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THE LAHAYES ON FAMILY LIFE 11-3-86

TIM LAHAYE

Secular Humanism

"Gradually secular humanism has become the dominant philosophy in many of the major areas of influence. That's why the Bible is no longer welcome in public education but secular humanism is. We live in a day when educators demand the right to be secular, secular literally many a-God, man is the measure of all things, not God."

"If you're a God conscious person everything you see in life, no matter what happens, is related in some way to God. If you're an atheist than nothing in life is related to God. That is so important, because what you think in relationship to God will determine what you're going to do."

"If a secular humanist who started out with no belief in God, man is amoral, man ought to be autonomous and do anything he wants, it becomes a man centered philosophy."

"The public school has expelled the Bible from it's premises in the 1962 decision of the Supreme Court when prayer was kicked out, then the Bible was cast out and one of my big objections to modern-day education is when they have for all practical purposes expelled the Bible, they expelled morality and now would say we can't have a fixed moral standard."

THE LAHAYES ON FAMILY LIFE 11-6-86

Women Working

BEVERLY LAHAYE

"This is not a subject of should women work or not. This is a subject of what priorities women have in their lives. When they can work at home and raise their children, they can still keep home their priority. But when they leave the home to work outside all of a sudden the outside work has a greater priority in their lives."

TIM LAHAYE

"But you're not opposed to a woman having a career."

BEVERLY

"Not at all, as long as her priority is still her family."

TIM

"Suppose a woman has trained for a career...and then she gets pregnant and has a child. What do you personally feel is her responsibility in going back to work and taking care of her

child, as long as she has a husband and it's an option...?"

BEVERLY

"There are always exceptions, of course, but if she has an option, I believe with my heart that she should opt to stay home with that young child -- all the formative years for his emotions, his interest, his curiosity for learning, everything he develops during those first few years of life, why should she give up that precious time to somebody else to train him?"

"Every child has a mother constancy, according to psychologists, that has to be filled and this -- who else is going to fill it? The mother alone can do that."

THE LAHAYES ON FAMILY LIFE 11-27-86

TIM LAHAYE

Christian America

"It would be impossible to underestimate the importance of the Bible in the founding of America. Someone has said America should not be possible if it were not for the word of God. And I'm convinced that our forefathers who came to this country were committed to Biblical principles...And when our forefathers came here from norther Europe they were fresh from the Reformation mentality...And when it came to establishing our culture, they founded this country on more Biblical principles than any nation in the history of the world. Everything that we have that we hold dear today can be attributed to the fact that America was founded on a Biblical basis. But gradually that changed and I'm not talking about just in the last one hundred years. But back in the eighteenth century along about 1725, 1730, 1740 the Enlightenment that came in Europe gradually migrated to America and brought about a decadence and a corruption that you cannot believe. In fact, were it not for the Great Awakening, America would not be today what it is because the humanistic philosophy of Europe was beaten back by the ministers of the early days."

"[The system of checks and balances] is such an ingenious system it has given us the longest free elections of any country in the history of the world. And it can be attributed to the fact that our forefathers understood the importance of man's nature that it was fallen and he couldn't be trusted. And they got that premise right out of the Bible."

"Unfortunately, in the last few years, atheistic humanism has crept in again and we are again at Thanksgiving season facing a death grip struggle in our culture. We have to decide whether America is going to be a humanist nation or a traditionally moral nation. Not a Christian nation. I don't pretend to say that America is a Christian nation. It was founded by more Christian

principles than any nation in the world. But we call it the Judeo-Christian moral ethic, or as President Reagan calls it, the traditional moral values. All of these came out of the bible and may I suggest we are getting away from those and unless we get back to those basic premises, America is going to experience all kinds of havoc."

"Now, here you see two ideologies that are pulling this nation. Humanism on the one hand and traditional moral values on the other. We are in a death grip struggle for survival, And unfortunately, the majority of the American people don't realize it. In the Gallup Poll taken in 1979, Mr. Gallup discovered that 84% of the American people still believe the Ten Commandments are valid today. Think of that! Eighty-four percent! You don't get that impression do you? Why? Because the humanists, though in the minority, have the ability to control the thinking of people through a large control of government, almost virtual control of public education, and of course, vital control over the media. You'll find the newspapers and television that give to people their news, give it from the humanist, liberal, atheistic slant and the one book that is looked upon with fear by these people is this Book, the Word of God, and may I suggest that you can't have liberty without the principles of the Bible."

"May I suggest to you, humanist philosophy is going to lead America to totalitarianism and just as America was saved originally from decadence and corruption, she needs to be saved today. There's a gradual change going on in our country and it isn't because of Biblical principles, it's because we've kicked the Bible out of the schools. We have eliminated the religious customs from everything except Thanksgiving. I don't know what the ACLU will do about Thanksgiving because it is so entrenched in Biblical principles. For example, praising God for the goodness that he had given us."

