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Note: Robertson was present at only a handful of shows this month.

**The 700 Club
August 3, 1992**

NEWS

- President Bush is under fire from conservatives.
- Governor Clinton is accused of godlessness by Baptist minister.
- U.S. troops are in Kuwait for training mission.
- Report on the latest discovery in sex crimes: kids against other kids. The report lays a significant amount of blame on the media, and includes an interview with Michael Schwartz of the Free Congress Foundation. Following is Ben Kinchlow's analysis of the problem.

Ben Kinchlow

"The Bible -- interestingly enough -- talked about a time when Israel went into the land it was taking over, and people didn't understand why God said when you go in there, he said clean out the land. 'Kill everybody, including the children.' People say, 'well, that's horrible.' The reason being, children learn -- from ages about three to five -- most of the things that will shape their lives the rest of the way up. If their lives are warped in violence and sexual areas, then from then on they will only get worse. That's how human nature works."

FEATURES

- Woman who was molested in childhood finds love through the 700 Club.
- Olympic track athletes have Christ in their lives.
- Interview with Keith Fournier of the American Center for Law and Justice.

Keith Fournier

"There is a wholesale demonic attack on the family because the family is God's idea, God's plan."

- Phone poll: Should Bush keep Quayle? Eighty-five percent say yes.
- "Parentbanc", a game to teach kids about money.

**Old Time Gospel Hour
August 23, 1992**

Falwell began his series on the Christian family in the 21st

century by naming "godless fathers" as America's primary social problem. He outlined five categories of problems created by godless fathers.

1. Drugs, teen pregnancy, and crime;
2. Abortion;
3. Pornography;

"The absence of godly fathers is the major cause of America's pornography problem. Oh, and we have a pornography problem. So many families and homes [sic] being ripped apart because of the pornography problem in the home and the life, usually of the daddies."

4. The "homosexual" problem;

"The absence of godly fathers is the major cause of America's homosexuality problem. I do not believe that children are born with their perverted sexual orientation. I believe it is learned, and I believe that primarily ungodly fathers communicate the problem, cause the problem. By the way, I do not believe that 10% of all Americans are homosexual. The number is something less than 1%. It's still a major problem, but nowhere near the proportions that the gay lobby would want to propose."

5. The poor academic standing of America's youth.

Falwell also offered three remedies to these problems:

1. Godly fathers must teach their children.

"I'm glad for mothers who have said 'I don't have anybody to help me, I'll just have to do it myself,' and I believe God honors and blesses them and gives them strength beyond their own. But that is not God's ideal plan. God's ideal plan, Dad, is **you** are to be the spiritual leader in that home."

2. Godly fathers must love their children.

"Clarence Darrow, the pagan attorney who debated William Jennings Bryan on the evolution issue."

"I do believe that -- although the sociologists laugh at this -- that many, many homosexual boys grew up as homosexuals because of husbands who are not godly spiritual leaders and where the domineering wife is there, and the boy is taught to hate women. He's taught to despise that obnoxious and overbearing attitude that he has seen. And the reason is not so much the wife as the daddy who did not

take the bull by the horns and say, 'I am the spiritual leader here.'"

3. Godly fathers must lead their children.

"Dad, it's your duty to be the first one up on Sunday morning. It's your duty on Saturday night to tell everybody, 'get your clothes all ready, now let's get your things in order, we're going to be on time for Sunday school tomorrow. We're going to be in church tomorrow. We're going to be in our place. And I, your father, your husband -- dear wife -- I am going to do it 52 weeks a year.'"

"Wilt Chamberlain had sex with 20,000 women. He ought to be in a cage. Animals do that. He ought to be in a cage."

"Jack Kemp and I were having lunch two weeks ago, and Jack said that somebody asked him in a press conference, 'suppose your daughter is thirteen years old, she is raped, and she is pregnant?'... He got home, he said to his wife Joanne, 'Joanne, we have girls, what's the answer?' And she said, 'Why kill the baby? The baby didn't do anything wrong.'"

His sermon is followed by fundraising for Liberty University.

**Old Time Gospel Hour
August 30, 1992**

The sermon is the second part of Falwell's series on the Christian family. In this discussion he offers seven definitions regarding the family.

1. The Christian family begins when a man and woman are bound in matrimony.
2. Fornication does not constitute marriage.
3. A homosexual union does not constitute marriage.
4. A traditional family may **or** may not have kids, and a husband and wife may **or** may not have children; any of these options still constitute a traditional family.

"So the answer is that three-quarters to 80% of American people want to stop all abortion on demand and convenience abortions and allow abortions only in the case of rape, incest, and the physical life of the mother. So watch the pollsters. When you read these polls they never tell you what the question was, because they want to fool you and lie to you, and that is the very nature of the devil and the people who represent him, the baby killers. They're liars."

5. Sex outside of marriage is wrong under all circumstances.
6. God's ideal for the family is one man for one woman for one lifetime.
7. God's grace and God's forgiveness allows for the second chance.

Falwell offers five assertions regarding the Christian family.

1. It is extremely important to save the family.
2. Serious illnesses affect the family (divorce, illegitimacy, etc.).
3. There exists a "triple-whammy" for the family.
 - A. Increasing numbers of unmarried couples live together.
 - B. Many young adults are postponing marriage to a later date.
 - C. Nearly half of all marriages end in divorce.

"And I want to tell you that [sic] television industry now is [sic] at an all-out assault to normalize homosexuality as an acceptable lifestyle in our country. And anyone who doesn't agree with that is immediately labeled a bigot and a homophobic and so forth. But any way you cut it or slice it, God hasn't changed his mind. Homosexuality is moral perversion and is wrong."

"Feminism. Oh, what a terrible disease is feminism, that denies everything that the Bible teaches about the family."

"Much of what the cultural elite is accomplishing today is the pervasive influence of anti-family values. The cultural elite are the television producers and directors in all of the networks who are not presenting life the way it really is in America, but the way they would like it to be because they live that way."

"The liberals and the feminists and the abortionists. I want to tell you that that's the cultural elite. That's who they are."

4. The Christian family must be reestablished.

"A Christian man is obligated to be the ultimate decision-maker in the home. No wonder a lot of gals try and take the word 'obey' out of the marriage vow. I have that happen three or four times a year.

'Now preacher, I've written my own little thing here.'
And so I say, 'what, did you leave the word 'obey'

out?'

'Well, how'd you know that?'

And, I said, 'I knew that. Well, why don't you get somebody else to marry you.' And, 'I can't change the Bible to accommodate you.' And, 'if you marry some old pussy- footer who'll let you get by with that, he deserves you.'

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"Most men in the throes of a mid-life crisis are long-term workaholics."