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FAULTY DISCIPLINE

BY DR. DAYTON HOBBS

The discipline that many educators and child psychologists advocate today is not Biblical discipline. Because of the chaos in the home, the day school classroom, and the Sunday School classroom, many have become concerned with the problem of discipline, and as a result, articles and books on the subject have become "legion." Instead of searching the Scriptures for truth concerning God's answer to this very serious and growing problem, many have sought for the answer within the framework of psychology, throwing in an occasional Scripture here and there to give their treatise a spiritual flavor, and thereby leading many to a faulty approach to the discipline of children; the end result being some degree of peace and harmony within the home or classroom, but little understanding on

the part of the disciplinarian of Biblical discipline, and of children being reared without the advantage of the fruits of true Bible discipline.

DISCIPLINE BY PERSUASION

I define discipline by persuasion as the attempt by parents, teachers, and others who have the responsibility for training children, to accomplish the objectives of discipline by a process of persuasion; that is, influencing the mind and thereby the actions and behavior of children by arguments and reasoning. Persuasion should be reserved primarily for those who are mature, and therefore capable of evaluating the worth of our arguments and the validity of our reasoning. Children are not usually capable of this, for the very simple reason that they are

immature and, therefore, discipline by persuasion generally becomes a process of some adult convincing the child that he or she has something to gain (something that may or may not be worthwhile in the long run) by conforming to the behavior the adult desires.

Some parents and teachers have achieved a degree of success through this process. Their homes and/or classrooms are quieter and more peaceable, their own blood pressure readings have dropped considerably, and observers of their children in the home or classroom may be favorably impressed with an improved degree of order and control; however, this does not mean that their children are disciplined or that they are in the process of being disciplined from a Biblical standpoint. One very important ingredient is

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ETERNAL ABSOLUTISM

BY THE LATE FORD C. OTTMAN, D.D.

THE IMPERIAL REIGN OF CHRIST

Our Lord, when He was here upon the earth, exercised the office of a prophet; He in heaven is now exercising the office of a priest; and He is coming again in order that here upon the earth He may exercise the office of a king. Whether, then, in humiliation, as He was when here upon earth, rejected and scourged and crowned with thorns; or in grace, as He is now, living yonder and interceding, having passed through the heavens; or in glory, as He shall be when He returns to the earth, to be received and honored and with diadems pressing His brow; whether, in a word, in humiliation or in grace or in glory, He is One and evermore One and the same blessed Person, the Servant of the Father's will. To the Father He as Prophet and Priest and King puts in an accounting. "He must reign till he hath put all other things under his feet." This is the majestic measuring line that delineates and defines the coming imperialism of Christ.

And all this may be pre-viewed now by the eye of faith, and the vision may be as clear now as it will be when taken in by the bodily eye hereafter.

We see not yet all things put under him; but we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor.

Heb. 2:8, 9

All things cosmical, whether they be things celestial or whether they be things terrestrial, are moving on in irresistible might, on to this consummation infinitely glorious. This progression of the ages no power can stay. In their unfolding is to be disclosed the final cause of redemption.

Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth. For I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by myself, the word has gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow; every tongue

shall swear. Surely shall one say, In the Lord have I righteousness and strength. Even to him shall men come. And every one that is incensed against him shall be ashamed. In the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

Isa. 45:22-25

Imperialism and Christ, therefore, are not problematical, but demonstrably sure, and these are as involved and inseparable as are the eternal counsels from which they unroll. Christ must reign until all things are put into subjection under Him. To His absolute and unlimited sovereignty there is no exception, save, of course, the Father who puts all things in subjection under His Son, and this relational status is merged finally into the eternal absolutism that is His birthright share forever with the Father to whom He delivers up the Kingdom after it has served its purpose.

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Editor's Desk

There is no question in my mind but that we are living in the Laodicean Age. This is seen not only in the church in particular but in the world in general. The conditions of the world in general obviously have a tremendous effect upon the church in any period of time.

