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## Part II--Doctrine, Philosophy & Methods

# Are Teaching Methods Neutral?

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Methods of instruction, like the aims of education, go basically in one of two directions. A person's view of God, Jesus Christ, and Man will determine his future direction in any area. If God is seen as a "great spirit", a force or source of energy moving in nature, an impersonal God not concerned directly with or in the affairs of men; if Jesus Christ is recognized only as a great teacher, a powerful prophet, a good man, but not the Divine Son of God who died for our sins; if man is seen as a pro-

duct of evolution and not a depraved and fallen sinner; then the content and method of teaching is going to be reflective of this position. If, however, a person believes the Bible to be the verbally inspired and infallible Word of God; accepts the God of the Bible as the one and only true God; knows himself to be a lost sinner and believes Jesus Christ to be the only begotten Son of God and the only Saviour of sinners through His sinless blood shed on the cross of Calvary; his purpose or goals

in education are going to be far different, and the methods used to accomplish those educational objectives will be in harmony with his doctrinal position and different from the methods used by the humanistic evolutionist to accomplish his goals of social change.

In short, your doctrinal position will determine your educational philosophy and your methodology. What you believe will be reflected in what you do. You may not always be aware of this, but

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# The Rich Man And Lazarus

By Patrick Robbins

Have you ever really wondered what hell is really like? Some of you may be going there. So, you had better find out. Will you lose consciousness? Will you have your sense of thirst in hell? Will you remember your former life? Is hell a place of torment? Is the flame of hell real and eternal? Once you are there, can you turn back? Can you escape? The answers to these questions are found in the Bible in the 16th chapter of Luke.

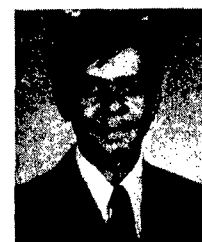
The most important step in finding salvation is discovering and realizing your need of salvation. Anyone who has been saved by the Grace of God can say he came to a place where he knew he was lost. The Pharisees are prime examples

of men who thought themselves to be saved, but were lost. They heard Jesus speak about lost sheep, a lost coin, and a lost son, but they laughed and mocked. How could they, such righteous men, be lost. They were hypocrites. Yes, His own disciples, men who believed Him and His Word, could not understand how such men as the Pharisees, who were openly righteous, could be lost. Jesus had to take the time to explain to His own that the praise of men is misleading. Self-esteem or esteem by other men is of little value. It is God's opinion of our righteousness that is important. Jesus told His disciples about a self-righteous rich man who went to hell and a poor, despised beggar, named Lazarus,

who went to paradise.

The character of these two men are totally different. First, let us look at the life of Lazarus. He was a beggar. He was extremely poor. Besides his poverty, he was a sick man, an invalid. He could not make a living for himself. He had no family, relatives, or friends who would help or take him in. He, therefore, begged for the crumbs from the rich man's table. The only friends he had were the dogs who would come and lick his bloody sores. The rich man took no pity of Lazarus. He despised Lazarus. Yet, Lazarus did have one friend -- the Lord Jesus Christ.

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# EDITOR'S DESK

In the last issue of THE PROJECTOR we spoke of a certain type complex that appears from time to time in some Christian leaders. I call it, a "Messianic Complex." Good men can be smitten with it and lose their balance as a servant of Jesus Christ. They are sure that they have some special call of God to "save America." It is as if they might be especially called to "bring in the Millennium" or accomplish some other seemingly worthwhile good not in harmony with Scripture.

This "Messianic Complex" is very likely to lead to certain problems. First, there is the theological problem. This type person often seems to forget that things are going to get worse and worse, instead of better and better. We labor as servants, not as changers of the times. There may be pockets of revival, there ought to be places where decay of civilization is retarded by the salt of faithful Christian witness, but we must never forget that the direction of mankind as a whole is always downhill. Apostasy is irreversible; judgment lies ahead. This shouldn't make one pessimistic that is, for the child of God; but it does help us to understand our role as a faithful servant, and as the "salt of the earth."

Second, there is the personality problem. Along with a "Messianic Complex" is bound to go a large infection of ego. These people, because of their "superior call" often think of themselves "above the law," that is, the requirements and restraints incumbent upon other Christian workers do not apply to them. They come under a "special dispensation" because of their special call. This kind of situation often develops into a personality cult, as is so often evident outside the bounds of genuine Christianity in the areas of politics and false religious cults. There is often the problem of getting along with co-laborers and if perchance two "Messiahs" should arise from the same movement there is bound

to be a conflict.

The third problem is one of results. The person with the "Messianic Complex" is likely to be overly concerned with results. Instead of being a faithful servant and leaving the results in the Lord's hands, he tries to manipulate results to accommodate the vision he has as to what the Lord's work should accomplish. One of the most difficult lessons to learn is that God is capable of knowing what He wants to do, and that He will in His own way get done what He wants to get done. Our job is to simply make ourselves available to God by absolute surrender to His will. This does not imply laziness or not having goals, but it does mean that our ambitions and goals are to humbly surrender to the Will of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The answer is to understand our role as a servant. A servant does not have to know all the mind of his master; he is only responsible to know his master's command to him, and then faithfully carry it out. The servants faithful labor will bring forth the desired results of his master, and that is all the true servant desires to do. God rewards faithfulness, not ambition, intelligence, or worthy goals. "It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." I Cor. 4:2.

My wife ("Aunt Carolyn") and I had the opportunity of spending a few days with her folks the last of January. Her father and mother still live at the homesite where Carolyn grew up, about 5 miles west of Sterling, Kansas. They are wonderful Christians and we always enjoy so much the opportunity to spend a few days with them. One wonderful thing about Heaven is that we will never again have to part from our loved ones, that is, those who know our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour.

From Kansas, Carolyn and I attended the 2nd annual CEA Convention of the Mid-South in Memphis, Feb. 2nd and 3rd. Along with workshops we displayed the products of Gospel Projects Press, including the books and tapes for children written and recorded by "Aunt Carolyn." Doors were opened for possible new stations for the Children's Bible Club, a 15 minute music and story time program produced by "Aunt Carolyn." This program is now on over 30 stations throughout the nation and our goal is 50 by the end of the year. If you would be interested in having this children's program on a station in your area, why not write "Aunt Carolyn."

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The CEA of the Southeast convention is set for Feb. 23-25 at the Curtis Hixon Convention Center in Tampa. This is really the "grand-daddy" of all the Conventions, and will conclude the convention season for 1977-78. Buz Baker is the President of this convention. We hope to see many of you there.

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consumed away, his death went unnoticed by men. But he was carried by angels themselves into Abraham's bosom, into the heart of Paradise itself and laid at the feet of his blessed Saviour. He had suffered all right, but as a righteous one, as a child of God and for righteousness sake; now the suffering was over.

The rich man was clothed in purple and fine linen. This shows us he was very wealthy, almost in a position of royalty. He "fared sumptuously every day." He did not miss many meals. There were a great number who claimed him as friend. He was a prominent member of the local synagogue and gave much money to it. But the one thing he had in common with Lazarus was that he died. When he died, a great fanfare was given over his death. There were hundreds of paid mourners. His eulogy was given by an eminent theologian of the day, who told of the rich man's good works and how he was esteemed by man. But "in hell he lifted up his eyes. . ." Though he may have been popular, though he may have been outwardly righteous, he lived for the things of this world and the praise of men. He would not repent of his sins and accept Christ, so he had to pay the wages of sin, which is death eternal death, eternal separation from God.

