

People For The American Way

From: Peter S. Newman, III
Date: July 27, 1982
Subject: Televangelist Broadcasts: Weeks of 6/30-7/9

700 Club

Date: Wednesday, July 30, 1982

Featured: Fox Butterfield, First New York Times Chief in Peking, China; Jim Otto, Oakland Raiders pro-halfback; Dr. Francis Schaeffer, week-long interview with Pat Robertson on Humanism.

Humanism leads
to chaos

Robertson asked Schaeffer about the effects of humanism, to which Schaeffer replied, "... Humanism, because it is relativistic, will always lead to chaos, and the chaos will always bring in some form of totalitarian or authoritarian form of government."

Robertson followed up Schaeffer's comments with his own opinion that "...Humanism cannot contain a society, and to have a self-governing people, they have to be motivated by an inner moral force that deals with God given natural law or a God law that will control them from within."

Robertson then showed a film that was produced by Schaeffer's son that dealt with humanism and its relation to abortion. The theme of the film that "Abortion will lead to infanticide."

700 Club

Date: Friday, July 2, 1982

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Featured: Interview with William Dehart, Jr., podiatrist and pornographer cured by God; interview with Dr. Francis Schaeffer on Humanism.

Christians have duty to disobey the state

Pat Robertson concluded his weeklong interview with Dr. Francis Schaeffer on the topic of Humanism v. Christianity. Schaeffer commented on our alternatives, "There comes a place where the state, whether it is a communistic state, or our own state, no matter what it is, the state commands that which is contrary to the law of God. The Christian not only has the privilege, he has the absolute duty to disobey the state."

Public television practices censorship

Robertson asked Schaeffer about the subject of hidden censorship on abortion to which Schaeffer replied, "public television is a clear illustration of hidden censorship."

Robertson then asked Schaeffer about the usefulness of the Planned Parenthood movement which Schaeffer replied, "Planned Parenthood is only a propaganda agency, and the founder of it was always opposed to abortion and now they have changed completely over..."

Humanism has taken over the system

Robertson guided the interview to the subject of humanism in the public schools and Schaeffer replied, "Humanism, this materialistic view intrinsically is oppressive and it is exclusive. The proof of it is the public schools, they take over the public schools and they will not allow, the Civil Liberties Union and other people, will not allow another voice. And they absolutely use a perverted view of the First Amendment in order [to secularize the schools in the United States]... the schools in the United States are as secularized as those in the Soviet Union... the public schools today, paid for by the parents' tax money are as exclusively teaching the materialistic view as the schools in Russia."

700 Club

Date: Monday, July 5, 1982

Featured: 4th of July Special on Heritage
Ben Kinchlow interview with Moya Lear of the
Lear Jet Co.; and documentary on the race-
driving world.

Robertson commented about the heritage in the United States and about opportunities in the country, which he said, "I think that any minority here in America has more abilities than they ever would any place else. Actually we think of the minorities, for example, the black people, we've got more black millionaires in America than there are white millionaires, say in France or Germany. I mean it's unbelievable the opportunities we have and the poorest among us are almost like the wealthy in any other part of the world."

700 Club

Date: July 6, 1982

Featured: Kinchlow and Freeman discussion on violence erupting in the cities on racial issues; Bill Freeman Reports on George Wallace: "Back in the Race".

Ben Kinchlow asked the audience why this society has come to expect the violent explosion in the cities, which he answered, "I think it is because of a very simple reason, we have taken God out of our knowledge. And if you have no God then there is no law, and if you have no law you cannot control people. So people are saying if you have no God higher than me, then you cannot tell me what to do. And so in our schools and our public places we have an increased attitude toward lawlessness..." Kinchlow, went on to say, "There is just no way you are going to solve all the problems of the youth and other people in this area by a massive influx of money; 100 million dollars? How much money have we already

Ben Kinchlow discussed why cowboys and Indians fought during the frontier period. He stated that "Dr. Allan Ross (Colorado State Researcher) said that the left side thinkers, the cowboys, stressed logic, facts and goals. While the right side thinkers, the Indians, were more creative and perceptive. And according to Ross this is why the cowboys and Indians fought."