The Laodicean church of Revelation (3:14-19) was, of course, the one that turned the Lord's stomach, causing Him to spue it out of His mouth, as it's lukewarmness caused Him nausea. The word "Laodicea" means "the rule of the people." The name indicates that in this church period (the last of seven) the order of authority in the church as established by God for His glory has been replaced by the rule of man for his own purposes. Authority is in the hands of the people, and politics, not Bible principles, give direction to affairs of the church. Democracy invades the church of Jesus Christ and pollutes it. The will of man replaces the will of God, and pastors and church officials bow to the itching ears of the people, rather than to the instructions of God to preach and practice sound doctrine. The sight of God-called preachers bowing to the will of the people undoubtedly is the cause of God's nausea. One great preacher of the past is reported to have said, "If God has called you to preach, don't stoop to be a king."

Paul puts things in perspective in Galatians 1:10: "For do I now persuade (seek the favor of) men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men (were still trying to please men), I should (would) not be the servant of Christ." Jesus said no man could serve two masters, and it is obvious that in our day many, many preachers in Fundamentalism have chosen to be the servant of the people instead of the servant of God. Adam bowed to the will of Eve, thus violating the will of God, and sin entered the world. We need to face this question squarely as individual Christians. To whose will do we bow? Who are we intent upon pleasing — man or God?

We are sad to report the death of Dr. G. Archer Weniger. The article from *THE BLU-PRINT* printed below was probably one of the last that he wrote. Dr. Weniger will be missed by Fundamentalism more than it is possible to say. His keen insight concerning Biblical separation, his ability to identify problems facing Fundamentalism, and his strong stand for the Word of God made him one of the foremost leaders of the cause of Christ. The loss will be felt personally by many who knew him and profoundly in the battle for Truth. Please remember to pray for his family in this time of their bereavement.

Comments about THE FUNDAMENTALIST JOURNAL

BY THE LATE
G. ARCHER WENIGER

...New Paper Claims To Be Fundamentalist. The premiere issue of "The Fundamentalist Journal" just appeared with the September 1982 issue. The editor is Jerry Falwell. The editorial and publishing offices are Lynchburg, Virginia. It is bound to have a compromising impact upon American Fundamentalism.

...It is Designed To Set Forth Dr. Falwell as the leader of all Fundamentalist forces in this nation. His picture is seen five different times in the periodical. A prominent Baptist Bible Fellowship pastor is interviewed: "What we see today on the horizon of Fundamentalism is a young man by the name of Jerry Falwell whom God has given a tremendous mind and ability to provide leadership in a number of areas in this country." After listing the names of some Fundamentalists earlier in this century, and speaking about the mantle of Fundamentalist leadership, he says, "And the enemy generally shoots at him — like they did at Norris — and I see today, in my judgment, that Jerry Falwell has been given that mantle...It is my opinion that the next ten or fifteen years will substantiate this projected analysis."

...Advertisements In The First Issue...includes one from Scripture Press of Wheaton. This is an undenominational firm which has for years been of the New Evangelical persuasion, publishing Sunday School material and religious books that could hardly be characterized as Fundamental. The entire back page is given over to an "ad" by Thomas Nelson Company. This firm is headed by a fellow named Mr. Sam Moore, who is a member of the trustees of Liberty College and is close to Dr. Falwell. Let it be remembered that this firm is the publisher of the Revised

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A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH

But having reached the delivering up of the Kingdom, we are on the borders of the "new heavens" and the "new earth." The heavens and the earth which are now will have been the scene of the Son's exercised energies, in grace and in glory, in humiliation and in power, in the services of the Servant, the Priest and the King, in the life of faith, and the lordship of all things. And when the Son has been thus displayed, as in weakness and in strength, as on earth and in heaven, from the manger to the throne, as the Nazarene and the Bethlehemite, the Lamb of God, and the anointed Lord of all, according to the predestination of eternal counsels, these heavens and earth which are now will have done all that they had to do; when they have continued long enough. They may give place; and the soul that has surveyed them as having accomplished such service may be prepared to hear from the lips of the prophet: "I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth are passed away."

In these reflections, borrowed from another and given as nearly as can be remembered in his words, we have indeed complete fellowship. What is lying beyond the Kingdom age in that vast sweep of eternity is veiled in the majestic language of the closing words of the Apocalypse, but through the veil the glory enshrined in the language breaks through. No longer is the earth to be deluged with blood; no longer estranged from God; no longer the battlefield of hate and of love; no longer the scene of our sorrows, the grave of our dead, the place of our ever falling tears. No longer is the heaven to be clothed with sackcloth, the token of God's anger, no longer is it to be the source of the storm and the tempest, the pealing thunder, the sheeted lightning, the pitiless hail. The heavens and the earth which are now, having served their purpose, unloved and unlamented, have passed all away. To the purified earth there comes down from God out of the now peaceful heaven the holy city, the new Jerusalem, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. This is the eternal city, the home of the glorified, the royal seat of God. Sin and its curse are under His ban forever and ever.