When he died, he immediately woke in hell. There was no coma, no unconsciousness, no limbo. He immediately woke in hell, fully conscious. He found himself in the place of torment. He saw and felt the flame.

Hell is a place of torment. "And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever; and they have no rest day nor night. . ." (Rev. 14:11a). It is a place of mental torment, because those who go there realize they cannot undo what they have done while they lived on this earth. Just like you say something and suddenly, you realize you should not have said it; but it is too late to take it back. So when you die without Christ you realize it is too late to reverse the decision you have made. It is too late to repent and ask for forgiveness. You are tormented for what you have done. You are in a state of eternal restlessness, because what you have done will always haunt you.

The rich man had his memory. He saw Abraham afar off and Lazarus in his bosom. He recognized people. He saw others whom he knew. But his memory brought back to him the times he heard the Word of God preached and had rejected it. It has tormented him from that time till this and is tormenting him now and will torment him for eternity. If you reject Christ and His offer of salvation, you will awake in Hell. You will remember all the times you heard the Word, all the times you were ir-

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## Educators Are Just 'Hired Hands'

IN OSCEOLA COUNTY a school board member recently requested that 14 books be removed from a junior high school library. The request touched off the familiar explosion. The librarian screamed censorship. The teacher's union filed a grievance. Libertarian types frothed at the mouth.

It was all so much hogwash, a colossal display of ignorance, arrogance and animosity.

The board member acted correctly. He was not proposing censorship. Censorship in fact is not even an issue. The issue is one of judgment and responsibility. Let's take a close look because this same phony storm is cooked up everytime anyone but a certified educator dares to object to some book in the school system.

What does a librarian do when she chooses to buy Book A and not Book B? Is that censorship? Book B is being kept off the library shelf. It is not available to those students in that library. Of course it is not censorship. It is an exercise of judgment that one book is more appropriate than another.

And that is all the school board member was advocating. He was not asking that the subject of sex, crime and drugs be excluded from the school library. He was saying that the school should select books which treat those subjects in a mature, responsible manner.

His objection to the books in question was that they did not treat those subjects in a responsible manner. In his opinion, and in the opinions of several parents, the books in question treated those subjects in a style that was vulgar, profane and in poor taste.



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The crux of the dispute, and of similar disputes in other parts of the country, was revealed by the remark of one librarian who said she objected to "outside" censorship. This Freudian slip reveals the true picture. Educators don't object to censorship so long as they do the censoring.

Somehow professional educators have come to believe that they are appointed by the Gods with special knowledge and special prerogatives. The notion that a parent or, God forbid, a "layman" might know something about education is heresy.

There are several things wrong with that idea. One is that a degree in education is no maker of a scholar. A degree in anything says simply that a living body completed some institution's requirements for a piece of paper. It says nothing about the person's intelligence, judgment, maturity, taste, or mental stability.

A second point is that no one who is a member of a bureaucracy which has spent so much and achieved so little should be arrogant.

A third point is that children belong to parents, not to bureaucracies. The major responsibility for the child's education and welfare rests with the parents who, as voters, elect school board members to set policies which they hope, often vainly, will re-

sult in a decent education.

In this scheme of things, educators should remember that parents and elected board members have every right in the world to determine what kind of education the children shall receive. Somehow educators have managed to turn the situation upside down so that the employees are telling the employers and the customers what to do.

Librarians, for example, are trained to stack books on the shelves, not develop their taste in literature. There is no reason to suppose a librarian has any better taste or judgment about the contents of a book than the local bartender.

As for educators being professionals, that was a questionable contention before they voted themselves into trade unions. Now it is no longer even a question.

As for academic freedom that concept has been so bent out of shape it is practically useless. Why should the employees of a school system have any more freedom than the employees of a factory? Academic freedom, properly applied, means that you teach the concepts of both Marx and Adam Smith; academic freedom abused means you hire a Marxist to teach economics.

There is no reason in the world why parents and taxpayers should turn over their children to a group of bureaucrats to indoctrinate as bureaucrats see fit.

Educators are hired hands and they should do what their bosses tell them. When the American people finally figure this out, most of the problems that now plague education will be solved.

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what you truly believe will be demonstrated more by what you do than what you say. It is like the old adage, "What you are speaks so loudly that I cannot hear what you say." An educator who believes that man is the product of evolution will design his methods in harmony with that view. That is, he will view education as "Creativeness fostered and developed by self-activity"<sup>1</sup> and will see the aim of education as "aiding in universal upward progress"<sup>2</sup> of mankind.

It has been understood both by secular and Christian educators that methods are not neutral, but are designed to lead to designated ends; either conforming the student to the image of Christ, as is the goal in Christian education, which quite obviously, can only be the goal for the Christian student; or working toward the perfect socialist society on earth, which is the goal of the Humanist. "The 'drawing out' process is consistent, Fakkema says (Dr. Mark Fakkema), with the evolutionary process which emphasizes the needs of growing children. In this view, the child is given complete freedom and education is largely stimulative in character. Self-expression is encouraged. 'Education should be cast in the mold of experience for experience's sake rather than experience for the sake of achievement.' Advocated by John Dewey, the later view is the dominating one at the present time. Such education, says Fakkema, leads to subjectivism, relativism, and moral delinquency."<sup>3</sup>

Francis Parker, one of the best known secular educators of America's past, said, "Method is the adaptation of means of growth to (the) mind to be developed."<sup>4</sup> He further stated, "Let no teacher rest satisfied with a study of the mere details of methods, but use them as illustrating and leading back to principles."<sup>5</sup>

According to Dr. H. W. Byrne, John Dewey believed the methods he developed from his philosophy of experimentation would bring about living democracy, or true socialism as Dewey conceived it. Byrne says, "At the present time, social reconstruction has led to an emphasis on living democracy instead of merely talking about it. The philosophy of experimentalism under John Dewey conceives of method as a means to this end."<sup>6</sup>

Comenius (1592-1671), a Moravian Bishop and a persecuted Christian who spent the greater part of his life in exile developing a method of Christian education, may not have had all of his eschatology correct, but he understood that Christian education required methods in harmony with the Scriptures and God's revelation in nature. As indicated, his life's work was to develop

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reverent to God's servant and all the times you rejected. "There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." (Matt. 20:13b)

The rich man begged Abraham for mercy. He asked if he would send Lazarus to him with water on the tip of his finger to cool his tongue. He asked for mercy from a man whom in his life he treated with little respect. A man whom he spat on with disgust when he saw him outside his gate. He now begged mercy from him. The cry of every soul in hell today is a cry for mercy. A cry to be given a second chance that they might accept Christ as Saviour. But it is too late! Their cry for mercy to free them from their sin and damnation has come too late.

Abraham refused the request of the rich man, because there is a great gulf fixed between them. No one could pass from one place to the other. The rich man's heart must have sunk. He realized that this gulf meant eternal separation from God and eternal death, because he rejected Christ.

