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## Why One Should Not Glean From Jennifer Kennedy Dean

By Lois Putnam

On a recent Sunday morning a vivacious only be termed a solid gospel preaching, that all should sign up for its newest Bible *Set Apart*, and *Living a Praying Life* she is also part of the National Day of Prayer.

At my seat –I was writing down the information discerning Christian was, as Acts 17:11 is written stands up to scripture. In short, Kennedy Dean?”

So that very afternoon I began my investigation “red flags flying!” So what was it that made something that I should not be buying in

Dean’s “The Praying Life Foundation” Website

I. Dean’s All About “Listening Prayer” Article

Checking out Dean’s web page: “The Praying Life more– soon gave me pause. For under Dean I found many Dean articles. Immediately I realized that this was a meditative practice that told one can “hear God’s voice” as one sits in <http://www.prayinglife.org/free/> Scroll down

Did Dean support this unscriptural praying by saying, “Spoken prayer will not reach the heart listening prayer spoken prayer is born.” she says of the Lord, “He wants us to know” (p.1)

\* **The Silence:** “Absence of normal thought” continue reading.

(Lois Putnam is a Lighthouse Trails author)

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## Salt-Free Christianity—the Way of Today’s Church

**By Mike Oppenheimer**  
[Let Us Reason Ministries](#)

We hear of all different kinds of ingredients, but salt is high on the list. Today, salt is used as a preservative. For an important purpose, it preserved meats. I

And every oblation of thy meat offer up, and thou shalt suffer the salt of the covenant of the Lord. For thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, do not be conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

Your body is a living sacrifice to God which is acceptable, which follows this with not being conformed to the world: but have salt in our sacrifice.

We can't tell someone about Jesus without showing them the way he is following. People need light, and we need to be salt. The Word of God is described as salt.

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt should lose its salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, and will be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. (Matthew 5:13-14)

Of course, we need to keep in mind that sometimes more is more than we speak. There is a time when each thing you disagree with can extinguish a little salt and a time to be a lot.

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to answer every man. (Colossians 4

Also, salt is a seasoning with grace; it is n

On the other hand, salt left in a salt shak  
Or are you trampled underfoot by your e

We may not be able to preserve the cultu  
our being salt.

And yet, how many pastors and leaders a  
the pulpit who avoid mentioning or poin  
Christianity. When you have pastors who  
wrongdoing to other people (and they ha  
they have become saltless.

Salt can be removed within the church, i  
come overnight, it takes time. This happ  
truth are neglected, which begins the pro  
biblical judgment.

It is the church of Laodicea that does no  
the Laodicean church show tolerance for  
the name of love, peace, and unity. This  
it has little effect on society while at the  
teachings to come in. Jesus is outside, k  
Eventually God removes His lampstand f

We are being taught to be tolerant, to dis  
Christianity.

Salt is good: but if the salt have lost  
neither fit for the land, nor yet for t  
hear, let him hear. (Luke 14: 34-35)

For every one shall be salted with fi  
good: but if the salt have lost his sa  
yourselves, and have peace one wit

As believers in Christ, let us not be part c  
we need to be is leaven free, not salt free.

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## News Article Highlights Lighthouse Trails: “A B

**LTRP Note:** The following article written on Lighthouse Trails. While we are so encouraged by our own site because we don’t want to be guilty of our own should receive glory for anything good that we should have many stories from readers trying to share with our members only to be told “don’t listen to what our readers share information from Lighthouse Trails in the defense of the Gospel when doing so in the

### “A Book Publisher’s Beacon Shining in the

**By Jim Fletcher**

In my previous life as a book publisher and editor like Henry Morris (the “father” of the modern-day researcher into cults).

In the past two decades, Christian book publishing has seen a willingness by that community’s leaders. Christian publishing would decline. Sure, titles (like “Jesus Calling”). Overall, though, a decade ago, for business reasons, signaled the beginning of

Of course it exists today; dozens of publishers and researchers like Ed Stetzer, you would be surprised to

The proof is there to see, however. Leading publishers just ended and the shockwaves from that era are still

Recently I had a publishing representative tell me it was impossible.”

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## *The Shack's Universal Papa*

By [Warren B. Smith](#)

There is nothing new about saying, “I am God.” . . . However, in the Judeo-  
popularly understood **as a universal presence, the ground of all being.**<sup>1</sup> —1

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God, **who is the ground of all being, dwells in, around, and through all things**  
defining “Papa” as a universal New Age God (emphasis added)

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“I’m not who you think I am, Mackenzie.”<sup>3</sup>—Papa, *The Shack* (emphasis ac

## Shared Universal Presence

Ask certain indigenous peoples of the South Pacific Islands who Papa is, and the *Shack*'s female Papa. Ask certain Haitians, New Orleanians, and Wiccans who are shapeshifting “trickster” who can appear as either a male or female deity—just like that their Papas are universal Papas who dwell “in, around, and through all things.”

photo: From L to R: Avraham Aviv Alush as “Jesus,” Sumire as “Sarayu,” Sam Wood as “Papa,” and Sam Wood as “Papa.”  
THE SHACK. Photo by Jake Giles Netter.