No more separating sea; no more death; no more sorrow; no more crying; no more pain; no more curse; no more night! Seven soul-thrilling negatives that stretch like the gentle winds come sweeping, softening earth's long threnody into

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Stars of the Morning

By "Aunt Carolyn"

Happy Homecoming



Life seemed to move from one big crisis to another. The Shunamite woman had a special room built onto her house for Elisha to stay in when he came by. God gave her a precious little boy because of her faithfulness to God and her willingness to minister to the needs of God's servant. Some years later, this same boy got sick and died. It seemed that all hope was gone, but then God wonderfully used Elisha to bring the boy back to life. Well, it was this same woman to whom Elisha came one day to warn her of impending doom.

"Oh, lady," he said, "because of Israel's sins, there is going to be a terrible famine in this land. It is going to last seven long years, and I have come to warn you to get out of this land. Go some place where you and your family can live while this terrible famine is upon the people." It was marvelous that when everything else in the country looked bleak, black, and hopeless, God provided individually for His

precious saint. God has a special way of looking out for those who trust in Him.

So with a sad heart, the woman left her land and went down into the land of the Philistines to stay until the famine was over.

The years and the famine passed slowly, but finally it was time to return home. Oh, it was good to be back again. It was good to see friends she had known before. And then, off in the distance, lay her own little plot of ground and her own little house. Oh, it would seem so good to be in her own home with her own things again. The closer she came, the faster she hurried, until she nearly ran. But when she got to the gate, her heart sank. Her property had been taken over by somebody else! While she was gone, someone else took over her house, her garden space, her little grape vines, her water pots — everything! These people weren't considering leaving either, thank you. They had moved in. This was their place, and they wouldn't leave it. They would stay!

What could the poor lady do? Once more in her life, her hopes were crushed. Life loomed like a dark cloud. A large, hot tear welled up in her eye and slid silently down her weary cheek. "Oh, dear God," she breathed, as a sob caught in her throat, "please help me. Show me what to do."

Many years before, God had made provisions in His law for ownership of property, but what could she do? How could she get her property, her house, and her garden back? Here she was back home, and it seemed she was

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in a worse predicament than when she left for the land of the Philistines. Perhaps King Joram could help her. If he were a just and fair king, maybe he would hear her plea and be merciful. But then, she was just a poor woman. Nobody would listen to her!

In desperation, she humbly went before the king, and God had paved the way. Do you know who was there? Gehazi, Elisha's servant! Now some would say that he just happened to be there! But you know there are no happen-stances in God's business. There are no accidents in a Christian's life. Elisha's servant was there with the king. Even their conversation was timed by God. The king was very interested in Elisha's ministry, and he said, "Tell me about the things Elisha has been doing." Now Gehazi loved to talk about the miracles of God and His wonderful works through Elisha. His tongue took off on a non-stop flight, telling first about the time Elisha had made a lost ax head rise up and float on the water; and then about the time that he had healed the poisonous food so the poor prophets could eat; and the time the Jordan River opened wide, and Elisha walked across on dry ground. He just kept talking. He even told about the time God gave a Shunamite woman a little baby, and later how the boy died, and Elisha raised him back to life again!

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Standard Version of the Bible, which is the official Bible of the National Council of Churches. This means that Sam Moore's company gives thousands of dollars directly to the NCC, which keeps this ecumenical element well supplied with funds. All Fundamentalists of the genuine variety stand in condemnation of this version as the most liberal, and therefore wicked translation of the Scriptures of this century. No Fundamentalist periodical would allow the publishers of the NCC Bible appear in their paper.

...The Southern Baptist Convention is Reported in this issue. This is a damaging article that handles the apostate SBC with kid gloves. It has no condemnation of the completely entrenched theological apostasy in their seminaries, leadership, and churches. There is no recognition of the inclusivist nature of the SBC — being a pluralistic group of diverse doctrinal elements. High praise is heaped upon the leadership of the SBC. One can find no call in this article for Bible-believers to withdraw from this modernistically-controlled organization. What a sharp difference between this report and that of Dr. Robert Sumner in the Biblical Evangelist for Aug. 6, 1982.