He turned from thinking about his torments and pleaded for his family. He had five brothers who were unsaved when he died. He knew they were on the same path

he was on. He did not want them to come to the place he was at now, for they would torment him too. They would torment him by reminding him of how he led them and himself to hell. He asked Abraham to send Lazarus to them. Surely if they saw and heard one from the dead, they would repent and not face the torment of hell. Abraham told him that if they did not hear the Word of God preached by Moses and the prophets, they would not believe the testimony of one who was risen from the dead.

The punishment and torment of hell are so great that God the Father sent His precious Son, Jesus Christ, to provide lost sinners with a way of escape. The atoning blood of Jesus Christ has been shed on Calvary to provide salvation for those willing to repent from sin and turn to the Lord in faith.

Hell is no joke. Its torments are real! Its flames are real! Its loneliness and despair are real! How real is your salvation? Will you repent from sin this very moment and place your personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ? I urge you to trust Him now before it is too late.



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## Book Reviews

Dave Johnson

HOW YOU CAN BEAT THE KILLER DISEASES  
by Harold W. Harper, M.D. & Michael L. Culbert. Arlington House, New Rochelle, NY, 240 pages, hardback, \$8.95.

"He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is a folly and a shame unto him." (Proverbs 18:13) This verse adequately expresses the sentiments of the authors of this fine new book. In other words, it is foolish to ridicule what some people call "unorthodox" treatments for cancer, heart disease, diabetes, arthritis etc. without first studying that treatment and weighing it against the accepted "orthodox" treatments.

The killer diseases (degenerative diseases) are at an all time high, and orthodox treatments seem to be making little or no headway in combating them. The authors insist that there is an alternative to "nitro" pills and "bypass" operations for heart patients; as well as an alternative to radiation and chemotherapy for cancer patients. But even further than this, there are long range alternatives in preventive medicine.

Thomas Edison made a prophecy several years ago which, according to Dr. Harper and company, is now on the threshold of reality. Edison said, "The doctor of the future will give no medicine but will interest his patients in the care of human frame, in diet, and in the cause and prevention of disease."

Included in this book is a help section which explains such terms as "enriched" which may be found on various labels in your grocery store. For example, "enriched flour" has 22 vitamins, minerals, and amino acids removed and 4 are returned. The following story emphasizes the point: You are held at gunpoint by a mugger who orders you to remove all of your clothing and jewelry -- everything you possess. Upon leaving, the thief has a change of heart and returns your wedding band and your socks. Would you feel "enriched"? That is what is taking place in the food industry.

Another section deals with "sugar." Both "60 Minutes" and the *Readers Digest* have warned the public about this. Harper and Culbert take up where others leave off. Did you know that nearly everything you buy in a grocery store, even salt, contains sugar?

Other sections dealing with "chelation" therapy for heart patients and vitamins for cancer patients are of great interest and of vital importance to those who have a loved one who is afflicted by one of these killer diseases.

Again, as in Michael Culbert's other fine books, the subject of freedom of choice is discussed. It seems strange indeed that a government, which finances the murder of unborn children, should be so concerned over a person being injured

by choosing an unorthodox cure for cancer or heart disease.

How You Can Beat The Killer Diseases is an excellent, well written book.

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*Man, Woman and God* by Clifford E. Oden. paperback, 159 pages, \$3.50.

The foreword of this book contains the following statement by the vice-president of Baptist Bible College in Springfield, Mo. "We recognize that our churches will be no stronger than the families comprising the churches. We need to recognize that strong families are the result of faithful, detailed, biblical teaching and preaching. Dr. Oden's book provides a wealth of material saturated by the convictions and concern of the author for the well-being of the Christian family. You will find his work a valuable asset to your library." I can give a hearty Amen to this statement.

There would be very little need today for a professional marriage counselor if our pastors and evangelists understood and taught the principles which Dr. Oden so thoroughly outlines in this valuable book. These principles need to be taught in our Bible schools and seminaries and then carefully passed on to laymen and youth workers etc.

Dr. Oden deals with the need for such a book in the first chapter pointing out that Satan is attacking the family and there is a biblical answer to the problem of his attack.

Other chapters deal with such areas as family relations and the image of God, influence of pagan philosophies, and a biblical view of sex. Valuable charts concerning types of love, and the difference between romantic infatuation and genuine love are most helpful to youth workers and parents of teenage children.

This is a book which every pastor should have in his library.

(available from Gospel Projects Press)

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*Robert E. Lee, Christian General and Gentleman* by Lee Roddy. Mott Media, Milford, MI. 169 pages, paperback \$3.50.

Mott Media has produced an excellent series of books about Christian men and women from history. The group is called the "Sower Series" and the story of Robert E. Lee was my first encounter. The Sower books were designed for young readers, however, a great deal of research was obviously put into the books to insure valid historical facts about these heroes from our past.

This story of General Lee is exciting, informative and historically accurate. This is the type of book which will cause our youth to have the proper respect for our Christian heritage and will also replace the T.V. heroes with genuine Christian heroes.

The only problem which I found in R.E. Lee by Roddy was the statement on page 135 by one of Lee's young lieutenants

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# Resolution Of The South Carolina Baptist Fellowship

## January 9, 1978

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Baptist Fellowship, since its inception, has stood for and sounded forth a solid platform on fundamentalism and separation; and,

WHEREAS, we have cried out against the leaven of apostasy that has been at work in churches, colleges, and seminaries to the extent that many who were once considered fundamental have departed from the Faith once delivered to the saints; and,

WHEREAS, there are great pressures on local, state, national, and international levels to bring Biblical fundamental Bible believers into cooperative efforts with those who reject the fundamentals of the faith; and,

WHEREAS, we oppose all efforts to dilute true believers with false believers by such movements as Psuedo/Neo-Fundamentalists; and

WHEREAS, we define Biblical Fundamentalism as the following:

- a. One who believes the Book. - That is, one who believes the Bible to be the Inspired Word of God and whatever it says is true.
- b. One who defends the Book. - That is, one who defends the Bible rather than defending men and organizations.
- c. One who proclaims the Book. - That is, one who preaches the whole counsel of God.
- d. One who obeys the Book. - That

is, one who lives in accordance with all the precepts set forth in the Bible; and,

WHEREAS, we define Pseudo/Neo-Fundamentalism as the following:

a. One who claims to be fundamental and associates with the fundamentalist while at the same time shares the platform of neo-evangelical groups, thus incurring identification with them.

b. One who professes to believe in separation, but preaches in liberal-connected churches without any witness against the support of evil.

c. One who emphasizes numbers above faithfulness, using carnal means, such as "clowns" etc., to accomplish such. This obsession with bigness gives the erroneous belief that the end justifies the means. He equates numbers as an evidence of revival, and bigness as a sign of success, along with a substitution of worldly means to get results instead of prayer.

d. One who has an unscriptural belief in national conversion, shifting more to mass profession rather than individual conversion by repentance and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

e. One who popularizes the pulpit and the Christian witness by use of popular celebrities to draw a crowd irrespective of whether they are neo-evangelical, liberal connected, or of an un-orthodox group.

f. One who adapts mod-tunes and worldly music to the Gospel.

g. One who pursues the idea of the "Super-church" to the point of destroying smaller fundamental works, and substituting a "Radio or TV" fellowship for a local fundamental church, thus nullifying the responsibility of faithfulness to that local fundamental church.

h. One who is unwilling to be bound by Scriptural limitations by saying, "Whatever will get a crowd, I will do it," or "I'll do as I please."

i. One who is always critical of those who insist on true fundamentalism by claiming the Biblical Fundamentalist is "nit-picking" and "devisive" among the brethren.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the South Carolina Baptist Fellowship, meeting this 9th day of January, 1978, at the Temple Baptist Church, Anderson, South Carolina, go on record as opposed to any connection or fellowship with any form of compromise including Psuedo/Neo-Fundamentalism and raise our banner high for the cause of Biblical Fundamentalism.