### Papa as Earth Mother

*Shack* enthusiasts should take note that “Papa” is also the name of a Polynesian goddesses found in the South Sea Islands. On the “Journeying to Goddess” website, Papa is “the Earth Mother who gave birth to all things” and that “Polynesians summon Papa to help in all earthly matters.”<sup>6</sup>

In his book *Unshackled*, Pastor Larry DeBruyn describes how William P. Young’s “Papa” bears a striking resemblance to “the name, nature, and nurturing potential” of this Polynesian Earth goddess Papa.<sup>7</sup> Quoting from a source on Hawaiian gods and goddesses, DeBruyn cites the references they make to the “comfort,” “care,” “guidance,” and “unconditional love,” that are given to people “in times of crisis and grief” by this Hawaiian Papa and how her “intervention instills calming reassurance and healing.”<sup>8</sup> Young seems to pay attention around the comfort, care, guidance, and unconditional love that is given by Papa and grief—how Papa’s intervention instills calming reassurance and the ultimate

Another website elaborates on how the female Polynesian Papa “worshiped by New Zealanders for her creation who has the power to give life and to heal.”<sup>10</sup> A pagan site informs us that the Maoris of New Zealand,<sup>11</sup> while another site references a South Seas Papa as part of a pagan group.<sup>12</sup> While Young obviously put a lot of thought into the naming of his *Shack* character, his childhood living on the South Pacific Island of Papua New Guinea,<sup>13</sup> he claims to have known a goddess prior to his writing of *The Shack*.<sup>14</sup>

### Papa as Trickster

Certain Haitian, New Orleanian, and Wiccan Voodoo practitioners are devoted to a “male or female” and is known as the “trickster.”<sup>15</sup> By simply googling “Papa” and “trickster,” you will find the Legba spirit that stands at the gateway to the spirit world. One of these sites—“The Exemple site”—“E is a widely served African deities” and “is always the first and last spirit invoked in a ceremony as a doorway to the spirit world.”<sup>16</sup> The site explains that in Voodoo, “Papa” is “the spirit who grants or denies permission to speak with the spirits of Guinee.”<sup>17</sup>

On the same Exemple site, in a special section for witches, Papa is described as “a spirit who dwells on the astral realm, master dream powers, and advanced magics.”<sup>18</sup> But in regard to Papa, he tends to change genders and forms to delight himself. So don’t be surprised if a male Papa and the South Seas islands female Papa can be summoned for help.



similarly called upon. One of the posted comments on this witches part of the site sometimes this Voodoo Papa comes when he is not summoned. In another comment about Papa at all until he presented his self to me as my spirit guide. Is this not his own thing his own way, so if he presented himself to you, you can be sure it is his result from a female "God" named Papa—"It's so confusing because Papa is a Male is "not the author of confusion" (1 Corinthians 14:33). He is not a Papa who is a spirit in heaven" (Matthew 6:9).

### **Praying to Which Papa?**

So what Papa are people invoking when they are inspired to pray to Papa after reading with the true God of the Bible or with a generic Papa "God" that overlaps with all around the world? *The Shack's* "Jesus" answers that question loud and clear for a few words purposefully put in his mouth by Young—a self-described universalist<sup>24</sup>—"the ground of all being" because he "dwells in, around, and through all things." *The Shack's* Papa indwells everyone and everything. This is the same universal God that is discussed in this article. But this is panentheism, and this is a lie. This is the foundational teaching that has been rapidly emerging both in the world and in the church. All of this is *The Shack's* "God" is a counterfeit "God" who has cunningly wormed his way into an

### **Trickster Book**

As seen with the Voodoo Papa, some of these mama and papa gods and goddesses do their trickster thing—which often entails cleverly undermining existing societal norms and their unique brand of spiritual healing in the name of a more universal alternative spirituality. One of their rebellious spiritual activity is cloaked in half-truths, clever remarks, and playful deception. It seems all too apparent is that *The Shack*—and particularly *The Shack's* Papa—fascinate hearts and minds even as biblical Christianity is being dismantled in front of their eyes. To convince people they are reading about Jesus Christ when the name of Christ is replaced by a generic universal Jesus and a generic universal Papa and not a single mention of the Bible has already become one of the most popular Christian books ever written!

Trickster books for the church will use Christian language to pull the wool over your eyes and "messing around" and being a trickster. Toward the end of *The Shack's* story, when Mack asks if Papa is "still messing" with him. Papa's immediate answer is—"Always ask themselves a reasonable question—"Is the one true God of the Bible always 'the same' a universal gender-bending trickster Papa "God" who bears more of a resemblance to the God of the Bible.

But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the eyes which they believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. (2 Corinthians 4:3-4)

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**LTRP Note:** Today, the church is “reaping the fruit” of nearly 40 years of Spiritual Celebration of Discipline was released in 1978). Lighthouse Trails has warned its AWANA children’s club is going with regard to contemplative spirituality (i.e., Spirit editor (below our note), you can see that AWANA is now teaching children to “listen

We thought AWANA clubs purpose was to teach children the Word of God through themselves to teach children to listen to God’s voice in two-way conversations and into Christian mysticism?

Regardless of what one believes about hearing God’s voice outside of Scripture, is possibly dangerous “conversations”? Will they also be teaching children about demons (1 Cor 4:1-6) and that there are demonic spirits that are “speaking” to people? We hope Word of God, helping children to store up God’s Word in their hearts. They now mystical experiences. Remember, this is coming from an organization that has been How can we trust them to teach children this? Will it not surely be slanted by pr

Those who disagree with our posting this about AWANA are certainly entitled to years, and we believe this “listening to God” theme is just another stepping stone do not believe in the work of the Holy Spirit in the believer’s life? No. But we do technique, method, system) in listening to God’s voice as so many in the church Christians are supposed to go into a silent state of mind so they can really hear (so essential to us, why aren’t they taught in the Bible? When the disciples wrote they sat in stillness entering some sort of sacred space and then began a kind of through His Holy Spirit and led them to write the things they did.