...The False Impression Is Left that the leadership of the SBC is Fundamentals. No mention is made of the fact that every president of the SBC, including the conservatives, is a theological inclusivist at best, and could in no wise be regarded as an ecclesiastical Separatist. The truth is that Criswell, Smith, and Draper are among the heaviest givers to the Cooperative program, which is the inclusivist conspiracy to support the satanic theology of their seminaries. Listen to this high praise Dr. Falwell's paper has to say: "My sense is that Jimmy Draper will make an excellent SBC president. Jimmy Draper is a 'highly intelligent, articulate, and personable human being...I believe that Dr. Draper will completely justify the confidence placed in him by the New Orleans messengers." Concerning Dr. Bailey Smith: "He was a gracious, yet firm, presiding officer with just the right blend of compassion and authority needed to make a meeting of this size and scope viable. Dr. Smith has served the Southern Baptist community with genuine distinction." The article concluded: "Finally, this non-Southern Baptist American wishes the movement well and thanks Southern Baptists for their willingness to confront issues and take a stand." This is absolutely tragic.

...The Front Page Has Colored Pictures of 12 leading Fundamentalist preachers now gone to Glory. These men —

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From The President



I suppose one of the primary attractions that Santa Rosa Christian College should have for students is the fact that it is closely tied to a local church. The ministry and the environment of the local church offers an atmosphere that lends itself to the proper growth and development of students who themselves will one day occupy the pulpits, man the classrooms, lead the choirs, or serve as missionaries sent out by a local body of believers, if our Lord tarries.

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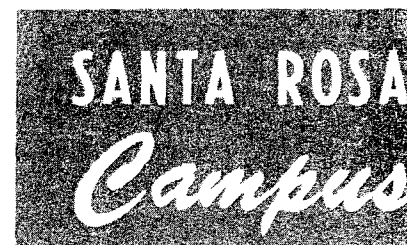
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October Calendar

- 2 -Sunday School Adventure — "Beach Hike"
- 5 -First Six Weeks Ends
- Volleyball: Chumuckla, Away
- 8 -Volleyball: Munson, Away
- 10-Children's Bible Club Night
- 15-Century Christian School Chicken Fry
- 18-Board of Trustees Annual Meeting
- 19-Volleyball: Munson, Home
- 21-Volleyball: Allentown, Home
- 22-Holiday — School Out
- 27-Nine Weeks Ends
- 28-Volleyball: Pensacola Christian, Away



The Three "Z's"

The Dominican Republic is represented at Santa Rosa Christian Academy by the children of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Zahran of Santiago. Five years ago the eldest son, Nasim, now age 15, came to Santa Rosa Christian Academy as a sixth grader in order to have the opportunity of a Christian education. His youth and spirit added a welcome dimension in the dormitory as well as in his classes. Nasim progressed at the Academy, and as he became established in the Lord and in his academic work, two younger children at home hoped for the opportunity also to attend the Academy.

Last year at age twelve, Oscar joined his brother and began campus life. His warm smile and quick wit soon won him a place in hearts of faculty and students. As his school work progressed, it was evident that he was responding to his SRC training.

But what of their little sister at home? She also wanted the opportunity to come to the Academy and share in dormitory life and in the other activities afforded by the school. Her day finally came. This year when Mrs. Zahran made the journey from Santiago to Milton via Miami, she brought all three treasures with her — including the sparkling little Christie, age 11. It was no easy task for this petite mother to say "Goodbye" to her children, but she was satisfied that they were in good hands and in the right place for their education.

Mr. Zahran is a businessman in the Dominican, and Mrs. Zahran is a dentist. The sacrifice they make to send the children to SRCA is commendable, but it does not go unnoticed by the children. In a recent

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CHRISTIAN News

Heads Department of Arts and Sciences



Dr. E. E. Hobbs

Dr. Edna E. Hobbs, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., chairman of the Department of Arts and Sciences of Santa Rosa Christian College, is recognized in education circles throughout the South as a leader in the field of education. Her scholarship is highly respected, and her work is recognized for its scholastic excellence and integrity.