700 CLUB 11-5-86

**ROBERTSON
Elections**

"From every morning news program featuring the various Democratic Senators as well as Republicans, there seems to be a mood of conciliation. There does not seem to be from Robert Byrd's perspective -- the new Majority Leader of the Senate -- any attempt to dismantle programs that were underway or to make some radical departure where we've been going. So maybe there will be business as usual in Washington where both parties are struggling under a rather incredible burden of debt and foreign trade and some of these other massive programs. The thing that I think would be appropriate on this program the Bible says to pray for

those who are in authority and that is not a partisan issue, that is a bi-partisan issue. So as Democrats have been elected and Republicans have been elected, there have been new governors, new Senators, new members of the House of Representatives and other officials throughout our land, it will be appropriate right now if we prayed for them that they might have divine wisdom and that they might truly be the leaders that God would have to lead this great nation in the next couple of years."

700 CLUB 11/7/86

Christian Schools

News piece about Rev. W.N. Otwell, founder of the Community Baptist Boys' Home in Texas, who refused licensing by the state, followed by a discussion between Pat Robertson and Dr. Donald Sills, President, Coalition for Religious Freedom.

ROBERTSON

"...Dr. Sills, I'm holding a piece of paper in my hand with a picture of the Attorney General of Texas and this quote underneath it, 'Yes, it is true that the state of Texas owns your children and not only your children, but you too.' Even in Texas?"

SILLS

"Especially in Texas."

ROBERTSON

"Especially in Texas, but I mean, let's face it, I mean, they own a lot of stuff down there, but they don't own children and parents and people. Did he really say that?"

SILLS

"Yes, he did. I went down there. My attorney and I went to Texas. We met with the attorney General's staff. We met with the governor's staff. We've been -- this is documented. That's just one statement."

ROBERTSON

"That's one of the most outrageous -- I mean -- you'd hear that maybe in the Soviet Union -- but not Texas -- not anywhere in America. The state owns your children and you?"

SILLS

"You know, not only in Texas, California's got the same ruling -- title 22 in the State of California now -- they're in a position where they're saying they can license every Sunday School in the state and the only reason they haven't done it is simply because the state as yet has not chosen to do so. It's control, that's what we're dealing with."

ROBERTSON

"Now, let's look at another law I understand -- you were telling me before we came on as being proposed for the next session of the Texas legislature. What is it?"

SILLS

"It came up once, Texas house bill # 45. The author of the bill is a person by the name of Sepronian Thompson and basically what it does is its designed to license the laying on of hands in prayer for the sick. Now that's one part of the bill."

ROBERTSON

"Wait a minute -- wait a minute in the Episcopal Church, they're gonna have the anointing of oil, and the priest of the Episcopal Church is going to go down with the worshippers -- in other words, he's got to get a state license before he can do that?"

SILLS

"That's exactly what they're saying. You see, what they've done is they've tried to -- sometimes a problem develops and to counter a problem, they bring in a law or a ruling, and that ruling in turn becomes a law which just bleeds over into every aspect of our life."

ROBERTSON

"I mean, nobody who ever read the Constitution, knows anything about the history of the United States would ever even consider such a thing."

SILLS

"I think that's one of the major problems, Pat. Most of these people have never read the Constitution, even though the majority of them, in fact all elected officials, have to raise their hand and swear to uphold the Constitution. They've never read it."

ROBERTSON

"You going to license a minister of the Lord before he prays for someone?"

SILLS

"The pathetic thing that's involved in this is not only is it designed to license the minister -- it's designed to license religion. And that's the concept. You know as well as I do, there are many people committed to the removal of every vestige of religion from our society."

ROBERTSON

"Well, I know that. I was speaking to a group of college students the other day and one of them stood up and they said, 'Well, sure you've got all these abuses. In a sense, let's take all references to God out of all the public life' and a number of

students cheered. They thought it was great. Let me ask you this, that case, the Otwell case, what specifically would he have to do under the law. What does Texas law currently tell that man he's got to do? "

SILLS

"Well, let me give you 3 or 4 basic things and I took the liberty of writing them down so I'd get them correct. One is the fact he could not be the director first of all, under the 240 minimum requirements. The reason he could not be the director is he has not graduated from a state accredited school."

ROBERTSON

"So, he couldn't even -- a grade school. He couldn't -- started his own grade school but he couldn't be director?"

SILLS

"That is correct. He has a Bible degree. He went to a Bible college and the states are claiming that has no bearing. It's not relevant. That's one of the ways to eliminate this thing."

ROBERTSON

"Ok, that's cause #1. What else?"

SILLS

"So his staff is under that same category. Secondly, the students are subjected to psychiatric evaluation and under the 240 minimum requirements they must have on staff or readily available either a psychiatrist or a psychologist to take care of the problems of the young people. As you know, most of the churches are opposed to this because of the basis for psychiatry. Talk about mind control and manipulation. That's what we're dealing with."

ROBERTSON

"A great deal of psychiatry- modern psychiatry -- is when I was taking psychology in college if you even wrote on a test that a man had a mind they would flunk you. It's not a question of a soul or a spirit. You couldn't even have a mind, because it was all they were dealing with you know, Watson and Behaviorism in those days and you couldn't have a mind."

