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When God Builds the Home



By T. M. Dinkins

Good things happen when God builds the home. The husband is faithful and his wife feels secure. Their children are happy because they see God's love on display in the lives of their parents. The storms of life and the deluge of the world constantly rain down against the Christian home, but if the father and mother have committed their lives and their home to the Lord, then God's word promises that the house will stand (Psalm 127).

The peaceful home is such a contrast to the chaos and confusion of homes that have been built without God's help. Homes built with a human foundation will not please God. They will falter with the earthquakes of life. They will shift with the changes in society. They will often be damaged either by external pressure or from within. As the book of Proverbs says, "The wisest of women builds her house, but folly with her own hands tears it down." (14:1)

The beautiful reality of the Christian home is that the goodness of God is able to overcome human weakness and frailty. No one is perfect, but our heavenly Father certainly is. In fact, the grace and mercy of God can be put on display even more powerfully when people see the difference between a home that relies on human strength and one that is built upon the wisdom and truth of God.

There are many such families that exist right here in Kings county. One of them was kind enough to share their testimony of how God has guided their family. The

following interview is proof of how God can bring blessing and rest to those who seek to apply the principles of Scripture to family life in the modern world.

Psalm 127:3 says, "Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth." Can you explain some of the ways you have seen this passage proved true for you and your wife?

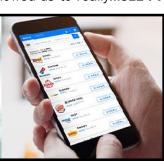
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Christ & Common Sense The Need for Godly Fathers



Pastor Tim Dinkins

I remember being amazed at my dad when I was growing up. We were sitting around the breakfast table having our daily devotion before going to school. Like usual, one of us would read a passage and then we would discuss it. I remember being surprised because my dad seemed to have every passage memorized. It didn't matter what the topic was, he was familiar with the passage and could often quote a verse that was connected with it. That made a big impact on me because I realized the Bible was important enough for my dad to memorize and put to use in every aspect of his life. My trust in God's word deepened and my faith in God grew because of the example of my father.

The Bible speaks highly of fathers and their role of raising children in the "discipline and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4) The book of Proverbs is full of encouragement for the younger generation to learn from their fathers and mothers. The very first chapter starts with these words, "Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck." (1:8) Children who wear the biblical advice of their parents will be protected from many of the traps and tragedies of this life.

A father's love for his children means he will be willing to warn them of the danger of disobedience. Proverbs 4:1 says, "Hear, O sons, a father's instruction, and be attentive, that you may gain insight... Hear, my son, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many." Those who reject their father's advice will fall into temptation and trials. They will have their life cut short by the folly of their decisions. Proverbs 6:23 says, "For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light, and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life." That last phrase gives the biblical perspective on a father's loving discipline. He is to warn his children so that they will walk in the way

The need for loving fathers is closely tied to the need for discipline. This is not a man-made convention that was imposed on patriarchal societies as they evolved over time. No, the need for loving discipline is actually tied to the character of God. Proverbs 3:11-12 says, "My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights." This principle of loving discipline is important for fathers and their children to grasp. Some parents seem to believe that love has no place for discipline. The Bible teaches the opposite. It actually teaches that a loving parent is the one who is willing to discipline their

The author of Hebrews quoted from Proverbs when he wrote, "It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline?... We have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems

painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." (Hebrews 12:7-11)

The need for loving discipline is a key part of being a good father because the Biblical model of fatherhood comes from our heavenly Father.

He is the perfect Father who always does what is best for his children. He is the good Father who lovingly warns his children and disciplines them so they will walk in the path of life.

Being a good father is not an easy job in our society because there are

many different models and philosophies being touted as acceptable ways of being a father. The Christian father does not need to be confused. The model he needs to pursue is that of our Heavenly Father. He is the perfect father who loves his children. God is the loving father who encourages and teaches his children who He is and how they are to live.

Tim Dinkins is grateful to be the husband of his wonderful wife and the father of four children.

