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The Key to Peace: Faith and Family

By John O'Neill

David Cameron has recently spoken about the importance of the Bible and Christianity in our national life. He has challenged the Churches to provide moral leadership. Philip Blond, the director of the policy group Res-Pullica and an advisor to Mr. Cameron has also recently spoken about the importance and need for Christian values to be predominant in our nation, stating: "Liberal individualism has led to the disintegration of relationships and association: this reduction in social capital has decreased wellbeing, health, trust and support for the most vulnerable."

Dr Helen Wright the president of the Girls' Schools Association has spoken about declining values in our society: "I have a deep worry that some parents' have been so deprived in their own lives of education and values, that they are as a result unwittingly 'indulging' children in a parallel universe where it is acceptable to let young children wear make-up and provocative clothing. If parents' can't see anything wrong in dressing up their children in 'Future WAG' T-shirts and letting them wear make-up, high heels and 'mini-me' sexy clothing, then something is intensely wrong in our society. There are all these images in magazines and TV. If you're bombarded with that, you're going to think its normal, and actually its not." Dr. Wright makes some very important and relevant points. There is a saying that, 'If you tell a lie a hundred times it becomes a

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Media etc: Some very low standards

Various so-called comedians have caused deep upset and offence to parents' of children with Down's syndrome by making jokes about such children. Adele Joicey who has a Down's syndrome child stated about one such joke by Jimmy Carr: "I just sat there sobbing. I was really upset. I wanted to get up and run to the front and shout, 'shame on you.' When the joke was told I felt physically sick. What I couldn't believe was the humiliation of listening to a whole auditorium laugh at such an awful joke about such a terrible disability." Xanthe Breen of the Down's syndrome Association said the charity had received a number of complaints about Carr's joke. "We just want comedians to stop picking on people with learning difficulties..." No doubt the so-called comedians who make such 'jokes' think of themselves as being "edgy" or "pushing back the boundaries." The reality is that what they really mean is: "Sorry, I know we are pathetic, but we cannot come up with anything wholesome or creative, so we have to stoop into the gutter for our material." It speaks volumes for the state of our 'broken society' that audiences think that such gutter material is funny, and why Sir Michael Parkinson has stated that programmes were no longer made, "for an audience reckoned to have an IQ larger than the numbers you would find in a bingo bag." Lisa Bloom, who has written a book, 'Think: Straight Talk for Women to Stay Smart in a Dumbed-Down World' states: "Reading Heat and watching shows such as The X Factor or Big Brother makes women just as dull and dim-witted as the Z list celebrities they mock." The producers of programmes which lower standards and cause offence really need to have a long hard look at themselves. Such programmes send out all the wrong messages and the time is long overdue for a clean-up in the media etc.

Crime Statistics

Only one criminal goes to prison for almost every 100 crimes that are committed. In 2010 of all offenders convicted in the courts only 8% went to jail, while hundreds of thousands never went to a court and were handed a caution, fine or other out-of-court punishment. Serial offenders stand the lowest chance in a decade of being jailed while thousands more are let off with a caution. Official figures show that tens of thousands of people a year suffer violent or sexual attacks at the hands of criminals spared jail, official figures show. 18,000 offenders given community punishment instead of being sent to prison go on to to page 2

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commit sexual or violent crimes within 12 months of being sentenced. Among the victims are young children attacked by paedophiles. Prison is so comfortable for some inmates that they are getting themselves locked up after being released according to Nick Hardwick the chief Inspector of Prisons. Lyn Costello of Mothers Against Murder and Aggression stated: "These figures mean hundreds of thousands of criminals are either getting away scot-free or being handed soft penalties." In June 2010, 22 year old Rhea Page needed hospital treatment after being kicked repeatedly in Leicester city centre by four other girls during a drunken attack. "They were taking turns to kick me in the head and back over and over. I thought they were going to kill me" said Rhea, who stated that she was sure that the attack was racially motivated. Although Rhea's attackers could have received 5 years' each in jail, they were each given only 150 hours of community service which Rhea described as "disgusting." Rhea was so traumatised by the attack that she lost her job as an educational support worker after repeated absences due to stress. One kick to the head can blind a person and there are a number of people who have lost their lives, or who are now mentally handicapped because of receiving a 'good kicking.' Most rational minded people would surely agree that for such a vicious unprovoked nasty attack that the 5 year sentence for each attacker would have been justified. The officiators' of our criminal justice system need to wake up and realise that pathetic 'slap-on-the-wrist' sentencing for very serious offences will never deter criminals.



