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ON SCHOOL TYPE & CURRICULUM

As a teacher it's sad to see all the toxic influences.

Bad kids are sent to me, they learn even worse there.

Debates on what he taught in schools, no, **debate should start at whether we should even have schools**. Then we will see **parents** should have the whole day, let them **vote**.

No child left behind is Satan's plan.

TEACHERS RIGHTS TO BE RELIGIOUS

I used to put lots of **bumper stickers religious** ones etc, I was contacted by the administration and **told** ide better watch out and **stop** that, now I just have a constitution party one there.

Teachers are allowed to have a **Bible on their desk**, a picture of Jesus. Few do. I also got a talking to about doing that, I kept a Bible out and picture of the apostles and a Jesus with kids.

All **my students know** I'm a staunch Christian. I'm always on their case for swearing, for their music, etc. I also sometimes work the dorms, **the hard part** is that most the **staff** indulge with the students in all kinds of things I'm extremely uncomfortable with.

HOMESCHOOL

-I'm homeschooling kids can get **closer to parents**, to nature, to important real history, etc.

-Math is the hard part for most homeschool parents, there are supplimental programs you can use, and if that's something your kid is

interested in focus more on that, but not everyone needs to be a math wiz. You teach what you know, and you learn more as you go. -Us who were **public schooled**, we are way **behind**. We don't know anything about history, etc. There's a few who excel there and who care. My wife actually cared and showed up to learn and at home spent time on homework, but most are a bit more like me, it's just play time.

HOW TO TEACH

-A brilliant writer David McColloch said that the **key issue with teachers** these days is they don't know their subject material. We waste all our higher education time on "learning how to teach", but we are all ignorant about our subject material. Like Nibley said, "I'm not a good teacher, I've never seen a good teacher, let me know if you find one." So much emphasis now on how you teach not what you teach. On getting them to critically think, but we still just pump out worksheets and agenda nonsense.

-Homeschool kids can read. You **get them reading**, and you point them at **what to read**, then they do it. You talk about it. Lots of kids these days are growing up without ever having read a single book until after they graduate high school. It used to be that students were expected to read the entire class text. These days the texts are so full of fluff non-sense and quackery that who would bother?

-Whatever **you learn, you teach**. Often a good homeschool is where you **simply tell them what you know**. You certainly know more than they do. In the land of the blind, the one-eyed man is king.

-Taking notes about what you learn in an electronic journal which you refine into some booklet or website or other is a great way.

-This also keeps the focus on what you're **interested** in, what you want to share with the world.

-Homeschool allows for many more **outings** and hands on experiences. My kids go out all the time on these adventures, they're far surpassing what I encountered at their age.

-Love your students. **Who loves them the most?** The parents. Who should be the primary teacher? The parents. We had a friend recently tell us she was impressed to start homeschooling simply as a way to be more involved in her children's lives.

COLLEGE

-College seems not much better than reading a book. Most classes these days you leave less educated than when you came.

-The social sciences have been taken over, if you're going for higher education, avoid them.

-a **great college** ed can be in language, something where it's established knowledge being passed on, minimize liberal narrative memorization. -Rigorous training in anything can be a good education, but it's so many fields are politicized these days there is great danger in wandering out to the social sciences, and even other areas like political science history and literature. **If you aren't aware of the agendas and strong** in what's right, you'll fall under all the pressure.

-College is the new high school anyway, they have to take all these nonsense classes in every field to get a degree. And no one cares where you went to college, they just want to see the degree and the skill.

PRESSURE FROM FRIENDS TO BE NORMAL

-I had a bishop say oh that's **too bad when he heard we homeschool**, it was a small town where the school was the heart of the community (not the chapel).

-Had a bishops wife tell my wife she **can't handle being a foster** mom. These people are clueless, anything not mainstream they mock and it's painful. Do moms struggle with messy homes etc? Yes, and they know it needs to be clean, and they're doing a great job. People see our kids, they aren't sapped by TV and gaming and peer only school and pop culture, theyre nice to be around, they greet guests warmly, they're different. I remember my mom from a family of 13 was pulled from school at times to help with the kids, her mom said she'd rather have her learn to have an educated heart.

