

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KIDS TODAY??

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FOR THE WORD OF GOD, IS QUICK, POWERFUL, AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWOEDGED SWORD. PIERCING EVEN TO THE DIVIDING ASUNDER OF SOUL AND SPIRIT, AND OF THE JOINTS AND MARROW, AND IS A DISCERNER OF THE THOUGHTS AND INTENTS OF THE HEART. (HEB. 4:12)

Included herein, is a presentation which I believe is the only way the problems that are facing our young people can be rectified. What is in the following pages, will not be pleasant for some of you, nevertheless it is the truth.

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FORWARD

From the offset, let me tell you, just where I will be coming from, and just why I believe that this is the only hope for the city of Detroit, as well as the nation and the world.

First, and foremost, I am a born again Christian (**St. John 3: 1-7**) that has received the baptism of the Holy Spirit (**Acts 2: 1-4**). I believe that the Bible is the only revelation of God to mankind. It tells man who He (God) is. It tells man just what God likes, and what He doesn't. It also tells man where he came from, and what he is doing here, and where he is going. It also tells us about Jesus Christ.

According to the Bible, Jesus was, and is, the only begotten Son of God (**St. John 3:16**), and that He died on the cross, for the sins of mankind (**1 Peter 2: 24-25**), and that He rose from the dead (**St. Matt. 28: 5-20**) on the third day, and ascended into Heaven and is on the right hand of God, the Father (**Acts 7: 55-56**). It also says that Jesus, is the only way that man can get to God (**St. John 14: 6**).

It also says that Jesus is God (**St. John 1: 1-14**). And that He was born of a virgin. All of these things, I believe.

Some of you may not be Christians, and might be saying, why should we believe what you are saying, is the truth? Well, if you will just hold on until the end of this presentation, I will answer that, as well as some other commonly asked questions. So, please bear with me.

What I will be addressing are the problems that are facing our society today, as concerning our youth. Kids are killing other kids as well as themselves. Kids are on drugs as well as dealing drugs. Kids having kids. Kids on the wild and the illiteracy of our kids.

We will be looking at just what is being done now, and then why these things are failing.

We will then look at what must be done, and why I believe that it will work.

Finally, some commonly asked questions that are most likely to be asked by you, if you were to ask me in person.

Many of you, I'm sure, are familiar with the games of baseball and football or some other sport. You know something about how the games are played and the rules that govern them. And you know that as long as everyone plays by the rules, the game goes smoothly. Right?

Now suppose you were playing baseball, and someone decided to incorporate the rules of football in the game. What would happen? You would have one big mess. No matter how hard you tried, it just wouldn't work, and be baseball again. Why? Because the two

games, are totally different. They are structured so drastically different, with different equipment and playing fields and rules, that chaos would be the result.

Well, life is the same way. There are certain rules that God, our Creator, gave us to live by, if we wanted to live a good life with little or no problems (**Deut. 28:1-15**). Now whether we like it or not, He made the rules and He enforces them. However, He didn't make us robots, where we had no choice but to do what He wanted us to do. He gave us a free will. We could obey or rebel. However, He warned us of the consequences of disobedience (**Deut. 28: 16-end**). And it's on this wise, that I will address our problem.

Today, man has incorporated his own rules into the game of life. He has said he will do what he feels is right, for him, and that no one can stop him. He has said what he believes is right and what is wrong, and has made laws to enforce his beliefs. And for the most part, these beliefs are totally against what God has said. Therefore, we are seeing the results of this disobedience.

Note:

Since this book was first written, in 1988, and merely published from the original printing, certain references, concerning dates and times, may not be relevant today.

However, the truth of God's Word, remains the same.

If you will consider, when this book was first printed, and the reality of today, you will see the almost prophetic message, that God revealed back then.

WHAT IS BEING DONE

Today, our city officials are being faced with one of the biggest problems to face them in over a decade. Crime is on the rise, and the perpetrators are kids. Pregnancies are going up, due largely to the sexual activities of our young people. More and more people are being classified as illiterate, of which many of them are recently graduated teens. Other problems such as vandalism, jail overcrowding, overburdened court dockets and more, are the result of kids on the wild.

As a result of this problem, many mayors and other leaders of the communities are getting together to map out strategy to deal with the ever increasing problem. New programs for teens are implemented. New laws are being added. Old laws are being reinforced. Seminars are being held and more. Yet, the problem is just getting worse. All of these adventures are costing the taxpayers more and more money. Yet, nothing seems to work. Why?

Let's look at a situation that happened in a small, fictitious town in the Midwest. There was a time, when the residents of this town were all unemployed. The town was just about to go under, when a factory was put in which hired most of the 500 citizens of the town which were able to work. Things were starting to look up.

However, it wasn't long before the water, and air, started to get polluted by the waste products from the factory. The town leaders got together to figure what needed to be done.

They decided to put in pollution equipment all over the town, to clean up the air and the water. And for a time, that seemed to solve the problem. However, it wasn't long before, the factory had to expand, and with that more people were hired.

Of course, with this expansion, came more pollution, and the town found out that the present equipment, just couldn't keep up with the pollution being put out by the factory.

So, more was added.

But, again the plant had to expand, and it became evident that even working at full capacity, the pollution equipment just couldn't keep up. The townspeople got together, to figure out just what to do. They thought about raising taxes so they could install even more equipment all over town to combat the pollution. But, after months of bickering, they decided to raise the taxes. But, soon the problem popped up again.

So, they decided to call in an environmental expert, to evaluate the situation.

When the expert got through with his investigation, he told them that they could have saved thousands of dollars, if they made the factory clean up its act.

When confronted with this solution, the officials of the factory said, "Well now, let's not go around pointing fingers. After all, if you want to accuse us of polluting the air and

water, and if you expect us to put in all of that expensive equipment, then we will just close up shop, and move elsewhere."

With that, the city officials were faced with either insisting the factory do something about its waste, meaning that the plant might close down, and all of their jobs would be lost, or spending more money to install more pollution equipment, by going into debt. They opted for the latter. A few years later, the town went into receivership, because of bankruptcy.

What is the lesson here? Instead of making the cause of the problem, straighten up its act, the people tried to treat the effects of the problem, because they were worried about their jobs.

In essence, this is what is happening in our cities today, concerning our youth.

Rather than shutting down the things that are causing the problems, we are opting to spend money and time on a quick fix situation. The reason we are doing this, is so as to not point fingers, and make someone mad.

Have any of you ever had cancer, or known someone that has? If you do, you know that it is always necessary to cut a person open and go in and cut that thing out. If you don't, then it will spread, and eventually kill its victim. No one would ever think of putting a bandage on a cancer, would they? But, you want to put one on the situation facing our cities today.

You can spend money until you are blue in the face. You can enact all of the legislation you want to. You can start all the programs you want to. But, unless you get to the root of the problem, you are just throwing straws into the face of a storm, trying to stop it. And that won't get it.

Well, I am going to point the finger, if you will, at just who is to blame for these problems. There are three groups that are at the very heart of the problem. Of these three, one is the actual ringleader.

The three are parents, schools, and the ringleader, is the church, more specifically, the preachers.

Now while the parents and schools have more control over the raising of the kids, in respect to the time spent with them, it is the preacher, that affects the individuals, both parents, and teachers, by telling them what is right and what is wrong. It is the preacher, that is supposed to relay God's message of how the game, if you will, of life, should go. If you stay in the guidelines that He set forth, you will be fine. Violate the rules, and you will suffer the consequences. If the preacher, gives out the wrong message, then those that hear it, will go off in the wrong direction, and suffer for it. Parents, teachers, administrators, politicians, judges, and presidents, all go to church, especially elected officials, at election time. And what they hear, they incorporate into the decisions they make, concerning the laws of the land. And the kid that is raised under these laws, is the victim.

In the following chapters, I will deal with just what the parents, schools, and preachers, are, and are not, doing. And I will do this by showing you just what God has to say about it. After all, it's His game, and if anyone knows the rules, He does. I will also tell you just what needs to be done in each area, to curb this growing trend of destruction, before it is too late.

THE PARENTS

By and large, the parents are the first in line to blame for the actions of their kids.

Whenever a child does good or bad, it is the parents that receive either the credit or the blame. And this is rightly so. Throughout the early years of their lives, the parents, have total control over the forming of their mental and spiritual ideals. It is said that the first five years of a child's life are the most important times in which their entire life is hinged. If those years are good and positive, the child will have good and positive ideals. If, on the other hand, those years are filled with hard, rough and negative values, then the child will have these ideals in him.

The Bible says, **"Lo, children are an heritage to the Lord, and the fruit of the womb, is His reward."** (Psa. 127:3) In other words, children are God's reward to man. He puts His creation, in the hands of parents, to care for and nurture. This is a very great responsibility. And yet, today, this responsibility is taken too lightly, by many. Thus leading to our problems.

(Proverbs 22:6) says, **"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."** From the start, notice, it says train up the child, in the way he should go, not in the way he wants to go.

Today, too many parents, are literally letting their kids do what they want, and have what they want. Simply speaking, they are spoiling their kids rotten. And this usually starts from the day the child is born. The parents make up in their minds, their child is going to have the best of life. This is admirable, but, it has its drawbacks, if you try to implement this attitude while the child is too young to realize what is expected of him.

For example, as a baby, the child begins to let his needs be known, the only way they know how, they cry. Now no parent in his right mind, is going to ignore their crying child. The child may be hungry, he may need a diaper change or he may be sick. So you run to see what is wrong, and trying different things, until he stops crying. Sometimes, the child just wants to see you or be picked up, and this is good.

The problem, however, comes when the child begins to realize that by crying, you will run to see what is wrong, and you will do whatever is necessary to appease him. And this is natural.

However, as the child gets older, they tend to cling to the idea that crying will get them what they want. It is at this point, that the child needs to be broken from this habit. But, too many parents, don't do this. The child literally controls his parents. Whatever the child wants, he cries until he gets it. If you take something away from him, he cries. After all, this is what has worked before. You try to put him to bed, and on come the tears and bawling.

Yet, there is a time to put up with it, and there is a time, when enough is enough.

When the child begins to disrupt the house, because of wants, rather than needs, then you should take steps to correct them before it is too late. This may mean putting the child in their crib, and letting them cry until they go to sleep, or scolding or even up to a firm but gentle rap on the behind or back of the hand, depending on what he is doing. If they are reaching for a hot pot or stove, would you rather let them get burned or rap them on the hand to let them know that, that is a no, no?

A lot of people frown on spanking a child.

Psychologists, psychiatrists, and sociologists say that this action is detrimental to the well being of the child. Well, this is one of instances where man has incorporated his rules, in to the game, that God runs.

For here, God says, **"Foolishness is in the heart of a child, but the rod of correction, will drive it far from him"** (Prov. 22:15) Also, in (Prov. 23: 13-14), we find these words, **"withhold not correction from the child: for if you beat him with the rod, he shall not die. You shall beat him with the rod, and shall deliver his soul from hell"**.

Now, let me say this, the rod here, means something like a switch. It does not mean a steel rod, or a tree limb. The word beat, means to strike. It does not mean to literally pummel the child into unconsciousness. It is this type of beating, that will land a person into a lot of trouble with the law. But, people have taken the position that all spanking is wrong, and will report those that do, to the authorities. So the idea is largely frowned on or banned.