Obviously, the parent who contacted us and wrote the letter to the editor is very grandchildren who participate in AWANA, we strongly urge you to examine all A discuss your concerns with your children’s AWANA leaders, and make sure they

The big emphasis in today’s church is, “Hear God’s Voice!” It’s all about feel-good focus isn’t on “Know God’s Word” and allow the Lord through His Holy Spirit to

Jesus said, “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth” (John 17:17).

**Dear Lighthouse Trails:**

Thanks for warning us about AWANA. I have been keeping an eye on their material new T&T book *Mission: Evidence of Grace* is coming out in July 2017. Here are so [Prayer](#)” in the Student Handbook.

“Ask your friend to have a conversation, but keep talking and don’t let the it felt when you wouldn’t stop talking.”

“Ask a parent or guardian: “Have you ever been friends with someone who were together? How did you feel when this happend [sic]?”

“God wants us to have a relationship with Him. One way this relationship **This is called prayer.**” (Emphasis added.)

“To have a relationship with another person, you have to communicate—the relationship with God.”

“It is important to remember that a conversation involves two people talking **to listen to God speak to us too.**” (Emphasis added.)

“When you pray do you listen, as well as talk to God?”

You can download the sample at

[http://awanatt.org/assets/files/EOG\\_Handbook-Sample\\_ESV.pdf](http://awanatt.org/assets/files/EOG_Handbook-Sample_ESV.pdf)

–Tammy

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## **Kingdom-Now Evangelicals**

### **By Roger Oakland**

While I believe Rome leads the way with the bold claim that God chose Peter and “Christ” and determine what the sheep should or should not believe, other groups prepare and set up the kingdom of God here on Earth without the presence of the actually physically return to rule and reign for a period of one thousand years, the human vessels for this purpose.

Common names for this teaching are: Kingdom Now, Dominion Theology, and I return, the world must be brought together in unity and perfection, and this world Purpose Driven P.E.A.C.E. Plan, Jim Wallis’ social gospel agenda, and Tony Campar avenues through which this is being propagated. The goal is to basically eradicate pollution) and thus, we will have created a “Heaven on Earth” Utopia.

While creating such a world sounds very good, it is not what the Bible says is going New Testaments, describe a very different scenario, such as the following:

Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate c and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of ma

The following list of some of the erroneous teachings in Kingdom-Now theology tremendously pervaded the church today:

Prophetic Scriptures are denied or fulfilled in 70 AD (as is also the belief of

The church is the new Israel (replacement theology).

Armageddon is the ongoing battle between the forces of light and darkness

The Antichrist is a spirit, not an actual person.

We are already in the Tribulation, but at the same time, we are in the Mille other.

Rather than following traditional Bible prophecy, they follow “new revelati

Modern-day prophets must be obeyed and not judged for their inaccuracy

They want to restore the Edenic nature even though Eden is where sin beg

This movement has swept the planet, and those who refuse to join hands are co “narrow-minded crackpots” who are not willing to catch the “new wave” and get world toward unity and peace. Many of the leaders in this movement have no pr the kingdom-of-Earth plans he has for joining together with other religions, incl

While some discerning Christians can see how this trend plays a role in light of E that does not. These are those who are reading books by authors who promote e the postmodern generation that reject the teachings of the Bible and embrace e They are willing to join hands with other religions by reinventing Christianity in of God’s Kingdom. No longer do they believe in the “narrow road” to eternity. Th for those who believe in nothing). Unity, peace, connectedness, and oneness is a as irrelevant to the “new reformation” at hand. Obviously, such a view leaves litt Scriptures such as this one are overlooked:

Then said one unto him [Jesus], Lord, are there few that be saved? And he s for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When c shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, s answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are. (Luke 13:23-25)

Unfortunately, while there may be many pastors, like Rick Warren, who still hold time will come when the path they are now taking may cost them dearly. It is my they are doing before it is too late. And let us not forget the countless number of embrace a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ because of the truths being withhek

It is also grievous to know that a good number of “Christian” leaders no longer believe in propitiation for sin but maintain their belief that such a concept is both archaic and needs to be reinvented for our times. Brian McLaren, who in 2015 represented “Utah,” holds to just such a view. In one interview, he said that the idea of God sending God” and he equally rejected the doctrine of Hell as well.<sup>2</sup>

In addition, McLaren has played a significant role in promoting kingdom-now theology. In his book *Jesus: Uncovering the Truth That Could Change Everything*, McLaren, who was once an influential person associated with evangelical Christianity, has sought to upgrade the message for today. He asks a number of questions at the beginning of his book that imply that he promotes the idea that Christians need to be honest with themselves even if that means the following statement:

Sadly, for centuries at a time in too many places to count, the Christian religion has distorted the message of Jesus entirely. Instead of being about the kingdom of God coming to earth, we have become preoccupied with abandoning or escaping the earth and going to heaven . . . We have made the message available for all, beginning with the least and last and the lost—and have instead made it available for the elite, beginning with the correct and the clean and the powerful.