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By: Dennis Cox CEO of Planet Solar

Summer is upon us, and with it comes longer days, warmer weather, and the perfect opportunity to make the switch to solar energy. As the CEO of Planet Solar, I'm excited to share why now is the best time to add a solar installation to your summer projects and start reaping the numerous benefits of going solar.

WHY SUMMER IS IDEAL FOR SOLAR INSTALLATION

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get-go. By installing solar panels at the start of summer, you ensure they are in place to take full advantage of these peak sunlight months.

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Right now, there's a unique window of opportunity with shorter waiting periods for solar installations. However, once those summer utility bills start rolling in, we anticipate a surge in demand as homeowners and businesses see the stark contrast between their energy costs and the

potential savings with solar. Beat the rush and secure your installation slot now.

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Summer is a time of growth, energy, and new beginnings. There's no better season to invest in solar energy and enjoy the multitude of benefits it offers. Don't wait until the summer heat drives up your energy bills—make the smart choice and go solar today!

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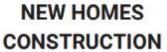
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Protecting a Critical, Oft Ignored Right



There is a particular right that is so fundamental, so at the core of who we are as a people, that you won't find it listed among our Bill of Rights – although the government has acknowledged it. In fact for over a century the U.S. Supreme Court has recognized it.



Simply stated, it is this: the traditional role of parents in directing the care, custody, and control of their minor children is sacrosanct.

In Wisconsin v. Yoder our Supreme Court declared that parental rights have been "established beyond debate as an enduring American tradition." 406 US 205, 232 (1972). Protecting the traditional role of parents is key to keeping children safe and healthy. Sadly, parental rights are now under attack across this great land of ours. But as has been the case throughout history, when liberty comes under attack Americans rise up in response. So it is here. So it is for an organization called Moms for Liberty.

For those who may not be aware, Moms for Liberty is a national grass roots 501(c)(4) organization whose focus remains chiefly on protecting parental rights at all levels of government. That in and of itself is a very large and complex task, especially given the current political climate and the fact that those on the far left of the po-

litical spectrum seem intent on driving a wedge between children and their parents, the goal seemingly being the removal of objective truth, the elimination of morality and biblical teaching, the subversion of the American family, and the ruination of American society as a whole. Moms is providing pushback against these activities.

In addition to organizing, unifying, educating, and empowering parents to look after their God given parental rights, Moms engages in several important areas. The group works to hold elected officials accountable to the citizens they work for. It also provides support to liberty minded individuals who wish to run for office, monitors legislative efforts (both those supporting and those assailing our liberties), and educates folks on the proper constrained role of government, the rich and amazing history of the American republic, the thinking of the founding fathers, and the principles of liberty upon which our republic is established.

Through meetings known as Madison Meetups, Moms is helping to re-connect Americans to their founding documents, the Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

Notice that the name Moms for Liberty is a bit of a misgnomer. The brand sprang from the fact that the group's two main founders, Tiffany Justice and Tina Descovich, were mothers functioning as board members within their respective Florida school boards. Having witnessed first hand the types of policies that were being introduced into the school system and the fact that those policies were not aligning with the fundamental understanding that it is parents who remain responsible for raising and educating their children, the two ladies decided to team up and create an organization dedicated to protecting the rights of parents.

So yes, it is the moms that got the ball rolling, and yes, a good many moms continue to be actively engaged in the group's activities. But Moms for Liberty now involves moms and dads, aunts and uncles, brothers and sister, cousins and friends. Absolutely anyone interested in protecting fundamental liberties and safeguarding the well being of students and families is welcome to join with Moms for Liberty. You needn't be a mom (or even a woman, for that matter). As the group likes to say, we are seeking of joyful wariors. Given the explosive rate of growth enjoyed by the group, people across the country appear to recognize the need for what Moms for Liberty offers. Now completing its second year of operation, Moms now has over one hundred thousand members working within 250 county chapters throughout the United States. (There is a presence in all but eight states.

