation, rather than the Creator, for ultimate answers they begin the process of reprobation that leads to complete destruction. Romans 1 says this:

*"For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."*

Apart from Jesus Christ, any of us—even you my children—could end up with the same miserable legacy as Charles Darwin. Here is the antidote: Ecclesiastes 12:13: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."

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### LIES, AND THE 'SPIN' ON TRUTH (Romans 1:18-32).

"Sin has many tools, but a lie is the handle which fits them all..." (Oliver Wendell Holmes, The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table, VI.)

by Dan Gentry

When you were young, your parents may have warned you, "Don't let me catch you lying!" They may not have fully explained lying, but in the few minutes it takes you to read this article, you'll learn if and when you are being lied to, and recognize when you may have told *little white lies*, and why these can be far more destructive than outright falsehoods, even though there are circumstances when God's people were compelled to tell them.

A few years ago, two American Christian missionaries, Heather Mercer and Dayna Curry, were arrested by Muslim religious authorities in Islamic Afghanistan for handing out Bibles and witnessing of Jesus Christ. They faced a possible death sentence if they failed to apologize, and confess they did not mean what they said. Out of mortal fear, they recanted, and were released, but were remorseful afterward, thinking they had somehow failed as Christians.

Now, we could examine why they thought their God sent them to convert Muslims, but that is for another day. Contrary to popular opinion, *not all men are brothers*, nor are they the target audience for the *Gospel of The Kingdom* which Jesus the Christ taught His followers to disseminate. To the Afghans, these two missionaries were *infidels*, and their religion *apostate*, hence their judgment was ruthless.

Had these missionaries lied to their own *kind*, their kinsmen, who were also ruthless, agnostic, or had a different viewpoint, they may not have been so justified in lying. The cardinal rule regarding lying for the sons Jacob-Israel is the Ninth Commandment:

**"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour."** (Exod. 20:16; Deut. 5:20).

The word translated neighbour is the Hebrew *rea* (or *reya*), whose principal meaning is *one with whom you have a companionship, or abiding friendship or association*. Racial strangers are excluded here. Now, some will say *strangers* are just "*friends we haven't met yet.*" This presumption nearly cost the missionaries their lives.

Not that Christian witnesses should fear for their deaths, mind you, but they should exercise both wisdom and knowledge as to their target audience. Also, they should not be compelled to be witnesses against themselves, something protected by the Fifth Amendment to the *Constitution for the unites States of America* (1787). Since militants within Islam (Judaism, et al) are in an ongoing *state of war* with Jesus the Christ and His disciples (partly due to bad American foreign policy), ordinary associations do not apply, and the missionaries' "lies" are justified in spirit, if not in law.

Rahab the harlot, who hid the two Hebrew "spies," then lied concerning their whereabouts (to save their lives) is another such example, even though her people were not necessarily neighbours to the incoming Israelites. A *state of war* existed. For a son of Jacob-Israel to make the same decision, he would need first discern the will of YHVH-God, which overrides Man's desire for legalistic perfection. Part of this discernment process includes

discerning *neighbour*.

In Romans 13, the Apostle Paul is addressing racial kinsmen who happened to be Roman citizens. He reminded them of our Lord's precepts regarding interpersonal relations (e.g. *Render to every one as is due him, and Owe no man anything, but love one another*). In verse ten, we find, "*Love does not work evil to his neighbour, because love is the fulfillment of the Law.*" At that time, the Romans (distant kin to ancient Jacob-Israel) were "outside" the Law of Moses, and Paul knew they needed to be brought back into Covenant relationship through repentance, made possible by Christ's atonement. Many people could (would, and will) be blessed under the umbrella of Israel's redemption, but we're talking prodigal sons here. This Sonship process allowed the dispersed to draw *nigh* (as in neighbour[nigh-neighbor]) to YHVH-God once again, becoming neighbours, and friends of God Himself. (John 15:13-17).

### HOW MEN "SPIN" GOD'S LAW TO MAKE IT THEIR OWN

Even so there are, unfortunately, many who misuse this principle of *neighbour* to divide others, and attack them by labelling, all the while claiming a legal alibi, or moral imperative, to do so.