-disclaimer: You're not a bad person if you don't homeschool, it's just what we've found to be a very powerful tool. Some circumstances won't allow for doing it, but more than we think will. Try this tool before it becomes illegal! -We teach our kids to be their best, to follow Christ, to respect their leaders, but not to compare with their leaders. For example: we say if your bishop eats junk food or watches a bad movie etc., that in no way justifies you to do it. This goes the other way too: we all have weaknesses, and it's ok if we are behind others, we are making progress if we are sincere. We also teach that legality doesn't equate to righteousness. -Each must think for themselves. You don't walk off the cliff if told to. You pray and only do that if God reveals to you that such instruction was

inspired. God's plan does involve apostles and prophets, they are the generals to guide God's army, but that's never meant to not do any thinking for yourself.

-We can't be too anxious to fit in with the world. We should be making our own society, even if we can't up and move to unsettled territory, we can make a network of saints.

-A neat thing is social media groups with a purpose which can help lift our views. I like the **Stoddard "All Saints" groups.** I help moderate their "Answering Questions with the Revelations" group

(fb://group/370178313382336?ref=share). They also have one on "Building families that will stand"

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/buildafamilythatwillstand/?ref=share) and "Good Movies Books etc."

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/goodfamilymoviesbooksmusiclds/?ref=share) and some others.

HOMESCHOOL AND SOCIAL LIFE

-NHERI (National Homeschool Research Institute) shows homeschooled kids aren't less **socialized**. They may be more bashful and nervous about sin and social settings which should never happen, but they're fine. They'll look an adult in the eye. They'll talk to people. What they will be is less "socialized", or trained in the ways of socialism.

-If a kid wants to jump into the relationship world that's one thing, but these days **relationships for youth aren't even contemplating marriage or parental** consent.

-Kids **don't need tons of friends**, school time is to learn, **siblings** are the spine of the friend basis.

-Kids don't need **cell phones**. They can have very closely monitored online access for specific important purposes and studies, they don't need the phones or social media. -They don't need to be on the in about **what's going on with the lazy** kids in their school.

-And if your kid has a cell **phone, they are dating**, without exception, and it's all behind closed doors, the opposite of chivalry & biblical ways where it's family centered with parental approval. This is another reason to homeschool: public schools are one big underage immature dating fish tank, it's not about class, it's a daily fashion show / popularity contest / drama land. The focus should be on learning, but it's on something they're totally unprepared to do, and it's all backwards, and a completely antiscriptural social/dating setting, mixed in with all the Babylon.

-Schools for older children are fine if there's real standards, real Godfearing teachers, real disciplined peers, but there aren't. The main thing you can't fix with public school is the attitudes kids will learn from their peers who come from completely un-gospel-oriented homes. And being in Utah doesn't mean any different. They're even trying to get rid of the Beehive on the Utah flag, they detest everything Brigham Young. -We are unashamed about one of our primary reasons for homeschooling being to avoid the peers at the school. We focus on **building relationships** with families who have similar standards as we do. Sometimes it's a desert and you have to fly solo, but eventually you find those people, you learn how to thrive socially, and the toxic attitudes start going away in your home.

-Teachers aren't allowed to run a tight ship in public schools. They're looked down on if they kick a kid out of class. It's totally backwards. So it's easy for **kids to get away with** murder in school. Easy to skip class, to be on their phones all day, they just learn to play the system.

They they get temped to lie and cheat, and that becomes the norm. That's how you succeed in business, it's a dog eat dog world, the system owes it to you, it's just a tactic.

HOMESCHOOL AND VOCATIONAL & ACADEMIC SKILLS

-Back in the day, kids worked, contributed, lead, knew many practical skills. Today's schools few learn anything, and it's all abstract. It's too much school, the schools get in the way. Sure, use a school for reading writing arithmetic (and maybe nutrition), then get them out of there! Get them on that farm, get them time alone to quietly read the best books, particularly the scriptures.

-There's sometimes a small class in home-ec, basically useless, and no one can cook or keep house these days, not to mention the trades being down despite being in high demand. Ayn Rand talks about this- everyone is novice, we need people with skills, people who can think, not just take orders.

