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The unspeakable evil of promoting 'Transgender Ideology in Schools'

Here is how one newspaper reported a recent controversy about this appalling issue.

"A Christian family is preparing to sue their sons' Church of England school after boys were allowed to come to class wearing dresses.

Nigel Rowe, 44, and his wife Sally, 42, removed their six-year-old son from the unnamed school after a male classmate was allowed to attend the primary school in a dress.

They intend to educate him at home on the Isle of Wight alongside his eight-year-old brother. The older boy was pulled from the same school - which has a uniform - a year ago when a boy in his class also started wearing dresses.

The couple are going to mount a legal challenge against the school, arguing it has not respected their rights to raise their children in line with biblical values. One option open to the couple is a judicial review at the High Court, which could have wide-reaching implications for schools' responsibilities to transgender pupils.

Mr Rowe told The Sunday Times: 'A child aged six would sometimes come to school as a girl or sometimes come to school as a boy. We believe it is wrong to encourage very young children to embrace transgenderism, boys are boys and girls are girls. Our concerns were raised when our son came back home from school saying he was confused as to why and how a boy was now a girl.

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- Daily Telegraph, 10th September, 2017.

1. Here is an evil which the most devout Bible believer, embracing the truth of the Holy Scriptures regarding the world's decline into wickedness in the last days, did not conceive of as possible!

Yes, we are clearly warned of the increase of sin as this age draws to a close with the judgment of God following upon it at Christ's return, but no Christian could, I believe, imagine such wickedness as we see today breaking forth!

Yes, the Saviour's words clearly warned us of great depravity manifesting itself before His return and we have long believed them. "Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed," Luke 17:28-30.

But what is happening today was beyond our understanding of what His words meant! Society is sinking further than any of us could really have envisaged.

2. What further iniquities lie beneath the surface of the heart and mind of our society?

The happenings of today, accepted by legislators and the general public alike, were utterly unknown, unthought of, in my generation's youth! Yet we have moved into this most dreadful maelstrom of degeneracy and that so quickly. The havoc the world has looked upon in the path of the hurricanes that wreaked havoc in the Caribbean islands and the US southern coast is a picture, in a small measure, of the moral carnage that is sweeping over our lands today. What a dreadful aftermath of pain and suffering will follow society's welcoming of these 'winds of change'!



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3. What is especially appalling is that this depravity involves children.

The 'gender confusion' that people speak of is, I believe, the invention of perverted adults who have their own wicked agenda to pursue. Children will be the victims of this 'second level' of child abuse!

We have heard of those African terrorist gangs of the Boko Haram of Nigeria, who took captive young girls and subjected them to unspeakable abuse. Surely their crimes were almost minor in comparison to the parents engaged in these acts here in the United Kingdom?

God's terrible judgment fell upon the Israelites who abused their children in the fires of Molech. "And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name," Leviticus 20:3. The judgment here threatened fell upon those guilty of such crimes against the innocent children. "And they built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin. And now therefore thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence," Jeremiah 32:35-36.

I cannot but believe that a similar display of God's wrath and judgment will befall our land because of such iniquity being permitted and encouraged.

4. Reaction to the protest of the parents mentioned in the above newspaper article sends a further chill to the heart of the Christian.

Here is the headline from an article in the "Daily Mail" of September 16th, 2017. "Labelled bigots for protecting our child's innocence: Upset by their son's confusion when a six-year-old classmate changed gender, they took him out of school. Little did they know the hatred it would unleash."

The "Daily Mail" is not a newspaper I would commend because of its tendency to publish indecent articles but in this case it has highlighted the dreadful reaction from high and low to the stand taken by these parents.

Part of the article read:

"To witness the vilification of Christian parents Nigel and Sally Rowe this week, you'd have thought they'd not just broken each and every one of the Ten Commandments but hurled Moses' stone tablet from the silenced bell tower of Big Ben as well.

Take the BBC's Victoria Derbyshire show, during which their religious ideals were said to be 'as extremist as people like ISIS'. Or This Morning's Phillip Schofield, who hectorated them: 'You are the ones with the problem.'

Their problem? To voice concern about their six-year-old son's 'confusion' when a classmate began turning up to his Church of England primary school asking to be treated as a girl one day and a boy the next, which flew in the face of the family's Christian beliefs.

The school responded with a letter defending its approach on pupils 'exploring their gender' and warning how 'incredibly seriously' it would take any 'transphobic behaviour', such as the failure 'to use [the pupil's] adopted name or using gender inappropriate pronouns'."

This is where society is heading. The writer of this "Daily Mail" article, one Rebecca Hardy, does not really voice the views of society. It may well be true that the majority of people would have little sympathy for those promoting this 'gender confusion' but they are not concerned enough to voice any protest or engage in any form of support for the protesting parents. That is because they count other things more important, having little or no idea of the immorality involved in such developments, because this United Kingdom is largely bereft of the teaching of the Bible. Even where it is preached, sadly, the fear of an adverse reaction



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to bold Biblical preaching keeps all too many preachers largely silent or at the best evasive and prevaricating in their comments.

Oh this ought not to be so!

Hear God's command to His prophets as He addressed Isaiah. "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins," Isaiah 58:1.

How sad when a nation is blighted as was Israel in former times. "His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber," Isaiah 56:10.

What a clamour of protests the pulpits of Bible-believing churches should be making, but where is that noise?

"I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest," Psalm 40:9.

May the words of the Psalmist be the testimony of more and more of God's servants in the face of the rising tide of hell's impurities!

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