One minister made the mistake some years ago of publicly slandering a dead Christian kinswoman by name, and after being called to account for it by some, instead attempted to cover up the sin by creating a negative classification of people *for her to be condemned with*.

In this case, the target was personally disliked since she held a different view on a Bible subject, so he *framed a*

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*deceit* (Psalms 50:19-20) and, though she was dead, claimed a(nother) woman who *looked* like her outside a speaking engagement, *was really her*, thus making her a *serpent*.

In his diseased thinking, he could now lie against her with impunity, even though he dared not mention her by name again, or anyone else, for that matter. This fellow went so far as to label one who took him to account (in a letter) for the slander, a *serpent*, as well; because the title of this man's Christian newsletter had an allegedly satanist-oriented phrase (which it clearly did not)!!!

When someone revises, or custom-fits law to fit his own will, he acts as if sovereign to law, hence a *god unto himself*. As I have said many times before, *the accuser is* (usually) *guilty of the accusation* in some way, and will adapt the law to his purposes, as did former Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich, who not only violated his oath of office by offering a vacant US Senate seat (Obama's) to others for a (suggested) price, but vowed to "boycott" his own impeachment proceedings! That is *chutzpah* (audacity) in the extreme.

Another case of *framed deceit* (lies) involved Sigismund at the *Council of Constance*, who offered Protestant reformer John Hus safety of travel to the council then, when Hus arrived, reversed it on the basis that "*he who protected heretics was himself a heretic*" [Warrior of God, the Life and Death of John Hus, by Roubicek & Kalmer (London: Nicholson and Watson, 1947), p.172].. Another example: Judas Iscariot was led to believe by giving the Sanhedrin ransom money, Jesus Christ would be afforded fair trial which, of course, He was not, and the Sanhedrin **liars** had no such intention, having trumped up "blasphemy" charges against our Lord. I'm sure you may think of many other examples.

It occurred to me recently, while watching an AETN (educational) program on *transcendentalism in American literature* that, in their rewriting Puritan history to denigrate it as archaic and tyrannical, many writers embraced *secular humanism*, becoming a *law unto themselves*, worshipping nature (and *human potential*) itself, rather than the *Creator* of nature, a practice the Apostle Paul referred to in Romans 1:18-25. Granted, legalists of all varieties can become tyrannical [e.g. A man of French descent was arrested under colonial *Blue Laws*, for playing his musical instrument on a Sunday], but a swing to the other extreme is hardly admirable, either.

In a letter to his colleague Titus, Paul warned him about liars in Crete, and the importance of appointing blameless elders to judge such matters (Titus 1:5-9). Usually, the older one becomes, the more wisdom one accrues. Youth is emotional, and subject to impious exhibition, such as Olympic champion Michael Phelps being caught smoking marijuana at a college campus. To his credit, though, he confessed it early, unlike baseball slugger Barry Bonds, who used a bank of lawyers (*liars*?) to save him from gaol, or at least baseball oblivion. Paul spoke of the Cretians; "*For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers of the people, especially those who belong to the circumcision, whose mouths must be stopped, for they corrupt many families, teaching things which they ought not, for the sake of filthy lucre* [unlawful income - e.g. money paid for pros-

titution, or sodomites, graft, bribery] 10-11.

Let us heed the admonition of 1 John 1:5-10.

"This then is the good news which we have heard from him and declare to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him and yet live in darkness, we lie and do not follow the truth; But if we live in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all our unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar and his word is not in us."

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### HUMPTY DUMPTY HAD A GREAT FALL.....

"We witnessed the collapse of the financial system. It was placed on life support, and it's still on life support. There's no sign that we are anywhere near a bottom."

So stated billionaire George Soros at a dinner held at Columbia University on February 20, 2009 (Soros sees no bottom for world "financial" collapse). He made the very sobering claims that the world financial system effectively disintegrated (starting with the collapse of Lehman Brothers in September) and the turbulence we now suffer is more severe than the Great Depression, much like the demise of the Soviet Union. I concur with his assessment.

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,  
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall;  
All the King's **trillions** and all the King's men,  
Couldn't put Humpty together again.