Adopted without dissent this 9th day of January, 1978.

Moderator Rev. Russell Stolp  
Secretary Rev. John L. Fuller

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concerning his belief in the "fatherhood of God and the universal brotherhood of man." There was absolutely no need to include this statement in the story of General Lee. This is not Christian Doctrine and if Lee Roddy doesn't know that by now, I wonder if he is qualified to write a book about our Christian heroes from history.

# Whatever Happened To All The Customers?

By Rev. Claude Bunzel

Director of Research Americanism Educational League

"The customer is king!" That simple statement from the past symbolizes the monitoring system of Free Enterprise. Every businessman, every distributor, every manufacturer recognized that he must give satisfaction to his customers or suffer loss of business. He might even go bankrupt!

Yet we seldom hear the word "customer" any more. It's only "consumer, consumer, consumer!" Do you wonder why? Perhaps, without realizing it, we are being conditioned to a socialist concept.

The word "customer" is a word of Free Enterprise. It is a word of individual choice. It is a word of commerce without governmental control. When "the customer is king", he can shop around for what he wants at the price he is willing to pay. When he makes his purchase, he puts that purchase to whatever use he pleases. He is content with his purchase, because it was his free choice. The businessman is content with his price, because he set it.

The word "consumer" has an entirely different meaning. "To consume" is "to

use up". It relates to resources, not to productivity. Resources are limited, say the government controllers. No one should consume more than his "share". We must distribute carefully what we have. We must regulate these limited resources, so that no one gets more than the controllers deem necessary. That's why -- according to the bureaucrats -- we must enter into the regulation of what is produced, how it is produced, how it is distributed, what price shall be charged. That's why the bureaucrats are calling for a national planning department or agency. Then the federal bureaucracies can protect the consumers from their own greedy desires, their own bad choices!

But if this actually comes into being, the government agencies will become "consumers" -- consuming the people's money, in the form of higher taxes, to pay for protecting the people against themselves!

Whatever happened to all the customers? They have not disappeared. Instead, they have been changed through

subtle manipulation into "consumers" and placed under the control of a whole army of self-proclaimed protectors. This is an insult to any thinking man or woman . . . a retreat from freedom. . . an escape from individual responsibility!

But this can be made to work both ways. What about saying: "I'm not a consumer. I'm a customer. I'm helping the business community while I help myself. Without all that manufacturing and distribution and commerce, I cannot get the things I need and want. And without my purchases as a customer, those manufacturing plants and transportation facilities and retail stores cannot stay in business."

This is the way our system worked in the past, without all the regulations and controls we encounter today. If it has been successful before, it can be successful again. Let's be customers once again. Let's think in terms of greater production, not more controls!

# Stars of the Morning

By "Aunt Carolyn"

## Help From Above



Julie bounded home from school, up the steps, across the porch and into the house. "Mama? Mama? Where are you?"

First stop was wherever Mama was working for a cheery, "Hi Ho," and a quick review to Mama of the day. Next stop was a quick clothes change from her crisp school dress to everyday work clothes, followed by a direct beeline to the kitchen for that wonderful concoction of crackers and fresh homemade butter. Julie prided herself (and her stomach) in how many crackers for consumption she could stack in one hand leaving the other hand free for feeding herself, opening doors, picking up the egg basket, and other necessary duties on the way out to do her evening chores.

With the coming of Spring and all its delights of beautiful wildflowers, fluttering butterflies, and funny bugs, it was easy to be distracted from one's duties. In fact, Julie's daily afternoon chore and work ritual was often interrupted by her curious inspection in the pasture of a fluffy little rabbit nest with its tiny wiggling treasures, or sticking her nose in a buttercup and being fully convinced that the pollen that stuck to her nose was indeed real butter for fairies and elves and other imaginary creatures who made their homes in the mole hills and other mysterious holes in the ground. She laughed out loud to see the new wobbly calf trying to get a late afternoon snack from its mother. Oh, there were a thousand things to enjoy and be thankful for in the Springtime. It seemed the Lord almost outdid Himself with the wonders and excitement and new life in Spring.

And this Spring, there was a new attraction. Julie had discovered a robin nest in a most unlikely place. She seldom went around the old well. It didn't take Mama's warning to keep her away. Anyone could plainly tell it was a dangerous place to play. The well walls had crumbled partly filling in the bottom of the hole, and who knew where it would crumble next? And what was left of the rim and crank above was nearly grown over with vines and brambles. Who knew what snakes or varmints lurked in such

a hiding place? No, the old well was no place to play.

But Julie was lured -- yes, lured to the well one day. She had watched from a distance day after day as the mother and father robin carried grass and twigs and string to the well. She knew what they were about all right. Their nest would soon be finished, and they would settle in to raise their family.

The drama continued as day after day Julie watched from far off as the father bird perched atop the well crank and sang, "Cheerily, Cheerily" to his wife below. At last one day Julie saw both robins fly away at the same time. Curiosity proved too strong, and she eased to the well rim and looked down. Sure enough, there was the nest built on a little foot-hold ledge down the side of the well, and much to Julie's delight there were four lovely blue eggs. Of all the displays of Spring, this took the prize! Julie caught her breath with the thrill, then backed away gently so as not to disturb a thing. She left the little homemakers, only to return each afternoon after school to see if Madam Robin had any news.

Julie knew the day the baby robins were hatched by the papa's bursting song, but she was not able to get a glimpse of the little birdies, because they were never unattended. Either Mama or Papa Robin were at the nest all the time hovering over and tending to their precious darlings. Julie dared not disturb the little family. She knew she must wait patiently for a couple of weeks until the birdies were bigger.

A few evenings later Julie was on her afterschool routine -- report to Mama, change clothes, build her cracker stack, do her chores. On the way to the barn, as she neared the old well, a terrible ruckus attracted her attention. The father robin was flying from well to tree and back again and sounding a pitiful cry of distress. The mother robin would fly out of the well in a terrible flurry and then disappear again down inside screeching and screaming at the top of her lungs.

Something was wrong! Julie knew it! But what could it be? What could she do? She would have to see. She couldn't ignore the robins in their desperate plight, whatever it was.

She ran to the well and then carefully leaned over the rim. There was the nest with four helpless little babies cowering low in the nest sensing their danger and their mother's terrible fear. There was the poor mother in a feathered fury, beating her wings against the well wall, fluttering back and forth, screaming in pitiful cries of torment. But all her worry, all her fight, all her screams were of no avail, for way down below lay a huge snake.