Yours truly functions as the chapter chair for the recently established Santa Clara County chapter here in California. Please visit us online at momsforlibertysantaclara.com). I wish to leave you, dear reader, with a final thought. The importance of education and an understanding of the biblical principles which undergird our system of governance cannot be overstated. Today's youth are being led astray by an education system

whose objective seems more indoctrination than learning. It is time we return to the original purpose of education, namely the instilling of principles and virtue within our children. That is what has gone missing. That is what needs restoring.

The truths expressed by the founders remain as touchstones for Americans today who wish to see to it that a healthy republic is passed on to future generations. Here are but a few of those expressed truths.

"I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves, (A)nd if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their discretion by education. This is the true corrective of abuses of constitutional power."

Thomas Jefferson

"It is the duty of parents to maintain their children decently, and according to their circumstances; to protect them according to the dictates of prudence; and to educate them according to the suggestions of a judicious and zealous regard for their usefulness, their respectability and happiness." - James Wilson, Lectures on Law, 1791

"For avoiding the extremes of despotism or anarchy . . . the only ground of hope must be on the morals of the people. I believe that religion is the only solid base of morals and that morals are the only possible support of free governments. Therefore education should teach the precepts of religion and the duties of man towards God." - Governor Morris, Penman and Signer of the Constitution.



Believers in Business

Eva Martella - Owner of Do-Re-Mi Music Hub

How long have you been in business?

The business started in December, 2019. We were able to rent a great facility here in Hanford. Our second story music center is located at 544 11th Avenue, next to Castle Thrift Store. Just look for the staircase to come up to our music hub.

Why did you start the Music Hub?

When we moved here in 2019, I was looking for a music class for my younger kids and there was nothing available. The closest one I found was in Fresno. We moved here from the East coast and I was used to bringing my children to music class. I could tell there was a need. I did the training for younger kids because my training in University had been for older kids. I did a training for younger kids at Kindermusik University. I was already doing private piano lessons at home. I added music lessons for the little kids and the moms who wanted to do Mommy and Me with the little ones.

Can you tell me about your facility?

We offer music lessons from new-born and up. This starts with Mommy and me classes. Kinder music curriculum goes up to 7 years old. We also have group classes in piano, voice, and guitar. We have private lessons in piano, voice, cello, violin, and guitar.

How many students do you have?

We have over eighty students. We just added a new teacher to meet the need. I prayed for fifty students and God has been blessing us with more.

Tell me about your family:

I am happily married for twelve years and we have four children, three girls and one boy. My oldest daughter plays many instruments including piano, cello, violin and ukulele. My younger two daughters play the violin and my son sings. All our children sing.

Is there a verse from the Bible that inspires you in your daily work?

Philippians 4:13 helped me a lot. It describes how the apostle Paul was able to endure hardship for Christ. He wrote, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." I came to America in 2008 and I enrolled at Michigan University. At the time, I had no friends and family. It was a difficult time. There are a lot of challenges to being a minority who moved from a warm climate to a cold climate. I was walking by faith. Another verse that has helped me is Matthew 7:7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." That is my car license plate holder. Those two verses are always in my pocket, ready to be used.



What's one way you've seen God use your business to bless other people?

When I came here to Hanford, I noticed that there was a shortage of church pianists and one of my visions was to help church musicians grow in the community. Whenever I interview someone for the job I tell them our goal is to spread the Good News and bring everyone to heaven.

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Curtis & Amanda Edmondson

...see how God feels about children from His Word. The Lord has changed how we view our children. After being saved by the grace of Christ, we had four more children and today, we see them as rewards and gifts from the gracious hand of God.

Many people today have concerns about having larger families. Did you ever have concerns and if so how were they overcome?

We decided to trust The Lord with our womb. That doesn't mean that we didn't plan our finances or carefully consider the impact of children on our family, but trusting God's plan for us was more appealing than trying to figure it out on our own. Who declines rewards from the mighty hand of God?

How do you manage the finances of a larger family in today's difficult economy?