Supreme Court has no right to role on censorship in the schools

Kinchlow and Freeman discussed the Pico v. School Board of Long Island case involving textbook censorship which caused Freeman to reply, "It is a shame, it is a scandal, an absolute scandal, that a court [the Supreme Court] would even consider a case outside of allowing a local school board (their own power); they should unequivocally send it back to the school board to decide what curriculum should be in the school; what should be on the library shelf in the way of books and library materials."

700 Club

Date: Thursday, July 8, 1982

Featured: Kinchlow discussion on Judge T. Emmet Clare's ruling on Douglas v. City of Hartford; interview with Louisiana State Senator Bill Kieth, (sponsor of creationism law); Kinchlow and Freeman discussion on Bible prophecy and its relevancy in the world today.

Ben Kinchlow opened the show with remarks on a Connecticut case which recognized the rights of an unborn child. The ruling gave a five month old fetus rights to join a suit action for injuries and damages incurred when his mother was beaten while he was still in his mother's womb. Kinchlow went on to say, "That [case] marks the first time in recent history that a child in the womb has been recognized as having constitutional rights and if that is the case it throws an entirely different light on the the subject of abortion."

Kinchlow and Freeman had a brief discussion on Bible prophecy and the effects on current world events. Kinchlow said, "There is a time coming when God almighty is going to demonstrate that he is God; ... Jesus Christ is coming back to set up a kingdom, but before he comes back he is going to grab the fabric of this world and he is going to shake it. The Bible says that everything that can be shaken is going to be shaken."

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Date: July 9, 1982

Featured: Kinchlow and Freeman discussion on situation in Central America.

Ben Kinchlow and Bill Freeman discussed the situation in Central America. Freeman commented on the aid being given, to which he said, "General Rios Monte has said that he will rely on help from American Christians, individual Christians now, rather than the government of the United States - sounds like a man right after President Reagan's own heart."

LaHayes on Family Life

Date: Saturday, June 27, 1982

Secular humanists
are in the diplomatic
corps, representing
socialist world view

Tim and Beverly LaHaye opened the show with the question of "what is the number one threat to the traditional family?" Tim LaHaye hailed secular humanism as the main threat and said that the public was ignorant to its dangers. Tim showed 15 forces that were against the traditional family and said, "Though it is understandable that secular humanists should be free to live in our country, it is dangerous for us to pay their salary to be our diplomats. Because when they go across the ocean to represent us, they don't represent us, they represent the socialist world view. They're more

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FROM: Peter S. Newman, Jr.

DATE: August 3, 1982

SUBJECT: Televangelist Broadcast: Weeks of 7/10 - 8/1/82

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Date: Monday, July 12, 1982

Featured: Pat Robertson reports on recent trip to California; interview with Burton Yale Pines, author of Back to Basics; Robertson commentary on "Indiana Infant Doe: No Right to Life."

ERA supporters are
Radicals and
lesbians

The media is
anti-religious

We must do what-
ever is necessary
to protect our-
selves from our
enemies

Pat Robertson interviewed Burton Yale Pines, author of Back to Basics. Robertson questioned Pines about the media coverage of ERA, to which Pines replied, "The ERA was defeated, and in part it was defeated by those who are radicals. A lot of them were Marxists, a lot of them were lesbians, a lot of them were extremists." Robertson then asked Pines why journalists are aloof to the Christian movement and unfair in their reportings. Pines replied, "They come in with a different mind set; a different background, a part of it is being identified by some thinkers as the 'new class'...they [the press] are different, they are more often secular and anti-religious. I was struck by Time (magazine) watching New York coverage of the 'Washington For Jesus Rally' where, even the New York Times said there were 200,000 people, there was almost no coverage at all. But if you get 10,000 women libbers or anything, you'll immediately get instant coverage." Robertson asked Pines about the forecast for the nation; "I think there is a generational sea change in this nation. Politically, it is going to be more conservative. In terms of education, morality is going to be more traditional. In terms of viewing the world, I think it is going to be tougher, it is going to recognize our enemies in the world and we have to do what is necessary to protect ourselves from our enemies. The dreadful 60's and 70's are at last over and we are going back to basics."