In McLaren’s 2016 book titled *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World’s Largest Religion Is Changing and Why It Matters*, he describes this all-inclusive “kingdom of God” that incorporates “multifaith [i.e.,

This kind of collaboration leads to a fresh understanding of what it means to evangelize. I no longer believe in the one true religion, namely, my own [Christianity]. Now I believe in evangelism through collaboration with God and neighbors in the great work of healing the earth and establishing the kingdom of God and God’s justice for all. Members of each tradition bring their gifts, we learn and teach, give and take, in a spirit of generosity and vulnerability. Neither side converts. . . . As we work together for the common good, we are all transformed. . . . This is how the language Paul used about one body with many members (1 Corinthians 12) applies among individual Christians but also to differing gifts among religions.<sup>4</sup> (emphasis added)

While many evangelicals have now pushed Brian McLaren to the sidelines of evangelicalism, his message, sometimes in more subtle ways, continues to spread. But as the Bible says, there is no compromise. His goal is to destroy the message of the Cross, and while he cannot ever achieve that goal, he does it by offering them substitutes. But we know there is no substitute for the finished work of the Savior for mankind.

### **What Does This Tell Us?**

Efforts are underway to establish the kingdom of God on Earth right now without the Cross, or are we being misled by human beings who are following the thoughts of their own hearts?

While the idea that the kingdom of God is being established here on Earth by human hands has received special attention when current events reveal that though the world gets worse, it also gets better. When false religions become part of the kingdom, then clearly, this is not the kingdom of God. It belongs to the god of this world. Jesus made it very clear there are two kingdoms: the kingdom of God and the kingdom of the world. Pontius Pilate shortly before He was crucified, “My kingdom is not of this world.”

conversation “Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.” Ask yourself this, the voice of the god of this world who leads a kingdom that is not of God?

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## **Remembering The Holocaust— A Question of “Tolerance”**

(April 24th 2017 was Holocaust Memorial Day) Those who follow the writings of Leif Hansen have hearts regarding the remembrance of the Holocaust, and indeed we have two Holocaust books (and one a resistance worker). Three if you count Corrie ten Boom’s book we published. This was prompted because of our commitment to bring the things of darkness to the light.

During the preparation of our two Holocaust books (*Trapped in Hitler’s Hell* and *Memorial Museum* (USHMM) for photographs of the Holocaust that we could use which are proof against any delusion that the Holocaust never happened. They are what thousands of pictures are. So the world should be ever grateful to this Museum. We hope that such would never happen again.

During the 2009 Holocaust Remembrance Day observations, when we learned that President Obama to be the keynote speaker for their ceremony, we realized that the true message could see that the true message is being replaced with ideologies of “tolerance,” put out by the USHMM stated:

“We are honored that President Obama will participate in our Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust. Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. “At this critical time in the rise in so many parts of the world, and genocide still a reality, we are reminded of the Holocaust and the urgency of its lessons. What the Holocaust teaches us is the responsibility of each individual and the responsibility we all have to not stand silent in the face of evil.”

The Bible says that unless a person is born again, he cannot comprehend the things of God the way they do, but unfortunately they have missed the real reason why things happen again. While liberals and homosexuals are cashing in on the new Holocaust agendas, the real meaning is being buried and ignored by most.

This true message is found within the pages of Scripture. In the Old Testament, and the New Testament, God offered man a promise of salvation and eternal life for all who accept the blood of Jesus Christ through His death and resurrection. Within the pages of Scripture

God's covenant with man. From the beginning of the Jewish people, they have been anti-Christianity. Since Christianity began, he has hated Christians as well.

The wrath that was poured out by Hitler, particularly to Jews (and anyone who he instigated, not because Hitler wasn't "tolerant" or because he wasn't a "globalist" spirit that hates anything to do with the covenant God has made with man. As the Father being "like the Most High" (Isaiah 14). The Bible says he is the father of lies, controlling the Holocaust and read about the horrible rage that was released against the Jews. We understand that Hitler was demonically inspired.

The "tolerance" message deceives people into thinking that it cares about people. It is an anti-God, anti-freedom message. Hidden within its core is the idea that no one is hidden within its core is an anti-Christ zeal that determines to lash out against Christianity. Christianity is true and Islam isn't would be seen as intolerance and therefore even the opposite of each other (even though they may share certain moral values) to how Islam portrays human effort as being the primary catalyst for such a relationship. It puts a person in a right relationship with God through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. A devout Christian has to reject Islam. Thomas Merton knew that doctrinally they do not believe that it was only through mysticism they could unite. In Ray Yungen's book this:

In a dialogue with a Sufi leader, Merton asked about the Muslim concept of

"Islam . . . does not subscribe to the doctrine of atonement or the theory of

To Merton, of course, this meant little because he believed that fana [becoming] and contemplation were the same thing. He responded:

"Personally, in matters where dogmatic beliefs differ, I think that controversy is the spiritual realities into the realm of words and ideas . . . in words there are things which are beyond resolution. . . . But much more important is the sharing of experiences. It is here that the area of fruitful dialogue exists between Christianity and Islam."

