

"But There Is A God In Heaven" [Part 1]

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Let a political office-holder be caught in a deliberate lie, and most news media people will not let him or his constituency ever forget it. I would like to believe that it is because they believe that lying is wrong, and that those who lie and refuse to acknowledge it need to be exposed and put out of office. But I am afraid and suspect that it is done more often (1) because they don't like the office-holder or the political party he represents, or (2) because they have a fiendish delight in exposing as hypocrites anyone who claims to believe in moral standards, but doesn't practice them. Yet many of them seem to have great admiration for those who live the lives of moral mavericks, but who are frank about it and profess to see nothing wrong with it. In God's sight, how much better is a **false saint** than an **admitted sinner**, or vice versa?

Those who reject the existence of God or the claim of the Bible to be divine in its origin have absolutely no foundation for a moral standard. Those who reject creation and embrace a theory that makes man and everything else in the universe the accidental result of "residential and random forces" (*ah, but what is the **origin** of matter, law, and force?, and then of life, mind, and man?*) must conclude that there really is no such thing as right and wrong, good and evil, righteousness and wickedness. From man's own viewpoint things would simply be desirable or undesirable, pleasant or unpleasant, profitable or unprofitable, successful or unsuccessful, but never right or wrong. If you will but look at the direction that our educational system (in both the public secondary schools and the colleges and universities) has taken and at the deliberate and subtle influences exerted by newspaper and magazine articles and by television programs and movie scripts, you will see who's been winning the battle for minds and allegiances and the direction it's taking us.

America is but reaping the fruits of the philosophies we have allowed to have the upper hand. Crime continues to increase and most criminals are never even arrested for their crimes (*while prisons and jails are full, men and women with long records are loose to prey on yet more victims; juries impose sentences for heinous crimes that are in most cases never exacted; not 1 in 50 of those sentenced to die will ever die*); the traffic in illegal drugs (*a major cause of crimes*) continues to grow; the problems caused by alcoholic drink continue to rise; the problems growing out of legalized gambling are beginning to mushroom; the quality of our educational system continues to decline; our economic problems have risen to numbers we don't even comprehend but will have to face; marriages continue to break up; people continue to cohabit in ever-increasing numbers without being married at all; homosexuals become bolder all the time in their push for acceptance and approval of their conduct; the percentage of unwed mothers moves steadily upward; sexually-transmitted diseases are ever spreading; more and more children are growing up without parents or family; teen gangs that resort to and provoke violence are spreading and growing rapidly; the numbers on welfare who have no intention of working are growing; the speech, dress, and behavior of many continue to decline; liberties are used as license for all kinds of misbehavior; etc; etc. The list goes on and on.

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