We are careful to budget and save everywhere we can. We don't go out often and enjoy eating at home. We decided to have my wife stay home and homeschool our children, so we do it all on one income. It's a great sacrifice! We trust The Lord to provide and month after month, He gives all we need. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Why have you chosen to have the husband of your home be the primary financial provider? Titus 2:3-5 says "that women should be the keepers of the home so God's Word isn't reviled".

We absolutely love having my wife available to care for our children, to teach them and raise them well. It's nice that she's available to take care of the things that need to happen at home.

How does placing a high priority on the importance of your family help you make decisions in the complicated context of the modern world?

Putting our family first makes decisions much easier. Prioritizing having my wife at home and homeschooling our children, makes decision-making simpler. Many things are off the table for us, but these decisions have, in turn, opened up worlds of possibilities for our family. It's been a great exchange.

What are some ways that you and your wife foster a strong marriage

with a large family?

The Kings County

Date Night!! Having lots of time together helps us to maintain a strong marriage. Our nightly family worship time is of great importance to us. We are usually reading through a Christian marriage book together. We laugh a lot together and do everything together that we possibly can. It's a lot of fun!

What role does your local church play in the life of your family?

Our church utilizes the Answers in Genesis Sunday School curriculum, which teaches the children the same thing the adults are learning. This helps us to have great conversations through the week. My wife leads the children through a correlating daily morning devotional that goes over the concepts from that previous Sunday to really cement what we're learning.

Why did you choose to educate your children at home?

Even if the government schools had everything right, we would still homeschool. We feel it's our duty and honor before The Lord to take the principles of Deuteronomy 6:6-7 seriously and teach our own children the most important things of this life, like the training and instruction of The Lord. We're incredibly blessed by the amount of time we have together and getting to work on character issues together and consistent discipleship.

A difficulty about homeschooling is that sports opportunities aren't as plentiful as we'd like. We have so many educational and extracurricular opportunities that we often have to say, "no" in order to spend more time together at home.

Our recommendation to families considering homeschooling in Kings County would be that you don't need to partner with the government to educate your children! Private homeschooling in California is surprisingly easy! This means you'll be able to teach your children with Christ at the center, answering only to your spouse and God, and not be beholden to the state whatsoever. So much freedom! Find a good community of like-minded families for support, play and learning! We highly recommend Classical Conversations in particular. You'll never regret the decision to have your children home with you.

How does trusting in the sovereignty of God help you have peace as you raise your children?

Having to give up imagined control over our children's future while raising them and submitting to the sovereignty of God with our children has been tough but a very rewarding experience. Our oldest child is serving in the US Air Force and letting him go was the hardest, most amazing experience. I don't expect the next five times to be any easier, or any less amazing.



Faith in ACTION

Men's Kings County Christian Softball League - Jason Day (Board advisor).

How long have you been involved with the Kings County Christian Softball League and why are you a part of it?

I've been in the league for eight years. It is an awesome ministry that brings men closer to Jesus. We have prayer before each game, we have a devotion after the game and we fellowship in a competitive environment. We have teams come from Kingsburg, Visalia, Fresno, and other places in the valley to play in our league. One of the unique parts of the league is it allows us to be a light in the community. The league also allows us to fellowship with many other men from other churches. We play at the same time and place as the city league teams and the Hanford youth softball teams. The community gets to watch 40 men on a softball field praying together, it draws some attention.

How did the league get started? How many people have been a part of it in the past?

In the summer of 2010 Frank Carbajal Sr. of Oasis Church, who is also our founder, collaborated with Ken McMillian of Armona Central Church to form the ministry and league. The first season there were five teams Koinonia, Armona Central, Oasis, and Glad Tidings. The list of other churches that have had teams in the league are Light House, Lakeside, Christian Reform, New Testament, Amazing Grace, Grace of the Valley, Bridge Community, New Anointing, Armona Academy, Bright Light, Glad Tidings, South Valley, and Living Word. I apologize publicly if I left anyone out.

The league was recently restructured. What can you tell me about that?