SILLS

"Brot Chism who was the founder of the World Health Organization did not believe in God and his basic underlying premise of psychiatry was the removal of God from our society. So, that's what's become predominant in our school systems."

ROBERTSON

"But, the state is now saying that if a church wants to educate its children or else take in wayward children or homeless children that it has to have a licensed psychiatrist or

psychologist."

SILLS

"That's correct."

ROBERTSON

"Ok, now what's there, is there another?"

SILLS

"Another major one is -- and this deals with the funding -- and the ruling is that the state requires a 12 month budget be submitted with funding for that 12 months or guaranteed knowledge of where that funding is coming from. It eliminates the concept of faith."

ROBERTSON

"So, the concept of free-will offerings on a month-to-month basis, that would be out. You couldn't run a church or a school or home under those things under this law."

SILLS

"That's exactly correct. That's exactly what we're dealing with."

ROBERTSON

"That's horrible."

SILLS

"People don't realize the tremendous encroachments that have taken place in the last 10 years as far as our churches are concerned."

ROBERTSON

"You told me something is happening in Mississippi. We're talking about the Bible Belt -- this is the South, you know, wherever, you know, you'd think that of all the places where the establishment would be arm-in-arm with the church, would be in Mississippi, Texas, places like that."

SILLS

"Yes, in most cases and most of the people, it is, but when you get into the technicalities of the law and you get individuals in office that say my job is to enforce the law, that's what they're doing."

ROBERTSON

"Sure, tell me, you're holding a newspaper report, what newspaper are you quoting from?"

SILLS

"This one comes from the Washington Times, in Washington, D.C., where my office is. But it's an article that was written in

regard to this case in Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi -- it's the Redemption Baptist Church -- and it's a girl's home that they operate there -- you run into a number of the same basic problems. They even moved the pastor out of the pulpit -- would not allow him to preach in the pulpit. When they had services, the state officials actually went in and they led the program and, basically what they ended up doing was they conducted the program. It wasn't a service. And at the conclusion, the girls were in the habit of going forward to the altar to pray, they were told they'll be no praying in the church today."

ROBERTSON

"Wait a minute. This is a church-run home. The church and school officials or the state officials said you can't preach in your own pulpit? And you can't go forward to pray at the altar?"

SILLS

"Pat, in Santa Monica, California, a woman had to sign a document to the health officials stating she would not mention the name of God, she would not mention the name of Jesus, she would not use the Bible as a textbook in teaching the children. This also is in a Christian daycare center."

ROBERTSON

"Everyone of those things is so unconstitutional it hurts you. Everyone of them is unconstitutional. The Constitution says Congress shall pass no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof. If the 14th Amendment makes this apply to the states, that is just absolutely on its face unconstitutional."

SILLS

"That's exactly what's happening. That's exactly right and they have absolutely denied the Constitution of the United States. One of the things they're doing and this is something that many Christians have a problem -- I'm a Baptist preacher so my, I'm doing all of this out of a selfish motive. I want to preach the Gospel of Christ -- crucified, risen and coming again. I believe that with all my heart for me to be able to do that. They're attacking the unpopular religions to set a precedent. And then in turn that boils over into my rights. There's a number of them and people -- the hair just rises on the back of their heads when they talk about the Moon issue. When Rev. Moon was jailed for what they called income tax evasion, he was not jailed for income tax evasion, he was jailed for filing a false tax form. He did not understand what was going on. I'm not trying to defend the issue, but the fact that it ended up that a precedent was set where through his conviction and jailing now all the churches are subject to being scrutinized through the tax department. Let me ask a question. Where in the name of heaven did the IRS ever get the right to tax the church? They do not have that right. I think that's something we ought to consider and work on from a

legislation standpoint."

ROBERTSON

"Ladies and gentlemen, you know we hear a great deal in the press about separation of church and state. And isn't it terrible religious people are getting involved in the political arena. But the truth is that historically it has been the government -- certainly in the Soviet Union and in communist China and other East block countries -- the government has encroached on the church to such a degree that the church is rendered impotent and made sort of an archaic relic of a past age. That's what is underway in this country and those who care about freedom should join with Dr. Sills and others to stand tall for the inalienable rights that all of us have enjoyed for so many years in this great country."

Public Education

Rebroadcast of a segment of the February 17, 1982, 700 Club, in which Samuel Blumenfeld, author of Is Public Education Necessary? appeared. Blumenfeld claims that the public education system in this country was never necessary. It was a philosophical movement, rather than an academic movement. In fact "...literacy was much higher in those days (before public education) than it is today."

BLUMENFELD

"...if Satan wanted to take control of the minds of the young people of this nation, where would he go -- to the schools...we've reached a point now where the goal of public education is basically to separate the youngster from God and to separate him from his parents. This produced terrorists, who then become Marxist terrorists, all due to denying children access to God in the educational system."

"...anti-Christian plan" has resulted in "an enormous number of functional illiterates."