But yet, God says you should do it, to help drive the foolishness out of the child. One thing I would like to say here, is this. If you are going to spank your child, it should be as a last resort, and with as few hits as possible, in a non critical area, such as buttocks, back of the hands or legs, and when you are not emotionally distressed where you may inflict serious injury.

If you are angry, you should send the child to the other parent, or wait until you have cooled down. The child must begin to realize when something is all right and when it is not. The sooner you get started on this, the better. Along with this, look at (Prov. 19: 18). It says, **"Chasten the child, while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for their crying and set not thy heart to his destruction"**. This verse implies, there is a time, when if you don't spank a child, it will be too late. Some parents have never spanked their children, until they are teens. And the response from the child, is to look at the parent like they are crazy, and will likely strike back either physically or by running away from home. The verse also says, don't worry about all the crying that the kid might do, when they realize they are going to get spanked. Too many parents, have a change of heart, when they see the big tears running down the cheeks. And this is a bad thing for them to do, for the child will read this as another weak spot, in them. You would be surprised at just how much little kids pick up from their parents.

Another thing to look out for, is parents should both be agreed on the spanking, before they start it. If one is for it, and the other is not, and they disagree in front of the child, the

child will play the one against the other. This is why God instructs, to drive the foolishness from the child, at an early age. The longer you wait, the worse things will get. But, I must reemphasize, spanking must be used as a last resort.

Too many kids, that are causing trouble in this society, are spoiled rotten. Their parent(s), gave them everything that they wanted. As a result, they feel everyone should capitulate to give them whatever they want. Not only this, but, since their parent(s) never used the discipline that God designed to be used, kids have the attitude that they are doing all right, and as such, they don't expect any punishment more than a light scolding. Whether it is other kids, teachers or the authorities, these kids think that everyone, is to do what they, want them to do. If they don't, the kids rebel, and go on the wild. These characteristics are apparent, when you see a child in the store with their parents, and when the kid picks up something, and the parent(s) say put it down, the kid falls down on the floor, screaming and hollering, and the parent either says, "now Johnny, stop acting like that, you are being a bad boy." Or they say, "okay, you can have it, but you don't get any ice cream, on the way home." This type of attitude is wrong because, the kid is more concerned with what he has in his hand, right now, rather than what he doesn't have or see. He will deal with that, when the time comes. The parent(s), will more than likely change their mind again, when a tantrum erupts.

In essence, parents are setting a bad example for their kids, in what the world is actually like. Just because the parent acts that way, doesn't mean the world does. What do you think a kid might get, if he walked up to a stranger, and tried to take what they wanted from them. It is almost guaranteed, that they might get hurt or worse. And depending on the offense, the courts aren't going to be swayed by tears. And they aren't going to send them in their bedrooms for an hour.

Another bad example is parents, that lie to their kids. And these lies start from the time the kid can understand what their parents are telling them. Do you wonder why people find it hard to believe in God? Why do kids lie a lot? Go back to their childhood, and the lies that parents told them. What lies am I talking about? The same lies we all have probably told our kids. You know the one's I'm talking about. The one's about the Easter bunny, the tooth fairy, mother nature and Santa Claus.

About the same time, the parents, may be telling their kids about God. But, as they get older, they find out that Santa Claus, the tooth fairy, mother nature and the Easter bunny, are just lies. So then, if they have seen these individuals, in costume, and they are make believe, then what is an intelligent kid going to think about a God, that they haven't really seen? They are going to think, He is make believe also. How well do you think you can convince them that God is real, when the others are not? Therefore, trying to teach a child morality, is going to be tricky, when you tell them what God says is right and wrong, when you use one of those wrongs, to make them feel good. Kids are more likely to view this, as another lie, to get them to do what is right.

As is, grownups use this same logic about using the threat of judgment to get them to do

right. Then if they go to church, they find out that you are a hypocrite, for lying. But, you say it is OK for the holidays. This type of hypocrisy is without merit. Because what you are saying, is that God looks the other way on certain things, on certain days, and He doesn't.

More hypocrisy arises, when parents tell their kids, it is wrong for them to smoke, drink alcohol, and have sex outside of marriage, when they, the parents, do all these things. If you don't want your kids smoking weed, you don't smoke cigarettes. Both of them are drugs. The same thing goes for alcohol. What you don't want your kids to do, you don't do. Now when it comes to the boyfriend, girlfriend issue, this affects single parents, moreso than married ones. What the child sees you do, they will do. Once again, morality has received another blow.

The morality of our kids is a mess. Increasing numbers of them are having sex and getting pregnant at early ages. Getting on drugs, and everything else that is detrimental to themselves and society, and they don't seem to care. Why? The parents have gotten away from Godly principles. Kids learn from example, and the parents are it.

Another area is that parents don't spend enough time with their kids, when kids need all of the available time they have. Here, parents leave the kids to their own devices, while they are busy doing their own thing. Typically, both parents are working to pursue their careers, and they shuffle the kid off to a day care center. Their belief is that the child will learn things there that will mold his character. But, with all of the other kids there, your kid will most likely be given a toy or something to do, and then left alone to do what he wants. There is very little time for one on one contact between kid and grownup. The child therefore molds himself. When the parent gets home, with the kid, they figure the kid is ready for a nap while they get a chance to rest. If the kid is not sleepy, then he is put in front of a TV or given a toy and put in his play pen, and he learns from TV, or from his own experience, both of which, are wrong.

Your child needs that one on one type of relationship that only parents can give. After all whoever they spend most of their time with, they will grow up to be like.

Today, more and more households have both parents working, and usually both parents work the same shift, days. The parents get up early in the morning, get the kid dressed and drop him off at the day care center and they are off to work. If you ask them why both of them work, they will probably say that they have to, to keep up the payments on the house, cars and other things including the day care for the child.

Now while this may seem perfectly legitimate, you will notice, that most of these people are talking about keeping up the notes on a \$100, 000 house, luxury cars, boats, jewelry and other extravagant things, that they could have done without. They have put themselves in this situation, and they don't want to lose it.

Things become more important than the kid. So he is sacrificed for the good life. Your child is the most important asset that you have, and to put them off so you can get what you want, is a shame. I've seen people that didn't hardly have a dime, refuse to make

thousands of dollars, if it meant that they had to sacrifice the quality time that they spend with their kids. They choose to put their ambitions on hold, so that their kids can have what is necessary for them to have good and positive ideals. And would you believe, people criticize them for that type of attitude. The reason being, is that they are feeling guilty, because they aren't doing it.

God, has a plan for parents, in the home. One is that the father, has the responsibility for going out to earn money to support his family, while the wife stays home, and raises the kids. In **(1 Tim. 5:8)**, the writer is addressing men, when he says, **"but if any provide not for his own household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel."** While **(Titus 2: 4-5)** says **"the woman is the keeper of the house."** This, I know, smacks of chauvinism, and doesn't set well with today's modern liberated woman. But, this is another area, where man has installed his own rules, and look at the mess we have.

Many men need jobs to support their families, but they can't find one, because a woman has it. And I don't mean to knock women working, but many of you are working, not because you have to, but rather because you want to satisfy your own wants, and your child suffers for it. Raising a child, is the most important job, that you have, and you have been told, by other women no less, that it is demeaning, and worth nothing.

But, God says, it is worth it, and He will reward you.

Another thing, **(Titus 2:4)** says, **"the older women are to instruct the younger ones, to love their kids."** And here lies another problem. And that is, despite what you hear, women do not automatically know how to raise kids right. Every mother raises their kid a little different than another. But, God has a set plan for all women, and unless you are taught what it is, you will most likely miss it, and a lot of them have done just that. Getting back to both parents working. You should wait until your kids are at least in their teens before you start work. Of course, if you can work out of your home, then that is better, but remember, time is important to your kid. The less you spend with him, the more wasted opportunities to mold a good child.

Now, about single parents. There are many single parents, and I commend you for your efforts in trying to raise a child. It is a hard way to go. Most of you have no choice, but to work. That means putting your child in the care of someone else. The problems you face are the same as the two working parent house, in losing valuable time with your child. No matter what anybody says, there is no way that one parent can raise a child as good as two can. Two is always better than one. Many of the trouble makers in the streets come from homes where both parents are working or from single parent homes. Both are possible good homes with caring parents, but the risk is a lot greater.

I am the product of a single parent home. My mother raised me, from birth by herself, until I went into the Air Force at 17. She worked at home as a beautician. She was always there to monitor what I was doing, who my friends were, and what I could and couldn't do. She always attended the parent teacher association (PTA) meetings to see what I was doing in school. Whenever I went out, she had to know where I was, and told me what time to come home.

One day, I asked her, "How come my friends can stay out late, and I have to be in at 9pm?" She said, "Because I am not their mother!" She instilled the correct values in me, that made me decide, when I graduated from high school, to go right into the service, rather than hang out on the streets. She had to sign me in, seeing that I was 6 months shy of my 18th birthday. She also made sure, that I went to church, because she took me with her. It was those values, that have made me what I am today.

Now, the handicap of not spending enough time with your kids, is that if you don't, then you can't possibly monitor them effectively. All kids need to be monitored. What they see on TV, what they read, who they associate with, as well as what they learn in school. All of these things, need to be monitored.

More and more kids that get into trouble, are kids whose parents don't have time to, or just don't feel they need to monitor their kids, and just let them do whatever they want. And as a result, when someone accuses their kid of doing something wrong, they don't want to believe it. They say, "he or she wasn't raised that way", which may be true as far as the parent is concerned, but, other elements were brought into play, and the parent didn't do anything to counteract it, because they didn't know it was there.

Among the two strongest influences on kids, aside from their families, are their friends, and the TV.

When a parent or parents, get home from work, they usually want to sit down, and unwind. Therefore, their resistance is low. And if a kid has a friend that they want to invite over or go see, the parent allows them this, just so they will not have to put up with the kid while they are still tired. Do you know that many parents don't even know, or have never seen their kids' friends, and don't even know where they live? If an emergency ever arose, they would not have any idea who to contact, to get a message to their kid. Or parents, do know the kids, and have had them over to their house, but didn't recognize the signals that were given out that warned that this kid, that their child was playing with, was not the type of kid, that they needed to be associated with.

But, by them being too tired or just didn't think it mattered, they allowed the relationship to continue, until trouble erupts, then it may be too late. A kid is strung out on drugs, gets pregnant, or gets someone pregnant, kills someone, or gets killed.

An example of this, just occurred recently, while this book was being reprinted. A ten year old girl, has disappeared, after spending the night at a friend's house. The friend, had just moved into the neighborhood, a few weeks earlier, and had asked the girl's father, if she could spend the night, and the father gave his okay. The problem is, the parents of the missing girl, have never met the girl's parents.

Neighbors of the girl say, that since they moved into the neighborhood, there have been people going in and out of the house, all hours of the day, and night. One of these people, was seen taking the girl out of the house, around 3 a.m. The little girl, was found dead, nearly two months later. A suspect was arrested, and convicted for the murder of the

child. So, a life is lost, because of the failure of a parent to monitor their daughter's friend, and her parents, especially when it involved a sleepover.

It's a sad situation, but it needs to be revealed for what it is, just plain stupidity. The parents may be OK, or they may be child molesters, or drug dealers or anything else. Or, their friends may be trouble. Do you see what can happen, by that failure to do the right thing?