HOMESCHOOL TO AVOID SOCIALISM

-A book I had to read for a class for a degree was pure socialism, always begging the state to do more; it talked about how we don't realize how far

we have come in little things like **school lunches**. The author assumed that socialism was the pure virtuous good, and that everyone else thought so too. Not even a mention about opposing views and locally based community grassroots solutions with churches, charities, etc.

-There's really no other way: it's God's way, or totalitarianism is coming soon.

-Ayn **Rand** said the difference between a **welfare state and a totalitarian** state is a matter of time.

-My wife's **grandma** was an Idaho farmer, she made her kids pack a lunch, they weren't going to be getting a free ride, raising taxes.

GOVERNMENT

-allow **separate states** to be individual nations, see who thrives. Abortion, marriage, drugs, let them all see what works, let the God fearing people have a state of refuge

-ironically the social justice warriors want to point out how we are all unique and not the same, that it's **no good to just say "all lives matter"** and seek for equal opportunity, they want equal outcomes. The irony is they want all their **agendas to be federal** law. That's eliminating states' abilities to be unique!

-Go ahead and allow abortion in some states, and we will see where the fireball strikes first.

-Allow us the **option to flee** tyrannical and evil states who ignore God's law. But no, they want the whole of it.

-Joel Skousen's World Affairs Brief

-mention the **Bowers and Andersen** notes

-must be strict. **Cleon chief** police eliminates crime, they throw him out, it returns

-closer to God's law the better; allow groups/states/local schools to do this -I'm more conservative than libertarian on many issues. Such powerful influences like drugs and pornography and other things that our laws can help avoid those. Lets not legalize everything in the name of tax benefits. Let's not give up when an underground market appears.

FAMILY FIRST

-broken homes we see conservative importance -mystery of God is he is a man, a family man. If we are interested in becoming like God, we ought to go become a father. His title gives it away. You'll **learn more about God being a parent** than you would going to theology school.

-Now we can learn all the more in the context of family. Family first, not education first. You go through the **adventure together**; you don't do all the adventures then have a family when the adventures are over. -We have inexpensive books, audiobooks, free podcasts, cheap phones, wireless instant global communication. While you do dishes, while you feed a baby, while you do various cooking laundry and other housekeeping, you can have lectures on. It's a choice: will you spend your time with frivolous music and fluff to numb your life and listen to silly women call for endless vacations, or will you better your mind? Some wholesome recreation is fine but are we really taking advantage of what we are learning? Your academic interests may be different than mine, but you can find topic or skill that you can improve, even if it's Godly singing, memorizing poetry, hearing discussion on current events, discussion on all sorts of useful things; we have unique interests we fostered in pre-mortality; the key is to not get distracted into living beneath your privileges in this day of so many great tools.

-Teach kids to **aspire to parenthood** more than any vocation. The is the forgotten American dream. Vocation choice isn't really important.

FRIENDSHIPS & DATING

-Hanging out is recipe for disaster. Have 2 **families spend time together** as whole groups.

-Parents can **direct which kids are the closest friends** by who they encourage activity with.

-Again **siblings are the primary** group. Siblings also train kids how to interact with the opposite sex, and how to respect boundaries.

-Kids need to learn their religion, learn how they'll act ahead of time. They need to know **which questions to ask** to see if someone is worth their time, or is just a pretty face. They need to have high standards. They need to know **how to judge** and know about people's character by how they **speak, dress, and talk** about their families.

WHEN TO MARRY

-In God's law, sexual **intercourse is** the same thing as **marriage**. If you do the deed, you take the responsibility for life. Feminists who really care about women would love this, it protects women. But now we have society who doesn't care about childbearing, so now all our women are men.

-Romeo & Juliets' parents got in the way; Let the youth chose, some are inclined to wait, others seek to hurry on. Maturity & interest levels vary. Some are focused on creating a family, others are highly interested in other things too. Disclaimer: I do not advocate illegal underage marriage.

-**Puberty, then wait** 10-20 years for marriage is recipe for disaster. Puberty is nature's (God's) sign that we are ready for adult roles. In our society, we obviously aren't ready.