She is a native of Santa Rosa County and the sister of Dr. Dayton Hobbs, president of the College. Her background of training and experience well qualifies her for leadership. Having studied one year at LaGrange College in LaGrange, Georgia, she transferred to the Florida State College for Women in Tallahassee and received her B.A. degree in 1938 in the School of Education with a major in English and a minor in History. In 1950, she earned the M.A. degree in the College of Arts and Sciences at Florida State University in Tallahassee with a major in English. Her thesis was entitled, "Education

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testimony service at Grace Fellowship Church, Oscar thanked the Lord for saving him and for parents who loved them enough to work hard to be able to send him and his brother and sister to SRCA. He said, "First there was one, then there were two, and now we are three!" and his face broke into a big smile. Pastor Hobbs then remarked that it was a joy to have the Zahran children here, but it was especially good to have young people who understand and appreciate their parents and the sacrifice they make to send them to school. We salute the Zahran family — the three young people who are learning to serve the Lord and the parents who realize the importance and urgency of Christian training and who are willing to give of themselves unselfishly to make this opportunity possible.

in Sixteenth Century Literature."

In 1961, she received her Ph.D. degree in the College of Arts and Sciences with a major in English. The title of her dissertation was, "Spanish Influence on The Plays of Beaumont and Fletcher."

Dr. Hobbs' life has been dedicated to teaching. Early in her career she spent eight years teaching junior and senior high school English and History. Later she was selected by the U.S. Navy for special training in management. She received her diploma in Engineered Performance Standards and worked at NAS Pensacola as a management specialist concerned with work improvement and simplification of jobs. During this time, she also taught English for Tulane University Extension Department at the Naval Air Station.

While earning the Ph.D. in the late 1950's and the early 60's, Dr. Hobbs worked as a real estate broker and owned and operated the Florida Real Estate School, which was licensed by the Florida Real Estate Commission. During this time, she prepared a course of study for real estate brokers which has been adopted by the State Real Estate Commission. Dr. Hobbs was recognized for her work in revising The Florida Real Estate Handbook and also for her high rate of success in her students passing the state examinations for real estate brokers.

Since completing her doctorate, Dr. Hobbs has taught English for the past twenty-one years at Pensacola Junior College and was appointed Chairman of the Department of English there eight years ago. She has taught various seminars for college teachers of English at professional conferences in the South. She is a member of a number of professional organizations including the National Council of English Teachers and the Southeastern Council of English Teachers.

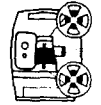
In addition to her professional training and experience in education, Dr. Hobbs brings to her classroom and administrative duties strong Christian conviction and the Biblical philosophy of education. As in other departments of Santa Rosa Christian College, Dr. Hobbs brings to the Department of Arts and Sciences the earnest commitment to prepare people scholastically to serve the Lord while keeping a warm perspective toward the Word of God and His will.

MEMORIAL GIFTS TO
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Robert Ketcham, Bob Jones, Sr., Oliver B. Greene, John R. Rice, V.B. Vick, T.T. Sheilds, and J. Frank Norris would be horrified to read this paper and the position it takes on the SBC. Drs. Riley, Norris, Jones, and Sheilds were fighting modernism in the SBC fiercely in the 1920s.

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HOMEcoming, FROM P. 3

The king was overwhelmed. "Oh, is that really true?"

"Yes, sir," Gehazi said, "Yes, sir, it's the truth. I saw it with my own eyes."

And about that time, guess who walked up? The Shunamite woman! And Gehazi said, "Well, I declare! That's the woman, King; that's the woman right there! She is the one whose son Elisha raised from the dead!"

The king welcomed her and said, "Well, I am surely glad to meet you." Then he realized that she must have come for some special reason. "What can I do for you, lady?" he asked. And she poured out the whole story about her house and her land being taken over while she was gone. She told him how desperately she needed it back. The king looked at her.

"Are you really the one whose son Elisha raised from the dead?"

"Oh, yes, sir. I am, sir."

"Well, I'll declare!" he said.

"Now don't you worry! You will get your house and land back. Don't fret anymore. I will take care of the business details."

And the action that followed was almost too good to be true. The king assigned her a special private officer to go with her and see about the whole business, and she got all her property back again. What a happy homecoming day it was! I tell you, that was God's perfect timing and God's personalized service, too!