**Because of the mother's milk of a culture is its economic system**, we are not witnessing just the collapse of the world's financial institutions, but the cultures that have been built from them, especially ours, which has for several generations been the world's premier "show home" for modeling the sophisticated debt-based culture. My biggest concern for the collapse of the world's financial system has not been the high likelihood that it **cannot**

be restored, as that would actually be a blessing in disguise given what a curse it has been in the destruction of the family, our Christian foundations, and the republic born of them. What concerns me is that our nation will emerge as something far different than any of us ever imagined.

If it comes out a humbled third world country, which is a distinct possibility, I could live with it as difficult as it would be, as that would open the doors to the Gospel as our nation hasn't experienced since the days prior to the War for Independence. On the other hand, while many may think it would be a wonderful answer to prayer should America pull out of its present depression to resume business as usual, I think it would lead to horrific circumstances in the long run, if our decade's long decline into state-sponsored hedonism and perversion is any indication. How long will the Lord suffer us to kill the unborn, promote sexual perversion, and worship the financial gods of modern man? Though it may be pleasant for a season, worshipping mammon has enormous generational consequences.

Something we need to remember to keep us from total panic is that financial systems collapse, but not economies—per se—as they simply adjust to financial condi-

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tions, even catastrophic ones. Even in the worst days of Peru's inflationary disaster of the 1980s and 90s, a robust "black market" flourished, which was the life line for many, especially the poor. No matter what happens to financial systems, the constant need to eat, drink, and live always remains and humans can be quite resourceful in establishing rudimentary economies, especially where local markets are free to build. It's when government acts as a saviour in trying to save the people through collectivism and monetary alchemy that nightmarish calamities occur, which can exact a huge human toll, as we see in Zimbabwe, where unemployment has hit 94% and people are starving.[not that you can compare with blacks who will not work, even on good farms stolen from whites].

Given the growing collectivist bent of federal policy and the trillions being thrown at our collapsed financial system, there is the possibility that in addition to emerging as a third world country that a police state could emerge in America, as our colossal central government desperately seeks to keep its enormous power, which could involve all kinds of confiscatory schemes, if history is any indication. That said, I would much rather have the hand of God's chastening love humble us to our very core in taking everything down to where governments and economies are once again local, than for His hand of wrath to uphold a move into an ironfisted totalitarian state.

The dilemma that American Christendom faces in having embraced debt-based economies for many generations reminds me of the dilemma David faced when he sinned against the Lord in numbering the people and its armies, only our generational sin is on a much larger and consequential scale. He was given three choices for the punishment of his sin, all of which were to be brought upon the people. He wisely chose God's hand of chastisement over the wrath of wicked man.

*"And David's heart condemned him after he had numbered the people. So David said to the Lord, 'I have sinned greatly in what I have done; but now, I pray, O Lord, take away the iniquity of your servant, for I have done very foolishly.' Now when David arose in the morning, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying, 'Go and tell David, Thus saith the Lord: I offer you three things; choose one of them for yourself, that I may do it to you.' So Gad came to David and told him; and said to him, 'Shall seven years of famine come to you in your land? Or shall you flee three months before your enemies, while they pursue you? Or shall there be three days' plague in your land? Now consider and see what answer I should take back to Him who sent me.' And David said to Gad, 'I am in great distress. Please let us fall into the hand of the Lord, for His mercies are great; but do not let me fall into the hand of man.' So the Lord sent a plague upon Israel from the morning till the appointed time. From Dan to Beersheba seventy thousand men of the people died. And when the angel stretched out his hand over Jerusalem to destroy it, the Lord relented from the destruction, and said to the angel who was destroying the people, 'It is enough; now restrain your hand.' And the angel of the Lord was by the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite." (2 Sam. 24:10-16).*

Americans have got to awaken out of their fairy-tale world where nothing really bad happens to them that money cannot fix. *"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows"* (1 Tim. 6:10). [people working on the Sabbath day - supposedly to get ahead, and not setting the day apart for God; and people not tithing of their increase into the storehouse - these will NOT prosper!] It has been their love affair with "money" that lulled them into the coma-

tose-like stupor that made them totally oblivious to the decades-long destruction of their once-free nation, which began in earnest in 1913 when the Federal Reserve Bank took over the nation's financial system. Sadly, the American people sold their birthright for a bowl of fiat gruel. If ever we are to get back from the gilded box of debt-based economics, which has become an inescapable plantation for the American slaves we have become. May God be merciful to us that He would awaken our hearts to Him that we may become the answer to our nation's woeful circumstances, as we repent from being its cause in breaking covenant with Him to embrace the fiat gods of the Federal Reserve and Wallstreet (2 Chron. 7:14).