What a kid watches on the tube, and for how long, is another big influence on kids. The universal baby-sitter is what it could be called, because, it is almost always used to keep a baby or kid out of their parents hair. Yet, most of the programming is of the nature that will corrupt a child's mind, in subtle ways, and the parents don't even realize it. The Bible warns about keeping away from devilish things. And that is for grownups, so you know, that the same thing applies to kids. Yet, if you don't realize something is devilish, then how can you know to stay away from it?

Now the TV itself, is not the problem. It is what comes on the TV, that is the problem. You have cartoons, through to sex, murder and mayhem coming through it, that definitely affect your child's mind, while it is still able to be affected, and you may sit there, and be looking at it, and don't realize what you are seeing or its affect on you.

A good example is this.

Almost all of us have seen cartoons depicting a character, trying to make up their mind either to do something good, or something bad. And usually, a little angel appears on one shoulder, urging them to do good, while at the same time, a little devil appears on the other shoulder, urging bad. The angel usually wins, but not until after he jumps on the devil and makes him disappear.

Well, now that you are grown up, you hear, that the devil is real, and angels are protecting you, or hear that the devil is behind a lot of our problems, you think that all of that is nonsense. You think it is a joke. And the devil is having a field day with our kids. Why are these programs allowed to stay on the TV, if they are so bad, you may ask? It is because the producers, programmers, sponsors as well as society at large, are like you. They think the idea of the devil actually being behind this, is one big joke. And besides that, the ratings are up, and that means more money.

Do you see the pattern here? First the devil gets you to believe that he doesn't even exist, then he can have an open door into the lives of your kids, as well as you.

Now whether you want to believe this or not, the devil is behind the women's movement, in this nation. How? By getting them to believe that they are nothing, if they stay at

home and raise their kids the way God planned it. Therefore, he gets them to leave the kids and go out to get jobs. Then the kids go wild, and the devil has them just where he wants them. And the men, that need jobs to support their families, can't find them because a woman has it. Then that man gets discouraged as well as his family. And they are likely

to turn to crime, drugs, or worse. Jealousy and envy creep in, and the devil has more people under his power. It's a vicious circle, and Satan makes it seem like it is something else. After all, he doesn't exist, does he?

God had a good reason for having women, raising the kids, and I think it has to do with the nature of a woman. The woman is loving, nurturing, affectionate, gentle and the like. If you get a chance, read **(Prov. 31, entire)**, it gives a dynamic outline of the total woman, as God would have her.

Now, back to the point. It is because of her nature, that she can influence her kids to be caring and loving. All the values that we look for in an individual. The nature of a man, on the other hand, is usually rough and full of pride. If a father was raising the kid, you would see kids, that are rough, unruly, and arrogant. This is why both parents are necessary, in a home. The nature of one, counterbalances the other. So the child comes out a well rounded individual.

Have you ever seen some dad's at a little league game, when their kid gets called out? They get mad. They swear and curse. They want to jump on the referee and even on the other kid or their parents. Men are so caught up in their pride, that in a lot of instances, second best is not good enough. Therefore, their kid has all of this pressure on them to succeed. And if they fail, the dad gets angry, and the kid, feeling that he has let his dad down, may feel that they are worthless, and may try to commit suicide. Why? Because they have let their dad down. Women on the other hand, are less likely to act like that, and are understanding. Therefore, women are the logical choice, to raise kids. Men are usually the ones that start wars, and commit violent crimes. Women are the real peace keepers, or at least they are, most of the time.

Even the music that they listen to, has a negative affect on them.

Today, kids walk around with walkman radios on their ears, shutting out the outside noise, and flooding their brains with the garbage that spews forth from most of the stations, or tapes that they listen to. This music, from demented minds, glorifies sex, drugs, violence and rebellion, even against parents. Again, parents don't see the problem. They think it is entertaining. They look at it and see young people displaying their God given talents, and making money on them.

But, the fact is that their kids are slowly being brainwashed, by this trash, and sooner or later, the truth will come out, when the kid begins displaying things, in their behavior, that line up with what they listen to in music. You must remember, that music, represents the feelings of the composer. He tries to relay his message in the beat, as well as the words. So, what he is doing, is telling his story, to whoever is listening. And the listener, picks up the message, and says, "yeah, that's the way I feel."

Let me ask you this. Would you parents, let a boy come into your home, to visit your daughter, and right there in front of you, begin to proposition her, by telling her what he wants to do to her in bed? No. You would probably throw them out of your house, right? Well, when you allow her to listen to most of this rap, or rock and in some cases, blues, that is just what she is hearing, only it has music added to it.

Because it is packaged in a fancy wrapper, music, it becomes acceptable. If you think that this music is so innocent, go to a rock concert, and look at the actions of the fans. They are totally out of control, in most cases. Kids have been trampled to death, or hurt in other ways, by other kids, that in normal circumstances, wouldn't think of hurting someone.

One example of the wildness, that pervades these concerts, and the minds of the entertainers, was evident, at a Guns and Roses concert.

A riot started, when the lead singer, Axel Rose, stopped performing, when a fan, took pictures of the group performing. He left the stage, and, that's when the trouble started. The fans rioted, and several people were hurt, and there was widespread property damage, in the area. Several weeks later, a limo, carrying Rose, was stopped by the police because the driver was speeding. Axel, got out, and told the police, that if his driver was ticketed, he would cancel his concert. With visions of the riot fresh in their minds, the police opted to not issue a ticket.

This man and his group, are one of the most popular artists in the rock music world. And you can see what he thinks about the law. He doesn't respect the law, and his music, reflects that. So you can see, why many of our youth, that literally idolize this group, don't care about the law either.

Another thing, that causes problems, is what they read. Books and magazines also influence our kids. Dirty books like porn, even some books that they might read about their favorite stars, and just plain books, that they might pick up and read around the house, or at the library. All of them, can have an influence on your child, and that influence can either be negative or positive. And because you don't monitor this material, you are letting them learn for themselves. And given the state of the reading material that is out there, they learn more about how to do bad, than good. You probably have some books around the house, you don't think your kid is interested in, that may not be suitable for them to read. But, 9 times out of 10, they have read them. If you have any trash books at your house, don't get on your kid for bringing books home that have the same material in them. Do some housecleaning. Get rid of them.

Much of what the kid learns, they learn at home. What the parent does, the kid will do. Whatever you let them see you do, or hear you doing, don't try telling them that they are too young to do it, and expect them to forget it. If you don't want them to do it, then you don't do it. That's the only way to do it. There's too much of that going on now.

Another thing that disturbs me, is the growing number of parents, that always seem to

enjoy humiliating a child. They will tell them they are no good, that they will never amount to anything and the like. Well, when the kid turns out that way, it is because they have been programmed that way, to accept what their parent's have told them. They get into school, and feel like they are worthless, and will exhibit these feelings by not trying to achieve and thereby become looked down on by schoolmates. That is when they are in

the prime condition, for the bad element to attract them to join their ranks, and be somebody.

Kids need encouragement, to strive to be the best that they can be. Everyone needs to feel that they are worth something. Lose this, and you lose an important resource, that will either wind up being a troublemaker or dead from suicide.

On the other hand, we have the parents, that push their kids, too far, too soon, and the kid is put in the position of trying to live up to the expectations of their parents, which are abnormally high for the child to cope with, and burnout can occur. As a result, the child will look for a release from all the pressure which can spell trouble. Kids will become discouraged if they can't achieve, and could end up running away from home or going on the wild. If you monitor your kid properly, you will be able to figure how much pressure they can handle safely.

The other area I want to talk about, monitoring your child's development in school, will take an entire section by itself. This is a critical area, in that the school, is designed as a place to send your kid, so they can be molded into the right condition for society, and there is a lot to be said about the schools in this nation, and it is not good. It is highly possible that you may be doing everything right, and the school, which is supposed to be augmenting you in raising your kid, may be undoing what you have done. We will discuss this later.

In summation, what parents should be doing is, setting a good example for the kids to follow. Lying, drinking, smoking, boyfriends or girlfriends (in the case of single parents), and hypocrisy in general, must go. Proper discipline up to and including spanking, must be included in the process of raising kids. Monitoring what they watch on TV, listen to on the radio, their friend's or their friends' families is a must. If the friends, or their families are not right, then stop them from associating with them. Take the kids out, as much as possible or do things with them, in the home, so that they don't get bored and look for some other form of entertainment. Also, elect politicians that have the right views concerning what is right and wrong. Many times, problems arise in your trying to raise your kid right, if there is a law that says you have to do it this way, or you are breaking the law.

These laws were put there by politicians, who supposedly are doing the will of those that elect them, and they very well may be. If you don't get out and vote, you don't have any right to argue about what they do. And mainly, go to a good Church, that will tell you just what God says about everyday affairs. And read your Bible. Get a children's book of Bible stories, so they can begin to see just what life is like, and how to achieve success, God's way. Your reading the bible is important, in that if you expect to find a good church, you will have to at least be able to recognize one. We will get into the Church area last. Just because a place is a church, doesn't mean it is a true Church.

THE SCHOOLS

As mentioned in the previous chapter, school is a place that is, or should be an extension of the home. What the parent tolerates, the school should also. What the parent dislikes, the school should also. The child should see no difference in what the school teaches is right and what the parent says is right. The same holds true on what is wrong. As I eluded to then, you may be doing everything right, and the school can, and often does, undo the good that you are doing, if it doesn't agree with what the school thinks is right or wrong.

Now just what am I talking about, and how did the schools get the way they are, and what can you do about it?

Well, first let me say this. Primarily, I am talking about public schools. These schools are, as the name implies, public. This means that they are paid for, by the local community. They are designed to teach every citizen that is of school age. These schools are responsible for turning out productive men and women, ready to take their place in society. There are a variety of subjects that are necessary to achieve this. Reading, writing, arithmetic, science, and others. Many of these augment the parents in the child's upbringing, and are what is known as mandatory. This means that a child must know these in order to become a productive citizen. Reading, writing, and math are the basic, must know subjects. But the problem comes in when, in teaching a kid to read, they use material that subtly relays messages to your child that what you say is right, doesn't agree with what the book or teacher presents. You may teach your child, that certain things that people do are wrong. But the teacher presents situations that contradict you. And the kid begins to think, that since you sent them there, you know that the teacher is teaching this, so it must be all right. And you don't tell them any different, because you don't know what the kid is reading or being taught, because you don't monitor their school work. You are too busy to go to the parent-teacher conferences, and so it goes. You must realize this, when your kid gets into the first grade, on to the day that they graduate, the school has your kid, most of the day, and they are under their direct control.

God has laid out the guidelines for the teaching of children, the first of which is, **"The fear of God, is the beginning of wisdom." (Psa. 111 : 10a)**. All wisdom, must first come from God. If God is not in it, it is folly. Another scripture is, **"All thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of thy children" (Isa. 54:13)**. Couple that with **(Psa. 127:1)**, which states **"Except the Lord build the house, they that build it labor in vain. except the Lord keep the city, the watchman, watcheth but in vain."** From these scriptures, the problem in the public schools, is evident. Everywhere you turn, you hear about some lawsuit on the argument of keeping religion out of the public schools. Well, what they really mean, is that they don't want anything that remotely resembles a recognition of God in them. In short, remove God from the schools. In removing God, they removed prayer, the ten commandments and even Bible reading.