Yes the board got restructured this season. Aaron Johnson, the former president of ten years had several health issues he needed to address. He had to step down but he still helps me advise the board. Armona Central led by Pastor Ken McMillan and Rick Badillo, who shouldered much of the responsibility of the league for many years, also had to step down from the board due to other ministry obligations. We are in the process of putting our new board together. The current board members are Pastor Wilbert Keel (Bright Light), Arnie Garza (New Testament), Danny Flores (Koinonia), David Nelson (New Testament), Cody Swaim (First Baptist), and our league president Joe Lemos (St. Bridget).

How is the community involved in the league? Where are the games played and on what nights of the week?

We play Monday nights between 6-9pm at the Hanford sports complex, which is located at 1226 Centennial Dr. There are city league games and youth games going on at the same time as our games on other fields. We try to hold a high standard on the field, so no foul language or arguing will be heard at our games. We have a very family-friendly environment and try to be a light in the community. Many of our children have grown up Monday nights at the softball field. We also allow 3 nonbelievers on each team. We are a ministry in pursuit of leading men closer to Jesus.



What have been some of the highlights from the spring league? When will the summer league start?

The spring league has been a rebuilding season for the league and a blessing. The league almost shut down prior to the season but at the last minute I agreed to take over responsibility and work with Arron Johnson to form a new board. I have experience running a board so I agreed to be an advisor and help keep the league going. I didn't want to see such an amazing ministry shut down. Arron Johnson, Frank Carbajal, Pastor Ken McMillan, Rick Badillo and many others put a lot of work into creating a fruitful ministry. We are now trying to honor what they have built and continue on that path.

Summer league starts July 8th and it will be a 10 week season. You can register with Hanford Parks and Recreation 321 N. Douty in Hanford. Make sure to mention it is for the men's church league. Registration deadline is June 30th. We would love to see some new faces and continue to grow so please come out and join us. You can also contact me at Jasonday@ourheroesdreams.org Is

there a passage of Scripture that guides the leaders and players in the league?

1 John 1:3 "That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ."

1 John 5:21 says, "Keep yourselves from idols." How would you recommend making sure sports do not become an idol in people's lives?

This is a great question. I think many times we are unaware of the idols we can create in our lives. When I was vounger. I would check the NFL schedule as soon as it came out to make sure I wasn't going to miss any good games on Sunday because of church. That is definitely not the correct order and can create a false idol. I think putting things in the correct order helps. Its ok to like sports just make sure Jesus is much higher on the priority list. Jesus comes first everything else is after him. As we draw closer to Jesus some of those things that seemed so important start to fade away and disappear.



Student Spotlight Abigail Salyer - Miss Kings County 2024

Can you tell me about your family?

My dad and mom (Steve and Tonia) have been married for over twenty years. My dad grew up here and my mom moved here from San Jose. They raised me and my brother here in Kings County our whole lives. I have been involved in sports and dance for many years.

When did you start being involved in the Miss Kings County Organization?

I started off in the "Little Miss" program when I was eight years old. I competed as a teen title holder when I was fourteen and I was crowned Miss Kings County on February 17th, 2024.

What can you tell me about the Miss Kings County organization?

The mission is to advance the creation, promotion, and support of educational achievement and community service opportunities. Those that want to have an oppor-

tunity to win scholarships go through a competition phase. The competition includes an onstage question time, health and fitness, a talent showcase, and an evening wear presentation. The organization really values modesty and not just external beauty. The interview is the largest part of the score. The judges want to see your character and what you stand for and not just how you look.

How does the competition help students?

It provides us with leadership skills, interview skills, public speaking, and scholarship money to pursue a higher education. All participants are required to have a community initiative. Mine is lung cancer awareness and this a personal issue for me because I just lost my grandfather to lung cancer. I am raising awareness about the Low Dose CT scan, which many people don't even know is an option.

What ways do you give back to the community?

I volunteer in many different areas. Most recently, I have been volunteering with the Cinderella project in Hanford. We give out free prom dresses to students in Kings County. We started a team with the Alzheimer's association and we will be participating in our "Walk to End Alzheimers" in October. I helped raise money for Relay for Life, which is for cancer research.