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GENDER

-**APA** gay study claiming homosexual parenting is as effective as regular parenting: didn't compare biological parented kids to gay parented kids, only compared kids of single family homes in attempt to be fair. The hidden message isn't said: that biologically parented kids far far surpass any other form.

-SJW classes bringing up **female privilege**, family proclamation as inspired, or "all lives matter", or plural marriage triggers them.

-If you disagree with SJW's, you're "uninformed" or prejudice.

-It's **99% peer pressure.** The brainless social media. The access to pocket computers & worldwide web. I see **rehab kids come in straight**, and 'become gay', it's social.

-To the few it's more biological, it's a **test just like everyone** else's test. For some it's food addiction, drug addiction, laziness addiction, prostitute addiction, video game addiction. Often those kids are **lonely and are socially akward usually without their biological** parents, and are looking for what to do.

-It's the toxic **foods** we are eating.

-It's the **ignorance in training of God's laws**. Ignorance about how important gender is to eternal salvation. They say 'God has a **special place in his plan** for gays' yep, it's called hell. Hell will be a good thing for them: it's a time to see how wrong their doctrine is, and to purge themselves of those ideologies and tendencies. Hell is an important part of God's plan. Gayness just has nothing to do with God's kingdoms, with true normal happy living.

-It's the feminism almost everyone is touting.

-I recently heard of trying to **seperate discrimination of services from individual**. You won't bake the gay wedding cake because it's against your moral convictions. But you can bake the same person a regular birthday cake. So it's not against the individual, it's against the wrong thing. Hate the sin, love the sinner.

-People freak out about my modesty writings. I've passed them through several editors to try and get them as level headed and fair as possible. One suggested using longer skirts for dance, everyone got out their pitchforks, I showed my wife, she said, "well, you're not wrong"

MODESTY

-Lamanite degenerates wore the **short skin girdle**. We are even **worse** with our yoga pants.

-mod-sexy **continuum.** Is **Jesus sexy?** He is modest. The **character reflects in the dress**. Reserve self for marriage, reveal your dignity.

-Bumper stickers with clothed women reading.

-The immodesty/sleezy culture leading to casual sex culture and **sexual** crime.

-Temple dress vs ours.

-This is an **Abrahamic** trial for women. Truman G **Madsen** ends a mighty lecture calling us out that with Godhead in view, we aren't even willing to live a dress code!

-A BYU professor who said **whenever he brought up modesty, his students** got out the fire and pitch forks, they wouldn't hear it. It's all part of the feminist worldview. He was going to lose his job from the nasty reviews, so he shut up about it.

-Ask immodesty advocates: **why wear any clothes at all?** -Modest is Hottest **Christian song purged**

-clothing is **symbolic of boundaries**, of who you are in marriage, etc.

-even kids should be taught modesty, not that "oh it's cute" or they'll learn wrong. This is the key for everything: kids should tithe, fast (however they can), etc.

-statement of Brigham? That there's exalted colonies living on the **sun dressed like Quakers.** (Note: we can't see exalted beings with our current eyes, who's to say there's no life there, particularly resurrected beings who can live in other environments. I wouldn't be surprised if every star in the sky has people, we aren't alone, there's purpose in creation!)

-To be modest is to have faith in marriage. We don't need to rely on **random strangers** for excitement. We trust that **God provides to meet our needs** in marriage covenants.

-Debate with a protestant about modesty, "**not in the bible**" they say (my response is always that **it is in my bible**, as my bible isn't just a little book, it keeps growing to meet all the needs of my family), and they mock and say I'm **Muslim** in this; I say yes, they're better than us at this! I don't want to force anyone to be modest, but I'm all for having a voluntary society of people who agree to dress well for God.

-the end of the book of **Thomas Moore on Utopia**, says "you know the strangest thing about the [cannibal utopia]? They didn't wear any pants!

-Brave New World comes where sex is completely aside from family when we erase the borders of modesty as a symbol of virtue.