(Psa. 127:1) says that anything that man tries to do, without God being a part of it, will literally fall apart. God is the thread that holds a thing together. Remove Him, and things will just unravel. This goes for everything, including the educational system.

Look at it. Kids graduate from the schools and can't even read or write their names, let alone, do any math. On top of that, look at all of the trouble they are having in the schools with drugs, weapons, student pregnancies, assaults and the like. All because God has been removed from the classrooms.

(Isa. 54: 13), puts in another perspective that backs up what was just said. And that is when God, is being taught to the children, they shall have great peace.

Today, there is chaos in the classrooms of the public schools of America. so much so, that kids are in constant fear of being hurt or killed everyday they are in class. This fear breaks their concentration, so that they can't receive the knowledge they should. Peace of mind is just about gone from the students as well as the teachers. If the teachers are in fear, they can't do their jobs right. Not only are they worried about their lives, they are worried about their jobs. More and more of them are being laid off, as enrollments shrink, and taxpayers get tired of paying for something that doesn't work. All because God is not allowed in.

As mentioned earlier, even the ten commandments were removed, God's moral laws. Education, without morality, is no education at all. One example of this stupidity, is the teaching of sex education. Without teaching morality with it, it has caused thousands of kids to have sex, with many of them getting pregnant, VD or AIDS. There is no reverence of God, therefore, there is no wisdom, in the teaching, **(Psa. 111: 10a)**.

As I eluded to earlier, you may be doing everything right, in teaching your child what is right and wrong. Then you send them to school. and they are taught the opposite of what you have been teaching them.

Why??

Have you ever wondered just how the books that your kids learn from, are put in the schools, or the subjects decided on? They are suggested by, and approved by those people that I call the 'new gods' of this age. They are the psychologists, psychiatrists and the sociologists. These three groups of people, just about control this nation. Whatever they say is good for you, your kid and society, is readily accepted by just about everybody. If a person commits a murder, they call a psychiatrist, and if he says that the man is not mentally responsible for his actions, it thereby allows the man to avoid the death penalty, if there is one. Incidentally, it is these people, that have caused many states to abandon the death penalty, as being cruel and unusual punishment, and the people just ate it up. This nation has been turned upside down, by these 'new gods'. Things that people looked down on as being disgusting, have, because of these 'gods', become things that society now accepts as being normal. And that is one of the reasons that what you tell your kid is wrong, could very well be countered in school, by some opinion, that a man with a big head, and a title, has put in a book that is given to your child to learn from.

It is said, that years ago, one of these 'gods', in addressing top educators of this nation, remarked that the job of schools, is to mold 'sick' children, into healthy, productive adults.

The 'sick' children, he was referring to, are children that come to school, with allegiances to family, nation and especially God. To make them well, he said, "we have to tear down these walls.....", that prevented them, the schools, from molding these kids into a person, that fits into society. By fitting into society, he meant a person that would not seek to change the status quo. Someone that literally agreed to everything without challenging it. And while the old people were set in their ways, it would be a lot easier to reform the kids while they were still learning about life. You wonder why kids are acting crazy? It is because of the conflict between school and home, and plus the fact, that these subjects are mandatory, you just about have to send your child to school and have them take these courses, if you want them to get a diploma, and be able to get hired on a good job.

In the public schools, these 'new gods' have total control over what our kids need to know, as well as what they don't need to know. These 'gods' don't want anything challenging their power, so they set about to eliminate anything that might disturb what they are trying to achieve, which is supreme power over the next generation.

As it is now, everything they say, we say, yes, to.

There is only one thing that these 'new gods' seem to be concerned about, as far as a challenge to their power, and that is God himself. So they go about, trying to discredit everything that God says, by saying, it is old and out of date, or by setting up situational ethics situations, which is where we get the famous sitcoms we see on TV. They make us think that if there is a God, then He would have to bend the rules, in certain situations. They make it seem that God's word is totally out of sync. They say that belief in God, amounts to a person bordering on insanity. They try to point out errors in the beliefs of Christians, to show the stupidity of such a belief. This became hard for them to do, challenging adults, because it was too costly.

So, they changed their strategy to challenging the kids, who offered little or no challenge. And since parents have gotten to the point, where they don't monitor what their kids are being taught, they got the upper hand. However, there was a price to be paid, and unfortunately, our kids became it. The Bible says, **"whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap"(Gal 6:7)**, and we are sowing not only ours, but our kids destruction, by believing we can go against the Bible. The things that God says we should teach our kids, we turn over to these 'gods'. Example, sex education, should be taught by the parents, along with the Church, using God's influence, and that influence is morality. Yet, the schools say they can do it, without morality. So what is the result? Since it has been implemented, teen pregnancies are up over 400%, VD is spreading out of control, AIDS is wiping out the kids at an alarming rate. And, when the pregnancies became a problem, we went back to these 'new gods' and asked them what to do. And they came up with a beauty, abortion. And to cover their mistakes, they arrange it where the girl can have it done, without the parents knowing anything about it.

Of course, as mentioned earlier, the main sign of their stupidity, is the increasing illiteracy rate of our kids, that graduate. To show you just how the 'new gods' try to cover up their mistakes, they have instituted a new educational system, called outcome based education. This is a system, that instead of passing students that achieve high grades, and failing those that don't, the school now only marks a grade that says that the kid is improving, and is able to keep up with his or her fellow students.

They do this, supposedly, to keep from hurting the student's feelings. You see, they say that if a student doesn't feel good about themselves, then they will be put under too much pressure and therefore, find it harder to learn.

To prove this point, a school in Virginia, (I believe), recently stopped having spelling bees, because they believe that the trauma, of losing, is too great on the student. In other words, they want to remove anything, that involves competition, where one student, may be proven better than another. The schools, are so into this type of philosophy, that in Delaware, a teacher, was actually fired, because she was failing too many of her Algebra 2 students. The school wants the teachers to pass the students on, no matter how the student is doing. The Sussex Central High principal, is the one that fired her, after she refused to pass students that had not proven their ability to do the work.

And, the strange thing is, that the students, even the ones that failed, walked out of school, when they heard she was fired. She was fired for doing, what teachers should be fired for not doing, and that is failing those students that should be failed. Most of the students that failed, did so by not doing assignments, or goofing off in class.

The entire idea here, is, that if too many kids are failing, then that shows that the educational system, and its curriculum, are failures. And since it is the 'new gods' that put this system in place, it would reflect on them as failures, and they can't have that. Then we wonder why, when a kid graduates from school, they can't read, write or do math. Also, school unions, have a part in this fiasco also. When is the last time you have heard of a teacher being fired, because of their being incompetent? Probably never. Why? Because the National Education Association (NEA), refuses to allow its members, to be tested, to see if they are able to teach the particular subjects, that they teach. It is a known fact, that many teachers, that were failures in math, are currently teaching math, even in high schools. The same thing goes for English, writing, biology, and others. However, when this teacher was fired, the teachers union, did nothing.

Why?

The 'gods' must be protected, at all costs.

They say, they are protecting the kids. However, when Johnny goes for that job interview, and they give him a test, and he fails, then what good did passing him on do?

There is also an increase of crime and other problems in the schools. Have you noticed that these problems were almost nonexistent in these same schools, before prayer, the ten commandments and morality were removed from the public schools? Why are these

things happening? Because, if you remove God's influence from them, the schools will, simply fall to pieces. God will see to that.

Man has always wanted to control his own destiny. But, when God is not backing you, you are headed for destruction. The public schools are so inundated with the, man can do it himself, philosophy, that it is almost impossible to get through it, without some, if not all of this philosophy, becoming firmly entrenched in the mind. And once entrenched in their mind, a person's attitude will take on the destructive characteristics that go along with a walking time bomb. Anytime, anyplace, they are likely to go off, and that is what is happening to our kids. Suddenly, the kids are getting in to all sorts of trouble, and no one seems to know why. The kids have no respect for authority, and go on to rebellion. Whatever feels good, do it. Then, these kids turn on the ones that are striving to do right. That's when peer pressure starts. Either they join the crowd, or suffer humiliation and rejection. Then, these rebellious kids, become parents, and raise their kids the way they learned in school, and their kid turns out in a worse state than they were. And the scary part is, these kids will someday, be the leaders of our cities, states, and the nation. All would seem hopeless. But there is something that can, and must be done. And it must be done quickly. And that is, to get your kid out of the public school system and put them in Christian schools, or teach the kid yourself.

Christian schools, by and large, still believe in teaching kids, the things that they need to know, the way God intended it to be done. They will not teach anything that is contrary to the word of God, unless the state mandates it, and then they will put God's word along side it, something that the public schools don't allow.

And just what difference does this type of teaching make in a child's behavior? Just this, when is the last time you have heard of trouble that the public schools have, going on in the Christian schools? Not very often. Why? Because the fact that God is there working in the kids to give them the mind that says, "God knows what you are doing, and He will prosper you, when you do good, and when you do wrong, He knows, and you could be sorry."

Also, state tests have proven, that kids that go to Christian schools, are on the average, two to three years ahead of their counterparts in the public schools. Their attitudes are better. They can handle stress better, and more. Of course the public schools don't want you to notice this, and they're sure not going to tell you.

The only drawback to this idea is the cost.

With you already having to pay taxes for public education, you may not have enough money to afford sending you child to a Christian school. That is why you need to write your state representatives, to get laws changed, so you don't have to support a system, that can't even turn out literate children. If something doesn't work, you don't buy it. The school system isn't working, yet, you still have to pay for it. Of course the schools, aren't going to sit still for this, they will fight you on every turn. But, your kids ought to be worth it.

The other alternative is home schooling.

More and more parents are opting for this process, because it puts total control for the child's education, in their hands.

Family values, a familiar atmosphere, and less peer pressure are the benefits of this program. People are being hauled in to court, for daring to defy the programs of the 'new gods'. However, the courts are mostly throwing out these suits, because they can see the benefits of such a program. If some do make it to trial, the parent, if not guilty of any malicious behavior, will usually win. Every state has their own set of guidelines to follow, but the director of education of that state, can tell you just what needs to be done, in order for you to teach your child at home.

The best teacher for your child, is you.

As mentioned in the first part of this book, if both parents are working, you are at a disadvantage, because you either don't have the time or you are too tired. But, I believe a little sacrifice is worth it. It will pay off in ways that you can't even imagine. It has been proven also, that in this area, kids too, have a two year advantage over their counterparts in public schools. Also, a lot of famous people in history were taught at home including, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Edison, George Washington Carver, Albert Einstein, supreme court justice Sandra Day O'Conner and many more.

If these people came out of home schooling, then your kid can too. To get information on just who to contact about schooling material, you can write the, *National Legal Foundation, 6477 College Park Sq., Suite 306, Virginia Beach, Va. 23464, and ask about information on home schooling, and list the state, in which you want the information for. They can tell you the proper channels to go through, as well as the different organizations, that supply the materials you need.

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THE CHURCH

Of the three groups that are responsible for the mess that our kids, and our nation are in, the Church is the main cause of the problem. We have seen the schools blame the parents, we have seen the parents blame the schools, and yes, they both share the blame in the problem. But, without a shadow of doubt, the Church, more specifically, the preachers, are the ones, on whom all the blame can be laid.

And just why is this?