Slowly, ever so slowly, silently ever so silently, the snake came slithering up the well, intent on the nest and its treasure. The gaze of its beady eyes never moved as the cold slimy creature moved steadily toward its prey. All the frenzy of the terrified mother could not break its determination to devour the contents of the nest.

Julie watched breathlessly. Seconds seemed like years, but she had to do something! There was a large stone

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# Rock Music

Is the world of Rock and Roll different from the days of ragtime, jazz, blues, and the big bands? Both words and music shriek: YES!!

To begin with, the record business, not television or movies, is now the largest part of entertainment industry. With 1200 recording companies annually producing some 2600 albums and 6200 singles, the former "poor cousin" of the showbiz world will this year take in more money than either of the others -- over \$2.5 billion. What lies behind this spectacular rise in the sale of records? The answer, quite simply, is rock music, which dominates the music industry, accounting for more than 60 percent of total sales.

For millions of young people rock is more than music: it is an article of faith; a focus for their needs, resentments, dreams and ideals. And this is what has turned the entertainment business topsy-turvy. To those for whom rock

is part of a creed, spending money on rock records is like putting a five-dollar bill in the collection plate.

The heart of the rock audience is the 18-to 26-year-old group; but a large part of the business is made up of the country's 30 million teenagers. The result is that a huge portion of the record industry is built around the tastes and feelings of adolescents. Adolescents are, as they have always been, preoccupied with two activities-- love (or, to put no fine point on it, sex) and the generational war against their parents and the square, unfeeling, materialistic world parents are believed to inhabit. As a consequence, rock lyrics are heavily devoted to the simplistic themes of romance and rebellion. (sex and rebellion are the themes of rock music - N.P.)

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## The Other Side

with Dave Johnson

### Income Tax

The present generation of Americans has produced a surprising number of tax rebels, men who for various reasons have refused to pay the income tax. In reading the many accounts of these tax rebels I find myself asking the question: What is the Christian position regarding taxes?

The Bible mentions two kinds of taxes -- income tax and poll tax. These are the two types of taxation which are definitely Scriptural.

The tithe is God's income tax and is as old as man. The tithe is God's tax which is required of all men in return for the use of God's creation. This is not a tax on the land but on the increase thereof. For this reason, the tithe is an income tax. Those who prosper more pay more yet all men are left with a full 90% of the fruits of their labor.

The purpose of the tithe was to support the social order which God had ordained. There was a time when all education was private, Christian education and was supported by God's people. Other areas of the social order such as charity, hospitals, orphanages, etc. were all supported by the tithe, God's income tax.

The tithe was paid by law in many instances from the 4th century through the 18th century throughout the "Christian" world. These laws however disappeared under the impact of revolutionary movements of the late 18th century and especially during recent years. Thus, the social order must be maintained by the state instead of the church.

The other tax which is found in the Bible is the poll tax. This tax is paid to the government for the purpose of financing the scriptural functions of government, that is, civil order.

The poll tax was a simple head of household tax paid by all adult males. It is an equitable and just tax and so small that the government is limited to protecting life, liberty, and property.

The poll tax was also known as atonement money or temple tax. For this reason many people do not associate it with civil government.

The poll tax is first found in Exodus 30, where the people are numbered and taxed, each adult male paying one-half shekel. The same tax can be traced to the New Testament where it was recognized by Christ. In Matt. 17:

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24-27 Jesus paid the tribute money for Himself and Peter.

It is this type of tax which is being discussed in Matt. 22:15-22. It is proper for Christians to render unto Caesar his poll tax and it is imperative to render the income tax unto God.

What then should be done about the income tax which Caesar has placed upon us through a Constitutional amendment in 1913?

Our nation was founded as a "de facto" theocracy. God ruled America through His Word. Our law was based on God's law.

In 1913 this theocracy was officially rejected in favor of an anti-Christ program designed by Satan and promulgated by Karl Marx. As Samuel warned the Israelites when they sought a king other than Jehovah, an ungodly state will appropriate the tithe to itself as an earmark of its tyranny. (1 Sam. 8:15-17).

With the ratification of the income tax amendment, Caesar took over the duty of God's people in the area of financing God's social order.

The 16th amendment violates the Constitution in many areas. It has been estimated that there are at least 50 violations of the Constitution in the IRS Code. As a matter of fact, the 16th Amendment was never legally ratified in 1913 because Ohio did not legally have statehood at this time.

We are now faced with the question of whether or not a Christian is obligated to obey laws which are neither

Scriptural nor Constitutional. Or, in other words, must Christians always obey the government?

Space does not permit me to list all of the examples of Bible characters who were engaged in Godly civil disobedience. Consider these well known instances: Rahab, Daniel, Elijah, John the Baptist and Paul. It is also interesting to note that Paul, on several occasions, used his citizenship to his advantage and God's glory. Paul even sought refuge in Rome's judicial system by appealing to Caesar.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this article, there is a growing number of tax rebels in this country. Should Christians be involved in this movement? My answer depends on motive! If it is done out of conviction so that God will receive the glory -- yes. If it is done so that you will have more money to spend on worldly desires -- no. The love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. We can do something that is morally, scripturally and legally right and God will not bless because of a wrong motive.

This one thing is for certain -- When dealing with the IRS you need God's blessing!

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## Help From Above

close to her feet. If only she could reach it without attracting attention. Quietly she picked up the stone then flung it with all her might down into the well! What a noise and crash it made! In an instant the startled snake turned and slid as fast as lightning down to the bottom of the well beneath the debris. Oh, the birds were safe at last!

What a joy! What a relief! What a rescue! The mother and father robins filled the air once more with joyous songs, "Cheerily! Cheerily! Cheerily!" followed by long warbles of praise. Who could tell which one sang louder? Their little lungs and throats must have nearly burst. But song soon turned to work as four little heads with mouths wide open stretched upward waiting to be fed.

Julie's knees were weak when it was all over. She headed back to the house

to get some more crackers and tell her mother the whole incident. "That was really something!", she thought. "Those little birds surely had a narrow escape. All that saved them was help from above!"

As she skipped toward the house swinging the egg basket back and forth at her side, she thought, in a way, she, too had had a narrow escape and all that saved her from sin was, "Help From Above." For that old snake in the well intent on getting the baby birds was much like Satan who "as a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour." (I Peter 5:8). He is intent on seeing that boys and girls remain in their sin. The devil knows that boys and girls are sinners. (They know it, too, by the lies they tell, the wrong thoughts they think, the bad words they say (Proverbs 23:7), and the disobedient acts they do.) Boys and girls are sinners when they are born into the world, and then they prove that they are sinners after that by all the things they do. The devil also knows that just as the Bible says, "The wages of sin is death," (Romans 6:23), that is, eternal death, away from God, in Hell forever. Hell was prepared for the devil and his

angels, but it will also be the terrible dwelling place for all who hold to their sins, who desire their own way, and who reject God's way.