Merton was basically saying that the doctrine of redemption and atonement through the view of the emerging church that tolerance (and unity) is more virtuous than faith. As illustrated in the movie, Doubt, doubt and uncertainty unites. The priest in Doubt the movie (played by Meryl Streep) sees that as dangerous but in the end, she has good. Father Flynn is a Thomas Merton type priest in the sense that firm conviction with the emerging church and where emergent leader Tony Jones says in his book (uncertainty of Scripture) is better than certainty and where Brian McLaren says

The world thinks that if it teaches "tolerance," that the Holocaust will never happen. "Tolerance" could actually cause it to happen again because tolerance, according to the Testament and against the people with whom He has made a covenant.

But until Jesus Christ returns, which He has promised to do, Satan will be free to do as he pleases. As Christ's return draw closer, what takes place in the world will be like the birth pangs



the birth becomes. And that is why spiritual deception continues to expand, qu

While we have appreciated the efforts of the USHMM to preserve the evidence o  
latched onto the “tolerance” message that ultimately will reject the Jews and the

We must add something here too about homosexual activists, because they are  
“tolerance.” But they have used the Holocaust and many of its stories, such as T  
that of the Jews in World War II. While it may be true that Hitler did eventually l  
prominent Nazis, such as Ernst Rohm, were homosexuals. For those who may be  
Shirer’s *The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich*, perhaps the best work ever written

He who was so monumentally intolerant by his very nature, was strangely t  
No other party in Germany came near to attracting so many shady charact  
murderers, homosexuals, alcoholics and blackmailers flocked to the party a

Later, pressure was put on Hitler to rid his organization of these types. But he w  
he turned on them. Hitler was intolerant of anything that stood in his way to bri  
particular, the Jews and those who loved them.

We want to make one thing clear. While we reject the “tolerance” message of tod  
persecution of people of any race, religion, or persuasion. We do not believe any  
either physically or verbally. What we are trying to get across is that the toleranc  
restricts the preaching of the Gospel. It will never work for biblical Christianity b  
Jesus Christ is the only way to be reconciled with God, and the tolerance messag

Some may wonder how this all ties in with Obama speaking for the US Holocaust  
Obama represents a new kind of “Christianity,” one that looks more like Brian M  
that lines up with the “tolerance” message in that Obama believes that other reli

Obama does clearly believe that the form of Christianity that he committed  
to God. “I am rooted in the Christian tradition,” he has said. Nevertheless l  
same place and that is a belief there is a higher power, a belief that we are c  
embrace of faith modeled by his mother. “In our household,” he has explai  
Gita sat on the shelf . . . on Easter or Christmas Day my mother might drag  
Buddhist temple, the Chinese New Year celebration, the Shinto shrine, and

It is the following words that Satan hates and does all he can to destroy, but try a  
dark world. And a merciful, patient God calls out.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent h  
live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved u  
sins. (1 John 4: 9-10)

And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of  
Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood. (Re

It is our prayer that many Jews around the world will come to see Jesus Christ as of tolerance that in the end will hate them and persecute them. Historically, the one message we hope they won't buy into.

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### ***10 Vital Things Parents Can Do to Help Children Keep Their Faith***

By [Berit Kjos](#)

In a world where public schools, television, movies, popular music, the Internet, and other tempting counterfeits of what God promises His people, there is only one safe place for children: in the loving arms of the Shepherd. So train your children “in the way of the Lord” (Proverbs 22:6) so that when they are grown, they will not depart from the faith. The following points offer practical and scriptural advice on how to raise your children to know God and to continue walking in the faith.

#### **ONE: Be Alert & Always Keep on Praying**

Pray! For as Jesus said, “[W]ithout me ye can do nothing.” (John 15:5). The work of helping children keep their faith begins and ends with prayer. Pray for open and trusting communication with your child. Pray for discernment to detect teaching that contradicts God’s truth. Pray for wisdom to know when to speak up and what to say.

**Pray for your child.** Pray that he learns to discern error on his own and that he will have the courage to speak truth with courage and to stand alone when all his friends follow after others. Praying that pleasing God will be more important than pleasing teachers and peers.

**Pray together as a family.** Put on the “whole armour of God” daily. Remember that the “loins girt about with truth” means more than merely declaring it done. It means

knowing it well enough to discern error. Read and discuss Ephesians 6:13-17. Me

**Pray that you might meet other Christian families who understand the times in** child. Pray for other parents who will stand with you. When you see the need to

**Trust God, not yourself.** “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto him, and he shall direct thy paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

## **TWO: Know What Your Child Is Learning in School**

**Talk with your child.** Listen for clues that help you spot good as well as question schools and teachers.

Perhaps you have a child who gladly gives detailed accounts of all events from th preferred to answer all my questions with a brief “Good!” or “Okay.” But I discov least five minutes of sharing. When my son was fourteen, a sandwich at a local d

I also found that communication mysteriously wilted when my sons suspected t having fun together or if I kept so busy at home that I couldn’t stop and listen.

If you and your child have been too busy to really listen to each other, it is not t questions about school, especially if you have a teenager. She probably won’t be your empathetic response, non-judgmental attitude, and genuine interest in he agitation, anger, and an impulsive trip to her teacher resulting in confrontation hidden from you most, if not all, questionable information. No child wants to be confrontation.

**Volunteer to assist the teacher in the classroom.** You will gain firsthand knowled

**Scan elementary textbooks, take-home papers, and fliers.** Check to see if signific on your child. Ask yourself the following questions about the above material:

Does it imply that Christianity is unimportant, old-fashioned, or a hindran his faith in front of the class—thus leaving him open to embarrassment an religion back in schools, look carefully at the kinds of religions which are be will be taught. It could mean wide open doors to more counterfeits.