Because it is the preacher, that is supposed to relay God's word to the people, so that they will know just what is right and what is wrong. If this man does not tell us the right things to do, then we will most likely do the wrong things, and suffer for it. And boy, are we suffering for the garbage that these so-called men of God are telling us is all right.

From the beginning, God always used men that He has anointed, to deliver His message to the people. The only men that He spoke to, were those that did His will, and were anointed by Him. These were the prerequisites, then, and they are the prerequisites, now. People rely on these men to tell them the truth. Yet, more and more people are listening to these so-called preachers, and things are going nowhere fast.

Why?

Because these preachers are not called of God, or they may have been at one time, but don't have the anointing anymore. They have chosen to become preachers themselves. Therefore, they don't hear from God, and that means that the message that they are delivering to the people, is a false message. Some of them have graduated from some of the most prestigious theological universities in the nation. They have all sorts of degrees and doctorates. But, what they lack, is God's anointing, and that is the root of our problems. Without this anointing, they are just ordinary men, fooling themselves and the people. These poor, pitiful individuals think they are pleasing God, when all along, they are just raising a big stink in His nostrils.

There was a time when being a preacher, was something that the people looked on as being one of the, if not the most trustworthy occupations, if you could call it that, to be involved in. It meant honor, prestige, and respect. This was because, these men were truly dedicated to serving God with their whole heart, which is what God requires. They had to be sold out, to Him. They lived a holy, and sanctified life. They dared to be different. They stood in the midst of controversy, and said, "Thus saith the Lord!!"

Today, most preachers are educated in schools where the 'new gods' have influenced the curriculum used to teach them. They have added psychology, sociology and philosophy to the required courses. Then when the person graduates, he has been indoctrinated in to thinking that God and this psychology go together. Then they get in the pulpit, mix the word of God, if they know it, with this garbage, and the people that sit listening to it, not

knowing any better, accept what they hear, and put into practice what they hear, and it looks good for a minute, then things fall apart.

Most of our politicians, judges, lawyers, teachers, and others are following a way of life, that is ruining this nation, especially our kids, all because of what they heard one of these false preachers say. Then when a true man of God stands up and speaks out against this debauchery, he is labeled a fanatic, and one that is not showing the love of God, or one that is trying to break up the Church.

But, let's look at what God has to say about this.

In (St. John 3:3), Jesus speaking says, "**Except a men be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.**" In this passage, Jesus is laying down the primary prerequisite and principle, of what is necessary for an individual to be considered, as doing the will of God. When it speaks of seeing the kingdom of God, it is referring to being able to discern and operate in the area of life that is the foundation of man's existence, the spiritual realm. It is this realm that God operates in, **for God is a Spirit (St. John 4:24).**

Man, even though he is flesh and blood, essentially is a spirit that lives in the body. So that means that God, communicates with us through the spirit. Now just because all men are spirits, doesn't mean that God communicates with all of them, all the time. There are different types of spirits, that are present, trying to communicate with you. You have God, and His angels, and you have Satan, and his angels (demons). They are all broadcasting, if you will, at the same time. But, the only one you hear, is the one to whom you are tuned in to, spiritually. I use the terms of radio, because that best exemplifies how God and Satan work.

In our world, there are hundreds of thousands of signals being transmitted from all sorts of radio communications equipment, at the same time. However, you don't hear them, unless you have the right equipment. Then if you have the right equipment, you still will not hear all of them. You will only hear those signals, that the equipment, is tuned in to. When it is tuned in to a particular signal, all of the other signals are blocked out.

Well, in a sense, the spirit, is a device, that lets us pick up signals being sent from the realm of the spirit. And the messages that God sends, can only be picked up by those spirits, that are in tune with Him. If you are not in tune with Him, you are in tune with Satan. Now, in order to be in tune with God, you must be born again. That is the only way for a person to be on the right track, when dealing with our lives, in the physical realm.

Sometimes, you can be tuned into a station that you want to hear, and still be picking up other stations as well. Then, you need to fine tune your equipment, to get rid of the interference. Well, in like manner, you can be tuned in to God, and be picking up interference from demonic spirits, that are trying to get your attention. Then you have to fine tune your spirit, by getting closer to God, which is the same thing as your getting closer to the station you are listening to, then the unwanted signals will be eliminated. God is constantly sending out signals about how we are to live, and what to do, and what not to do. He also helps us to interpret His word, the Bible.

This is where these false preachers mess up. They will pick up the Bible, read it and come out with nonsense. This is because the human mind, can't understand the Bible correctly. Man, can figure out some of the very simple stuff, like, thou shalt not kill, or thou shalt not commit adultery, or stuff like that, but he is lost in the more complex things like, being born again. Look at the passage of scripture found in **(St. John 3:1-13)**. Here was a man, that was one of the most powerful, knowledgeable religious leaders of his time. Yet, Jesus confounded him with the simple truth of, being born again. Without being born again, a person, is literally walking around in the dark, and stumbling and falling over things. Like walking in a dark unfamiliar room. God's Spirit, brings light to you, so you can see what is in front of you. And that is the shape that most preachers in this nation are in today. They are blind, and they are leading the blind, and Jesus says, they will both fall in to the pit **(Matt. 15:14)**.

So, you can see, that being born again, is the most important prerequisite a preacher can have. Yet, sad to say, over 75% of the preachers today, are not born again, nor do they know how to get born again. And if they don't know how to do it, then how can they show you? You may wonder, how I know this.

Well, a little over a decade ago, a survey was conducted by an evangelical organization. They sent out over 10,000 questionnaires, to pastors in all of the Christian denominations.

Of these, only 30-40% returned them. The questions in the survey were these,

1. Do you believe the Bible, is the true and only word of God?
2. Do you believe that Jesus Christ was God, manifest in the flesh?
3. Do you believe in the virgin birth?
4. Do you believe Jesus' death on the cross was for our redemption?
5. Do you believe in the resurrection of Christ?

According to the Bible, a no answer to any of the above, is a sign that a person, is not born again. This is because, the born again experience is predicated on these factors. Of those that responded, 80% of them answered no, to one or more of them. Given these statistics, no wonder our churches are in the mess they are in. And if the pastors are in this shape, then you can imagine the shape the politicians, lawyers, teachers, parents, and everyone else that goes to their churches, are in. They go to church every Sunday, and all during the week, and are still in total rebellion against God.

Now, getting back to the next thing that a preacher must have. They must have the anointing of God. By anointing, I mean that the person must be called (or chosen) by

God, to be in that position. Just because a person is born again, does not mean they are anointed to preach.

All saved people should witness to whoever they can. But, being a pastor, calls for a lot more knowledge of God and His word, than just a little head knowledge. It takes His backing you up, in the endeavor, in which He has placed you. If you are in a position, which He has not put you, then He will not back you up, and therefore, you are just making a mess of things. In the last verses of (**Mark, chapter 16**) and the first three chapters of Acts, we find Jesus telling His disciples to go into the world and preach the gospel. We then have Him telling them to go to Jerusalem, and stay there, until they are given the power that they will need to accomplish the mission that He has given them. After they received this power, the baptism of the Holy Spirit, they went out, and converted three thousand souls to Christ, at their first sermon. The power they received, also gave them the ability, to heal the sick, raise the dead, open blind eyes, and every other thing that Jesus did, while He was here. In fact, Jesus said in one passage of scripture, that they would do **greater works** than Him (**St. John 14:12**).

Many pastors today, say that these miracles, were eliminated, after the last apostle died. They say it is not for this dispensation. The reason for this is, that if they haven't been eliminated, then why don't these things work for their ministry?

The answer is, God is not backing them up.

Thus you have the makings of what is happening to our kids. Parents are not being told how to raise their kids, the way God says they should be raised, because the pastor either doesn't know, or is afraid to tell the truth, because of what the 'new gods', have determined to be correct. God says disobedience, to His word, is sin. The 'new gods' say, the kid is just finding his or her self. God says spank the child, the 'new gods' say spanking is abuse. God says sex outside of marriage is fornication (sin). The 'new gods', say everyone else is doing it, do you want your kid growing up to be an oddball? On and on it goes. These 'gods' have gotten pastors so intimidated, that the pastors are getting degrees in the social science area, just to be accepted by the 'gods'. That means that they are having less to do with what God says, therefore they are disobedient.

People come to the pastor with marital problems, and instead of him telling them what God says to do, he sends them to one of the 'gods.' A drunk comes in, and instead of him counseling the person, praying for him, laying hands on him, he sends them to AA. A disturbed person comes in, and instead of him casting the devil out of the person, he sends them to a psychiatrist.

The anointed man of God knows, that these, and other problems, are rooted in the spiritual realm, and only God, can properly solve the problem. But, these preachers, make you think that God doesn't do that type of thing, anymore.

When is the last time, you saw a pastor, lay hands on a person, for them to get healed from sickness or demonic oppression? Probably a long time, if ever. And if you have, you probably looked at it as being some type of foolishness. But, it is real.

Now of course, all that you see happening, may or may not be real, but God does work in these ways, through those that He has anointed to be in this position.

You have to be able, to discern just what is and isn't of God. And, you need His help to do it. You need to be in tune with God. If the Church that you are going to, tries to discourage you from reading the bible, and asking questions in regards to what you have read, you need to leave it. Find one that does encourage you to read it and ask questions. They should give you the answers, from the Bible. Most of these false preachers, don't want you reading the Bible, because you may see the errors in their ways. And boy, are they in error.

Let's look at some of their wrongdoing, and the effects it is having on our kids.

Today, it is rare for a preacher to address anything as being sin. Drunkenness, which is sin, and will cause the individual to go to hell (**Gal. 5:21**), is called a disease by the name of 'alcoholism'. Many preachers, have set up, or affiliated themselves, with some sort of alcohol abuse program, to send their members to. Many preachers see nothing wrong with socially drinking, and many of them, do it themselves. And don't get me wrong, any method that works, that gets a person free of this addiction is fine, but God's way is better. The reason for this is, these programs tend to become 'god' to the person. They are told that they will always be an alcoholic, and they need to stay in touch with them. This makes the person dependent on them. But, what happens if the program goes out of business? What if the person can't get in touch with them? Then what?

God, on the other hand, can totally deliver them from it. And if they need Him, He is always there. The same things go for drug abuse. However, the parents, that go to these churches, are led to believe that God approves of it, so they do it. Consequently, if the parents go to church, and still drink, then the kid feels that there is nothing wrong with it, and indulges in it themselves. The Bible says, **'wine is a mocker, and strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby, is not wise' (Prov. 20:1)**. First God warns of the danger of drinking, then He says in (**1 Cor. 6:10**), **'the drunkard shall not inherit the kingdom of -od.'** This is the same as saying, that the person will go to hell, unless his life is turned around. But, as I said, preachers condone it, as well as indulge in it.

Next, you have preachers, that condone or are involved in fornication (single sex outside of marriage), or adultery (extramarital sex). And what makes it bad, is that many members of the church, know about it, or are involved in it themselves. Once again, parents, especially single parents, think there is nothing wrong with sex, outside of marriage, thus they do it, and the kids pick up on it, and they do it. Then the kid winds up pregnant, or with VD or worse, AIDS. All because of the wrong information from a preacher. This is another sin, that will lead a person to hell.