PLURAL MARRIAGE DOCTRINE RESTORED

-We are members of the main church of Jesus Christ and don't practice plural marriage due to current church policy, but we understand it is a higher law, and as such, when lived, it helps families function. We foresee a day when our church will have members who again qualify for their leaders to bring back this practice. We know **families are the heart of God's plan, & the larger the better.** When authorized, a woman would be glad to use this holy method to grow her husband's kingdom. -Plural marriage is a **higher law?** Yes according to D&C **132,** & modern revelation to Joseph is the strongest clearest way we hear God's voice as a people, God said this generation has His word through Joseph (D&C 5:10). Elder **McConkie** spoke of how it is holy and would at some point return (he suggested during the millennium; it seems to build Zion in Missouri it's needed as Zion can only be built on celestial law; some fundamentalists currently practice it, we have respect for them as they are living their religion.)

-I just did a rebuttal to Michelle Stone's anti-plural marriage lecture series (It was 29 back then, now its more). I put several rebuttals to this on my blog, it's all free public access, nothing too technical but it's my testimony and it refutes the faulty logic and half truths she tells. She believes all who practiced it were morally wrong, and that God never approves of it, that ancient and modern patriarchs were all wrong, that D&C 132 isn't real scripture, etc. One example of how she twists scriptures is her huge rant about how Lot's wife was a heroin we should emulate, rather than a prototype of what not to do. She calls king David worse than any man she knows of, and a "dirty old man." It's quite repulsive to hear someone who claims to be in good faith so actively tearing down our leaders and our doctrine. She hates that current church manuals speak of how plural marriage is still something God can use as he sees fit. There are voices claiming Joseph never practiced it, what a disgrace. Then they act like Brigham was some random China-man who'de never met Joseph came in and changed everything. No, Brigham's voice is that of Joseph, that's where he learned the doctrine and spirit of the restoration. Feminism is not congruent with the gospel of Jesus Christ, and many don't realize how entrenched our society is in feminism. It's like Hugh Nibley once said: our culture is a million miles off from heavens culture, and prayer to heaven can be a major culture shock.

-I have a summary of Ogden Kraut's famous book "Polygamy in the Bible" on my blog.

PLURAL MARRIAGE PROMOTES FAMILY CENTEREDNESS & GODLY STANDARDS

-siblings are where main friendships are had, where our kids are in a controlled environment, we know what's going to be on the TV and radio and internet, we know the standards will be high. Large sibling groups are the ideal, Benson talked about kids from large sibling groups coming out better rounded than those from homes with few children. It's the perfect laboratory for learning social skills. In plural families, it is much easier to have large sibling groups.

-plural as a higher law, practiced **by most ancients**, prevents social woes. -**plural marriage law** was a massive assault on freedom; I bring this up in required social justice classes, they hate it; it'll **never be on their LGB** platform, it's not part of the anti-Christ agenda, to have women taken care of; Satan wants women looking for a good man, and **giving up when she can't find one, and turning to a wasted** lifestyle.

-plural marriage Gods higher law solves most social issues, teaches consecration

-helps avoid divorce, barenness, **'retirement'**, prostitution, selfishness, **vain riches**, idolness

-**King Henry 8th** should've taken a 2nd wife, not divorced his first. -happy times with **adult women to visit with** in the home; mothers often go crazy having no adults to talk to all day.

-when plural marriage is accepted they'll be even stronger; the godless don't want children, let them die out

-Plural sister wives can **specialize** at home: some have more interest in cooking, others in teaching children, etc. It makes for **happier** times all around when we have the spirit.

-refer to my summary of Ogden Kraut's book on plural marriage in the bible, and handful of those resources.

CHILDBEARING

-family is still a church focus, but it's certainly getting watered down. Anyone with more than 5 kids and people gasp. Birthrates going down **trailing behind nation**.

-Loved Elder Anderson's recent talk encouraging large families.
Encourages not to wait until after med school etc., "where is your faith?" you can keep God's law to procreate and get your dream career.
-Lots of talk about taking in **refugees**. Many **homeless spirits are waiting** for a place to live, and will they have to go live with the ungodly?
Fostering is also an option, but it's not the primary option: full throttle on childbearing is.

-People don't realize that kids help raise each other, that it's the perfect laboratory. That having **just 1 or 2 kids is the real hard** thing. It takes a group of them to constantly be at play with all sorts of games.

