The increasingly anti-Christian public school system and why Christian parents should homeschool their children

My friend Madeline never sleeps.

A junior majoring in elementary education at Auburn University, she travels to Smith Station Elementary School three days per week. The 40-minute drive at 6 AM is difficult for her because she stays awake until 3 AM working on lesson plans, only to wake up at 4:30 AM to shower and get ready for the school day.

One Thursday night at our small group, fighting to keep her eyelids open, Madeline told us about how she is learning that public school teachers are required to mention Satanism if they mention Christianity.

We winced as Madeline told us that her professor made her class watch a Satanic video, as the professor intended for these future elementary school teachers to do with their young pupils.

"Our education is either based on biblical truth, or some other 'alleged truth.' There is no such thing as neutrality in this regard. All education is religious in nature. Since it is illegal for students in our government schools to be taught from a Christian perspective, then it follows that they must be taught from a non (or anti) Christian perspective," Voddie Baucham, an internationally-loved pastor in South Africa, writes.

I suppose this doesn't faze those who have not been saved from their sins and who are following the prince of the power of the air (Ephesians 2). But, for a Christian who is being sanctified day after day by God himself, this should be at the core of what we protect our children from.

If society is looking to solve the problem of misinformation through intentionally sharing every view, every opinion, and every alternative way of thinking, how should we expect our children to leave our

homes not 'conformed to the patterns of this world, but transformed by the renewing of our minds' (Romans 12:2)?

If our children are being saturated in every sin of this dark world, how should we expect them to be set apart from the things of this earth by looking like Jesus?

"The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher." Luke 6:20.

While this has been an issue for as long as a churchless state has existed, present-day American culture has turned its back to every Christian principle and moral it once held close; not only is our culture apathetic to the Gospel- our culture has learned to hate it.

The decision of homeschooling or sending our children to a Doctrinally-sound Christian school is evidently a Biblical decision and one that God is calling Christian parents to step into.

"Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicket or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, who meditates on his law day and night." Psalm 1:1-2

Let us, as followers of our Savior, be faithful to train up our children in righteousness and in Biblical teaching.

"I am as sure as I am of Christ's reign that a comprehensive and centralized system of national education, separated from religion, as is now commonly proposed, will prove the most appalling enginery for the propagation of anti-Christian and atheistic unbelief, and of anti-social nihilistic ethics, individual, social and political, which this sin-rent world has ever seen."

- A. A. Hodge

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