Also, we are seeing a growing number of preachers, that are gay, in the pulpits of the churches, in this nation. And by this, I mean that they are practicing gays, that have no intention of giving up their abominable lifestyles and actions. Sure a person may have been gay, repented, got born again, and then called to preach. But, homosexuality, has no

place in the pulpit, the choir, the deacon board or anywhere else of authority in the church. The only place for them, is in the congregation, hearing the word of God, and repenting. Homosexuality, as well as lesbianism, is an abomination to God. An abomination, is a sin, that is so repugnant to God, that it brings swift judgment upon those that participate in it. **(Lev. 18:22, 20:13)** says **'man shall not lay (have sex) with man, as he does with a woman, it is an abomination.** Yet, once again, preachers condone this activity, or participate in it themselves. Thereby, the people think that God condones it, and thereby they may participate in it also, thus bringing judgment on themselves. Of course, it is the 'new gods' that have pushed this one down our throats, and we have swallowed it, hook, line and sinker. Between the adultery, fornication, and homosexuality, is there any wonder that AIDS is spreading like wildfire around the nation?

Preachers running numbers, gambling, always looking for some way to get money, and other ungodly activities, are abound from the pulpits of the Churches in this nation. And, all of these are bad.

But, by far, the worst one, that is causing disaster in this nation, is the fact that these preachers are following another god.

The first commandment says, 'you shall have no other gods before Me.'

The preachers, are following another god. They are following the 'new gods' of psychiatry, psychology and sociology, which are all part of the bigger god, science.

Anyone or anything, that will cause you to turn away from what God says you should do, is 'god to you', in that area. And, God warns what the penalty will be for those that choose that route. He says, **'I will visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, down to the third and fourth generation, of those that hate Me.'** **(Ex. 20: 1-5)** This is what is happening to our kids today. We have been following a man, that has been following another god. How many times have you heard preachers quote what some doctor of philosophy, or some psychiatrist, or sociologist has to say? They very seldom quote the Bible, unless they are trying to show where other preachers, that believe the whole Bible, are in error. What they are trying to do, is appeal to your natural physical wisdom, or common sense, to make you think that what these other preachers- are saying, is total nonsense. These preachers, tend to preach, in effect, messages that will please their congregations, or Church hierarchy. They don't want to say anything, that will cause people to leave the Church, because that will mean a loss of money in the collection plate. These men and women, are known as false prophets, preachers, and teachers. They don't know God, they have not been sent by God, and in a lot of instances, they are really against Him. **(2 Cor. 11:14-15)** warns, that Satan can seem to be delivering God's message, therefore, his ministers, can also. And, if you don't know the signs to look for, you will be deceived in to following these people, down the road to destruction.

Remember earlier, when I said, that unless you are born again (in tune with God), you are walking around in a dark room, bumping into, and stumbling over, things? You can't see the problem, unless you turn on the lights. Well, getting saved, is like turning on the

lights, to the spiritual realm, so you can see the problem. Jesus said, He was the light. Knowing Him, lets you see, in the darkness. And unless the spiritual root of the problem, is destroyed, its symptoms, that manifest themselves in the physical realm, will continue to spread.

Parents don't raise their kids right, because they don't know how to do it right, unless God directs them. Their intentions may be good, but without direction from God, there will be disaster.

Schools may have good intentions, but without God being involved in the educational process, they will fall apart.

Preachers, can have all the degrees that there are to be had, but, unless God has called them to preach, they are going to lead multitudes of people that trust in their message, to disaster and hell.

Preachers, are responsible for all of these problems. Abortion, homosexuality, drinking, smoking, gambling, drug abuse, compromise with other religions, by giving people the idea that all religions lead to God. Even compromise with anti Christ or atheistic people and nations, all for the sake of peace. All of these will lead to destruction. Even rock music, movies and the like are accepted by these false preachers, because they are blind, and can't see anything wrong with them.

Sex, violence, drugs and rebellion and the like, are rampant in the movies and music. Yet, the preacher, doesn't see anything wrong with them. This, in spite of the fact, of what is going on in the movies, and what is spoken about in most music, is what our kids are doing. But, why should they say anything is wrong with it, especially when some of the biggest names in the entertainment, come to their churches, and draw big crowds.

These preachers wouldn't dare tell these people, that they are responsible for destroying the minds of the future leaders of this nation. Several of these superstars, were raised in the Church, and then went into rock music and the movies, where they either became famous, singing songs glorifying fornication and adultery, fornication, getting high, rebellion against parents and authorities, murder and mayhem, and even rebellion against God. Then these individuals come back to their hometown, and are offered the key to the city, by the officials. Then they are brought in the Church, to lead the choir, in some gospel selections, and give their testimonies, about how young people, can achieve the success they have. All of this, with a hearty amen from the preacher. Then they leave the Church, and go right back to doing their devilish business. And the blind preacher says, that God has given them this talent.

So, the message becomes, that since God gave them the talent, to glorify anti God activity, then God must condone it. So, they go out and get involved in it.

Do you think that God supports this mess? Let me interject something here. I am not saying that these stars, have any malicious intention, in what they are doing, even though some might. But, they are pursuing what they are doing, for one reason, money. And they

are ignorant to the problem, because the preacher that they sat under, is like the preachers in the example above. The preacher is betraying God, the entertainer, and his congregation. More and more of these stars, are getting into drugs, drunkenness, and getting injured in accidents or even dying from overdoses and suicide, because of the pressures of the field that they are in. And to add insult to injury, the preacher tells the mourners, 'we don't know why God took them, but we know that they are in Heaven, leading the choirs of angels.' What more inspiration does our youth need. Here is a man of God, saying that they can have the best of both worlds, and still go to Heaven.

At the funeral, of a big time drug dealer, a preacher made it seem like this man, that was undoubtedly responsible for hundreds of our youth being on drugs, some dying from overdoses, and no telling how many people, he either killed or had killed, was some kind of hero. The cameras, showed the kids saying that they wanted to be 'just like him.' And many of them are. They are dead, just like him.

The preacher says that this man is now in Heaven, walking the streets of gold. The message given out here, by the preacher, is, no matter what you are involved in, when you die, you will go to Heaven.

Notice, he never says anything about hell, or the person going there. This is where many of these people, that we think are in Heaven, really are. No one, will go to Heaven, based on their good works. We are **saved by grace, through faith, and that not of ourselves. It is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast. (Eph. 2:8-9)** You must be born again. Even the preacher has to.

The reason most preachers, never say anything about the devil, or hell, is because they don't believe they are real. Therefore, kids believe that there is no eternal punishment for their wrongdoing, so they have nothing to deter them from doing what ever they feel like doing. So what if they die? They will go to Heaven.

Here, the preacher has failed in his message to the people. People think that preaching about eternal punishment, is just a scare tactic. Well, it is more than that, it is a fact.

Throughout the Bible, we are constantly made aware of the reality of the devil, and hell. And the message is, if you sin, you will end up in hell. But, our youth, don't know this. Another message of the Bible is, that you can't serve two masters (**Matt. 6:24**). You can't serve God and man, together. Likewise, Jesus says to the Church that was neither cold or hot, that He will spew it out of His mouth (**Rev. 3:16**). This is in reference, to a Church that was trying to serve two masters, like trying to be hot and cold at the same time. Therefore, the lukewarm position evolves. A lot of the preachers today, give people the idea, that they don't have to be fanatical towards God, and that you can be moderate, and straddle the fence, so to speak. Once again, their failure is evident in the example of the superstars, mentioned earlier, that attend Church, then go out to the bars and nightclubs, the rest of the time. One thing God tells His people is, be ye separate from the world, and touch not the unclean thing. He also says that, if you are a friend of the world, you are an enemy of His. (**2 Cor. 6:17**) (**James 4:4**). Why don't these preachers tell us this? It is

because that will cause them to have to face up to criticism, that they don't want. Not to mention that it will make some of them out to be hypocrites.

We know that when Christ was on this earth, He suffered all types of persecution, and was eventually crucified. even though He was God in the flesh, and a man of peace. What caused the people, led by the religious leaders of His time, to treat Him like this? It was the fact that He constantly rebuked them, (the leaders and their lackeys) by showing them how ignorant they were to what God says is right, even though they were some of the, if not the, most educated people of their time. And so it is today. The preachers that are truly called of God, that preach His word, without compromise, and reveal these false preachers for what they are, are being ridiculed, forbidden from speaking in a lot of Churches, lied on, run out of town, sued and more. And in most instances, it is because they are making some well known preacher, or denomination in the Church, look bad.

Yes, the trouble that is plaguing our young people today, can be laid at the feet of preachers, that have no business behind the pulpit. And just what can be done, to rectify this situation, you say?

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

1. You need to get yourself a Bible, and start reading it for yourself. Find out just what God has to say about the mess this nation is in today. Read the old testament, to see what God did about situations then, and the new testament, to see what He is doing about them now.
2. Realize that you have been doing wrong, and you need to make a change in your life and attitude. Realize that you can't, in and of yourself, make this change. You need help.
3. Repent of your sin (disobedience), ask Jesus Christ to come in to your life, to become Lord of your life. This, you can do at home, or anywhere you are. A simple prayer, will suffice. Remember the five questions, that were asked of the preachers, at the beginning of this chapter? You must believe all of them. Not just in your mind, but in your heart. When you have done this, you have been born again.
4. Find a Church, that has a pastor, that preaches along the lines that are stated in this book. If the Church you are in, is doing this, then stay there, if not, leave it. I don't care if you and your family helped build it. If the pastor is no good, it is better that you leave it, than stay there and try to oust him or her.
5. Begin to make changes in your life, that the kids can see. You must make the change first, then you can deal with the kids. Get rid of the beer, cigarettes, dirty books and records. Change how you talk, as well as what you watch on the tube. Start telling your kids that you have been wrong, and that you realize that, and are making a change in your life.
6. Then, begin to curb the activities that you allow to go on in your house. Tell the kids just what you will and will not allow, and stick to it. If you are wishy washy, your kids will not think you are serious. Of course, the older they are, the tougher it will be, but, it is worth it. The alternative, is a lot worse. Life, isn't easy.

Friends will say you have lost your mind. Your family will say you are taking too drastic an action. But, this is not a game that we are playing. There is a real enemy out there, and he is playing for keeps. In **(Eph. 6:12)**, it says we are involved in a spiritual battle, and we need to do it in the spiritual realm. And, drastic measures must be taken, in order to change what is going on. Prayer and fasting are necessary weapons in this battle. **For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal (physical), but mighty through God, to the pulling down of strongholds (2 Cor. 10:4).**

There is a warning that all should consider. Solomon wrote it, nearly 3000 years ago. It is found in **(Proverbs 1:24-33)**

**24. Because I have called, and you refused. I have stretched out my hand,
and no man regarded**

25. But you have set at naught all my counsel, and would none of my

reproof,

26. I also will laugh at your calamity. I will mock when your fear comes
27. When your fear comes as desolation, and your destruction comes as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish come upon you
28. Then shall they call upon Me, but I will not answer, they shall seek Me early, but shall not find Me.
29. For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose to fear the Lord.
30. They would none of my counsel, they despised my reproof.
31. Therefore, they shall eat the fruit of their own way, and will be filled with their own devices.
32. For the turning away of the simple, shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.
33. But, whoso harkens unto Me, shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

As you can see, this warning comes not, out of the mouth of some modern day doom and gloom preacher, but from the Bible. The same Bible that every preacher is supposed to be preaching from. Why don't they preach these warnings that God has put in His word, for us to hear and heed? It is because they are not worried about this warning, as much as they are about what is in the collection plate, or their popularity in the community. Then we also have the fact that a lot of them, are completely ignorant to these warnings, because they have been taught in school, that these were just for the Hebrews of long ago. But, they contradict one major verse that blows a big hole in that idea. That verse is **(Heb. 13:8)**. It says, '**Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever.**' That means, what God required 3000 years ago, He requires today, and will require 3000 years from now. His standards never change, when it comes to dealing with man, in regards to sin. But, when a preacher brings this up, he is looked on as being old fashioned and out of date. But, remember this, if that is the case, then God is old-fashioned and out of date. Not to mention the fact that all of the sins that man is committing, are also old-fashioned.