Say, if you are a Christian, you are not a nobody! You are a child of the King! It doesn't matter how poor or how rich you are, you are important in God's sight, and God will supply your needs and take care of the details of your life. The secret is that you must be faithful to Him. That Shunamite woman stood by God through every trial and crisis of life, and God certainly stood by her. Don't waver. First, trust Jesus as your own personal Saviour, and then stand faithful to Him every day. You will see God's perfect plan and timing in your life, and you will have the joy of doing His will.

*Thou wilt shew me the path of life:
in thy presence is fulness of joy;
at thy right hand there are pleasures
for evermore.*

Psalm 16:11

DISCIPLINE, FROM P.1

missing from the process of discipline by persuasion, and that is Bible obedience.

Noah Webster, in the 1828 edition of his dictionary, defines obedience as follows:

Compliance with a command, prohibition or known law and rule of duty prescribed...To constitute obedience, the act or forbearance to act must be in submission to authority; the command must be known to the person, and his compliance must be in consequence of it, or it is not obedience. Obedience is not synonymous with obsequiousness; the latter often implying meanness or servility, and obedience being merely a proper submission to authority. That which duty requires implies dignity of conduct rather than servility. Obedience may be voluntary or involuntary. Voluntary obedience alone can be acceptable to God. Bible discipline, then, requires obedience on the part of our children that is willful, not by persuasion, but in response to those in places of proper and responsible authority over them.

I do not believe that children are properly disciplined from a Bible point of view until they are trained to what I like to call "Voice Obedience." The purpose of all discipline, from the Christian's perspective, is to prepare our children to be obedient servants of our Lord Jesus Christ. God should need to speak only once to His children, and indeed, if we do not heed that once-spoken command from His Word, we will likely find ourselves objects of His displeasure and discipline.

I find that the primary purpose of discipline is not understood by many parents and teachers. They somehow feel that the reason for discipline is to create a quiet atmosphere in which they themselves can have peace and which will be conducive to learning. Both of these will be true in a disciplined classroom, but they are only by-products; they are not the primary and most urgent reason for discipline. These two things — peace for the teacher and a quiet atmosphere for learning — can be achieved betimes by the discipline of persuasion, leaving the child's will unsubmitive to authority — unbroken and unwilling to voluntarily be obedient.

DISCIPLINE DEFINITION

Noah Webster's 1828 Dictionary defines discipline as follows:

Education; instruction; cultivation and improvement, comprehending instruction in arts, sciences, correct sentiments, morals and manners, and due subordination to authority.

The definition I give my students in my college classes is as follows:

Discipline is the means whereby the individual is brought to willful

obedience to properly constituted authority, with the ultimate goal being obedience to the Word and will of God. It is instructive and restrictive; that is, it involves the communication of knowledge and the regulation of practice. It is not redemptive, but educative. External discipline, administered in love, has as its designed purpose eventual self-discipline in the fear of God.

If parents and teachers understand the true goal of discipline, and why the children from our Christian homes and schools will grow up to be poor servants of God without it, I believe they will be more diligent and successful with their discipline of children.

Some quotes concerning discipline from men writing about the lives of two of America's greatest men might be helpful.

It is not sufficient to obey, you must learn to obey cheerfully.

For example, if your mother corrects you, or I do — or you are told to do something over again, you may not like it. Then simple obedience is not enough: the way in which you accept the correction becomes even more important than the obedience. 1

In the government of his children there was but one rule, and that was instantaneous and entire obedience. This was insisted upon as right — as, in the nature of things, due by a child to a parent. He did not rest his claim on any explanations, or on showing that the thing required was reasonable or beneficial. While he endeavored to make it clear to his children that he sought their happiness in whatever he required, he commanded as one having authority, and he enforced his commands to the utmost, as a duty which he owed equally to his children and to God, who had placed them under his control. He felt that, on this subject, there had been a gradual letting down of the tone of public sentiment, which was much to be deplored. Many, in breaking away from the sternness of Puritan discipline, have gone to the opposite extreme. They have virtually abandoned the exercise of parental authority, and endeavored to regulate the conduct of their children by reasoning and persuasion — by the mere presentation of motives, and not by the enforcement of commands. If such persons succeed, as they rarely do, in preserving anything like a comfortable state of subordination in their families, they fail at least in the accomplishment of one great end for which their offspring were committed to their care. They send forth their children into life, without any of those habits of submission to lawful authority which are essential to the character of a good citizen and a useful member of society. 2

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THE SPOTLIGHT is not reliable reading for Christian people. Its faulty theology and unbiblical, odious attitude toward Israel poisons every position the paper takes. Truth simply cannot be built upon a corrupt foundation.