Key Issues

New guidance has been given by Ofcom to radio stations regarding offensive language. Ofcom states that "listeners do not expect to hear

strong language during the day on the radio," even if children are unlikely to be listening. Broadcasters have been warned to "avoid broadcasting lyrics that clearly focus on taking drugs, sexual acts or behaviour, or convey a clearly sexualised theme, when children are particularly likely to be listening." This warning from Ofcom whilst long overdue is very welcome news, but much more still needs to be done overall regarding offensive standards in the media. Boots are selling sex toys in their stores within full view of children. This clearly contradicts David Cameron's intent to stop retailers' from sexualising our society. Please contact Boots: Tel: 08456090055. Address: Boots Ltd., PO Box 5300, Nottingham, NG90 1AA. To send an Email, go online at: 'Boots Ltd.' Also please post a complaint at www.parentport.org.uk. Two months after Tesco donated £30,000 to the 2012 'Gay Pride' they have announced a 14% drop in their share price. It is reckoned that thousands have boycotted Tesco because of their support for the 'Gay Pride.' David Cameron is facing a large backlash over his support for homosexual marriage. Opponents claim that more than 100 Tory backbenchers could vote against the proposal for homosexual marriage to be legalised. Please write to MP's., urging them to vote against Mr. Cameron's proposals: House of Commons, Westminster, SW1A 0AA.

"Vulgar, dirty" sex education spoilt my school ______ days



Abbie Ireland is 26 years old and has spoken out at the way in which the sex education she received at her Catholic secondary school cast a shadow over her otherwise happy school days. "It was horrible," she says now. "I was told about sex in such a vulgar, dirty way. I already knew about how babies were made. I didn't want to hear all these details about how to do a 'hand job' or a 'blow job' in a mixed classroom. It made sex

seem so negative to me." Fortunately Abbie was able to talk to her parents and her mother withdrew her from many of the classes. Abbie is now a mother herself and is determined to protect her son. She feels confident about answering her child's questions in a natural way when they arise. "My innocence was taken from me by those sex education lessons," says Abbie. "That's something which never comes back." This sex education item was published in the Autumn 2011 SPUC Campaign Bulletin: 'Giving parents a voice in the fight against harmful sex education. 'Distributing these excellent Bulletins (which contains a helpline number for parents') is a very positive way of fighting back against the advocates of destructive amoral sex education lessons. To order Bulletins contact SPUC: Tel: 02070917091. Email: information@spuc.org.uk Address: 3, Whitacre Mews, Stannary Street, London, SE11 4AB

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John O'Neill and Finbar Murphy participated in a peaceful vigil in London outside an abortion facility, as part of a 40 *Days for Life* worldwide peaceful protest against abortion. Lives have been saved through these events.



In response to Tesco sponsoring the Gay Parade in London in 2012, John O'Neill and Finbar Murphy gave out "Boycott Tesco" leaflets outside a Tesco store in South London.

The Autumn edition of the sex education Campaign Bulletin from SPUC continues to be distributed.

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truth.' Our society has received so many negative messages from the media etc. with regard to sex, violence and bad language. Is it any wonder that our young people think that it is normal to dress in a provocative way or, that using bad language is acceptable in public places, when they hear and see bad language being used all the time in films and on TV etc? Just as the New Year has begun there have been a number of shocking incidents regarding gun and knife crime, predominantly involving young people. Because the criminal justice system fails to properly punish people, but above all because of the moral vacuum in our society, tragically it becomes the norm to read about such horrific violent crimes.

Whilst it is certainly inspiring to hear Mr. Cameron speaking about the importance of the Bible and Christianity in our national life, he does not need to wait for the Churches to speak out before acting in relation to traditional moral and spiritual values, which are the key to helping to heal the various tragedies resulting from our 'broken society.' Nick Clegg has denounced Mr. Cameron's plans for a marriage tax break claiming that it risked micromanaging people's private lives. Mr. Clegg stated that: "We should not take a particular version of the family institution, such as the 1950's model of suit wearing, breadwinning dad and aproned, home-making mother- and try to preserve it aspic." Gavin Poole the executive director of the Centre for Social Justice said Mr. Clegg's argument "flies in the face of all the evidence." All the evidence shows that the nuclear family is the best environment for children to have stability in their lives and to develop in a prosperous and positive way. The nuclear family is also our creator's blueprint for peace, harmony and stability in the world.