Israeli-US alliance in Bible

absolute idiot. Now two or three weeks later, after they were laughing about what an idiot I was, Ezekiel did prophesize that something like this would happen." Robertson then claimed that an alliance with Israel is in biblical prophecy; "I believe we should ask God for his protection of the nation and his wisdom for our leaders, and we might do that right now, because the men in office in Washington are going to be called on to make some tremendous decisions in the days ahead. They are already being called on to intervene in the Lebanese crisis. Do we send in Marines? Do we take out the PLO? Do we call for some kind of cease-fire? Do we back Israel or not?...Well, my counsel is that we back Israel, and that's the Bible's counsel."

Rock music will destroy U.S.

Later in the show, Ben Kinchlow interviewed Bart Pierce, Pastor of Rock Church of Virginia, who commented on Rock music, "It is time somebody exposed the works of darkness [rock and roll]...one day England and the United States will both be destroyed by its music."

Blacks are non-equals in Religious Right

Robertson then interviewed Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, former president of Morehouse College. Mays informed Robertson about the status of blacks in the Religious Right movement, "I'd like to see what I'm afraid I'll never see. I hope to see the time when no man would be denied because his skin is black, and nobody favored because his eyes are blue...that is a long way off because freedom is an achievement."

700 Club

Date: Thursday, July 15, 1982

Featured: Pat Robertson discussion on bank failures; interview with Robert Nathan, Washington Economic Consultant; interview with Larry Berkett, author of How to Prosper in the Legal Underground Economy.

Year of Jubilee

Pat Robertson opened the show by citing rising statistics in bank failures because of financial loans. Robertson said, "God's way [to solve the huge debt problem] is every 50 years to have a Jubilee and cancel all the debts...that is the only way to solve the recession and national debt." Robertson then related Bible prophecy

Media people smoke marijuana

Ben Kinchlow interviewed Malcolm E. Smith, Jr., author of The Real Marijuana Danger. Kinchlow asked Smith about why children are not properly informed about the danger of drugs. Smith replied, "The media simply were not reporting on the adverse effects of drugs." Kinchlow asked why the media do not publish information on drugs and Smith said, "I think it is a media bias, most of the media people are liberal. I think that a great deal of the people in the media world smoke marijuana...".

700 Club

Date: Tuesday, July 20, 1982

Featured: Pat Robertson commentary on Constitutional Amendment to balance the budget; commentary on space age movies, "E.T." and "Poltergeist".

To end the recession: government should print money to pay everyone's debts

Pat Robertson opened show with a discussion of the Budget Amendment and world affairs. Robertson said, "The other alternative [to ending the recession] is to do what they did in the Bible, it's to say that it is a Jubilee time and all the debts are cancelled. One way to do it, it would be a little sneaky, but would be for the government to pay everybody's debt...just print money. We have to take the power away from the Federal Reserve Board." Robertson then referred to the arms race. He said, "The same outfit that is bankrolling the Russians, that are bankrolling the United States, the Saudis, and everybody else; the money is coming from the same sources, the so-called Western banks. I'd cut off all the credit to them, I mean all of it, that would quiet the arms race...there has to be a morality, we have to go back to the Judeo-Christian morality...there has to be a restraint on the people [politicians]."

"E.T." takes children away from God

Ben Kinchlow delivered a commentary on the new Spielberg space movies. He said, "They are drawing young minds away from believing in God for healing, and God's power...and [for the children] to look for alternatives."

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Date: Wednesday, July 28, 1982

Featured: Pat Robertson discussion of trip to Washington, D.C. and the Justice Department's fight against pornography; interview with Lt. Gen. Daniel Graham, former assistant director of the CIA and formulator of the "High Frontier Nuclear Defense Plan"; Robertson lecture from CBN handbook on salvation;