Does it present an imbalanced view of Christians? Are pastors, evangelists, maligned, and ridiculed—or never described favorably?

Does it emphasize, promote, or give detailed descriptions of other religion

Does it require your child’s participation in spiritual exercises?

Does it give instructions in Yoga, meditation, channeling, or guided image

Does it include a blatant pro-homosexual slant?

Does it ask your child not to share information with his parents?

Discuss your findings with your child. Express your appreciation for the gift of discernment by pointing out contradictions to God's truth.

### **THREE: Share God's Values With Your Children**

**Ask God to show you how to communicate in natural age-appropriate ways.** The experiences from God's perspective during your ordinary encounters—when you

You may want to use the following topics for meal or bedtime discussion or for s your children, adjusting the words to their age-level.

#### **Explore the meaning of values:**

What does it mean to value something?

What do you value? Least? Most?

What determines your values?

What costs are you willing to pay for what you value? Rejection, teasing, no

#### **Discuss what God says about things He loves:**

Honoring and obeying parents: Exodus 20:12, Ephesians 6:1

Respecting authority: Romans 13:1

Following God—our highest authority: Acts 5:29; John 10:4

Love: 1 Corinthians 13:1-7

Forgiving and caring for others: Luke 6:27-36

#### **Discuss what God says about things He hates.**

Lying: Proverbs 12:22

Stealing: Matthew 19:18

Cheating: 1 Corinthians 6:8-9

Greed: Luke 12:15

Rudeness and swearing: Ephesians 5:3-5

Proverbs 6:16 has a list of what God hates.

#### **Talk about what would happen if everyone followed this guideline:** Do whatever

I have never asked my children's opinion about the truth of this value claim so, just as I never asked them their opinion about the law of gravity. . . . Rather expect them both to believe it and to base their action on it.<sup>1</sup>—Richard A.

### **FOUR: Train Your Child To Be "Ambassadors" For God**

**Tell your own experience of standing up for what you believe.** Let your children know that you understand their struggles—and that God's favor is worth far more than

to Him are His ambassadors (2 Corinthians 5:20).

**Take time to read together stories about courageous Christians.** Nobody outgro

**Practice sharing your convictions with each other** (1 Peter 3:15-17).

## **FIVE: Teach Your child to Know God's Instructions & Warnings**

**As a family, read Deuteronomy 6-8.** Study a portion each day. Write and discuss you. Agree to help each other to follow His guidelines and receive His promises.

**Show your child that while charity and respect should be shown to all human be** community is based on the evolutionary presumption that man—not God—cor

**Show how commitment to truth has its roots in and stems from biblical values.** who oppose God and reject His values. One of the most misunderstood and mis and ye shall not be judged." God is not telling us to close our eyes to evil and tol reminds us to have "righteous judgment" (John 7:24). Hinduism teaches New Ag creative visualization or individual, group, or collective meditation will even beg apart from God, still suffers from a deadly urge to conquer and control.

## **SIX: Encourage Your Child To Choose the Good**

**Develop a mindset that seeks the best, not just the "OK."** In the case of toys, you rest are not necessarily good either. Discuss these questions to help your child le games, phrase the questions according to your child's age level.

Does it present a true picture of life? In a time when even adults base their children need to learn to tell what is flight of fancy and what is real.

How long would the interest last? Fad toys are fun for the moment, but the decision-making centers on the question, "What will make me feel happy r Unfortunately, many quality toy companies have been bought up or squee television promotion. The range of major toy lines is narrowing to those th

Will this toy be used for playing alone or with others? A child needs a health will help him interact both with his imaginary world and with the real worl interaction with you. Perhaps you could agree together to find toys that wi child's imaginary world.

Does it build godly character? Many toys, hobbies, and games do.

## **SEVEN: Train Your Child to Follow God, Not Peers**

We want our children to feel good about themselves, be liked by their peers, and friends choose, we wonder how our children will respond to the peer pressure. F

**Counter peer pressure.** Children naturally compare us to the parents of peers, and since we want them to feel our love for them. We see what they don't realize: that we are secure in our love. It's more likely to increase their craving and stir discontent. And if your child is old enough, explain this process to him.

**Look to the Bible for guidelines and authority.** God understands our desires for this world but not "of it" (John 17:16-18). According to age readiness, review Romans 12:1-2.

**Self-denial seems out of place in a nation consumed with self-indulgence and self-gratification.** We have demonstrated it. Dare we refuse to acknowledge it? According to the age of your child, allow the Holy Spirit to direct your application.

Don't get me wrong. Far more than earthly parents, God wants His children to be satisfied with simple pleasures like cream puffs to satisfy our hunger and turn us away from the meat of truth. Self-gratification is not genuine happiness forever, not merely a pleasant moment today.

Our Heavenly Father, who models parenting better than any of us, doesn't major in the things we want. For just as most children will choose pop over milk, and chips over vegetables which cannot satisfy. God does not want vain deceits, as He calls them (Colossians 2:8) to replace the very best.

It's hard to teach restraint to children who are begging for gratification. Wanting to avoid the pain of having to continually censor our children's wants, preferences, and desires. Parents are challenged by new views of social equality taught through the media and the schools. Yet, we must choose His way, and we must rise to the occasion, fight the good fight, and not surrender.