Mr. Cameron really needs to clear his mind about his support for homosexual 'marriage.' Homosexual relationships are against the natural order in the creation as well as in violation of the moral and spiritual laws contained within all the major religions. Such relationships will eventually only result in negative consequences in the long term. Michael Ancram the former deputy leader of the Conservative Party has stated in relation to homosexual 'marriage': "For Conservatives there can be no fudging the issue of marriage... [Homosexual marriage] Insults the intelligence of the British people." A study of 88 civilisations in the 1940's by Professor J.D. Unwin from Cambridge University showed that, whenever there was widespread promiscuity, premarital sex, infidelity and same-sex relationships the civilisation was dead within 3 generations with no exceptions! Baroness Warsi has recently spoken out again about the importance of faith in helping to bring a country where, "people can be unashamedly proud of their faith-where they don't feel that they have to leave religion at the door. That means being proud of Christianity, not downgrading it. It means encouraging people to say that their faith inspires what they do ... " Baroness Warsi also made the very important point about inter-faith dialogue and co-operation as being a key factor in helping to bring peace and stability in our nation. This point is very important because 80% of what the major religions believe is the same, and in God's eyes we are: 'One Family'.

Whilst it is inspiring to hear what Baroness Warsi is saying,

the reality is that religious people are losing their jobs and the Catholic adoption agencies had to close down because religious people are not allowed to follow the dictates of their consciences in relation to homosexual 'rights'. The government cannot have it both ways concerning religion: On the one hand espousing the values and virtues related to religious beliefs, and yet at the same time acting paradoxically in supporting the homosexual lobby, which also does not hide its desire to see explicit sex education lessons being taught in all our schools; which in fact already happens in many schools, The riots, the state of the economy, the 'broken society' etc. have clearly caused Mr. Cameron to go to deeper levels of thinking in relation to solving the various crises affecting his government. Religious values are meant to be the bedrock and the very fabric and foundations for which any society will prosper and develop. Let us hope and pray that Mr. Cameron will act wisely and avoid compromising and instead fully embrace religious values into his government's policies and legislation, which is crucial for the wellbeing and prosperity of our whole nation.

Letters and Emails received

Dear Respected Friend John O'Neill. Many thanks for your very important emails. I am passing it on to others for this very serious problem. [Tesco-sponsoring Gay Parade 2012] I personally am extremely impressed by your tireless efforts. John keep up the excellent work in this regard. Thanks. M.W. Khokkar.

Happy New Year John...Outrageous that they [BOOTS] promote sex toys for sexual well-being, as if that is a normal way of having a sexual relationship. It is bringing the sexual relationship down to simply a matter of physical stimulation. I fear that this emphasis on the body will, as a side effect, only promote casual, or uncommitted, sexual relationship without the sense that love between a husband and wife is the bedrock of sexual expression. I am thinking to write to Boots myself in these terms. Julian

Hi John, I would like to inform you that the Channel 4 *Living* and Growing material was withdrawn from the curriculum and a consultant developed a basic fact based presentation on the subject for Year 5 and Year 6. In the meantime another concerned parent and I became governors at the school so we are in a position to monitor any changes. Kind regards, Vanya. *Vanya initiated a campaign (which then involved many other parents) against the amoral Channel 4 sex education DVD* from being shown in the primary school which two of her children attend. Vanya has given a very powerful example of how by one person willing to take responsibility evil can be defeated.

Hi John. Hope everything is going well. Recently I was taking a bus from Luton airport to Letchworth and I passed though a town called Hitchin. I was shocked to see, right by the bus station in the middle of town a massive billboard advertisement for a sex shop. It read something like 'SEXy'. It had a huge picture of an almost naked model holding a whip and in garters and suspenders and a Christmas Santa hat to page 4

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and the giant words ADULT STORE; with the address of the store. I was very shocked that society is losing ground and even a sleepy, quaint town like Hitchin would allow such a thing where even children can see it; and at Christmas too. I wanted to take a photo but my bus went by it too quickly. I think if I was living in that town I would be willing to break the law and deface the billboard. Keep up the good work. Peter. [Peter was advised to make a complaint via parentport.org.uk]

The following letter from Steve Stevens was recently sent to Sir Richard Broadbent the Chairman of Tesco PLC: Dear Sir Richard, Unless Tesco Plc make a complete turnaround as from the 1st of February 2012, I'll have to fight Tesco for actively pro-



moting and financially supporting "Gay Pride" and "World Pride", a way of life which is really a "way of death" and through them to those of us who are "straight". If **Jack Cohen**, who founded Tesco was still alive and in his prime today, he would I am convinced never have agreed with today's