Another thing to remember is, most preachers, are hired by the board that oversees the particular Church, and are viewed as being employees of the Church. Therefore, in order to keep their jobs, they must, in effect, please their boss, or be fired. Meaning that to them, preaching is a job, just like any other job. All of this, while admirable, in secular fields, is an abomination to God, because, He is the boss, if you will of the Church. And if you are trying to please anybody, it should be Him. And doing that means, telling the people the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. When a preacher fails to do that, he has failed in his job, and is going to reap the reward for what he has done.

But, as mentioned earlier, according to the word of God, he wasn't hired, in the first place. Thousands of these men and women, are invading the pulpits of the Churches of this nation, as well as the world, with the wrong credentials, and the wrong ideas, and are poisoning the minds of the politicians, judges, teachers, parents, and the wrong ideas, and ultimately, our kids.

Yes, it is sad but true. The blame for what is happening to our kids today, can and should be shouldered by the one segment of this society, that is supposed to show us the direction of deliverance, the preachers. Not all, thank God, but most. Even one, is too many. Unless people begin to read the Bible themselves, they will not be able to tell, just who is telling the truth, and who is not, and they will suffer for it.

Now that I have shed some light on what the real cause of our kid's problems are, we can go about rectifying the situation the only way that it can be truly rectified, and that is by turning to God, and asking His forgiveness, and forsaking our wicked ways (**2 Chron. 7:14**). Then God will move to heal the situation. Only He can do it. And He will only do it, if we move on His terms. The choice is up to you. I've already made mine.

Now, I will address some of the most commonly asked questions that I am sure you want answered.

QUESTIONS COMMONLY ASKED

1. Throughout this presentation, you continually refer to personages as God, and Jesus Christ. You say that you are a Christian, and that according to what you believe, only the Bible contains the solution to our problems. Well, what about other religions, such as Muslim, Buddhism, Krishna, and the like? What about the atheist?

This is a very good, and commonly asked question. Sure, there are many, many beliefs in this world, that are different from mine. Even in the Christian belief, there are many differing views as to what is or isn't true. And the problem then becomes, how to decide just which ones are true, and which aren't. Do we take a vote on it? No. The only way to decide on it, is to look at these beliefs, and see what they offer, not only in word, but in action. You see, anyone can promise you those things that you need, to get you to follow them. But, it is what they actually deliver, that counts. Most of them promise you happiness in this life. Freedom from cares and worries. They promise you love, and that is about it. Of these, a few of them mention another life after you die. Some say that you will be reincarnated, and some say that you will go to a place called Heaven. All of them also have one other thing in common, and that is, you have to have faith in them, in order for you to receive their benefits. But, the problem is, how long do you have to keep this faith, before you begin to actually see some positive results, that what you are believing, is true? A day? A week? A month? A year? Ten years? Twenty or more? Or maybe, not until after you die.

Needless to say, if it is after you die, you need to leave it alone. You can't afford to waste your entire life on something, just to die, and find out you were in the wrong thing. If you are going to believe for something after you die, then there should be something reinforcing your faith, in this life.

Well, the Bible promises all of the above, as well as predicts the future, and also shows those that believe in Jesus, that they will have God personally backing them up, when they need Him. He says they will be able to do things that are far above human capability, such as being able to do miracles, heal the sick, cast out devils, and even raise the dead (**Matt. 10:8**) (**Mark 16:17-18**). Well, promises are good, but can these promises be substantiated? I can say from personal experience, that as far as I am concerned, they can. The only way someone can prove something to be true or false, is to try it themselves, not take someone else's word for it. Believe it or not, on June 16, 1986, my son, died at his home, while I was repairing the roof on his house. His fiancée called me to come down and help, because he was dead. When I got to him, some twenty minutes later, he was on the bathroom floor, not breathing, with no pulse or noticeable heartbeat, and he was blue.

The reason for the length of time getting to him, was that I didn't believe his fiancée, when she told me the first time, that he was dead. It hadn't been more than ten minutes, that I had been talking with them, and he was fine then, so I

thought she was playing. But, when she called me the second time, I came down. There was no phone in the house, and the nearest phone, other than a neighbor's, was nearly a half block away. I decided to pray for him first, to rebuke death, and to command life to return to his body, in the name of Jesus Christ (**St. John 14:14**). As soon as I finished, using the name of Jesus, he coughed a couple of times, and came back to life. There was no CPR or artificial respiration performed on him, at all. It was strictly the laying on of hands, and prayer as directed by God, that did it.

Now, I don't know about you, but anytime you can literally call someone back from the dead, as the Bible says you can, then that is the religion you should be a part of. It makes the promise, and then delivers on that promise. And from that, I can say, if God promised that, and did it, then when He promised Heaven, He will deliver on that also. And if He says to live a certain way, and how I ought to raise my kids, then I have to believe Him. And one thing **Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life, No man comes to the father, but by Me"**, meaning that Jesus is the only way you or I can get to (tune in) to God. All of those other religious beliefs are totally in vain, they are thieves and robbers (**St. John 10:1**). Jesus also said that you can't serve two masters, meaning that you can't say, well I believe in Jesus, and let's say, Mohammed. You must have 100% faith in Christ, or you have none at all.

2. What about the excuse, that the reason for the problems with our kids, especially in the black, and other minority communities, is due to the oppression, if you will, of whites? These kids are forced into doing most of the things they are doing.

While that has legitimately been the ongoing argument and excuse for the behavior of kids, it is by and large, just another excuse to blame others, for their problems. This is one of the favorite excuses, used by the 'new gods'. They quote all types of statistics, as to why kids are acting the way they are. They may say that up to 90% of the kids that are in trouble, are from poor and oppressed family situations.

But, what they don't say is, what about the kids that were in these same situations, that did make it out of their situations, without any trouble? In any given situation, there will be kids that make it, and kids that don't. And we seem to focus on the ones that don't, rather than the ones that do. The difference between the ones that do and the ones that don't, rests solely on the individual. We keep giving kids excuses to do wrong, than reasons for them to do right. Of course, the kid will likely take the easiest way out. It is hard to live right, when everyone else, seems to be doing wrong. This is where that proper upbringing comes in. Kids need to realize that the only one, that they should be trying to please, is the one that will finally judge them.

Man will constantly change his values, to suit himself, but, God remains the same yesterday, today and forever. It makes no difference what man says is okay or not, it is what God says. And He says that **man is without excuse (Rom. 1:20)**.

You can blame whoever you want. But, He will judge you for your actions.

3. Would you explain your position on women as it pertains to their working? It seems that you are against women and the women's movement all together.

While it may seem that I am against women working, and the women's movement, that is taking place in this nation, for women's rights, this is not the case. I believe that women, should have the same rights as men have, when it comes to equal pay, for equal work, and hiring and education and such. The problem, as it pertains to the raising of kids, is the primary area, that I am focusing on here. Mothers, have something special, that God has given them, to raise kids, that men don't have. Women are naturally more loving, trusting, caring, compassionate, gentle, and more along these lines, than men. These are the virtues, that make women superior to men. If these virtues are instilled in kids, they will be far less aggressive than they will be without them.

The whole reason for the women's movement, is, I believe, the fault of men, abusing them over the years, until they just got fed up with it. It is true, that the man is the head of the house. What is not true, is the idea, that the woman is supposed to be his slave. God holds the man responsible for what happens in the house. He tells the man to love his wife. He says, the wife has become part of him. This means that if the man abuses his wife, he is abusing himself. If he beats his wife, he is beating himself. If he cheats on his wife, he is cheating on himself. I am fully persuaded. that if men had been treating women, the way that God, meant for them to be treated, there would be no women's movement, and women would not be out here looking for jobs, because some rotten man keeps her at home with the kids, and no money, while he is out on the town with the boys. Thus, by the women retaliating, they are over reacting and taking their battle to the wrong end of the spectrum, and actually going against God. It is like you take the pendulum of a clock, and pull it to one side as far as you can, then you let it go.

What happens? It swings all the way over to the other side. If you don't put your hand on it, it will swing back and forth, until it finally settles in the middle. This is what has happened with the women. They were held back, for a long time, and then they were let loose, and the sudden release, caused them to over react, and they have gone to the far end of the spectrum, by declaring war on men, and trying to make them, slaves. And this is what is hurting, not only their kids, but the kids of others, and eventually their own selves.

4. Explain about home schooling?

With all of the problems facing our kids in the public schools, parents are looking for an alternative, that will provide the right values, that they hold dear, as well as a safe, and relatively trouble free environment, for their child. Most turn to private or Christian schools, and this is good, if you can afford the tuition. But, what if you can't? Then, you will either have to suffer, or take it on yourself to teach the child yourself. Actually, there is a far greater advantage, in teaching the child yourself, because all of the criteria that are dear to you. The familiar surroundings of home, are quite conducive to learning. This way, you can be sure of what your child is being taught.

Studies have shown that children, that are taught at home, do as well, if not better than their counterparts in private schools, and both are at least two years ahead of the public schools.

It is thought, and some studies have shown, that home schooled children seem to mature faster, than children in classroom situations. This is thought to be the result of being around grownups, more than around a lot of kids. Other kids tend to draw a child down to their level, and that is not necessarily a bad thing, unless those other kids, cause the teacher to have to teach at the lower level, so that the least of the class can understand. This holds the other kids back. The teacher doesn't have the time for personal interaction with a specific child, when they have twenty or so kids in the class to control. At home, it is just you and your child. Several well known people, have been home schooled, among which is, Supreme Court Justice, Sandra Day O'Connor. So, you can see, that home schooling has very good results. People tend to think that home schooled children won't be able to go to institutions of higher learning, And that is not true. There are a lot of home schooling groups in this nation. For more information on them, as well as the legal aspects of what your particular state requires, write, * The National Legal Foundation, 6447 College Park Square, Suite 306, Virginia Beach, Va. 23464. Give them your name, address and the state you want the information on, and tell them you want the information on home schooling. There is supposed to be no charge for this, at least there wasn't, in the late 80's, when I ordered it.