-we respect women's health mental and physical, and there are biblical times for abstinence, but generally speaking, the **woman's highest calling** is in childbearing. And she can still do research and so on with her family, it's called homeschooling, and it's called **everyone has free time and can multitask**. We also have this great time of easy access to books and libraries. Again, have multiple kids so they aren't needing your constant attention.

-saying women don't have **time for childbearing** is like saying men don't have **time to serve missions**. Men go on missions, let the women enjoy each other's company raising children as their mission together while the men are on missions (again, plural marriage helps with this). Often the man doesn't have to leave home for this.

PARENTING: DISCIPLINING

-spanking debate (it's **not 'hitting'** or teaching to hit anymore than a raindrop is a flood;

-spanking is **biblical**; **leadership** must be established.

-But Brigham and others warn not to make this something that happens all the time, but your key method to be loving persuasion.

- there's a **balance**, and spanking works **best for small** children only. The balance is to have **tons of love and talking**, and only the **physical when kids aren't getting it otherwise**. We work with each kid on their own disposition: **some respond well** to physical, others don't. Note:

Traumatized kids often don't since they've seen the dark side of physical punishment, the illegal and wrong side.

-tough love or there's no real love. You need both.

-Kids need a parent, **not just a friend**.

-parents are small Gods.

-Exaltation is all about having a family of one's own.

-Kids get kicked into foster care, parents and kids out of control, and then there's no **spanking** allowed, there's very weak allowances. Train kids to obey and there'll be peace, don't and there's constant argument. This isn't short term solution, it's training upright character for life. **Obedience is the first** law of heaven!

-There's no more **patriarchal order** in the home, the father as the head governor.

Definitely have couples **meetings** and family meetings to discuss where things need to go, have a united front, respect each other's feelings, your wife will be the most boots-on-the-ground, take her advice seriously.

-Joel skousen talks about this all the time: train kids to listen to

conscience. Discipline them **not just when a bad act** takes place, but when they have poor attitude, explain that they've disregarded the voice of conscience.

THERAPY, REHABS

-Sometimes they do group **therapy** in the classroom during study hall. I see how ineffective it is. It's the **unknown God**, it's **random advice** from random videos and people, it's the politically correct culture. It's random nonsense. Random advice. It's not **authorized priesthood** advice. -Same with many therapists, there seems to be two kinds: those who **dig up the past** and blame it all on **environment**, and those who focus on present skills, on repentance, on forsaking sin.

-Too many therapists ask what **your way** is and they help you with that. But these **kids don't know**, it's our job to guide them, not to indulge them in what they want!

Dealing with **special needs** kids is one thing, the focus should be on **avoiding** that happening in the first place.

Stop the vaccines. Stop the junk food. Stop the video games. Stop the entitlement, use tough love. Stop the disrespect.

FOSTER PARENTING & ADOPTION

-The opportunities to help these refugees, but also the precautions. -rebelious kids? time together, but firm standards. **Fussing about religion?** Family practices: we fast for **health**, pray if you wish. We study scripture for school and **history** and **law**, believe if you wish. We do service projects because we are good **citizens**. We have a large family, you **chose your own family** size, but you owe us your service since we are the ones who are putting a roof over your head (Note: Hyrum Andrus talks about **pre-mortal adoption** arrangements: that if a kid can't get to you the natural way, it can in another way. Adopted kids have all the rights of biological kids. Surely we were all **foreordained to become the children of Christ**.

You could say they even become biological kids. .

Either way, **bloodlines** have more to do with **covenant** relationships **than** with **genetics**.)

(for rebellious foster kids they say "you chose to, someone else could have" ok, but we did, so **we are the ones you owe** allegiance respect and service to)

-Meg has a shirt that has foster adoptive crossed out, and just says "mom". People ask if all these kids are ours, or which of them are ours, or which are siblings: they don't get it: they're all ours, they all have the same mom and dad, and it's us. They have new names, it's a new heaven and new earth for them and us.

-we have **boundaries** about gender etc, you can **list** that. Some families have a policy of 'that kid will stay no matter what' we don't feel that way, there are lines we won't cross, like drug use on our property, that kid isn't going to be a good fit, and would do well to find another foster family, and avoid our home in the first place. Your own kid of course you don't turn out, but you do enforce state law.