Christians need to be wary of those claiming secret knowledge or special wisdom unavailable to common people. There is a fringe element in political and religious conservatism that feeds upon the bizarre and spectacular. THE SPOTLIGHT is a major source of supply for the intellectual and emotional needs of many of these people. THE SPOTLIGHT is not the paper for mainline fundamentalists.

1983 Fundamentalism Congress

The International Committee for the Propagation and Defense of Biblical Fundamentalism has announced that its 1983 Congress will be held on the campus of Bob Jones University instead of in the Pacific Northwest as originally announced. In view of the present tight financial situation and the high cost of transportation, many preachers and laymen who plan to attend the Congress might find it difficult or impossible to do so if it were scheduled in far western Canada.

The Congress will open on Monday night, August 1, 1983, and continue through Sunday night, August 7, 1983. If Dr. Paisley, the Co-chairman, is still unable to obtain a visa to enter the United States, he will be heard in a full address by amplified trans-Atlantic telephone, and the Congress will vigorously protest the infringement upon religious liberty by the State Department in denying Dr. Paisley's visa and will make a strong issue of this act of tyranny.

The international list of speakers will include prominent Fundamentalists from every continent as well as from Canada and the United States.

Bob Jones University will provide housing in University dormitories and meals in the University Dining Room at a reasonable cost, and Unusual Tours, the campus travel agency, will arrange special rates for delegates at hotels and motels in the Greenville area.

— From FAITH FOR THE FAMILY



Focus On Religion

BY
PETER J. FOXX

Spotlight on THE SPOTLIGHT

THE SPOTLIGHT is a conservative weekly newspaper published by Liberty Lobby, Inc., from Washington, D.C. Its creed clearly states it is anti-establishment and is purposed to give you the "other side of the news" given by the liberal media. Fundamentalist Christians are conservative in their politics as well as in their religion, and thus, such a paper has a natural appeal. What many Christians may not realize is that THE SPOTLIGHT is blatantly anti-Israel and that in their eagerness to condemn Israel they become anti-God.

The September 27, 1982, issue of THE SPOTLIGHT is saturated with inflammatory articles cursing the Jews and strong denunciation for anyone supporting Israel. Perhaps the most revealing story was written by Philip Butler in his coverage of the Fourth International Conference

of the Institute for Historical Review meeting in Chicago. A major cause of this anti-Semitic group is to convince the uninformed that the Jewish Holocaust in Germany in World War II is a big hoax and never really occurred. They would have us to believe that the extermination of millions of Jews in Hitler's gas chambers is a lie. To back up their claim, they are offering \$50,000 to anyone who can prove that gas chambers existed at Auschwitz.

The keynote speaker at the conference was Dr. Martin Larson, whose lecture was entitled "Modern Israeli Foreign Policy in The Light of Biblical Prophecy." It appears that this group is as adept at distorting the Bible as they are at distorting history. Larson overtly and shamelessly resurrects the dualism of the heretics of antiquity. Larson states:

The Bible clearly depicts two Gods. On the one hand, there is Jehovah — the God of the Old Testament — a God of hate, cruelty, and caprice. On the other, there is the New Testament God of love. These two Gods cannot be reconciled. Jehovah is not the God of Jesus Christ. The Old Testament is the story of money and power, and the Zionists are using that today as their basis for what they are doing in Lebanon and the rest of the Middle East.

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Judge Coker is fifty-six years old. He says, "Punishment, strong, flat-out punishment, is my number one priority." All eight of the men sentenced by Judge Coker are now on our "Death Row" here in Florida. He says they all deserve to die for their crimes. They were guilty of particularly brutal, heinous murders.

Down in Fort Lauderdale, Circuit Court Judge Coker does not let anyone cause him to tremble. Some of you will remember that last year he waved a .357 Magnum pistol in his courtroom after a 350-pound defendant tried to attack him. He has sentenced to death more deadly criminals in seventeen months than the other "pussy-footing" judges have sentenced since 1975!

Judge Coker declares that he is not a "bleeding heart or a sob

sister. I don't enjoy handing out death sentences, but I haven't lost any sleep over the convicted men either."

