

Pink Fishermen

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LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) -- Creationism and intelligent design are going to be studied at the University of Kansas, but not in the way advocated by opponents of the theory of evolution.

The university's Religious Studies Department is offering a course next semester titled "Special Topics in Religion: Intelligent Design, Creationism and Other Religious Mythologies."

"The KU faculty has had enough," said Paul Mirecki, chairman of the department. "Creationism is mythology," Mr. Mirecki said. "Intelligent design is mythology. It's not science. They try to make it sound like science. It clearly is not."

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"To equate intelligent design to mythology is really an absurdity, and it's just another example of labeling anybody who proposes [intelligent design] to be simply a religious nut," Mr. Calvert said. "That's the reason for this little charade." Mr. Mirecki said his course, limited to 120 students, would explore intelligent design as a modern American mythology. Several faculty members have volunteered to be guest lecturers.

University Chancellor Robert Hemenway said he didn't know all the details about the course.

"If it's a course that's being offered in a serious and intellectually honest way, those are the kind of courses a university frequently offers," he said.

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The Pink City

Local tourism officials plan on turning Tel Aviv into the gay capital of the world; Israel Hotel Association official: Tel Aviv and gay people are a perfect fit
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Tel Aviv is known throughout the world as "The White City" due to the many Bauhaus-style structures that adorn its streets, but the city may soon be called "The Pink City," as tourism industry heads are planning on transforming the city into the gay capital of the world, Israel's leading newspaper Yedioth Ahronoth reported.

"Tel Aviv and gay people are a perfect fit," an Israel Hotel Association (IHA) official said.

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-3169556,00.html>

Romans 1:24-32 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: (25) Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. (26) For this cause God gave

them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: (27) And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. (28) And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; (29) Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, (30) Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, (31) Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: (32) Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Matthew 24:9-11 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. (10) And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. (11) And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

2 Timothy 3:1-9 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. (2) For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, (3) Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, (4) Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; (5) Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. (6) For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, (7) Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. (8) Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. (9) But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

Eph 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

This is incredible! This just has me shaking my head in both amazement and disbelief. Two different countries, two different issues, two different groups of people. . . Who would have thought, or even imagined, that two such drastically different issues would be so closely intertwined, not only as a matter of discipline by God, but also as a sign that we were entering or are now in the time before the end???

What a concept that pushing God out of the picture, refusing to accept His truth, would open up society to the behaviour that is trying to shove itself into schools, goverment, churches, and more. Mocking God's truth too, as that university is doing, is mentioned by God as something that carries grave consequences. The road such attitudes walk down lead to the situation now facing Tel Aviv according to God's own words.

This is scary stuff folks! As Christians this is even scarier, as well as gravely sobering! We had the ability to never let society get this way in the first place! We had the ability to keep God in the schools, to keep God in the courts, to keep God in the government, to keep God in the public square of all shapes and sizes. But we didn't do it! For over 50 years we haven't done it! Tel Aviv is about to become another San Francisco, another Amsterdam. Why???

The answer lies in the last quoted verse above. . . "high places". What are high places? In Biblical history, high places were places of meeting, places of city planners and organizers, and places of worship to false gods. Over and over we read about how God raised up person after person, some soldiers, some judges, some kings, some prophets, to overthrow the high places of worship to false gods many times in Scripture. Some such overthrowers were threatened with their lives, others were scared their lives would be threatened, but all obeyed the voice of God to do so!

We too have high places. High places of learning, high places of entertainment, high places of government of all levels, and unfortunately, high places raised and frequented to such gods as materialism, self gratification, reputation, job status, social status, money, position, appearance, in addition to some of the more standard high places such as to actual false gods who take the form now of modern false religious practices. Society has enshrined a form of tolerant intolerance toward religion of any sort. Tolerant of anything that is not Judeo-Christian, intolerant of anything that is! Not just American Society, or Canadian Society or British society or Dutch society, but almost every so-called "free" western society now behaves this way. What are we doing to take back our place of respectability in society? How do we take back such a position if at all???

We do it by doing something that seems completely counterproductive to the goal! We stand up for our values, we stand up for our morals, we stand up for our ethics, we stand up for God's laws, in the theatre, in the music store, in the stadium, in the school, in the workplace, in the boardroom, in the government office, in the courtroom! Because if we don't stand up now, we will become "free" versions of China, North Korea, Vietnam, Bangladesh, Northern India, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Saudi Arabia, Cuba, Nigeria, and many other nations who do not have a "free" society in which to worship and live.

Attackers of our faith from the likes of the ACLU, militant gay groups, far too many higher educational professors, lawyers, judges, and lawmakers are bringing to Christianity a form of persecution now that merely builds on the platform that was laid over the past 50 years. Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms for example is now being used against Christianity instead of protecting it, in the name of the behaviour spoken about by God above, which came about as a result of removing God from most elements of society.

Do you see how all this goes in a circle? First God is removed, then sinfulness becomes normal, then God is mocked and scoffed and jeered, then His followers receive the same treatment, till finally His followers are treated as traitors, tyrants, intolerant biggots, and more! God clearly stated this would be the case

for those who consistently refused to acknowledge Him. It was there for us to read many many years ago. But we have sat back and done nothing. Even today, most Christians still sit back and do nothing. Groups like the Alliance Defense Fund are trying to do something in the US. But as actively as they are trying to preserve freedom of faith with respect to family, education, and healthy morals, they are only one group willing to throw away their reputation for the good of anyone who calls themselves a child of God.

Now don't go off accusing me of accusing you of causing the moral decline we are seeing all over the world and now creeping into God's Chosen land and people. No one person is responsible for this. Our generation is reaping the lack of effort by the one before us. But what are we doing for the generation coming after us? When are we going to pick up the torch, grab the dropped baton, and fight for the religious freedoms that our children may not have in a few years' time? A few years time? Am I resorting to fearmongering now? Heck no!!!

It only took maybe half a century to turn North America and Western Europe into the socially/politically blind continents that we now are. The past 20 years alone brought in a good majority of those who have perpetrated this blindness so thoroughly upon society, that articles such as this are akin to social blasphemy. They are political suicide, a recipe for making one a social outcast! Anyone who tries to stand up in the public square and verbalize something like this risks being hauled off to court for being narrow-minded, intolerant, and even hate-mongering!

Once again, God knew this would be the case. The Beattitudes display Christ encouraging us in how we should behave when such public treatment is levelled against us! We must take heart, we must gather courage, we must band together and stand tall for the cause of Christ! No we will not engage in the sins past incarnations of one particular global church denomination. We will not engage in Islamic-style terrorism. We will not behave as the Buddhists and Hindu groups in Indonesia and Northern India. Instead we will insist on freedom of religion, we will insist on recognizing God as God and the basic governing laws of the 10 Commandments as those that should rule our courts. We will pressure for a return to acknowledging the One who made our nations what they are today, and insist that we return to whole-hearted support of God's Chosen People, the nation of Israel and her Jews.

However we must each stand up in the giftings God has given us. Whether that gifting is in speaking, or writing, or entering politics of the school/municipal/regional/national sort, or challenging people to action or teaching children/youth/young adults a Godly worldview. In whatever manner of communication God has given us, we must be actively pursuing the maintenance of our public faith and seeking to turn the hearts of our nations back to God Almighty!