U.S. is afraid
of military
security

Pat Robertson interviewed Gen. Daniel Graham, formulator of a plan that sets out to neutralize the Soviet Union's nuclear attack capability, and to circumvent the increased defense budget. Robertson opened the interview by commenting on U.S. timidity in the arms race, "we [the United States] seem so afraid to get something that would give us a secure advantage over the Soviet Union." Gen. Graham described a James Bond-type apparatus to prevent Soviet missiles from entering U.S. airspace. Graham commented on why his plan is not being adopted, "It is bureaucratic inertia.. bureaucrats go down one trail...mutually assured destruction. The good Christian people ought to realize that it is utterly immoral; the way we protect our nation is by threatening to slaughter a bunch of Russians after the Russians have slaughtered our people...like most things that aren't very moral, they don't work...The reason it [High Frontier Plan] does not work is because bureaucrats don't like to change direction." Robertson then commented on the increased spending on the defense budget. Robertson said, "I frankly think it is immoral. I declare a trillion and half dollars for new arms technology over the next ten years is shockingly immoral."

Pop music is
immoral

Robertson then lectured from the CBN handbook on spiritual salvation. Robertson claimed that pop music promotes immoral sexual habits, "We have a sexual society...there is a song by the Pointer Sisters or the Painter Sisters, I believe, singing 'I want a man with a slow hand', and described in a sense what this woman wanted in terms of a sexual relationship with a man...if you listen to the lyrics on most radio stations, most pop music is a glorification of the sex act in so many different words, you can't believe it. The number one song by Kim Carnes, 'Bette Davis Eyes', that is a story of a prostitute who is into sado-masochism and you can hear the paddle in the background."

Old Time Gospel Hour

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Date: Sunday, August 1, 1982

Rev. Falwell opened his sermon with a reference to Norman Lear. Said Falwell, "We are cursed by the Norman Lear, the ACLU, and the Hollywooders, and all the rest...They call us censors, our attempts to stop them, to create programs, and dumping into our living rooms a cesspool of immorality. There is a movie, "Porky's" and it is nothing more than a pornographic movie. The people who produce that sort of thing have only one thing in mind, and that is producing money at the expense of the moral values of the young people of this nation and it is time for the salt of the earth [Christians] to be a blessing to the community, we need to stand up for what is right."

Media, bureau-
crats, politicians
oppose all that is
holy and sacred

Rev. Falwell commented on the social issues facing the country. He said, "The people [Christians] are right on the issues, it is just your newspapers, your media people, a few liberal bureaucrats and politicians, and social engineers who are against what is high, holy and sacred. The people are for what is right in this country, and the saints and God are going to bless this [country]." Falwell added, "I pray that God will give us a Congress, and 50 governors, and State legislators; and God will give us a Supreme Court that will stand up for what is right on every issue and what the word of God teaches."

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MEMORANDUM

FROM: Peter Newman
TO: Paul and Kathy
SUBJECT: "E.T." on the 700 Club

"Steven Speilberg, who has come to be known as the master of summer movies, and who has thrilled us in the past with Raiders of the Lost Ark, Jaws, and Close Encounters of the Third Kind, now has gone from outer space, as he has double hits this summer: E.T. and Poltergeist ...Probably one of the best crafted movies of the decade, E.T., is nearly a shoe in for the best movie of this year. Since 1948 when UFO's first got a lot of attention from the American press, it seems that it is no longer a question of their existence as is who is in them. Steven Speilberg would have us to believe they are good folk. Disneyesque in its approach, E.T. combines all the elements of great movie entertainment--suspence, humor, pathos,--but most of all the good guys are the kids and the bad guys are the dumb grownups. Parents however, should see this one with your kids and explain to them who really has the power of healing, and what other forces cause things to move around the room...We [700 Club] will not waste a lot of time on Poltergeist and we suggest that you don't either. Poltergeist appeals to all if not most of your childhood fears. And some child psychologists warn that Poltergeist could create some brand new hangup's for your preschool youngsters. Outside of being unnecessarily gory in some places, Poltergeist is strong in it's occult statement...Angenia (character in Poltergeist) tells us if we set aside our preconceived ideas as humans and Christians she can get little Caroline (character) out of wherever...We have better advice: moms, dads, and kids don't go into the theatre! The truth of the matter is that there are certain very spiritual principles. For example, in E.T., healing is performed. E.T. moves things around a room with his mind power, and people are asking if such things are real. But what they are trying to do is draw and encourage young minds to turn away from believing in God for healing in God's power, and begin to look at these other alternatives..."

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