*** May not be operating now. This reference was active in 1988, during first printing.**

5. What about these so-called 'new gods'? Are they really as bad as you make them sound?

The 'new gods, that I eluded to in my text, are members of a group known as social scientists. This group, literally controls this nation. They tell us what to think, and how to act. They tell our schools what to teach our kids. The courts rely on them as a reference to whether a person, is fit to stand trial. They are called on as a witness for the defense of the accused. Almost every serious crime that is brought before the court, you hear lawyers saying they'll plead insanity. And that means that the criminal, who may be deserving the death penalty, or at least life in prison, may get off with a few years in a hospital, where, if he shows good signs of recovery, he may get out, and be back on the streets. To show you how stupid this is, they will be experts, in saying a person was insane, when they committed the crime months earlier. But, if they say a person, is ready to go back out into society, after treatment, because they pose no threat to society, and the person commits a crime again, they say, "well how can we know what a person might do?" A man named Leslie Allen Williams, was released from prison, after a 'new god' said he posed no threat to society. Well, what do you call four dead young girls, that were raped and murdered by him, after his release? These 'gods', have an excuse for every misfit, in society. They either blame the parents, the neighborhood, society, and in some cases, even God. Ever notice the lie about homosexuals being born the way they are?

That means that God made them that way, and therefore, anything they do, that offends the rest of us, means that we have a problem, not them. Or that God made a mistake, and put a woman, in a man's body. To them, there is no such thing as sin.

Everything is a disease. The drunkard, that God says will go to hell, is actually sick, with the disease of alcoholism. The demon possessed individual, becomes a paranoid schizophrenic. They even say, that anyone that speaks out against them, the new gods', is sick. Their word is accepted as law in society. They will run over you, your kids, and even laws, that conflict with their views. And the real tragedy of all this, is when preachers begin to accept their word, over God's. They are truly the most dangerous influence on society, especially our kids.

Children's programming, school textbooks, school based health clinics, which are associated with planned parenthood, the main cause of the increase of teen pregnancies and subsequent abortions, are all spawned from these 'gods' ideas. What they say, goes. They are truly looked on as gods. Anytime, man tries to depend on other men, to solve his problems, he winds up in more serious situations.

6. What do you think about sex education, in the public schools?

In one word, disaster. Here is a classic example of what the 'new gods' have done.

Take a child, and buy him a real gun, load it for him and tell him how to aim and fire it, then let him go out and shoot it, without supervision. What you have, is a disaster, waiting to happen. The kid, goes out, and blows someone's brains out, and you wonder why? Because, you didn't tell him it is wrong to shoot at people, cars, or other people's property. Then, you didn't keep an eye on him, to make sure he didn't get into trouble.

Well, with sex education, you have the same scenario. You tell a kid about sex, and even discuss how to do it.

What you haven't told them, is, what is moral, and what is not. So they go out and experiment, and bingo, they have sex, and the girl gets pregnant, or they spread VD, or AIDS.

Since sex education started in the public schools, supposedly to combat teen pregnancies, the number of pregnancies has grown 400%. Most would be surprised at just what their kids are learning, in this area. One of the first things is, the moral values that you have tried to instill in your child, are immediately attacked, and put down, as being out of date.

It is not unusual, to have homosexual sex, promoted in the classroom. There have even been times, when gays, have been brought in to the class, to talk to the kids about their lifestyle. Teachers have been instructed, not to use textbooks, but rather, to use material, that can be easily disposed of, at the end of the day, so the parents can't know, what is going on. This way, you can't effectively monitor what your kid is learning, and therefore, combat it. Even if they tell you, you have no proof.

In some states, they are planning to teach these things, to kids as young as 5 years old. They claim, by some questionable tactics, that children are just as sexually stimulated, as adults, and they need to be taught how to handle these feelings, by introducing masturbation. The reason for not teaching morals, is that in a lot of people's eyes, morality, represents God, and they don't want any part of Him.

Today, the schools, are literally telling the parents, that they will teach their kids sex education, and will even hand out condoms, to the kids, despite what they say. And if your daughter gets pregnant, they will arrange for an abortion for her, and you can't do anything about it, because you won't know about it, if your daughter doesn't want you to. All of these actions, are a direct result, of the 'new god's' influence.

7. What about rock music?

To say that rock music is bad, is a gross understatement. It is poison. There is no other instrument in the arsenal of Satan, that is more accepted by society, including the Church and parents, than rock music.

Everywhere you look, you see and hear people listening to rock music. From one year and up, you will see them gyrating, and wiggling to the beat of this message from hell. And what is the message that it is delivering? Sex, outside marriage, drug use, rebellion against the law, and parents, suicide and more.

If you were to listen to the words alone, you would be surprised at just what these messages are. You see, when I was young, and wanted to get involved with a girl, I would find it hard to say how I felt, so I let a special record say it for me. And boy, did it work. The girl would be against any necking at all. But after getting her on the floor, and dancing to some of those good slow, grooving records, she became like putty, ready for anything. And that was back in the early 60's. The music today, makes that music seem like a nursery rhyme.

When rock music, first burst on the scene, many church people called it the devil's music. They warned about what would happen, but everyone thought they were crazy, and didn't pay any attention to those fanatics. After all, it made the kids, as well as some grownups feel real good. What harm could it do?

Well, look around you today, and see. Kids getting strung out on drugs, listening to some clown, that himself, is strung out, and is relaying the experience, to your kid, backed up by a fancy beat. Kids having sex, after listening to some sex starved maniac talking about how they want to do it, all types of ways, all day long, and how good it is, again, backed up by music. Or, some pervert, talking about being gay. Or how about someone that is tired of obeying their parents, and decides to run away from home and live in the streets? All of these messages, are packaged in rock music, for your kids listening pleasure. And as if that wasn't bad enough, city officials, and church officials, will hand these people the key to the city, or let them lead the choir in a few selections on Sunday at service. People even let their kids imitate these purveyors of disaster.

I've seen two, and three year olds imitating Michael Jackson, Prince, Madonna, Boy George and who knows who. Our kids do better, imitating them, than they do in school. These are the same people, that are leading our kids to destruction, and you are urging them on. If the message wasn't backed up by music, you would probably throw the garbage out of the house.

Remember, as time goes on, it will get worse. And in one sense, the problem is compounded, by the so-called crossover music artists, that sang in the church choir, or still do, then go out and record secular music, to make some good money.

This is the worst case of hypocrisy that there can be. Because, one minute, they are supposed to be singing praises to God, and exhorting people to come to, and trust in God, then they go out, and lead people away from Him. And these are not some little known individuals either.

Some of the biggest named artists in rock and rhythm and blues, were raised in the Church or are still in it, and they are internationally known, in both fields, religious and in secular. Some, sad to say, are even preachers. Then you also have, what has become known as Christian rock music, which is no more than rock music, with the lyrics supposedly worded to glorify God. But, this is a deception because, if you listen to these people, or watch them, you will find out that you will not be able to really hear the words over the music, or you will see the people dress and perform, just like the secular people. The makeup, the moving of the hips, the dress, and the spreading of the legs. All of these trademarks of secular music are in the Christian rock music.

Can you imagine a choir singing, amazing grace, dressed like Michael Jackson or Prince, or moving around like the Temptations or Tina Turner? Well this is what Christian rock music promotes. They don't see anything wrong with it, because they say they are leading people to the Lord, or at least, delivering the gospel message to them. But, part of the message that they deliver, is that you can still have your fun and still be in the will of God, even though God says that Christians are to have nothing to do with secular things. And I would rather believe that these people are ignorant of this fact, rather than knowing the truth, and doing it anyway. God says, **"My people are destroyed, for a lack of knowledge."**[Hos 4:6] The bottom line is you can't mix God, and secular things.

That will only lead people to destruction.

Another offshoot of rock music, is what is known as 'gangsta rap.' This is undoubtedly the most blatant call to violence, and mayhem that has ever been presented to our youth. Its recent popularity, is due in large part to rock music. If there had been no rock music, then there wouldn't be any gansta rap. People are trying to defend this sewage, which is as polite a term as I can use, as being something that only reflects life in the hood. But, when blacks, who are the primary artists of this phenomenon, portray themselves as some super tough black enforcer, that is fed up with the 'system', starts to take matters into his own hands, what does that remind you of? Does it not remind you of the movies, like Shaft, Superfly, Rambo and other movies that harped on revenge? Many of the killings that we see among our youth, are revenge motivated. The point is, gansta rap, reflects attitudes in

the hood, that came about by the movies. But, I thought movies were just entertainment? They don't send any messages.

The real deal, is that many of these rappers, are becoming millionaires, and they see criticism of their art, if you could call it that, as trying to keep them from making it. But, their making it, is at the expense of other blacks, mainly our youth, and society at large. (I am using blacks as an example, because most of these rappers are black, and I am black.)

And once again, many black leaders, most of whom, are preachers, stand up and defend them. So much so, that when one black preacher, in Philadelphia, I believe, launched a protest against this trash, his church was besieged by rappers, and other preachers, claiming he was, among other things, a Judas, an uncle Tom and worse. Threats were made against him and his family. Yet, as far as I know, he is still waging war against this black on black genocide foolishness.

What this man is doing, identifying a problem, and tearing down everything that contributes to it, is what all preachers should be doing.

Sure it is not popular, but in today's society, what good thing is? Recently also, black women, who are the targets of much of the sex aspect of rap, have stood up to say, no more! Will the rappers start going after them? We'll wait and see.

8. Aren't some of the things you are saying, going to cause people to leave the church, or keep them away from it? It seems like you are trying to split the Church. Doesn't Christ want the Church to be together, and not split?

Now that is an excellent question. To be frank and honest with you, I don't like doing this, because of the perception that I am some sort of a troublemaker, trying to cause trouble in the Church.

It is true, that Christ wants His Church to be on one accord, so it can be the force against evil, that He designed it to be. However, He does not want it to be a haven for those that want to keep on doing their thing, and still be acceptable to Him. Christ said, in one passage of scripture, "**Can two walk together, except they be agreed?**" [Amos 3:3] The answer is, of course, no. And, in order for the Church to reach its full potential, the evil, that is in it, must be eliminated.

Today, in most churches, you can't tell who is, or is not following the dictates of Christ, and you shouldn't be trying to, either. But, when the Word of God, is preached the way it was meant to be preached, those that have shady motives, will get uncomfortable, sitting there listening to their evil ways and thoughts, being exposed, they will leave the church, or hopefully, repent and get saved. If you get a chance, take a look at the story in the 5th chapter of 1 Corinthians, and see what the apostle Paul had to say about evil going on in that Church. All evil, must be addressed, just like cancer needs to be revealed, and cut out, in order to save the victim.

Throughout all of their ministry, the apostles, as well as Christ, were persecuted and worse for revealing things about the priests and others, that were supposed to be

following the law and commandments, but were actually doing things that were contrary to them. The same thing is going on today, and must be rooted out and exposed for what it is, poison, that is weakening the effectiveness of the Church. So, as you can see, my only motive is to expose what the devil is doing in the Church.

Only by correcting the situations, that this book addresses, do you have any chance to straighten out the threat to your kids.

It is not going to be easy, which is what people like to think. It is like going cold turkey to kick a heroin habit. This nation needs to get back to God. You need to get back to God. And your kids, definitely need to get back to God. And I am talking about the God of the Bible. And you can only do that, by coming to the door of salvation, Jesus Christ. He is the only way. There is no other way, sorry. And another thing, just because you are a member of a Church, doesn't mean you are in the will of God. You must be born again (saved). Read the third chapter of **(St. John 3: entire, and Rom. 10: 9-10)**. Then pray, and ask Jesus to come into your heart, and open up His word, to you. This is the beginning of the true road to recovery. God bless you.

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