

BOLD COMFORT OF FATHERS!

(Joey Faust, 6-20-21)

TEXT: 1 Thessalonians 2:11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children,

12 That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.

- 1. Feminism, Free-Love
- 2. Communism
- 3. Spiritism/Theosophy/Occultism

Patrice Lewis, WND, June 18, 2021:

"Nearly every ill America is now experiencing can be traced to the leftist agenda, and the left has never made any effort to disguise their loathing for the intact nuclear family. By reworking the concept of 'family' to include every variable under the sun, they are able to shoehorn their fake families into mainstream America. In fact, abolition of the nuclear family is one of the underpinnings of Marxism and can be found in 'The Communist Manifesto.' It's easy to understand why. Strong, united families are virtually immune to the lures of Marxism.

'Leftism is rooted in Marxist collectivism and loyalty to the state,' notes Linda Goudsmit in PolitiCrossing. 'Conservatism is rooted in individualism and loyalty to the family.' Therefore, the family must be smashed. In 1884, a book entitled 'The Origin of the Family' was published by Marx's protégé, Friedrich Engels, as a posthumous tribute to the ideals of Marx. In the preface, Engels makes it clear that the book reflected Marx's views. Engels envisioned a culture in which 'the single family ceases to be the economic unit of society. Private housekeeping is transformed into a social industry. The care and education of the children becomes a public affair; society looks after all children alike, whether they are legitimate or not'...

Paul Kengor in The Federalist summarizes 'The Origin of the Family' as follows: 'There, and elsewhere, we see, among other things, a fanatical push to abolish all right of inheritance, to end home and religious education, to dissolve monogamy in marriage, to pursue [fornication]...to nationalize all housework, to shift mothers into factories, to move children into daycare nurseries, to separate children into community collectives apart from their natural parents, and, most of all, for society and the state to rear and educate children'.....

For decades, feminists called for society to 'dismantle the patriarchy,' but after 50 years of doing just that, we now have positive proof where it leads. Warren Farrell, a prominent scholar who once sat on the board of the National Organization for Women, now sounds the alarm on what he calls a 'crisis' of fatherlessness. He tracked the dismantling of fatherhood in many communities that wreaked a devastating toll...including a rise in gangs, homelessness, and domestic and foreign terrorism. Having conducted extensive research, Farrell went to the board of NOW and told them that 'dad-deprivation is an important thing.' He was met with total silence. Then he was kicked off the board. He was later told that the NOW membership wanted women to be able to have children by themselves or to have the freedom to easily move to another state and take their children with them following a divorce. Get rid of those dads! Who needs 'em?...When did fathers become the enemy?...

we should recognize that fathers are possibly the single-most essential weapon to fight back against this war being waged by leftists to destroy America...To all the men who embrace their role as father: I salute you...To all the women who know the value of men: I applaud you..."

Malachi 4:5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

Hebrews 12:9 Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?

1 Thessalonians 2:11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children, 12 That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory. 2 Corinthians 1:3 Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

Isaiah 66:13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

Job 7:13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me...

2 Corinthians 1:6 And whether we be afflicted, it is for your consolation...or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation...

1 Thessalonians 5:14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak... "...to strengthen...*fort* is strong...1. To strengthen morally or spiritually...To strengthen..." (*Oxford Dict*.)

- 2 Chronicles 32:1 After these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought to win them for himself. 5 Also he [Hezekiah] strengthened himself, and built up all the wall that was broken, and raised it up to the towers, and another wall without, and repaired Millo in the city of David, and made darts and shields in abundance. 6 And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the street of the gate of the city, and spake comfortably to them, saying,
- 7 Be strong and courageous, be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him: for there be more with us than with him:

8 With him is an arm of flesh; but with us is the LORD our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

- Psalms 23:2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

"The shepherd invariably carries a rod or staff with him when he goes forth to feed his flock. It is often bent or hooked at one end...With this staff he rules and guides the flock to their green pastures, and defends them from their enemies. With it also he corrects them when disobedient, and brings them back when wandering." (The Land and the Book)

"...when the sheep are negligent and remiss in following or driving, thew shepherd doth, with his rod, put them on, quicken their pace. And in this sense also David saith well, 'Thy rod doth comfort me;' for it is a work which doth breed much joy and comfort in the hearts of God's people, when God doth put them out of a lazy, cold, formal walking, and doth, some way or other, cause them to mend their pace, to grow more active and fervent in his service and worship...the sheep sometimes are petulante...idly and inconsiderately straying from the flock, grazing alone, and wandering after other pastures, not considering the dangers which attend them by such a separation and wandering; and, therefore, the shepherd doth with his rod strike and fetch them in again, and so preserve them. In this sense also David might well say, 'Thy rod doth comfort me'..." (Obadiah Sedgwick)

Romans 15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

Psalms 119:49 Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

50 This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.

"The trait that has been examined is that of 'Boldness', which influences whether kittens are more or less ready to approach novel objects and people, depending upon the extent to which their father exhibits that trait; ie, all other factors being equal, bold fathers tend to produce bold kittens, timid fathers tend to produce timid kittens." (Dr. John Bradshaw, Cat Personalities and Their Origins)

Joshua 14:11 As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in. 12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day...