"I simply think that the government ought to get out of education. We've got to have a separation of school and state in the same manner that we have separation of church and state...The government has perverted education...they (teachers) have proven to be in the vanguard of totalitarianism...Government controlled education will invariably lead to totalitarianism."

ROBERTSON

"That's the most damning indictment of the public education system I think I've ever heard, but it's absolutely true."

"...this is the clay of a dictatorship. Every dictator wants to get the schools under control to train the impressionable minds, Hitler, the Marxists...We've talked on this program about

revolution. You know it's time for people to rise up and take back their institutions, especially the institution of education...There are many, many wonderful teachers, principals, superintendents of schools who are trying to do a superb job and they're being hindered in every hand by court decisions and by arbitrary rulings that come upon them, and the time has come to strike for freedom."

700 CLUB 11-18-86

Accuracy in Academia

LES CSORBA, AIA

"A lot has changed on the college campuses, especially with regard to the faculty. As the country has moved rightward in the attitudes of the American people and especially the attitudes of students, the universities have moved massively to the left. Those radicals in the 60's and 70's who burned the American flag and draft cards, many of them obtained posts in the seventies and now are fortified by tenure and teaching on our college campuses. And as a result, when you have people like Adolfo Colero, the leader of the Nicaragua freedom fighters and you have the Kirkpatricks and the Weinbergers, those who attempt to defend American foreign policy on the college campuses, you have a tremendous friction on the campuses and as a result you have violence and sometimes disruptions as we've seen..."

"We have to remember, however, that those who are controlling the faculties, those who invite speakers on campuses, those who enforce the regulations are those who represent the left side of the political spectrum. And they're not punishing those people on the campuses who are violating the rights of others to speak freely. They're not enforcing the regulations. So we have a problem in the sense that those who are in control of academia are not defending the rights of those individuals to speak freely."

"So it's more serious than, say, the 60's or the 70's and it's also serious because we have groups like the ACLU and **PEOPLE FOR THE AMERICAN WAY** which condemn our organization and organizations like it for reporting on these things. But they are silent when it comes to some of these other people who may agree with them politically."

SODERMAN

"We are getting reports that students are becoming more conservative...why would the conservative platform be stifled?"

CSORBA

"Well, there is no doubt about it, students today are more career and family oriented. But the ones who are noisiest, on the college campuses, have consistently remained the violent militant

left -- people involved with organizations like the International Committee Against Racism and the Committee on Solidarity with the People of El Salvador."

"These are the people who are shouting and protesting the universities' investments in South Africa. We don't see the same type of thing from conservatives or even liberals protesting human rights violations in Soviet Block countries. So we're hearing from the noisy crowd the noisy ones on the college campuses, the ones who get unruly, who get violent and who misbehave and who violate the rights of others."

"It's in my opinion that the students on the campuses are not getting a true education with respect to the major issues today, especially with regard to South Africa and the Nicaragua issue. We're seeing a tremendous imbalance of college speaking invitations. You get very few invitations for those individuals who represent the right side of the political spectrum, and when they do happen to speak on the college campuses when Adolfo Colero is invited to Northwestern University, he can't even get a word in edgewise before a professor of that institution by the name of Barbara Foley runs up to the podium and yells in the microphone: "He has no right to speak here, he'll be lucky to get out of here alive." So it does affect the debate on the college campuses and it's the students who are being cheated of a true education."

SODERMAN

"What are the administrations doing about it or can they do anything?"

CSORBA

"They can do everything. There's currently regulations and penalties for those people who abuse these rights, but they're not enforcing the regulations, mainly because they are fearful that there will be additional violence. But what this is doing, it is encouraging the radicals to act again and again. And we need to encourage alumni, people who are overseers of these institutions to get angry and encourage the administrations to enforce these regulations and begin to punish these free speech abusers."

700 CLUB 11-26-86

PAT ROBERTSON

Iran/Nicaragua Connection

"Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North is a very wonderful man, he's a very loyal American, and he's a very loyal marine. He is intensely loyal to the President and I think he enjoyed the confidence of the President. And I cannot conceive that Oliver

North would have done anything unless under the direction of Admiral Poindexter, Admiral Poindexter would have done nothing unless under the direction of Donald Regan and I cannot believe that anything as sensitive as this would not have been fully briefed with the President."

"Now...you know, when I was down with the so-called contras, I talked to a source in Guatemala and I said, "Where are they getting their arms from?" 'Cause the contras wouldn't tell me. And he said, "As far as I'm concerned they're coming from Israel and South Africa." And the Israelis, who care about freedom, and after all this is an attempt to undermine a Communist dictatorship which is threatening our hemisphere. It's a noble thing to establish a democracy in our hemisphere. And the Israelis are under no strictures from our government and they are either giving or selling the arms to the contras, they are supplying them with Russian AK47 rifles, for example, and so the contras could go against the Sandinistas and when they would capture ammunition they would have compatible ammunition with their weapons."

"So that's where it was coming from, but Oliver North, Ollie North wouldn't have done anything except under orders. As you say, he's a lieutenant colonel."