-Obviously **some cases the kid can't stay at your house** (be it foster kids or otherwise). It's ok for them to be accountable for their actions: you will call the **cops** if there is assault, drug use on property, property damage, etc. If your discipline hands are tied, they've got to be involved. (Same for foster kids: not all can stay if lines are crossed, that's ok. We put up with a lot, but the kids need that message that **some things are completely off the table.**

-traditional family will save most social problems. **If you want to save the world**, don't be a therapist, be a parent. (Generally speaking)

RECREATION

"It is impossible to unite Christ and Baal – their spirits cannot unite, their objects and purposes are entirely different; the one leads to eternal life and exaltation, the other to death and final destruction." (Brigham Young, JD vol. 11; "Union. Persecution. The Nature of the Kingdom of God.)

"Refrain from illusions and seek divine and scientific truth" – Mother of Dimitri Mendeleev, her last words to him.

"Too often we use many hours for fun and pleasure, clothed in the euphemism 'I'm recharging my batteries.' Those hours could be spent reading and studying to gain knowledge, skills, and culture." (President Henry B Eyring in "Today's Family: Chose Wholesome Recreation" at

https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/prophets-and-apostles/unto-all-theworld/choose-wholesome-recreation?lang=eng

"Just as honest toil gives rest its sweetness, wholesome recreation is the friend and steadying companion of work... Music, literature, art, dance, drama, athletics—all can provide **entertainment to enrich one's life and further consecrate it**..." "(Elder Christofferson in "Today's Family: Chose Wholesome Recreation" at <u>https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/prophets-and-apostles/unto-all-the-world/choose-wholesome-recreation?lang=eng</u>)

-entertainment should edify.

-We have **hundreds of DVDs** which have an element of fun, but are definitely educational. We avoid frivolous pop movies. People say 'wow you have many movies' **yet you go to their house and they have TV with millions** of junk shows available to them.

-we avoid **entire music genres** which don't invite the spirit of the Lord. -video **games: most kids get addicted** to them; and most of them are frivolous; simulators could work, but still, we see desensitization to reading.

Too much electronics makes kids not as able to engage with natural creation. I don't totally say there's never a place for them, I know genius people who use those as perhaps a learning tool, but I **reject ''fun for it's own sake''**; all recreation should edify somehow. Some moderation but

predominantly focusing on recreation which uplifts, not just comforts. [quotes]

-not just books for reading sake, but teach history, meaningful art, etc. -avoiding violence and contention, uplifting media, this helps in our parenting. We need all the help from Christ we can get. -I've tried to gather uplifting music, playlists available

LITERATURE

-What are your kids reading at public schools? What's in those libraries? How much unstructured time do they have to dive into this nonsense? The books are trash. Fairy tale. We're **all ignorant of our history, & of refined culture**.

-**Nibley said** we all have a full time job discovering the history of this world.

-Compare this to the **McGuffy** readers, to learning from **scripture**, to **journaling** about your life's moral quest and victories and services. -One author of silly books for children with goofy flying zombie cheese etc. laughed at how an old man scolded him for not writing books with morals, the audience laughed, but this author's conscience won't let him forget this encounter. There's plenty of enjoyable writing which actually has a point, actually shows history, etc.

MUSIC

-All the music these days have these **2 themes**: **1. Do it your way, 2. Don't worry** about the future. AKA, you, not God, are in charge, and God can't get in your way.

-Heavy metal bands openly anti religion getting paid to come give motivational speeches. One **recent assembly** a guy showed up and straight up said religion is crap. They he gave some watered down protestant sermon. So this is what we are authorizing, this false priesthood to preach to our kids at these schools.

-The **dances** and assemblies are trash, and people pay others to spew this trash. They jump around like primates.

-They feel **shy**, which is their **conscience** telling them don't engage in this non-sense, and Babylon is all about training you how to violate conscience.

-Entire genres should be avoided. Some say 'the kids don't understand what the song is saying' but they do understand the sound, their spirits are wise, and they'll gravitate to that toxic culture the music is always about.