As sinners, we stand in terrible danger of judgment and death and are as helpless as the little birds before the snake. But God in love and mercy looked down on our need and sent the Lord Jesus Christ to redeem us, to pay for our sins. Jesus came from Heaven above down into the darkness of this sinful world and died on the cross for our sins. He conquered the devil and sin. We do not have to be trapped by the devil. We can come by faith to the Lord Jesus Christ and receive mercy, forgiveness for our sins, and salvation through His precious blood. Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation (Acts 4:12). He is our only hope. He is our help from above! Trust Him today as your Saviour. Jesus said, "Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." (John 6:37).

(Story suggestion based on incident related to Aunt Carolyn by Mrs. Elva M. Rice, and used by permission.)

THE ORTHODOX BAPTIST

## Think Awhile!

By Don N. Kitch

Writing about Sea Gulls (11-20-65) in the Daily Telegraph's "Nature Notes," Dr. Maurice Burton says "the amount of sea water a gull can drink would be the equivalent of two gallons to a man; but to a man, one-tenth of this amount would cause collapse through dehydration of the tissues."

The secret of the gull's ability to survive drinking salt water lies in a pair of glands in the head, situated just

### JUST SUPPOSE . . .

Suppose you had to run for church membership as any candidate runs for political office. Would you win or lose?

Suppose the membership were good for one year only, and that re-election depended upon the good you had done in the church during that time. Would you be re-elected or not?

Suppose there was a list of those waiting to get in. Would you be more alive to your duties as a Christian?

Suppose you were called on to explain just why your church would keep your name on the roll. Have you a record of helpful service to offer in your defense?

Suppose every member in the church did as much for the church as you are doing. Would more seats be needed, or would the doors be shut half of the time?

Suppose you were to set the pattern of giving. Would your church receive a token or a tithe?

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above the eyes. They were long ago noted by anatomists, but their function was not elucidated until a few years ago. Each gland consists of thousands of minute tubes arranged like the bristles on a bottle brush. Where the handle of the brush would be is a central tube communicating with the nasal cavity. A rich supply of fine blood vessels surrounds the gland, which extracts the salt from the blood. The salt is then lost in water drops from the tip of the beak, each drop many times more salty than tears, five times as salty as the gull's own blood and twice as salty as sea water.

So, God Himself devised a practical desalinating device that works, and has since He originally created the sea gulls. Isn't it wonderful what miracles God has wrought in nature? He has made each creature to survive in its own particular environment.

The master mind before every master plan is God the Creator, for creation, no doubt, is the "Shadow" of the Creator.

"O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor? Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen!"

Romans 11:33-36.

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## Patrick Was A Protestant

To most people, a man by the name of "Saint" Patrick is a mythical being. He is supposed to have driven out the snakes and serpents from Ireland, he is an Irish Saint, and an emissary of the Pope. However, like most traditions, that come from Rome, these stories are not founded on fact.

The truth of the matter is, "ST" Patrick was not Irish. The Roman Church did not put a "Claim" on him until 75 years after his death. It was not until 500 A.D. that his name appeared in Catholic writings. And last but not least, his name is SUCAT and he was a Briton born in Dumbarton in the South of Scotland about the year 389 A.D.

At forty years of age, PATRICK went to Ireland and began his magnificent ministry as any other Christian Missionary would have done. His mission field was a wild and primitive land. . . a heathen country inhabited by people known as "animists" who worshipped trees and stones and wells etc.

The real "PATRICK" was a Bible reading, Bible believing missionary of the Celtic Church, noted for its faithfulness to the word of God. In the language of today. . . we could say of "PATRICK" that he was the Billy Sunday of his age. . . the David Livingstone of his day. . . for he was an evangelist and a missionary in one personality.

Most of the traditions and legends which have been spun like a web around this illustrious servant of The Lord have come from the pen of one John Cogan, who in 1647 published his writings under the title of "TRIAS THAUMATURGA". There are two documents however, that are recognized by all honest historians as being genuine and factual. These two writings are by PATRICK himself. The first is called his "CONFESSION", or "EPISTLE to the IRISH", and the second is referred to as his Epistle to the Christians, who were under the cruel king, Coroticus. Besides this there is the LORICA of HYMNS OF PATRICK, originally written in Latin and known as THE BREASTPLATE. In none of his writings does he mention his being a member of The Roman Church. No where does he state that he was sent to Ireland as an emissary of the Pope. On the contrary, his writings are filled with his testimony that he was a sinner saved by the grace of God through faith in The Lord Jesus.

PATRICK. . . (Saint Patrick) as he is known by the average person was a PROTESTANT. He was a man of God, an outstanding Christian. He was a free lance evangelist and a missionary of the Gospel of the Grace of God.

--Henry Grube, 1961

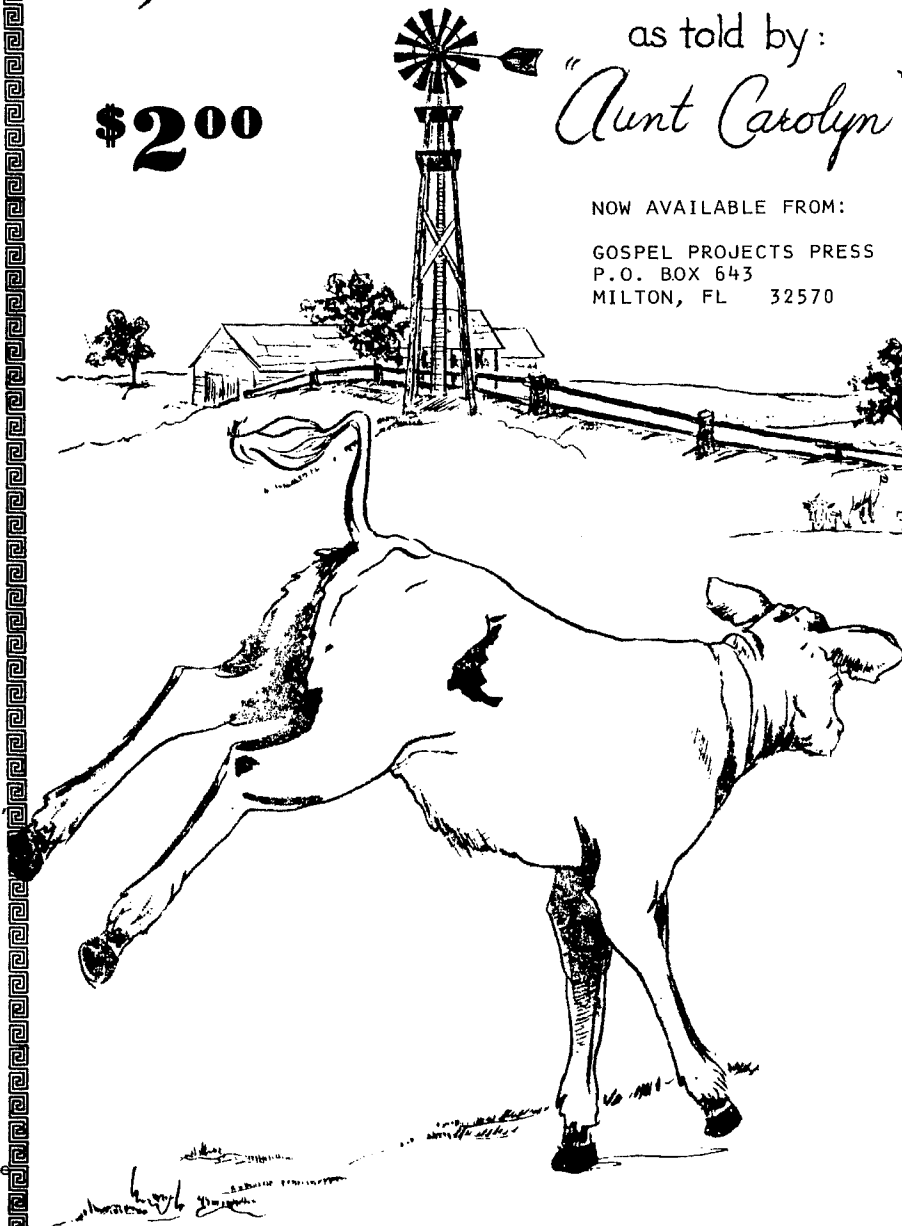
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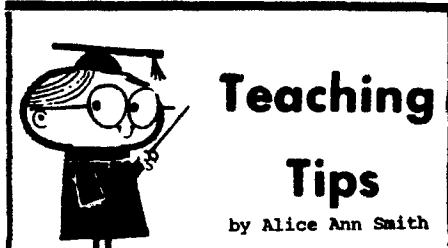
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## Phonics Exercise