How long have you been going to Lakeside Community Church?

I'm a 5th generation member. My great great grandmother, Pearl Church was the first one in our family to attend Lakeside church when it was first established in 1947. I always went to the VBS summer programs and our whole family would go to Hartland Christian Camp.

Proverbs 31 says "a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised." How important is your relationship with God in how you live your life?

It is the most important thing to me. I feel like I lean on God so much. Without God I wouldn't be where I am. He provides me with all these opportunities. The bible says "every good gift comes from above" and that is exactly how I feel.



Miss California is coming up in June in Visalia. What are you looking forward to about that level of the competition?

I am really looking forward to all the amazing young women I am going to meet throughout the state. This program really is a sisterhood. I want to learn about their community service initiatives and spreading awareness about my CSI, which is lung cancer awareness, "Lung Cancer Awareness, saved by the scan."



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Pastor Orris and his wife Karen Whitley

How long have you been serving as a pastor here in Kings County and can you tell us about the history of Mt. Olive Baptist Church?

Mt. Olive Baptist Church was organized in 1955 at the home of Deacon Richard Smith and his wife Dora Smith. Rev. Brewer was the pastor of the newly organized congregation. The church building was purchased and has been in its present location at 18529 Jersey Ave. Lemoore since 1956. I, Orris D. Whitley Jr., and my wife Karen, were called to Mt. Olive and I have been serving as Pastor since November of 2005.

What are some things that you enjoy about being a pastor?

My favorite things to do are of course

Pastor Orris
Whitley and wife
Karen have been
serving in Lemoore
since 2005

preaching and teaching the gospel. I enjoy working with people in our congregation as well. As pastor of a small congregation, I probably get to do more around the church than I would as pastor of a larger church. I have had the opportunity to do what others do in the church, from making church bulletins, to installing concrete sidewalks. Some of those jobs are fun and some are not. However, as a result, I believe I am able to empathize with those who have to do those jobs in the church.

If you could choose one highlight from your ministry, what would it be?

A few years ago, I had the opportunity to lead a small group of churches that fellowshipped together. The group was called Fellowship of Churches. I served in that position for four years. It was fun because it was like belonging to a much bigger

church when we got together. We supported one another in our programs and came to love each church as if it were our own.

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How has your wife helped you serve the Lord more effectively?

As the pastor of a small congregation, it would be hard for me to do my job without my wife. First, I truly value her advice. She is able to help in so many areas, from being the children's pastor to being involved in the ministry of music. She truly complements my role as pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

What passages have you been preaching on recently and how have they helped your congregation serve the Lord?

Lately, I have been preaching about doing what is right. With all the chaos in the world, Christians should be salt and light like scripture asked us to be by representing Jesus Christ in our style of living. In Roman 12:9-21 it says, "We are to love sincerely, bless those who persecute us, repay no one evil for evil but do what is right and honorable in the sight of all people."

Is there a verse from the Bible that inspires you as a pastor?

My favorite scripture and the one from which I get the most inspiration is:

Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

God continually amazes me at how he provides for our needs. When we pray and talk to God about something, he helps us to get it done, but not in the way I would do it. He continually shows me that it is not my power, but his power that gets things

What advice do you have for Christians serving the Lord here in Kings County?

My advice to the Christian community would be the advice of Paul the Apostle from the book of Galatians. Galatians 6:9-10 says, "And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith."

Jesus said we are the light of the world. Through the good work of Christian men and women, God is glorified. My message would be to "do good" on behalf of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ.