management to actively promote and financially support the homosexual movement of "Gay Pride" and "World Pride". Being a Cohen and a direct descendant of Moses and Aaron he would have been well versed in the Torah, the sayings and actions of both Moses as the leader and Aaron as the high priest. He would, I'm sure, have been fully-aware 'that history repeats itself' and would be deeply concerned that you are following a path that will inevitably destroy Tesco one day unless you do what the good book says: "REPENT". In other words, make a complete turnaround. Jack Cohen would know what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah for practicing Sodomy. The Lord Jehovah destroyed those two sodomite cities of darkness. The famous Dr. Billy Graham said in many of his mass stadium rallies, "God will have to say sorry to Sodom and Gomorrah if he does not judge America". The day will come when America, Britain and many other countries could be 'wiped out', unless we as nations REPENT. God's destruction of those two ancient cities obviously terrified the people, keeping homosexuality in check for many centuries. Jack Cohen would also remember that when his people became immoral and indulged in sex outside marriage, 24,000 of them were killed by God. Jack Cohen would also be well aware of the prophecies that have been recorded in the prophetic books of the Bible. Terrifying prophecies of God's coming judgement, which the people of that time scorned. Most of these prophecies came to pass within the lifetime of that generation. Some are still to be fulfilled. Similarly most of the devastating prophesies of the last book of the Bible, the book of Revelation are still to be fulfilled. In the case of the prophecy against Nineveh God could not find anyone willing to speak out, but eventually persuaded **Jonah** in a drastic way to become a reluctant preacher. The result was that all the people of Nineveh from the highest to the lowest REPENTED in sackcloth and ashes. The people of Nineveh were reprieved and survived for another half-century, when they once again became decadent and their civilisation collapsed. Hopefully you and all of Tesco management will repent and give a lead to the rest of the world. Accepting what I have said about the views that Jack Cohen, would, I'm sure, have espoused.

It should not be forgotten that the Torah makes it abundantly

clear that sodomy is an abomination. Fully clarified by the inspired writings by that brilliant man the Jewish Apostle Paul, who after God met him on the Damascus road where he was heading to imprison and kill believers, wrote to the decadent Gentiles, in his letter to the Romans Chapter 1, that God is angry with those practicing homosexuality and lesbianism. Please read it. I appeal to you to change your company around and to repent for supporting and financing an evil way of life as from right now. Furthermore Nick Lansley ought to be not just reprimanded but removed from Tesco, completely for reading out what is probably the most vile poem ever written "The Love That Dares To Speak Its Name". Had that poem been about the sexual violation of the dead body of Mohammed instead of the Lord Jesus Christ, Nick Lansley would probably not be alive today. There would have been a worldwide outcry against him and rioting against Tesco stores. I hope it will not be necessary for me to join with others and launch a national and international campaign against Tesco's. The few angry responses that you have had so far



is like the tip of the iceberg that sunk the Titanic. The **gigantic Tesco can also be sunk**. I may, in your eyes, be an old man that you can ignore but I am prepared to be a little David who killed the giant Goliath with a sling and a stone. He, in his role in the pastures of tending animals learnt how to fight when he killed a **lion** and a **bear**. Serpents

imperilled me as a boy of the pastures. When we cleared a South African farm to turn it into pasture land we one day killed 50 deadly serpents (mainly the very poisonous puffadders) I once only just escaped from being attacked by the worlds most angry and poisonous snake the Black Mamba when I almost trod upon one when he was mesmerizing and stalking his prey - a rock rabbit on the very edge of South Africa's huge spectacular Oribi Gorge. The Devil is spoken of in the Bible as a serpent (homosexuality quite obviously comes from that source). The Devil is known in Scripture as the Serpent. He may appear to be winning the day now, but his demise is inevitable. I also attach extracts from my next book FIGHTING FOR LOVE PURITY FAMILY LIFE. Mostly relating to the famous Mrs Mary Whitehouse CBE who took to court those who were promoting that blasphemous and obscene poem 'The Love That Dared to Speak its Name'. Judge King Hamilton when summing up that case said it was the vilest thing he had ever seen. Shortly afterwards the followers of Gay News were so angry that they demonstrated against Mrs Whitehouse, shouting out these words on posters "KILL KILL KILL". Soon afterwards Mrs Whitehouse went to Australia for a five-week speaking tour. When the Australian police saw a leaflet with an image of Mary Whitehouse with an axe in her back, they felt her life was in danger and two police accompanied her from Sydney to Perth and down to Tasmania. Surely Tesco management cannot be prepared to support "Gay Pride" who are prepared to be violent if they do not get their way. I'm also enclosing "God's Anger with the Sin of Sodomy" which I have taken from Bible records. I have no wish to mobilise a worldwide boycott of this British company of Tesco. Please let me have an immediate acknowledgement of this letter. To be followed by your personal definitive response by 1st February 2012. How wonderful if Tesco could lead the way to sanity, love, purity and family life. Yours for, God, country and the world, Steve Stevens DFC

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True Family Values (compiled by Frank Van der Stok, continued from previous issue)

The Relationship of the Spirit World and Physical World

E. The spirit world and physical world are torn asunder when we follow false love.

1. Fallen people cannot harmonize the two worlds.

• They are insensible to spiritual phenomena in general, as false love deadens spiritual sensitivity.