"Well, I have information about [the Central America connection], as well. [The monetary figures are] nowhere near as high as it's been reported to be from what I can gather. And the reason Adolfo Colero has denied [the transactions] so vociferously is because people think he's stealing their money! Because there never was that kind of money coming out of there. They obviously are desperate for medicine, for arms, for supplies, for everything. But they didn't receive that kind of funds, from what I can gather."

"Well, you know, Nixon was guilty of subverting -- perjury, and also of trying to obstruct justice in what amounted to a criminal investigation. Mr. Reagan is not doing anything for personal power. He's trying to free Americans, which is what Americans wanted. He's trying to bring about the downfall of a Communist regime in our hemisphere that imperils the security of Central America and the United States. And we don't know even at this point, whether it was a violation of law."

"I mean, if you sell arms at a proper price to somebody and they in turn jack the figure up and add 20% to it, that's their business. And it certainly didn't break any Israeli law. Shimon Peres was in the Knesset today I understand, saying he was proud of what of what they have been doing, that they're proud to fight against Communism. He isn't backing down on it at all.

"So I wouldn't favor sending arms to the Iranians under any circumstances, I think it was a terrible mistake, but I think somehow along the way we cannot see a lieutenant colonel offered up as a sacrificial lamb, however a good soldier he may be, without somebody saying "why don't we just get to the heart of it and say who was involved. Surely, Weinberger must have been involved, Shultz must have known about it. They must have known

what was happening! And I think it was a bad call, somebody's judgement was not too good on this particular thing, but I don't think it's the quote scandal everybody's trying to make it. But it's going to hurt the President if we don't do something about it because it will just keep on, they'll just keep on peeling the layers and trying to dig and dig and dig, you know."

"Everybody's mad at Shultz -- you know, he let the President dangle for about ten days acting like he wasn't involved, and it was the President's fault. The President took responsibility, some days ago for making the negotiations with the Iranians, seemingly he doesn't know anything about this arms negotiation. We certainly hope not. But there's no question that when I talked to him, he was fully conversant with the negotiations to free our hostages and well he should have been. Because he was pressured by the American people: Free the Americans in Lebanon! And he's trying to do it. And that's commendable! And of course, he knew about it! And to say that he didn't is to assume that the National Security Council is totally out of control and that Reagan's an absentee President. And he's not. He's a good President. So, but there's no way that they can play public relations now, and say, "Well, we're going to give you Poindexter and North and we hope that will solve the wolves." It won't work. But in any case, that's a little insight into it. But you might be interested that Oliver North is a church-going Christian, a man who is a born-again Christian and a man who loves freedom and he's a very fine person and he's a good marine. All of those things. And he does what he's told, and he's a good soldier and I think that in this context he may be getting a bum rap. But that's the way big time politics in our world works, I suppose."

A STUDY IN THE WORD 11-5-86

Israel SWAGGART

"Right now the promises that God made to national Israel -- Israel herself is doing everything within her power to go in the opposite direction of those promises! I mean fighting God tooth, tiger and nail!"

On converting Jews:

"[What we're trying to do] is really to fulfill their identity, to bring it to completion because no man is fulfilled until he is fulfilled in Christ, no man is completed until he's completed in Christ."

A STUDY IN THE WORD 11-23-86

SWAGGART Secular Humanism

"The spirit of the age which has pervaded the church has put man at the center and God is on the periphery. That is humanism, which is secular -- of course, secular, there is no God, secular humanism. Christian humanism says, yes, there is a God but man is at the center, God is on the periphery. I want to say all that again. Secular humanism says there is not God, everything is designed toward man, man is the center. Christian humanism says, yes, there is a God, but man is still in the center, God is on the edge. It's backwards."

THE OLD TIME GOSPEL HOUR 11/2/86

FALWELL

On Resignation from Political Activity

"Seven years ago I did something I said I would never do. I got involved in politics. With all my heart I believed then that God had told me to do it. I've just spent the seven toughest years of my life, and recently I believe that God has spoken to me again, about my future, the future of this ministry, and since you are my friend, I want to share with you now what I believe God is saying to me. No I haven't heard any voices. I haven't had any visions. I clearly believe that God is leading me in a new direction and it affects you.

"The rumors are circulating fast and hard around this country today that Jerry Falwell has quit politics, he's retreated. He has moved back to Lynchburg, and he will no longer voice the morality of decency and righteousness in this country. My critics are saying that Jerry has been beaten up and he's not willing to take anymore and he's quit. I wrote a letter to a friend recently because my friend was asking me those very questions, and I think if I could read that letter to you, you might understand better what God is saying to me at this juncture in my ministry and life, about my future and what, what I should do."

"My dear friend:"

"During the 60's, the moral climate in America was in turmoil. Rebellion and moral permissiveness were the norm on our college campuses. Live-in arrangements were replacing the marriage bond. Homosexuality was becoming an acceptable alternate life-style. Pornography had become a multi-billion dollar industry. Unborn babies were being legally murdered at a rate of 1.5 million annually because of the 1973 Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court ruling, and it was this same Supreme Court which in 1962 had expelled God from our public schools. National pride was at an all-time low. Our people were ashamed to be called Americans. The drug epidemic was taking over the hearts and minds of our sons and daughters."