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June

8-12

VBS at SouthValley Community Church in Lemoore June

10-14

VBS at First Christian Reformed Church in Hanford

June

13

Thursday Night Outreach
- Grace Bible Curch
(downtown Hanford)

June

13-16

Kings Fair will be hosting "Rides, Ribbons and Harvest Moons"

June

17-21

VBS at Koinonia Church in Hanford

June 22

God's Breadbox - Lemoore
Nazarene Church - Come
Saturday morning at 8 am for a
free box of food for those in
need living in Kings County

June 24-28

VBS at Lakeside Community Church -

Corner of 10th and Kent Ave. Hanford June

24-28

Summerfest at First Baptist Hanford (incoming 6th graders)

June

24-28

VBS at First Presbyterian Church Hanford

June

Grace Bible Church Pool Party

28

June

28-30

Kings County Asian Experiances at the Carnegie Museum

Friday-Sunday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

August

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The Unrestricted War Using "Chaos"



As Memorial Day comes and goes, it is amazing the number of legislators that disregard fallen heroes that have given the ultimate sacrificed for this country. Some praise the fallen with good speeches while undermining America with their legislative action or lack thereof.

R. Ellington Smith

A weakening view of our government is exactly what the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has set as a goal in "Unrestricted Warfare" written by two Chinese generals in 1999. "Unrestricted Warfare" lays out how to destroy the enemy from within without typical military involvement. This is done by creating a battlefield within the social structure of your enemy. Unrestricted warfare has no rules, so it has many fronts and forms. Tools for unrestricted warfare are social economic engineering, control, compromised leadand division ership. between the people and their government.

China is attacking the U.S. on all fronts with the latest emphasis on dividing Americans through social engineering. The Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) goal is to form distrust between fellow Americans and between citizens and the government. China is making fools of the U.S. by infiltrating all areas with a dominate role in control of social and entertainment media. According to the book "Blood Money," by Peter Schweizer, twenty-six organizations Chinese have been set up in the U.S. for the purpose of defunctionalizing society through Social Engineering (social media psyops, misinformation, and propaganda). Support for the campus pro-Palestinian movement has been their latest target.

Yao-Yuan Yeh, professor of international studies at the University of St. Thomas (Houston, TX) said, "The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) wants to show the pro-Palestinian protests as a long-term cognitive warfare of chaos within the United States and to show the need for authoritarian rule."

Antonio Graceffo, a China analyst says, "Protesters want peace to 'stop the genocide' in Gaza without acknowledging terrorist actions against Israel by Hamas." In addition, he said "Protesters are supporting a system that doesn't approve of their liberal lifestyles. The CCP's psyop success has been to have protesters to protest in support of a system that would kill them." Basically saying Hamas would kill them for their liberal lifestyle.

found that Meta Spamouflage/ Dragonbridge" had direct links to Chinese law enforcement (U.S. based Chinese Police Offices) promoted information warfare psyop-psychological operations to entice Americans to fight each other. During the Black Lives Matter protests in the summer of 2020, the CCP deployed a similar propaganda narrative to make democracy look bad and further polarize our society by enticing civil unrest. The Information Warfare goal is to get division amongst ourselves and establish a "kinetic warfare." The

campus unrests are under the influence of psyop promoted by TikTok and other social media platforms where people lose the ability to see patterns and logical disconnect in forming their opinions.

While Russia is more advanced in psychological warfare, China is better at using technology and finances to undermine American society. But, more importantly is the fact that 67% of our U.S. legislators (both Democrats and Republicans) have some type of financial ties to Chinese entities. Panama Papers exposed by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalist, tracked millions of dollars laundered to U.S. political non-profits by China and Russia.

China is behind much of today's legislation expanding the powers of government. Government overreach is at an "all time high." Government overreach is not just health issues but applies to agency regulations where unselected bureaucrats make the rules while acting as judge and jury over citizens (ie. the **Environmental Protection** Agency). There are more than 3,300 federal, state, and local agencies operating outside Constitutional law in this regard.

China is touted as the world economic model by the World Economic Forum's (WEF) founder Klaus Schwab. Keeping in

mind, and adding to this, is the fact that BlackRock manages all the Federal Reserve assets as a private bank network tied to the U.S. government. Larry Fink, CEO of BlackRock is on the advisory board of WEF and on the board of Tsinghua University School Economics in China. In May 2024 he was guest speaker at Peking University, Guanghua School of Management, speaking on "The Shared Economy, a globalist view of a single world economy."