• Fallen spirits are cut off from the love of God and are controlled by selfish impulses and agendas.

• Their spiritual cognition, sensitivity to God's word is imperfect. They confuse good and evil, truth and falsehood.

2. Selfish love is a denial of the conscience and rejection of God, which began with the original parents, Adam and Eve.

• Adam and Eve allowed their bodies to control their consciences when they practiced selfish love. Their love was conflict-ridden, and set up the mind-body conflict.

• Hence, the body and physical world became a false subject, conflicting with the natural subjectivity of the mind and spirit world. They are two pluses in our lives, repulsing each other, rather than a plus and a minus in harmony.

3. Due to the fall, human beings divided from each other and fell into horizontal conflict.

The spirit world, consisting of the spirits of conflicting people who have passed away, manifests the same disunity.
Imprisoned on various levels and realms, spirit men cannot freely communicate with each other.

• Therefore spirit world has a bad effect on earth.

4. The fall set up a barrier blocking free communication between God and man.

• The cherubim with the flaming sword blocked the way to the Tree of Life (Gen. 3:24), in the Garden where Adam and Eve would talk with God.

• The lower realms of spirit world, dominated by evil, bodycentered spirit men, are close to the physical world.

• Therefore, prayer is difficult and we often feel ourselves in darkness.

• One must overcome evil, body-centered spirits in the lower realms to reach the higher realms.

• We are easily confused or led astray by evil spiritual influences masquerading as good. Therefore we must sincerely study God's words and practice a life for the sake of others.

Theory of the Spirit World

A. Our lives are connected to the spirit world through our minds.

1. The spirit world is the subject partner to events in this world. It is the invisible, vertical dimension of our external, horizontal reality.

2. By right thought and action we engage the good persons and angels in spirit world and overcome the bad influence of evil persons and angels in spirit world.

B. The spirit world is vast.



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1. Our cosmos is so vast: with the Hubble telescope we have estimated over 50 billion galaxies in the physical universe. Each galaxy has millions of suns. Our knowledge compared to the enormity of the universe is like a grain of sand compared to the seashore. Scientists more than anyone should be humble before the Creator of all this.

2. The spirit world, the other half of the cosmos, is even more vast and mysterious than the physical world. Our vision of the

stars is obscured by pollution. Likewise, by materialism, we are disconnected from God and the unseen spirit world.

3. Dr. Sang Hun Lee, a Korean philosopher, has done extensive research into the spirit world. The following represents some of the results of his work.

C. The five strata of the spirit world.

1. The **Intermediate Spirit World** is where spirit persons stay temporarily when they first enter the spirit world. After their stay here, they move to the lower or higher strata according to their own will.

2. *Hell* is below the Intermediate Spirit World. It is occupied by those who lived a strictly selfcentered life on earth. It is extremely dark, clammy and fetid.

3. The Form-spirit Stage Spirit World is above the Intermediate Spirit World. It is occupied by those who, on earth, were unaware of God but sought to live a life of goodness according to their conscience. This includes the charitable, patriots, educators, truth-seekers and good family members who are, however well-intentioned, ignorant of God's Will.

4. **Paradise**, situated above the Form-spirit Stage, has three sub-stages. The first and second are occupied by people who, on earth, knew God and His Will and sought a life of goodness and love accordingly. This includes truthful Christians, Buddhists, Confucianists, Muslims, Jews, and other righteous people. The third sub-stage is occupied by those who knew not only God and His Will but also His love, and who practiced and taught His Will and love to others. Religious founders belong to this stage. However, true family to page 8

Why Marriage matters

Based on a survey of over 250 peer-reviewed journal articles on marriage and family life from around the world, a team of 18 leading American family scholars chaired by Professor W Bradford Wilcox of the University of Virginia has drawn 30 conclusions about the positive benefits associated with marriage under five headings.