While the defendant's attorney pleads for mercy for the murderer in court, Judge Coker says he speaks for the victim. "I'm the one who asks the defendant, 'Did you show mercy when you raped this person, fired this gun, broke into this home? If you didn't show mercy, then, how can you expect it now?'"

"Every criminal who intends to come whining before my court about a second chance wanting to go home and start afresh, should remember these words: 'If you can't do the time, don't do the crime.'" Judge Coker, I like that!

It is my firm conviction that what we need in America to stop crime is more judges like Judge Coker. Citizens in America are being fed-up with these bleeding hearts and sob-sisters dressed in their long black robes. We need judges who will give some thought to these innocent victims and their grief-stricken families.

Many officers of the law tell me that they have reached the point of

despair. They spend hours running down and arresting these criminals. They spend hours and thousands of dollars of tax money in getting evidence that will convict these murderers, and then, they go to court and the judge sets them free! These officers say, "Why risk our lives to bring these thugs to the bar of justice?"

All this bunk that is being shoved off on the good people of America by these judges about the criminals' rights must come to a halt. When a person, man or woman, deliberately takes the life of another human being, he has forfeited his rights. Why should he have an air-conditioned cell, a color television, a Beauty Rest mattress, a T-bone steak, and a life-of-Riley existence?

There is no reason for such foolish judgments. When will we clean, decent, law-abiding, tax-paying citizens rise up and say, "We have had our belly full of these judges! Give us a crop of judges like Judge Thomas Coker, Jr.! Do you agree?"

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ABSOLUTISM, FROM P. 2

strings of an aeolian harp in heaven's window, and over them the heaven's hymn of praise. In exchange for weeds and willows there have been given the white robes and the palms.

In Christ the Lamb of God absolutism, infinite, eternal, unchangeable, is to be revived and forever established. Eternal absolutism! The Prince of Peace is He: the Father of Eternity! Both the Kingdom age and eternity does He bring into being. Without Him there can be neither imperialism on earth nor absolutism in heaven.

The new heavens and the new earth are to abide throughout all ages coming and they are to be bound together forever and ever by the holy city that comes down from God. This permanency of the new heavens and the new earth is a fact that does not admit of doubt or denial, because it is a fact that is established by Scripture testimony, a testimony that is both clear and conclusive. Apart from such Scripture-based assurance eternity would be a word of indeterminate meaning, altogether undefined and undefinable, altogether vague and bewildering. But a new earth, with every vestige of sin and sorrow vanished; a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness; a new earth over whose everlasting hills the redeemed of all ages may walk together, nay, leap and sing and be joyful, under skies that are ever blithesome and bonnie; a new earth

established and upheld throughout endless generations by the unailing strength of Jehovah-Jesus, a new earth forever and forever under the peerless and indefeatable scepter of God and of the Lamb—all this, surely, is enough to create a conception so distinct and so definite, so graphic and so clear, that it is hard to account for the bewildering uncertainty and the vague speculation into which so many have wandered when they have undertaken to set forth and to predicate this eternity.

This earth, then, the very scene of our sorrows, the very field of our struggles, is to be—as is to be the body of the redeemed—transfigured and glorified, is to be the Bethel, the oriel, the sacred trysting-place between the Lord and His redeemed.

So all things are now tending to this blessed and eternal absolutism, this elucidation and consummation of all prophecy. Leading the way is God Himself, and Him none can hinder. Wrought out are the counsels of God by and through the Lord Jesus Christ, and of these counsels, as well as of the universe, of which He is the Creator and Upholder, He is the one Life-Center. Apart from Him, and apart from the unfolding counsels of God in Him there could be no imperialism at all. There is imperialism because there is Christ!

All hope for the otherwise despairing world is inseparably bound up with the ultimate investiture of this Son of God with all glory and might and power and dominion.

For Him the world is waiting, waiting unconsciously, but for Him waiting; waiting in its unrelieved sorrow, waiting in its falling tears, waiting in its accumulating dead.

Ere the holy volume is ended Christ whispers one word to the Church, His bride. It is a word of ineffable sweetness, a word of unspeakable comfort, a word of bewildering joy:

Surely I come quickly.

To this word there is an echo. Welling up from the heart of the redeemed there is, there could be, but one response, the one unanswered prayer of all ages:

Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

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