After hearing God's warning and praying for His wisdom, nine-year-old Alan Brauer and his friend did the same," said his mother. "Her twelve-year-old son had been having trouble with the game and its symbols, he was convicted to burn his cards and return them to the store in a month."

"It seemed to us that these cards had some sort of power," continued DiAnna Brauer. "Alan took \$7.00 from his mother's purse (\$7.00) to buy more cards." When questioned, he confessed and his family quickly gathered in prayer, then saw God's answer. Both the boy and his friend discovered the joy and freedom that only comes from following their Shepherd.

## **EIGHT: Training Children to Love Good and Resist Evil**

Don't play games with the occult! Ouija Boards have always invited oppression, and now we have DVD's today. So it is with the new generation of occult games and DVDs as well.

I became aware of this change back in the nineties when a Canadian psychologist named Dr. Robert Mother Earth and wanted to share some observations with me. In past years, he had been a Native American "Spirit Quest" in search of their personal "animal spirit." Few people now answer the summons are numerous as well as oppressive. Treating the occult with no help at all.

Popular occultism is spreading fast, and the “spirit world” has become increasingly resist it. Contemporary churches offer little or no help. Most simply ignore the devil is dropped from their vocabulary.

The primary victims of this blindness end up being our children. Unless we teach them to embrace the darkness.

Those who love and follow God will be repelled by occult myths. And those who cling to unchanging truths and wise and loving boundaries. For if we are filled with His Spirit—“abhor that which is evil: and cleave to that which is good” (Romans 12:9).

The world cringes when it hears these truths because its fiction and fantasies are used as arguments to justify their misdirected love.

To prepare your child for daily battles against tempting spiritual counterfeits, counter these truths:

**The Armor of God**—These six truths expose and counter today’s most popular occultism and show us the way to an intimate relationship with God. (Ephesians 6:13-17)

**The Lord’s Prayer**—These truths parallel the ones in the armor of God and show us how to pray.

**The Beatitudes**—Jesus’ message, recorded in Matthew 5, show us a standard of living we can achieve, but it comes with the promise that—by His life in us—He will make us over. A reminder that those who follow Jesus will also share in His suffering. There will be persecution. Uncompromising faith and God’s unchanging truths have been the foundation of the church since the beginning. (Matthew 5:1-12)

## **NINE: Prepare Your Child for a Lifetime of Reading with Discernment**

Are children being taught to read discerningly, or do they accept whatever is in print?

**Pray as a family for discernment and wisdom.** Don’t let fear of offensive literature keep you from reading wonderful books.

**Commit yourself to a deeper knowing of the Word of God.** Continue a daily Bible study. You will more easily spot the lies.

**Enjoy books together that demonstrate God’s values.** Read-aloud times build in discernment and enable you to direct your children’s taste for enriching books. “While the average child has 2,500 words, his listening vocabulary approaches 10,000 words, according to the Council on Reading Education. When you read aloud to your children, they learn to associate wholesome books with reading.”

**A crossless version of Christianity fits the New Age lie that all can be one—with out the cross.** It is a lie, and, in effect, makes man his own savior. “For the preaching of the cross is to them foolishness, but to us it is the power of God” (1 Corinthians 1:18).

**Examine gift books for children.** Some of Audrey and Don Wood's attractive books, like *The Witches Handbook* by Malcolm Bird, treat witchcraft as a game for children.

**Check contemporary children's poetry.** While some poems are superb, others are mediocre.

**Check fantasy game books.** They make you the hero—but what beliefs do you follow? As you make decisions appropriate to the story, will occult forces become real? *Seas of Blood* and *Castle Death*—but many others sound deceptively innocuous.

**Be alert to what your child's peers read.** Discuss their influence on your child with his or her grade peers. Read *Cycle of the Werewolf* by Stephen King, master of occult horror.

**New kinds of joke books are captivating today's readers.** The object of the humor and the illustrations may be pornographic. While we are in dire need of healthy humor, we must guard against immorality. God wants us to love, accept, and forgive each other. But He also tells us to be holy. Discuss these Scriptures with your child: Leviticus 11:44, 20:26; and Matthew 5:6-8.

## **TEN : Leading Your Child to Receive Jesus as Savior and Lord**

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit: unto thee, Ye must be born again. (John 3:5-7)

How do we lead our children into a lasting and true relationship with Jesus Christ?

**Pray that God will prepare their hearts.** Spiritual rebirth is God's work, not ours. We are co-laborers with God.

**Lay a foundation.** Include Jesus in your conversations. Let your children hear your testimony to Him each day. Make comments like, "Jesus understands. He is sad when you are sad."

**Wait for God's timing.** While you watch for signs of openness, be ready for an opportunity. It may be a special need for comfort and strength or when a child shows you by his question that he is ready.

**Explain the basic saving truths.** Lead your child through the following steps, and then pray for him. If he comes, tell him he can pray that prayer anytime on his own with the same wonderful results. He will come and tell you afterward. Don't forget the date. Keep it as a most special birthday for your child:

**God loves you.** He wants you to be part of His special family. He wants you to live. He says, "I will bring little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."

**By yourself, you can't come to God.** God is holy and perfect and can't let any sinners come into His presence (Romans 3:23). "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). Tell your child, "I am not perfect. I am not free from envy, lying, wanting your own way. Can you be completely free from them? No, you cannot."