Each of the conclusions is substantiated in the report and 20 pages of supporting references can be downloaded from the website of the Institute of American Values. Here is a snapshot of the conclusions: Family: 1. Marriage increases the likelihood that fathers and mothers have good relationships with their children. 2. Children are most likely to enjoy family stability when they are born into a married family. 3. Children are less likely to thrive in complex households. 4. Cohabitation is not the functional equivalent of marriage. 5. Growing up outside an intact marriage increases the likelihood that children will themselves divorce or become unwed parents. 6. Marriage is a virtually universal human institution. 7. Marriage, and a normative commitment to marriage, foster high quality relationships between adults, as well as between parents and children. 8. Marriage has important biosocial consequences for adults and children. Economics: 9. Divorce and unmarried childbearing increase poverty for both children and mothers, cohabitation is less likely to alleviate poverty than is marriage. 10. Married couples seem to build more wealth on average than singles or cohabiting couples. 11. Marriage reduces poverty and material hardship for disadvantaged women and their children. 12. Minorities benefit economically from marriage also. 13. Married men earn more money than do single men with similar education and job histories. 14. Parental divorce (or failure to marry) appears to increase children's risk of school failure. 15. Parental divorce reduces the likelihood that children will graduate from college and achieve high-status jobs. Physical Health and Longevity: 16. Children who live with their own two married parents enjoy better physical health, on average, than do children in other family forms. 17. Parental marriage is associated with a sharply lower risk of infant mortality. 18. Marriage is associated with reduced rates of alcohol and substance abuse for both adults and teens. 19. Married people, especially married men, have longer life expectancies than do otherwise similar singles. 20. Marriage is associated with better health and lower rates of injury, illness, and disability for both men and women. 21. Marriage seems to be associated with better health among minorities and the poor. Mental Health and Emotional Well-Being: 22. Children whose parents divorce have higher rates of psychological distress and mental illness. 23. Cohabitation is associated with higher levels of psychological problems among children. 24. Family breakdown appears to increase significantly the risk of suicide. 25. Married mothers have lower rates of depression than do single or cohabiting. Crime and Domestic Violence: 26. Boys raised in non-intact families are more likely to engage in delinquent and criminal behaviour. 27. Marriage appears to reduce the risk that adults will be either perpetrators or victims of crime. 28. Married women appear to have a lower risk of experiencing domestic violence than do cohabiting or dating women. 29. A child who is not living with his or her own two married parents is at greater risk of child abuse. 30. There is a growing marriage gap between college-educated Americans and lesseducated Americans. Why Marriage Matters: Thirty conclusions from the social science. Institute for American Values and National Marriage Project, 2011. http:// www.americanvalues.org/wmm/ This article was published by kind permission of Family and Youth Concern

MPs support parents in fight against pornographic sex education

Westminster, 1 December 2011: Members of Parliament joined parents and experts today at Westminster to support a campaign against pornographic sex education programmes in schools. Safe at School, a campaign of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC), organised a packed meeting entitled "Sex education as sexual sabotage", co-hosted by the Working Party on the Sexualisation of Children under the Lords and Commons Family and Child Protection Group. Jacob Rees-Mogg, MP for North-East Somerset, said that the meeting was "terrifically important. SPUC's work is of overwhelming importance for our society." He said that he has met with local parents worried about schoolbased sex education. Mr Rees-Mogg thanked everyone at the meeting for helping him to inform himself about the issue, which he is taking up with his local authority. Following the meeting, Jonathan Evans, MP for Cardiff North, and Andrea Leadsom, MP for South Northamptonshire, joined parents in delivering to the Department of Education a 47,000-signature petition to Michael Gove, the education secretary, calling for sex DVDs to be banned from UK primary schools. During the meeting, Dr Judith Reisman, the global expert on sexology pioneer Dr Alfred Kinsey, took delegates back in time to explain why sex education in schools is so explicit today. Dr Kinsey, starting in the 1940s, invented the myth that children are sexual at birth, a presupposition which underpins material used in sex and relationships education (SRE) today. Dr Reisman said it is child abuse to expose children to sexually-explicit material because of the lasting and uncontrollable effect such exposure can have on children's developing brains. [Dr. Reisman stated during her presentation that because sex education in many schools is so offensive and appalling, that it is a war situation!]

Mrs Lynette Burrows, a leading commentator on the family and a mother of six children, said: "Sex education has an unacceptable number of casualties". She argued that the open promotion of paedophilia in the 1970s is now manifested in a different form, namely pornographic sex education. Both Mrs Burrows and Dr Reisman also argued that school-based sex education was not necessary, as parents throughout the ages have proved themselves competent educators of their children in sexual matters. The rise of out-of-wedlock pregnancies, sexually-transmitted infections and child abuse runs parallel with the rise of sex education by so-called professionals rather than parents. Safe at School has been calling for parents to be given back this critical role in their children's lives. Parents around the country are calling Safe at School for support in dealing with their children's schools, which systematically sideline parents from any knowledge of or involvement in the sex education delivered in the classroom. Emma Clarke, a Northampton mother of three, said that her son's behaviour changed radically for the worse after he was exposed to sex education at school. Mrs Clarke, who also runs a charity for child sex abuse victims, said that sex to page 7

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education puts children in a vulnerable position because the material used is basically paedophilic. Ruth Pond related her experience as a parent governor at a state school in Worksop, where she was kept in the dark about the use of Channel Four's "Living and Growing" DVD. She was isolated by the school management when she objected to the video; she described the school as "hell-bent" on showing the pornographic material to children.