"It was at this time, about 13 years ago, when I was

conducting family devotion with my wife Maisell and our three children, Jerry, Jeannie and Jonathan. Jonathan was 7 years old at the time, the year was 1973. The abortion holocaust had begun. The nation was on its way to ruin. After our family devotions that night, I made a statement to my children which, really from my heart, was a sincere statement. I said, "Children, it is unlikely that you will grow up in the same free America that your mom and dad have enjoyed." ...I was only one preacher in a small town, Lynchburg, VA. Only one voice, and I could hardly change the direction of a nation...Finally, in my private prayer time the Lord, himself, I believe, said: "Falwell, do something about America's dilemma." I did not hear a voice, I had no vision, but I knew God had spoken. I knew the terrible price that Maisell, my wife, and Jerry, Jeannie and Jonathan would pay for my decision to get involved in the political, moral and social arena. But God had told me to do it, and in 1979 I organized the Moral Majority."

"It has been a tough seven years. This Thomas Road Baptist Church paid an awful price for my political involvement. The Old Time Gospel Hour and Liberty University have suffered greatly because of my involvement in the political, moral and social arena, and this ministry has been virtually destroyed financially because of my involvement. I've travelled 250,000 to 400,000 miles annually, speaking out on the moral cancers that are corrupting America. In 1980, I decided to take about 50 Liberty University students out to the people -- to speak to these issues. We decided to conduct campaigns on the capital steps of all 50 state capitols...(video clips of several of these speeches follow, the most interesting of which is: Harrisburg, PA `It is my conviction that America is God's appointed protector for the Jews.)

"And America began to listen. So did my critics. Organizations like Norman Lear's People for the American Way, the American Civil Liberties Union, the National Organization of Women, militant homosexuals, atheists, pornography kings, newspapers, magazines and television news people began to malign me, falsely accuse me and do everything possible to destroy my credibility, my ability to lead this ministry, raise funds for Liberty University and carry on the work of the Gospel. Everywhere I spoke the past seven years, virtually everywhere, militant homosexuals, atheists, God-haters, marched and demonstrated outside the meetings, shouted and even physically threatened my well-being. I have been physically assaulted on several occasions. I so well remember speaking at Will Rogers Coliseum at Ft. Worth, TX, when I was attacked from the audience (clip of a white substance thrown onto Falwell's suitcoat). Only God knows how tough it really was. I don't want to bore you with all of the physical and emotional pressures I have found myself under, but I don't regret a moment. America is worth it. Your children and mine are worth it, so I'm glad for the past seven years."

"Seven years have now passed, and not one moment of these

seven years have (sic) been wasted. Some wonderful things have begun to happen in America. Millions of religious conservatives have been registered to vote in the past 7 years. Thousands of pastors are now involved in political-social and moral issues. Twenty-five thousand retail stores have removed pornographic magazines from their shelves. We're only one vote away now from a pro-life U.S. Supreme court, thank God, and according to a recent Gallup poll, University students are among the most conservative members of the national electorate."

"Through these past 7 years...I've been involved in debates on national television and on various platforms. I've lectured on the university circuit, trying to turn America's young people around. I made appearances on many television shows, Donahue many times. Interviews, rallies, conferences, speaking engagements everywhere, and I suppose I have done literally hundreds of press interviews. It has been a back-breaking schedule. Much was accomplished during this time, but it began to take a toll on Jerry Falwell and on this ministry. My family has paid a terrible price, Liberty University has paid an awful price, Thomas Road Baptist Church has suffered because of my investment of the past 7 years of my life in attempting to save this nation. We right now do not have room for Liberty University to grow anymore. Unless we have a miracle, we'll turn away 2,000 students next year alone, here in America's fastest growing school."

"It slowly became obvious to me that I can no longer continue at this pace. So I'm here today to announce a change of emphasis in my ministry...I doubt that I have ever said anything in the Old Time Gospel Hour as important as what I'm about to say. And I realize what I'm about to say is gonna make headlines. You'll see it in the newspapers tomorrow, but I want you to hear it first. So now, it's from my heart to your heart."

OLD TIME GOSPEL HOUR 11-8-86

FALWELL Feminists

"The feminists don't like this one and God bless them, I understand their problem. Most of those who are leading NOW and the feminist groups -- they've been married to some Casper Milquetoast who wouldn't step on ants. And they have really been disappointed with men and so they hate men. But the most wonderful thing in the world for a woman is to be married to a Godly man who is following the Lord, who loves her and cares for her. He's not the dictator, he's the spiritual leader. I know Phil Donahue doesn't care for that. But that's what the Bible says. I suppose Malo doesn't care for it. And Betty Friedan doesn't care for it. And Gloria Steinem doesn't care for it."