- Joshua 15:17 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.
- 18 And it came to pass, as she came unto him, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted off her ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wouldest thou?
- 19 Who answered, Give me a blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water...

"Confident fathers have happier children, says study..."
(BBC, Nov., 2016)

"In another study, authoritative parenting style which is characterized by high discipline and high warmth was related to higher levels of adolescent self-esteem...Attachment to father has been shown to be positively related to higher levels of self-esteem (Noom, Dekovic, & Meeus, 1999). (Milevsky, Schlechter, Netter, & Keehn, 2007)...children with positively involved fathers show more psychological adjustment, perform better in school, display less antisocial behavior, and have more successful intimate relationships than children with uninvolved fathers, or those with negatively involved fathers (Flouri & Buchanan, 2003).

When adolescents have a quality relationship with their fathers, there is an increased likelihood that their adult life will be happy, satisfying, and be characterized by lower degrees of psychological distress (Aquilino, 2006). Positive father involvement affects social competence, interpersonal skills, self-esteem levels, and proper emotional adjustment (Williams & Kelly, 2005)..." (James W. Hull, Jr., 2012)

"Involved fatherhood is linked to better outcomes on nearly every measure of child wellbeing, from cognitive development and educational achievement to self-esteem and prosocial behavior."

(https://childandfamilyresearch.utexas.edu/5-things-you-should-know-about-importance-fathers)

Genesis 22:7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son...

"The time has come to focus on the positive and crucial role that fathers can play in their daughters' emerging identity and selfesteem. There is no substitute for a father's love. Similarly, there may be nothing worse than being deprived of or feeling uncertain of it...Numerous studies have shown that women who report having a close relationship with their father during childhood developed a strong sense of personal identity and positive self-esteem, as well as enjoying greater confidence in their adult relationships with men." (Dr. Margo Maine, Father Hunger: Fathers, Daughters and the Pursuit of Thinness)

"[Fathers] have a parenting style that is significantly different from that of a mother and that difference is important in healthy child development." (Dr. David Popenoe, Life Without Father, 1996)

"Dads, for instance, love their children 'more dangerously.' That's because they play 'rougher'...They provide kids with a broader diversity of social experiences...They tend to stress rules, justice, fairness, and duty in discipline. In this way, they teach children the objectivity and consequences of right and wrong..."

(Focus on the Family)

Karl A. Schultz, The News-Journal, Jun 19, 2015:

"The father brings an element of objectivity to life, reminding family members of their responsibility to the world at large, as well as to the local community and family...A father can give assurances to a child that they can take risks, embark on adventures, and explore other terrains. The father reminds the child that it cannot count on maternal protection all its life. Love, yes, cocoon-like safeguarding and sheltering, no. When children are involved in external difficulties, it is the father who is hopefully available to sort things out objectively and fairly...

The father can inspire growth and initiative, the mother nurtures the home and the heart. The father gives wings...tradition, scientific research, and common sense and experience assert that there is a fundamental, innate difference between mothers and fathers, one that we ignore at our peril. The breakdown of the family testifies that the blurring and politicization of gender roles, and the confusion and tensions that have accompanied this, has been severely detrimental."

"Female Bengalese Finches Have Lifelong Love for Their Father's Singing...Female Bengalese finches have a natural preference for their fathers' songs over the songs of any other birds - a preference they will carry for their entire lives...results, published...in the journal PLOS ONE, reveal that birds prefer certain songs more than others and that such preferences can stay with them for their entire adult lives..." (Courthouse News Service, Jan. 20, 2021)

"Research: Birds That Lose Their Songs Less Likely to Find a Mate...when those young birds do not have older ones to teach them, they have less success attracting mates...Researchers found that a large number of male birds appear to be learning tunes only used by other species...The scientists released their research in the publication Proceedings of the Royal Society B. They found that males who sang unusual songs were less successful in attracting mates...female honeyeaters may not even recognize these unusual singers as possible mates..." (Associated Press/Learning English, March 22, 2021)

2 Samuel 1:23 Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

Job 29:16 I was a father to the poor...