Participants in the meeting were united in their belief that programmes such as "Living and Growing" went beyond merely explaining the mechanics of sex but actually primed pre-pubescent children for sexual activity.

Members of a range of groups and institutions were present at the meeting, including: Anglican Mainstream (Dr Lisa Nolland). Imam Maulana Shahid Raza Khan (Muslim College in London; World Islamic Mission of Europe). SREIslamic (Yusuf Patel). Islamic Medical Association (Dr A. Majid Katme). Core Issues Trust. Lydia Fellowship. ACA (Against Child Abuse) (Belinda McKenzie). Family Education Trust (Norman Wells, Dr Trevor Stammers). Anscombe Bioethics Centre (Dr Helen Watt). St Mary's University College, London. LIFE (Anne Scanlan). Catholic Women's League (CWL); World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations (WUCWO). Cost of Conscience. Morality Forum. Prayer for Parliament. Women's Federation for World Peace. For more information, please contact Antonia Tully of Safe at School on 020 8407 3463 or safeatschool@spuc.org.uk This article was published by kind permission of SPUC.

Abstinence Essay Competition Winners (USA)

James Burgess (College student): Purity is advocated by many religions, but is it an outdated idea? In secular society, sexual abstinence before marriage is viewed as a joke. Why deprive yourself? What is the point? Many adults do not even think it is possible to keep teenagers from having sex. But is purity really an outdated idea? Purity can only become outdated if it is not practiced. Its value is integral as a foundation for strong marriages and families. In order to investigate the purpose of purity and its importance going forward, we must look into the value of purity, its benefits, and common themes and attitudes in our society regarding purity. Most of the world's religions advocate their followers to practice sexual purity prior to marriage. Why is this? Even if one does not agree with these religions or religion in general, the fact that abstinence is a common teaching in many cultures is significant. These cultures valued the meaning of saving oneself for one's future partner. To dismiss this shared wisdom as outdated without carefully considering its merit would be foolish. Staying pure says an enormous amount about your character. It says that you are strong and able to avoid temptation. In our culture teens are bombarded with sex from the media and popular culture. It takes determination and having a clear goal to stay on the path to purity. Staying pure says that you are worthy of complete trust. If you have refrained from cheating on your future spouse before you even met, how much less likely are you to cheat once you are together? Purity tells your spouse that you are absolutely committed to

your marriage. It says that you will love unconditionally without judgment or making comparisons. Purity really speaks for itself, and the lessons it teaches are prerequisite for becoming a mature person. Another key reason why purity is still relevant is that there is value in purity. Maintaining purity before you are married allows you to give all of your love to your spouse. By spreading your love around before you are married, you lose your ability to love with an unbroken heart. If you save that, you will give your spouse the most precious gift he or she can receive. Also, if you remain pure, once you are married you will not have any regrets for having had previous relationships. Someone who is willing to save his or her love for his or her future partner is practicing true, sacrificial love. Even those who do not agree with practicing abstinence can recognize this. However, many young people in our society do not see the purpose of maintaining purity before marriage. They view their virginity as an embarrassment and try to do away with it as quickly as possible. Sex loses its deeper meaning to these people and becomes similar to an addiction. Purity, on the other hand, is about becoming the best person you can be for your spouse. It is impossible for the value of purity to be outdated. I think the main problem with the attitudes of most youth is that they see the culture that we live in and lose hope. They give in to the probability that their future spouse will probably not have kept their purity. If this is the case, they feel they might as well. The youth also feel like they do not want to miss out on something as glorified as sex. It is clear that this common attitude is less than ideal. Youth today are settling for less in their future marriages in order to gratify their desires, rather than waiting for true happiness in their future families. The effects of impatience over sex seen in the 1960's have already hurt families. This is not a dead and outdated issue. It is imperative to teach the next generation the significance of practicing abstinence before marriage for the sake of the building blocks of our society.