I'm not trying to be unkind. I'm just saying that the general secular point of view is that nobody is going to tell me -- my husband is not going to lead me and so on, but if your husband is what he ought to be in subjection to the lordship of Christ, then the sweetest, most heavenly thing on this Earth is when that wife is likewise in subjection to the husband, and the children to the parents and there is unanimity, agreement -- prayerful agreement on every decision, so that it's leadership not dictatorship. And most women I know are looking for that kind of man."

OLD TIME GOSPEL HOUR 11-30-86

JERRY FALWELL

People For The American Way

"I picked up this newspaper this morning and Norman Lear's PEOPLE FOR THE AMERICAN WAY had released an article that went on the news service and the Lynchburg newspaper and many others just picked up the news service without adding to it or taking from it. PEOPLE FOR THE AMERICAN WAY, called PAW, that's Norman Lear's group. Tony Podesta, former staff member of Ted Kennedy's and Geraldine Ferraro's, and John Buchanan, a former Baptist preacher who left the ministry and became a Congressman and left that one not willingly and went to work for Mr. Lear, sort of are his flunkies and who lead the way for him. And they, in my opinion, are an anti-Christian organization. They write to the President of the United States, Mr. Lear does, and call him the Evangelist-in-Chief. That's a pejorative term as far as he's concerned; as far as I'm concerned it's a compliment. But attacking the preachers of the gospel, and they reported that in the November elections that fundamentalists were doing erratic things out there, saying bad things, writing terrible letters. And picked out some incidents that would symbolize what in the opinion -- what Lear wants the whole nation to think is how Christians act totally. Then they quoted Jerry Falwell as saying something about Governor Celeste in Ohio, which was an outright lie, I never did, but there will be nobody who will have time to correct that or check it out. Our newspaper carried an article by someone else that commented on Governor Celeste but I've never commented, don't know him, had nothing to do with the gubernatorial race there, and whatever. But the story is just dropped in as though it were the gospel, all the papers pick it up and that's the deceitful and dishonest way Mr. Lear and PEOPLE FOR THE AMERICAN WAY work. Their idea is to put Christians down."

"But we get attacked like that everyday. As long as there is a Norman Lear, an ACLU, an NEA, a NOW, a Planned Parenthood, a liberal publisher of a newspaper, or a liberal newsman on a network, or a liberal politician, as long as those social engineers are out there, they are criticizing you and everybody else who names the name of Christ. Their controversy is with the Lord, your Lord, not you. But the question is how does God allow

this to happen, how does God allow his people to be beaten up on by people who are unfair and dishonest, that kind of thing."

CORAL RIDGE MINISTRIES 11-9-86

Pornography

JAMES DOBSON, the Attorney General's Commission on Pornography:

"The first Commission was appointed by Lyndon Johnson in 1967. It was extremely liberal Commission -- he appointed an ACLU member as the Chairman. And in 1970 they brought in just a complete white-wash for a report...And yet it had a profound impact on the whole world."

"There is no interest in this country in enforcing the criminal laws that are on the books with regard to obscenity."

KENNEDY

"This lack of understanding -- which allows many people to suppose that Playboy represents hard-core pornography, this lack of understanding enables pornographers and their supporters to confuse many people about the issue of pornography."

DOBSON

"Most Christians especially have no idea of what pornography is really all about. They think that it consists of all nudity in Playboy magazine. Well, that's pornographic, but if you go into sex shops on Times Square in New York or in Chicago or Houston or other cities in this country, you will find almost no examples of normal heterosexual behavior...(Gives examples) you find stuff I can't even say to you and the American people don't know that and the press doesn't want us to know that. And they hide that fact from us...You see them, but the focus is on so-called soft-core pornography because they know that the American people don't feel as strongly about Playboy and Penthouse and Forum as they would if they really knew what was being sold. The degradation of women and utter, complete filth and debauchery. If people knew that they would rise up in wrath and demand that the criminal laws that are on the books be enforced but they don't know that and the American press won't tell them that. And so they make them think that our report represented a return to some kind of Victorian sexuality and repression. That's what they want people to think. That we're about to take Playboy magazine away from people. Well, Playboy magazine has been taken off shelves, largely because the customers are demanding it and because Southland corporation chose to do that. Not because that's all our Commission put its emphasis on, we put it on material that is clearly illegal. The First Amendment does not protect it."

KENNEDY

"As an indicator of the secular response to the Attorney General's Commission on July 21, Time magazine put out an issue headed "Sex Busters." The picture of men waving Bibles, holding up there scissors and stamps saying "Censored." Showing their attitude toward pornography."

CORAL RIDGE MINISTRIES 11-30-86

KENNEDY

Christian America

"Today I would like for us to remember the greatest hero who has fought for the freedom of America, who has fought to establish this Christian land where God may be worshipped in spirit and in truth, where the gospel may be proclaimed freely and Christ may be adored and His Kingdom advanced. That, of course, was the reason that the pilgrims came into this nation to advance the gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and many other such statements as these which shine in the documents they have left to us. But who is the greatest hero who fought so valiantly for the freedom and the Christian faith of this nation? That one, I'm sure, is none other than God himself, whose invisible hand has too often been forgotten on this day."