**Jesus made a way for you.** He said, "I am the way. . . . no man cometh unto the Father by me."



taking the punishment for your sins. “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

**You must invite Jesus to come and live in you.** “But as many as received him, to them that believe on his name” (John 1:12). With His perfect life inside, your prayer must include confession (understanding and admitting he or she is a sinner, repenting, and following Jesus), faith (trust that Jesus Christ died and rose again to give life to all who believe), and prayer.

Pray something like this: “Dear Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I have sinned against you. You died for me to pay for my sins, and you have forgiven me. Please come into my heart and live in me. Thank you.”

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As one of the editors of Chris Lawson's new book, [Taizé—A Community and World of Interfaith Delusion?](#), I was asked if I would write the foreword because I have a visit to Taizé. No, I have never been there, and what little I knew of it had nearly been forgotten from my desk. And yet, in an indirect way, Taizé has had a major impact on my life.

Before I explain all this, let me use an analogy of what transpired. In some ways, in my younger years, I was never too anxious to fight. Often, I was one of many who learned that this is not really a safe place to be; and when it comes to Taizé, I got it.

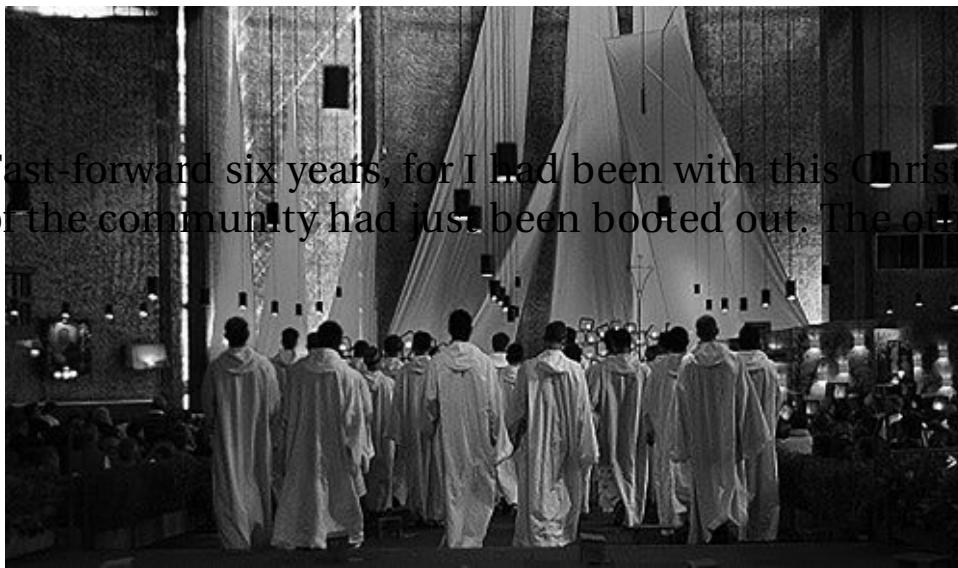
Yes, I am a casualty to Taizé, but at the time, I did not realize from whence that came and now understand.

Let me share some memories of what happened. Having been raised Roman Catholic, I know what I would later realize as the bondage of Roman Catholicism—bondage to guilt and especially, bondage to a false gospel of salvation (i.e., through participation of sacraments).

When I was drafted into the U.S. Army at twenty years old, I experienced a spirit fellow soldier and reading the Bible, I came to understand justification by grace surrendered my life to the Lord as He captivated my heart and my life.

After this, I had a burning desire to serve the Lord for the rest of my life—in no r the service ended, an opportunity arose for me to join a Christian community c together. I wanted this because I felt I could serve the Lord better by working w alone.

I became an integral part of this community after getting to know the elder (sec members who had just returned from spending a year in France at a place called when he shared with me some of the “insights” he gained at Taizé (notably that I expressed my concern that doctrine should be very important. He seemed offe from me, but he and the elder I mentioned spent much time together in private



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Fast-forward six years, for I had been with this Christian community for that len of the community had just been booted out. The other elder called it “discipline

elder, who largely headed he could return after he “ to repent of. You see, mos conspired that all of us sh endorse such a move, the because I could not in go

During this time, a lot of upheaval took place whereby two of the married men w wife and children stayed behind, the husbands never to see their wives again. Tl daughter with children, whom he never saw again; he died with a broken heart b grandchildren. Basically, this community had become a cult that had deceptivel into a Roman Catholic cloister.

Not long before I left the community, the elder, who had been conferring with th becoming Catholic had been discussed privately years earlier. But the elder had read and helped edit this book on Taizé, I realized for the first time that Taizé h community I had once so dearly loved into Catholicism. When I learned that ter knew we had no choice but to publish this warning.

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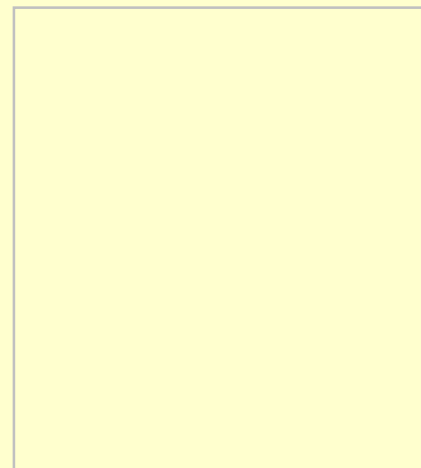


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