

Speaking Truth and Love Within the Family

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Years ago, Norman Rockwell painted many pictures with heart-warming family themes.

His "Freedom from Want," showing a grandmother presenting a turkey on a platter at a holiday table surrounded by loving family members, is one of his most iconic depictions of happy, normal American life.

Today, as Thanksgiving approaches, many families are girding for conflict instead of golden family time.

Increasingly, teens are coming home and unveiling their new "identities" on hapless parents and grandparents. "Guess what? I'm gay!" Or, "Guess what? I'm now a woman (or a man)!"

Some families are so grief stricken that they don't even get together. Some hide their shock and refuse to talk about what is going on. Children coming home to "come out" was already a trend. Now, as transmania has invaded virtually every institution, it has become a tsunami.

Parents are faced with threats such as, "Do you want to plan for a funeral, or accept your LGBTQ child as who they are?" Having a trans child can make parents feel as though their child has died or been kidnapped by some malevolent force.

This has all come upon us so quickly and so destructively that it reminds



me of Hurricane Ian, which caused enormous damage in Florida, uprooting lives and homes.

The Power of Truth

People are not being told about the reality. Absent harmful intervention, 80-to-90 percent of all dysphoric children recover their own natural sexuality. As this powerful truth is wilfully suppressed, children are being plied with transgender ideology, dangerous puberty-blocking drugs and cross-sex hormones. Girls are having

their breasts cut off and boys are being castrated.

Taking advantage of confused children is evil, period. They change the meaning of words to make it seem okay, calling it "gender confirming" or "gender affirming," when it is the opposite.

Jaws dropped recently when President Joe Biden, who wants to nationalize these horrendous practices, said that interfering in any way is immoral. Really? A Virginia liberal legislator said she plans to introduce a bill to reframe opposition to gender transitions as "child abuse." The law would provide for penalties even against parents. Can you imagine what George Washington or Thomas Jefferson would have thought of this?

But nature and nature's God will not be mocked. Sanity is starting to shine through the shadowy, dark clouds of misinformation.

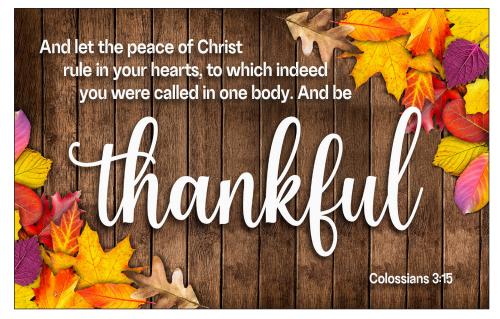
People are horrified at the damage being done and are speaking out. Texas and Idaho have criminalized this odious practice on minors. And Great Britain's National Health Service announced in October that it is sharply restricting transgender "care" for minors and restricting diagnoses to medical doctors instead of therapists. The Service said that for most children, gender dysphoria is a "transient phase."

Parents need to search for the truth. Puberty is not a disorder. It should not be treated with hormone blockers. Medical transition to the other sex causes irreversible and deliberate infertility, sexual problems, bone problems, and psychological problems. Cross-sex hormones have dangerous health risks. These formerly healthy young people need to be medicated for life.

Picking Up the Pieces

What can caring parents do when transgenderism invades the home? When your child no longer believes in the God Who created him or her?

Keep praying for them. Never stop. Speak the truth to your child.Be aware of what's being taught in school. Talk with other parents in your school district. You are not alone in wanting children to learn truth instead of lies. Keep communications open with your child, although household rules of respect and boundaries are important. Surrender your child to God – He has greater love and plans for your child even than you.



The truth is coming out, and none too soon. Some parents across the country have stood together against radical school board agendas. Young people who regret their choices are coming forward and sharing their stories. Some are starting to sue medical professionals for lying to them about being born in the wrong body and needing drugs and surgery.

De-transitioning can be very hard. Walt Heyer, a former transwoman, is spending the rest of his life warning young people about the mistake he made years ago when he decided to "become" female. He has a wonderful story of God's redemption and restoration. God does not make mistakes when He creates each of us.

Matt Walsh's "What is a Woman?" documentary is a powerful wake-up call. Creation advocate Ken Ham takes a less confrontational approach.

Speaking to students in Tulsa, he began by saying, "We each have a viewpoint. I would like to share my view with you."

In any case, we need to keep speaking truth. In 1 Kings 18:17-42 Elijah was called a troublemaker. His life had been threatened, yet he trusted God and kept speaking truth. On Mount Carmel, he defeated the priests of Baal through a devastating display of God's power.

Parenting today is more difficult than in times past because of social media, popular culture and a drift away from our Christian heritage.

The thing to remember is that no obstacle measures up against God's sovereign truth.

May your Thanksgiving be filled with grace.

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