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## WHY PRAY WHEN YOU CAN WORRY?

by Christopher J. Ortiz

It's often said that failure to pray is to practice atheism—an axiom that has left many a congregation in dumb-founded silence as they calculated its veracity in their own lives. I too am guilty of such a practical denial of God's existence; and on numerous occasions, I have used that indictment to help rekindle a blaze underneath my own faith. It never fails in its effectiveness.

However, there remains another blemish upon our piety, and it also falls neatly under the category of prayer. Only, in this instance, the transgression is not a failure to pray so much as it is a failure to pray to the right person. What's not often recognized is that throughout man's history he has unceasingly prayed to himself in the form of anxiety and worry. It is, as Rushdoony notes, the true spirit of autonomy:

*"Whenever a man is ruled by a spirit of autonomy, he is then capable essentially of self-prayer only. He worries, frets, and cudgels his brains in order to ferret out the secret of salvation within himself.... Autonomy is marked by anxiety."*<sup>1</sup>

In Matthew 6:25-34 (NKJV), our Lord uses the word worry(ing) six times. This is especially relevant to dominionists because the centerpiece—or remedy—of these anti-anxiety passages is vs 33:

"Seek first the kingdom of God." As an aside, if you haven't found a reason yet to become actively engaged in the great project of Kingdom advancement, then maybe the prospect of weeding out your persistent worries will quicken your spirit! The simple truth is that a mind dominated by worry is not fit for service in the Kingdom.

### DOMINATED BY A HOLY URGENCY FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

And for most, worry about trifling necessities is the logical end to a faulty eschatology. The theological premise that underlies their anxiety is that the Kingdom of God is only a heavenly reality with no significant effect in history—why then be consumed with its urgency? Rushdoony superbly summarizes this in one of the most profound statements regarding prayer I've ever read:

*"If we postpone that Kingdom to heaven, or separate it from our daily work and duties, then we have seriously altered the purpose and vitality of our prayers. the holy urgency of God's Kingdom is then replaced with our trifles. This does not mean that our trifles have no place in prayer, but their place is in terms of the priority of God's Kingdom. Apart from post-millennialism, that urgency is altered and replaced."*<sup>2</sup> (emphasis added).

Some needs are not so trifling, but still are far below the needs of the Kingdom. Is our worry that our persons and property will be affected by an economic downturn? Is



our concern primarily about the loss of gun rights, or the devaluation of our dollar? Are any of these areas foremost in God's mind?

"God's providence has as its goal the Kingdom of God. True prayer has as its great cry: 'Thy Kingdom come!'... Thus, the more we grow in grace and prayer, the more deeply our daily lives move in terms of the providence of God. This means that we self-consciously become agents of His government: we become the governed of God, instruments of His Word and Spirit, who exercise dominion with holiness, righteousness, and knowledge. The Spirit prays within us (Rom 8:26) in terms of these things, so that the Spirit and our heart cry out: 'Thy Kingdom come!'"<sup>3</sup>

Rushdoony has shown us the key to the secret place of the Most High (Ps 91:1). *God is our refuge when we make His Kingdom our central concern*, and the Kingdom cannot be our concern if our minds are preoccupied with anxious worry. This is the worst way in which we can be like the world. We are thinking like Gentiles.

### PRACTICING GENTILES

For after all these things to the Gentiles seek. Matt 6:32a (NKJV).

It is the mark of a Gentile to be overly concerned with how his needs shall be met. He sees the world as natural and secular, i.e. godless, and therefore fails in his interpretation of reality. Were he to observe the world Biblically, viz. as created by God, he would see how well the birds are fed, and how beautifully clothed are the lilies of the field. This would encourage his faith and drive him to prayer:

"The doctrine of creation is clearly tied to prayer.