"George Washington, in 1778, wrote a letter to a friend in which he said that "the Providence of God has been so conspicuous in all of this that he must be worse than an infidel who has no faith and worse than wicked who will not acknowledge his obligation of gratitude to God." Today we would remember Him who has brought us to this free land and enabled us to gather here to worship Him."

"God established in this land a nation in his Providence, a nation which was unique in the history of the world, for the first time in the history of mankind there was religious liberty; religious intolerance or religious tolerance had been the picture before, but both of these were unacceptable for the first time in the history of this planet religious liberty was established...a nation which was founded by the Pilgrims and the Puritans that came with an evangelical Christianity where the Bible was believed and the gospel was preached...it was even a sort of Christian nation where the gospel was proclaimed, it was an evangelical nation. "

Education/Censorship

"...one of the great tragedies of our times. We often hear it said that religious people are trying to censor textbooks. The truth is there is tremendous censorship which has been going on for years and it's the religious people who are the censored,

not the censors. Dr. Paul Vitz, a psychologist from New York University, part of a blue-ribbon panel selected by the National Institute for Education to study some 60 popular history and social studies textbooks in the United States, and he discovered -- their committee discovered -- that there is a very strong bias and censorship against religion in this country. Almost nothing is mentioned about religion for the past 100 years."

CLIP OF PAUL VITZ

"I directed a study funded by the United States government in which we looked at, very carefully, a representative sample of American public school textbooks. In particular, we looked at 60 social study textbooks, grades 1-6; we looked at basal readers, that is, books used to teach reading, grades 3 and 6; and we looked at a good sample of American high school history books."

"Essentially, what we found is that religion is left out of American life, particularly in the last one hundred to two hundred year period. There are a number of really enlightening and very interesting and specific examples. One book, for example, had thirty pages on the life of the Pilgrims; for most people, the Pilgrims means religion, it means Thanksgiving, or at least Thanksgiving means religion, but not for this book and not for other books as well. The thirty pages didn't refer to any religious aspect in the life of the Pilgrims and when it came time for Thanksgiving all it said was that they gave thanks but it didn't say to whom. In fact, one boy who was in a classroom where the books are being used, came home and told his mother that Thanksgiving was when they gave thanks to the Indians. But of course, we all know that's ridiculous. We know that the Pilgrims were a deeply religious people, that they came to America not just for religious freedom but they came here to bring their religion, to bring the gospel and we also know that at Thanksgiving they thanked God for having survived the first year and everyone knows this. Or so we think. "But these books are not passing this knowledge on to the next generation. There are no prayers, nobody prays in American life, nobody goes to church, I mean, it's one of the most common things people do, and yet there's no representation of that or any prayer, an actual words to a prayer, but there are occasional prayers in the sections of these books that dealt with the American Indian. So that you could pray to the Earth Mother or to the corn god or pray for rain or something of that kind. So when it comes to other cultures, including, occasionally, foreign countries, religion was much more clearly represented than when it was a description of here.

"In addition to this absence of religion, there are two other things that are surprising and disturbing. We found that the family and traditional values are very much negated. For example, marriage was not mentioned in the

social studies textbooks the word "marriage," the word "wedding," didn't occur. The word "husband," the word "wife" didn't occur. There was not appreciation at all of the traditional family and no statement that marriage, for example, is the foundation of the family, at least for millions of Americans. The educational establishment in this country, I think, is really very much out of touch with the great mainstream of American beliefs and American values. Lots of studies have shown that the leaders in education are far more secular, that is, far less religious and far more liberal than the average American. And because of that, I think, why these books and the curricula here in this university and many other places throughout the country is so secular and tends to be so liberal.

"But there's a problem. We have millions of taxpayers paying for a system of education practiced in the public schools. That's system neglects or precludes or even denies their values and their religious concerns. The major alternative for people who are aware of the bias in our education as exemplified by the textbooks which leave out so much, the major alternative for them, I believe is to move toward private schools, religious schools, or perhaps even a private educational philosophy. The public schools are not what they were thirty or forty years ago. They have changed! Like everything else in our society, they have changed. And I believe they have changed very much for the worse. And this isn't just my personal opinion, many people have documented it, the public schools have lost control of the kids in many ways. They can no longer pass on just simple reading, writing and arithmetic, they can't do it nearly as well as they once did. Discipline and values have eroded and people know this. And now we're understanding more and more about what's happened to the content of education. The western tradition isn't being passed on, our religious values, our religious heritage is not being passed on. The past is your anchor, the past is your reference point. If our children don't understand our religious heritage, the Christian values and world view, if they don't understand that, they don't understand our culture, they don't understand our history and our heritage and if that is not passed on, our culture is essentially one without a memory."

KENNEDY

"I believe that Dr. Vitz and the committee appointed by the National Institute for Education have indeed ripped the cover off of a tremendous censorship that has been taking place for years in our schools. And they have shown the bias, which he describes as almost a paranoia, on the part of some writers and publishers against practicing evangelical Christians. It is your