This is an exciting phonics exercise that also involves review in grammar, spelling, reading, dictionary usage, and composition. The children will giggle with delight as their tongues twist through their alliterations.

Choose a letter of the alphabet. On our first try we used the letter "d." Have the children think of words beginning with "d" and decide on a subject for their sentences; then have them call out words beginning with "d" and list them on the board as nouns, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions, verbs, and interjections. This is one of the sentences composed by a fifth grader on the first try: Danny's downy duck died when he dumbly dived into a damp, dark, dreadfully dreary dam. Write some of the outstanding sentences on the board and have the children read them three times as quickly as they can.

As the children practice, their sentences get more complicated. The letter "t" produced this enjoyable sentence: Timid Timothy Turtle talked tiredly today to typically talkative Tallulah Toucan through the telephone.

The dictionary helps students come up with words to use and they learn to convert nouns to adjectives and adjectives to adverbs when necessary to fit the syntax of the sentence.

Some of these sentences could be illustrated for an interesting art project.

(From an idea in *Grade Teacher*, Jan., 1970, p. 56.)

## Are Teaching Methods Neutral?

such methods in order that Christian boys could have a Christian education. Listed below are some of Comenius' teaching principles. I think you will find most of them very worthwhile. The good Christian school likely uses most of these precepts today.

"Where nothing is taught, nothing is learned.

Where the teaching is confused, the learning is confused.

Where the teaching is negligent, the learning is negligent.

Do not begin to teach any one who is unprepared for the teaching.

Do not put off teaching one who is prepared.

Labour is not for the learner; for the teacher, direction of the learners.

All things are to be taught by the threefold way of Examples, Precepts, and Exercises.

Let the example always come first, the precept next, and let the imitation by way of exercise follow close.

Let rules be short, clear, and true.

Discipline is the means used to press on learning.

Without discipline nothing is learned, or at least nothing rightly.

Discipline must be a never-ceasing constant pressure; never violent; and always graduated, so as to be fitted to its end, corporal chastisement being the final resort.

To learn is easier than to unlearn.

To teach is easier than to unteach, for the latter is a double process, the former a single one.

In teaching we have to advance from few things to many, from the brief to the more lengthened, from the simple to the complex, from the general to the special, from the near to the remote, from the regular to the irregular."<sup>7</sup>

Discipline obviously is a controversial method among educators. Again, how you view man doctrinally will determine your view of discipline. Comenius, a Christian educator, is a good example of our stated premise that methods are not neutral. Read for yourself his view of discipline and see if you do not recognize that it is affected by his view of the Authority of Scripture.

"The Bohemians say that 'a school without discipline is a mill without water.' For take the water away and

the mill stops; take discipline away and the school lags. It does not follow from this that a school is to be a place of cries, blows, and weals; but there must be vigilance and attention, both in the teacher and taught.

What is discipline save a certain way whereby scholars (*discipuli*) are made to be truly scholars?

Let us consider, then, discipline in its end, its matter, and its form -- its *cur*, *quando*, *quomodo*.

1. *The end of discipline.* -- This is not the punishment of a transgressor for a fault he has committed (the done cannot be undone), but the prevention of the recurrence of the fault. Accordingly, the master must execute punishment without passion, anger, or hatred, but in such a way that the boy under discipline will recognize that it is done for his good, and on that account will accept it as he would accept a disagreeable draught from a physician.

2. *The matter of discipline.* -- A severe discipline is not to be exercised in the matter of studies, but only in that of morals. If subjects of study are rightly arranged and taught, they themselves attract and allure all save very exceptional natures; and if they are not rightly taught, the fault is in the teacher, not the pupil. Moreover, if we do not know how to allure to study by skill, we shall certainly not succeed by the application of mere force. There is no power in stripes and blows to excite a love of literature, but a great power, on the contrary, of generating weariness and disgust. A musician does not dash his instrument against a wall, or give it blows and cuffs, because he cannot draw music from it, but continues to apply his skill till he extracts a melody. So by our skill we have to bring the minds of the young into harmony, and to the love of studies, if we are not to make the careless unwilling and the torpid stolid. A spur and stimulus are often needed, but a sharp word or a public reproof or the praise of others who are doing well, will generally suffice.

Those who transgress in moral matters are to be more seriously dealt with. Impiety, for example, such as blasphemy and obscenity, and all that is done a-

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## THE CHRISTIAN CONSCIENCE & THE CHAIN OF COMMAND

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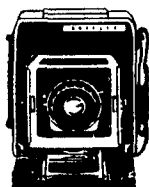
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### ON RELIGION

## "Porn-Again"

A new breed of birds has come to roost in the branches of nominal Christianity as a result of the "born again" movement currently sweeping America. A strange assortment of politicians, movie stars, athletes and other popular public figures, all claiming to be "born again" have made the Church look like a zoo for Audubon Society rejects. The parade of professing Christians is sometimes amusing but at other times it is just plain embarrassing.

A case in point is pornography publisher Larry Flynt, a convert of Ruth Carter Stapleton. Flynt has made much to do of his new found faith. At first he was going to tone down his filthy "Hustler" magazine but later declared that with God's help he would become the King of pornography.

Fundamentalists need to make it absolutely clear that they have nothing to do with the "born again" movement made popular by religious entertainers and compromise evangelism. This movement has been used by Satan to make a joke out of true conversion wrought by the Spirit of God. The more the true Gospel and repentance from sin are watered down, the more attractive religion becomes to the lower forms of life. There is a great deal of difference between compelling sinners to turn from their wickedness to Jesus Christ than in convincing sinners that God condones their wickedness. The Scripture still reads: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." Matt. 7:21.