Now that said, the Supreme Court just upheld a law that was passed during the Obama years. The law regarded the Federal Reserve funding the new Consumer Financial Protection Agency rather than the U.S. Treasury. This now allows U.S. government agencies to get their funding, all or part, from the Federal Reserve. In effect, this places government agency funding in the hands of BlackRock and the U.S. taxpayer, indirectly, pays BlackRock instead of the Treasury to fund agencies. This plays into the hands of China and the WEF under its global initiative.

Economic decay is realized in the fact that U.S. households have lost 20% of their wealth over the last three years. China accounted for 21.2% of all imports to the U.S in 2018 (World Trade Organization). In 2021 at least 8,619 companies U.S. operations in China. The proposed U.S. China Bilateral Investment Treaty would grant Chinese firms broader rights to purchase U.S. firms, land, and other assets giving even more power to the Chinese. have Several states responded by not allowing China to own land within their state (before the Supreme Court).

We Americans experienced the overreach of government during the Covid Pandemic event. The push was by a select few bureaucrats along with the World Health Organization (WHO) causing severe damage to people's health as well as the economy. Just what CCP had ordered.

Evidence now supports facts of a U.S. government cover-up of a bad Covid policy, established by non-elected bureaucrats, responsible for over a million U.S. deaths. Yet recently, the U.S. signed onto the World Health Organization's (WHO) Pandemic Treaty for global coordination of pandemic responses that include controls over what they deem as misinformation (information criticizing them for their actions). Keep in mind, the World Health Organization just forecasted a seventyseven percent (77%) increase in cancer over the next twenty-five years for those between the ages of 17 and 45 years who took the Covid jab.

Evil has overtaken our country and it is no longer Democrat or Republican. If we allow legislators to continue as is and the country doesn't come to grips with its "amoral" posture, the U.S. will be a non-player. The spiraling down trend needs to be reversed immediately. America has no moral fiber and will be judged accordingly through loss of standard of living, freedoms, and rule of law. Keep in mind: America is NOT the richest country, our national debt is \$37 trillion.

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DEAR NOELLE by Noelle B. Nightingale Biblical Counsel for Christian Women

Dear Noelle,

My daughter read your article about beauty last month and then asked me why we as Christian women spend time trying to dress nicely and wear make-up if the Bible says that beauty is vain? I didn't know how to answer her, and so I thought I would ask you.

Respectfully,

"Not Sure"

Dear "Not Sure,"

I'm so glad to hear that you and your daughter are carefully thinking through what the Bible says! The quick answer to your question is that we as Christian women dress nicely in order to bring glory to God. The Bible certainly emphasizes inner beauty over external beauty, but it doesn't mean that Christian women should be shabby or sloppy in their appearance. Remember, our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. Dressing nicely shows appropriate care and stewardship of our bodies.

Queen Esther is an excellent example of a godly woman in the Bible who spent a great deal of time and care on her appearance. She had twelve months of beauty treatments (Esther 2:8-17) before she was

allowed to appear before King Xerxes! However, what stands out to us about Queen Esther was not her extraordinary beauty, but rather the extraordinary strength of her character and faith in God. She did not spend all that time on her outward appearance just to get what she wanted. Instead, she carefully listened to her cousin Mordecai's counsel and took the advice of an experienced official in the palace, following all the recommended steps in the beauty contest to become queen. By doing so she gained the trust of the king and was used by God to save her people from mass destruction.

A helpful question for Christian women to ask when deciding what to wear is: "Can I glorify God with what I am wearing?" If the answer to this is no, then you should choose to wear something that is both modest and tasteful. We are representatives of Christ in the world (2 Cor. 5:20), and so if our clothes make a statement that is unworthy of our God, then we need to rethink our wardrobe. 1 Timothy 2:9 sets the guideline for what to wear, "Women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel." Dressing immodestly can bring disrespect to God's name, but on the other hand, dressing shabbily can also run the risk of not being respectable. We should try to dress in a way that brings honor to our God.

For His Name,

Noelle

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