The *practical* denial of creationism is to be prayerless. To be prayerful is a *practical* affirmation of faith in creationism and the Creator.<sup>4</sup> (emphasis in original).

But the Christian is no Gentile—at least he's not supposed to act like one. Yet, our Lord makes it plain that a life governed by worry is to practice Gentilism. It is to live as one with no covenant and no doctrine of creation. It means to pray to oneself—as if by worrying we could add a cubit to our stature (v.27).

### THE GREATER VALUE

Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Matt.6:26 (NKJV).

It would seem obvious that God places a much greater value upon man than He does the created order that serves man. If God therefore cares for the essential needs of creation, how much more will He care for ours? In fact, as our Lord says, the birds of the air "neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns." They are completely dependent upon their Creator to sustain them; but this special provision is for more than material comfort. God has reasons for His gracious provision.

All the participants in the created order have a function or purpose. From birds to lilies, each one is a part of a kingdom that is dependent upon them fulfilling their God-created purpose. Were the bird to pause in its ordained function to sow and reap its food, that "kingdom" would suffer. Therefore, the bird is allowed *only one thought to consume its existence*; to be about its Creator's business.

So, man is commanded to "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added" (v.33). We cannot then ask for our needs to be met if there is not first within us a commitment to the work of the Kingdom. The purpose of a life free from worry is in order that our hearts and minds may be unencumbered to

work feverishly for God's ends, viz. to restore the order of God.

### THE KINGDOM HAS THE GREATEST VALUE

Kingdom man is supposed to reason that since he has greater value than the bird and yet God feeds the bird, then God will surely care for the man committed to God's Kingdom. We could say this in another way: God will care for those who place a greater value on the Kingdom than they do on their material necessities.

This is the great, but unmentioned, truth when considering Matthew 6:25-34. Where does the greater value reside? It's clear that man has greater value than the created order, but the Kingdom has greater value than man, because man is called to seek it first.

Therefore, the place of greatest security is a life devoted and a mind consumed with the urgency of God's Kingdom advancement in history. The more your heart cries, "Thy Kingdom come," the more likely you'll witness God's providential hand move in terms of where you shall live, what you shall eat, and what you shall put on.

For many of us, we don't pray as much as we worry. It's as if we believe that this form of self-prayer will somehow add a cubit to our stature. As those aware of the Kingdom agenda, anxiety must not be our taskmaster. For us, it must be, "why worry when we can pray?"

1. R.J. Rushdoony, *Systematic Theology in Two Volumes* (Vallecito CA: Ross House Books, 1994). 154.

2. *ibid.*

3. *ibid.*

4. *ibid.* 155.

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Let me apologize for the lateness of this issue - but with flooding, and a wedding, visitors, and a change from dial-up to broadband with the attendant teething problems and change of email address, which brought some of its own problems - it has indeed been difficult to get this much done. God willing we will be able to catch up a little more again next month, although May will again see us gone for about a week while we visit Tasmania again.

We thank God that after so much rain and flooding, we were given a nice day for the wedding. We hope and pray that Michael and Sara will have a pleasant honeymoon journey, and that after they sort out their affairs in Tasmania, they will return to make their home in the North. May their life together be blest. Following the above guidelines is a good place to start.

There still seem to be some problems with some DVDs. If you have one that doesn't seem to work, first try a number of other places to play it, a computer, or another DVD player, etc. If it fails in all cases, send it back with a note explaining what happened and where you tried it, and we'll see if we can find the problem, so we do not send further faulty DVDs to someone else. When we solve the problem, we will send a replacement.

Thanks to all those whose continued support makes it possible for us to continue. With everyone now working, it makes things a little slower being processed. I trust you will bear with us in that. We will continue to do the best we can, God-willing.

Thank you for all the letters and orders and especially the favourable comments regarding our Messenger. We do appreciate hearing from you, even if we can't answer each individual letter. We pray you will continue to benefit from the material we provide, and we trust that God will lead us to the material we all need to hear and see. May our heavenly Father bless you and keep you, and make His face shine on you and be gracious to you, and give you His peace,