MAGIC

-Pokemon characters all sassy and mean, and the whole theme is dark and occultic, **made by same people** as "Magic the Gathering"; Satan is gathering his anti-Christ New Age adherents. Many homeschool families fall into this trap of excessive fantasy and magic rather than focusing on truth.

-Pornographic lines and costumes blended in: example of an associate it playing in a home and a **random line** of taking a picture without clothes on in a child cartoon anime; it's double speech: did anyone else hear that? -At work I had a student say when I expressed discomfort about an anime shirt they were wearing, "there's **no such thing as Christian anime**." True. It's based on eastern culture & ideas, & boundaries of gender modesty respect aren't strong like in the west.

-Not supposed to be into magic.

-Magic everything. In educational programs.

-Halloween definitely occultic, not just fun ancestor celebration. Satanic ritual abuse. Witches celebrate this day above all, and it's **apparently the favorite** holiday of millennials. It's all **about violence**, death, abuse, gore, terror. Some say it's just a fun social event, and yes we need fun social events, but isn't there a way that doesn't involve the devil? Use religious

holidays, **Purim** the Esther celebration traditionally does wholesome costumes, but the theme isn't death murder and fear. How can a day about fear bring us any faith? There's Rosh Hashanah where it's traditional to wear white, to invite the spirit of God rather than the spirit of the devil. At some point we have to put 2 and 2 together and realize that the **traditions we live are having a real influence** on our families, on depression, druguse, and general valence or lackadaisical approach to God.

-Yoga **Reiki** accessing spirit guides of the Hindu faith, reincarnation, etc. Prayers to Hindu Gods. **Giving up one's consciousness** and self control to 'the universe'; same with hypnosis: never give up your agency, your self control.

-That's the **danger of all temptation: it's about trading your power of agency** for some cheap fleeting thrill. So many songs sing "lose control", that's a Satanic message. Brigham talked about this: we **shouldn't fly off the handle** in rage, shouldn't just express every emotion we feel. Rather, we should control ourselves.

-Witches, witchcraft, spells, it's **all real. There are fallen spirits** who were cast out, that ¹/₃ were cast to this world. **Magic is how you dance with the devils**, and you're going to get burned.

-You could say "**it's obviously just pretend**", but those spirits which preside over these activities, over idleness, over card playing and **games of chance**, over the idea of getting something for nothing, they will give you subtle messages which are anti-truth, anti-Christ, and anti-family, anti-industry, anti-refinement, anti-improvement.

SCIENCE DOCTRINE

- BYU professor run-ins, prophet words belittled

-Man **literal child** of God. **Spiritual DNA** strand, and physical strand, makes complete rope binding us to God.

-schools should teach both views, now it's 1 sided, atheist field day going unchecked. Hovind says he's the only one who calls the schools. -not even giving both views; completely ignoring all creation science, and there's a lot of it

-there are **Christian universities** which don't teach evolution -scriptures say earth was water in the beginning, not magma/fire rock.

And a worldwide flood. If true (which it is), this made massive changes and can be easily proven when we aren't avoiding it from agenda.

-scriptures say **temporal lifespan of earth is 7k** years, and the **creation was 7** days, and in the Lord's time that's another 7k years. UM recognizes this.

-if we came from apes, lets go ahead and **act like apes** in our mating. Social Darwinism, no rule of law, everything evolving, no firm foundation, and humans being inherently animal-like.

CREATION SCIENCE: HOW IT WORKS: UNIVERSAL MODEL

(Universal Model)

-evolution no tree, no progression,

-catastrophy vs uniformitarian

-the water creation, not magma; earth isn't glass, it's quartz.

-the flood geology: worldwide proof in all sand, clay, fossils, etc.

Anywhere you see a fossil, the flood was there. **Surface** one time event.

-flood **comet**, motion unbalance breaks continents submerges them -hydrofountains for **most flood water**; only about an inch-worth of rain from atmosphere

-hypretherm, fossilization, near surface, pressure for mineralization, **heat from friction** heat generating lava & electric field

-many discolored soils you wonder, **why isn't that mixed** with other rocks?

-that doesn't look eroded over millions of years

-humanoids pre-Adamites: **midgets, monkeys, frauds**. Adam was 1st. They invent strange ideas to say "God stepped in right then when they'de evolved enough", nonsense.