Amy McCready age 14 grade 9: How can choosing abstinence impact your present and future life? In their teen years, 1 in 3 minors will choose a life of sex and

drugs over abstinence. In America this has lead to a worrisome increase in higher divorce rates, drug addiction, growing criminal rates, and other issues that appear in the newspaper or on any TV news channel everyday. These teens, ignorant of the real world, unable to support themselves but wanting to be free of their parent's rules, thrive off the support of family and friends. Those who choose abstinence as their way of life are given a freedom from regret. They don't depend on drugs, have no fear of contracting an STD or pregnancy, don't suffer from a conditional love relationship, have less future health issues, and have a clear chance of establishing an ideal family of unconditional love; a world of open opportunity. Teens like me go through an emotional phase of wanting a sense of belonging. We look for acceptance, happiness, and most *to page 8*

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from page 7 Abstinence Essay Competition Winners (USA) importantly, love. Teens are also lazy so we tend to look for these feelings in a rushed way and we may look in



the wrong places. Drugs are seen as an instant release from pain and stress, when "high" one feels giddy and relaxed. Eventually the persons body adjusts to the drug high and it takes higher levels of the drugs to get a high, and the person gets completely hooked

and risk getting caught by the police, put in jail with a criminal record, and incur future health problems. Alcohol is a depressant that also gets people in a state of mental relaxation and giddy happiness that turns into loss of self control. This can result in drunken driving accidents that are 45% of the crashes that are the greatest cause of death for people from ages 6-33. Alcohol is the most commonly used drug among young people; it can rip families apart with domestic violence and accidental pregnancy, completely altering the lives of its consumers. The last impact that abstinence can bring is the affect of love. Wanting love is a natural part of human nature, especially wanting to receive love. People in high school and also older people often enter into a relationship based on physical attraction which leads to dating. When fallen people enter into a relationship, they always want to receive love, like they see in movies. Eventually all they care about is if the person they are with makes them happy, totally forgetting that to be in a successful relationship, there must be two people striving to make the other happy unconditionally. Also in these relationships, people want frequent proof of love and satisfaction and enter into a sexual relationship to receive it. 63% of teens who have had sexual intercourse wish they had waited. Sex is a beautiful act, created by God as a way to bring life in a natural and loving way, and to nourish closeness between committed partners. However without commitment people use sex to fill their emotional needs and insecurities. Engaging



in sexual relationships outside of a committed and monogamous relationship often leads to STD's and pregnancy. STD's are seriously dangerous to both genders and quite embarrassing to admit to. They can spread like wildfire in free sex communities, causing havoc. Pregnancy is supposed to be a celebrated and joyous welcoming of new life made from committed love. But without the support of a seriously committed (married) couple, pregnancy is seen as a negative shift in life that

closes many opportunities. A baby is a responsibility that must be cared for at all times. This affects ones opportunities and cuts out future goals and dreams, time for a job, and time for personal fun; evidently leading to an unhappy family of conditional love that was started by an accident. Abstinence is the door of freedom, life, and opportunity. It has no downside. from page 5 True Family Values *love is not practiced even in this sub-stage.*

5. The Special Stratum is occupied by those who established true families on earth and carried out responsibilities as central families and representative families, vertical ethics, and the four realms of heart, as introduced in this outline.

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D. What takes place in the Intermediate Spirit World

1. Everyone comes here upon physical death, guided by angels or spirits, lifted as if on an elevator, or sometimes passing through a gate. On the way, some people feel warm comfort, embraced in the bosom of a transcendent being of white light. One experiences a sudden enhancement of intellectual ability, and one's speech and actions becomes totally free. Some relatives and friends welcome them with joy, but they will return to their own places. Before they do, there takes place the so-called **mirror of judgment** phenomenon.

2. In this phenomenon, all achievements of newcomers without exception are revealed in images just like in a movie, for all the spirit people to see. Hidden good deeds or secret evil acts all are exposed.

3. This is not for reward or punishment but in order to determine the level of the spirit. Welcomers who participated in the welcoming/mirroring ceremony entertain and lead the newcomer to their living places, according to the law of affinity to one's own kind. Whether to follow the direction of the guide entirely depends on the newcomer's own will.

4. The link of the Couple: A spouse already present in the spirit world often appears in this setting. If the couple's personalities clash, they become separated eternally. When their personalities harmonize, they come to live together.

5. Earthly honour, knowledge, rights, position and property all are of no use in the spirit world. Only the true love and practise of truth, beauty and goodness based upon it are of value.

6. Newcomers normally remain in the Intermediate Spirit World up to fifty days before leaving with their guides. However, some spirits remain, wandering and possessing earthlings or acting as ghosts. This happens because they do not realize they are dead.

7. Newcomers are surprised by the beauty of the Intermediate Spirit World, which is filled with flowers and bird songs. The environment of the entire spirit world, except for Hell, is very beautiful, and the higher the stratum, the more beautiful.

(to be continued....) (from the book "True Family Values" by Wilson and Pak http://www.hsabooks.com/books)