## Star Teacher

In the "it takes brains to be that stupid" category, consider the following ruling of New Mexico Court of Appeals Judge Lewis Sutin. A twenty-three year old woman was on trial for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The woman had committed sexual sin with a fifteen year old boy. The judge ruled that sexual intercourse between an adult woman and a consenting minor boy "is nothing more than sex education essential and necessary in his growth toward

maturity and subsequent domestic family life." I am surprised he did not put her on the county payroll for her part in the boy's education!

Judge Sutin justified his decision on the fact that the public schools were indeed teaching all the students what this woman taught the boy on an individual basis. The judge said: "Today, sexual intercourse is recognized as normal conduct in the development of a human being. As a result this subject is taught to children in the public schools."

I am certainly thankful my children are not receiving a public education from government schools. No wonder our country has the problems it has when the schools train sinners to sin.

# The Mormon KGB

By John L. Smith



The Mormon KGB is amazing. Their ability to come up with information and keep their people under surveillance is most uncanny.

My secretary could not give you the details of my itinerary either before or after my schedule has been filled. Yet, some years ago as I drove into the service station where I regularly bought gas, (a station operated by a large family of Mormons, each of whom usually had a son or so off on a Mormon mission) I was greeted by a recently returned missionary who said, "I hear you've just been to Florida." "Yes," I replied, "I have been there." He said, "I was there, too." I said, "Oh, were you?" He replied, "I was everywhere you were." I responded, "I doubt that, I was in..." and I began to name off, "Tampa, and Miami, and Jacksonville..." He said, "I was in each of those places, too." Then I said, "I was in Orlando." He interjected, "You didn't speak there." And I didn't. But how could he know?

My engagements are often 150 miles or more apart. Yet it is not too uncommon to have Mormons show up a state or so away saying, "My cousin (or my sister-in-law) heard you a couple of weeks ago." How can they find my schedule so easily?

I talked at length to a lady who was thoroughly disenchanted with Mormonism. She planned carefully to leave and only told her daughter (who agreed with her feelings) about her plan.

The following week two young Mormons called on her in a distant state saying, "Mrs. Jones (not her real name, but almost as common), we've been looking for you." How could they find her so quickly?

Twenty-five years ago, I had occasion to look for an Alvin C. Richards who I had reason to think was a Mormon.

I went to the church office building and casually asked if there was a Mormon by that name.

The attendant did not ask me why I wanted to know, or who I was, but responded, "Just a minute and I will find out."

I heard a machine, and in just two or three minutes she returned with two IBM cards saying, "There are two in the church."

The cards contained the birthdates, places and parents, marriage dates and spouse names, children's names and birthdates, and positions that each had held in the Mormon church.

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Twenty-five years have now passed, but neither Baptist nor Catholic nor Methodist nor Presbyterian church offices could give you that kind of information on its members.

Their surveillance is uncanny. No wonder it can keep its people under its domination so successfully.



## A LOOK AT THE BOOK

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Over and over we hear the remarks, "This generation is no worse than any other generation; it is just not as hypocritical. This generation is open in its actions, making no effort to cover up its evil deeds." To promote the idea that evil, because it is discussed and performed openly, is not bad is to deal in the worst kind of deception. Far worse is it than the natural sense of modesty and the feeling of humiliation which cause man to seek to cover his sin instead of bragging about it.

Satan's chief aim in all of his activities has been to rule all that God has made. When he was in Heaven, Satan sought to exalt his throne above God's throne. Satan tried to keep our Lord from coming to this earth. Failing to do that, he sought to

get our Lord to bow the knee and worship him. Always and forever Satan seeks to rule man. In order to do this, however, he must debase man; because man, in his noblest attributes and when his spirit is right, does not desire to be ruled by Satan. In every human heart God has stirred an aspiration to be better and to rise above that to which man's nature, because of sin, has bound him. Man cannot be completely happy in sin. The reason is that in man's heart is the desire to climb up. Satan hooks a ride on this desire and seeks to persuade man that he can rise apart from God. But Satan is fighting a losing battle; for the Scripture assures us that "greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

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## Are Teaching Methods Neutral

against the law of God, constitute serious offenses, and can be expiated only by a severe chastisement. Contumacy and deliberate perversity, wilful non-doing of what the pupil knows ought to be done -- are to be punished. Also, pride, envy, and sloth.

3. The how of discipline. -- The sun (regarded by Comenius as the cause of atmospheric changes) always gives forth light and warmth, often rain and wind, rarely thunder and lightning. So (1.) The teacher should always shine as an example, in his own person and conduct, of all he requires from others. (2.) By words of instruction, exhortation, and occasionally reproof, he should labour to sustain discipline, being most careful that all he says verily comes from a parental interest in and affection for his pupils, for if the pupils do not see this they harden their hearts against discipline. (3.) If any pupil is of so unhappy a disposition that these gentler methods fail, more violent remedies should be applied, lest anything should be left undone before utterly despairing of a boy; but greater care has to be exercised that we do not resort to extreme remedies except in extreme cases. Extrema in extremis. The whole object of discipline, we must never forget, is to form in those committed to our charge a disposition worthy of the children of God."<sup>8</sup>

Lest any should wonder if Bishop John Amos Comenius was indeed a genuine Christian, note these quotes, "Let the Holy Scriptures be the Alpha and Omega of Christian schools."<sup>9</sup> "Finally let them (boys) be taught that, since, because of the imperfection of their nature, they can do no good thing, they must rely on the perfection of Christ, the lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world."<sup>10</sup>

(Because of the length of the article, "Learning by Doing" will be covered next month.)

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## "Sir, You Are Too Strict!"

Will you say that when the eyes of the Almighty are glowering on you? "Sir, you are too precise." Will you say that to God Almighty's face? Can you say that at the judgment bar of God at the last day? You will not dare to do it then. Ah! When Christ comes a second time there will be a marvellous change in the way men talk. "Caiaphas, come and condemn Him now!" "Judas, will you kiss Him now?" "Barabas, see if the people will prefer you to Christ now!"

"Swearer, you have been a bold man; curse Him to His face now." "Drunkard, stagger up to Him now." "Infidel, now tell Him there is no Christ, tell God there is no God. Laugh at the Bible; smirk at the minister."

"What is the matter? Why can't you do it? Because you have fled to the rocks and to the hills crying, 'Rocks, hide us! Mountains fall on us; hide us from the face of Him that sitteth upon the throne.'"

-- Charles Haddon Spurgeon

## Confederacies In Evil

1887 -- Charles Spurgeon withdraws from the Baptist Union because "Believers in Christ's atonement are now in declared union with those who make light of it; believers in Holy Scripture are in confederacy with those who decry to plenary inspiration: those who believe in evangelical doctrine are in open alliance with those who call the fall a fable, who deny the personality of the Holy Ghost, who call justification by faith immoral, and hold that there is another probation after death. Yes, we have before us the wretched spectacle of professedly orthodox Christians publicly avowing their union with those who deny the faith, and scarcely concealing their contempt for those who cannot be guilty of such gross disloyalty to Christ. To be very plain, we are unable to call these things Christian unions: they begin to look like confederacies in evil . . . It is our solemn conviction that where there can be no real spiritual communion, there should be no pretence of fellowship. Fellowship with known and vital error is participation in sin."

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