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And please don't forget my LINKFESTS. And my CARTOONS.



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AND SO I BEGIN...

As I've returned to the faith of my youth I've started to listen to that "small still voice" with which G-d now speaks. Unlike the good old days when we heard Him much more clearly...



[TEN COMMANDMENTS / 3:01]

And please don't miss taking a side-trip to **Prager University's** video series on the **Ten Commandments.**

Here is probably the most notable example of hearing Him in my life; **One Jew's Red- Pill Journey – Part 2 of ?** (italics in original, bolding added, and what I believe he said to me highlighted in green with a different font):

For various reasons, notable among them that I snore louder than a jet engine on afterburner, I was attempting to fall asleep in the recliner downstairs. It was Shabbat evening; one of the candles, which the kids helped me light, was still burning and the light was straight in front of me. Being dog-tired I was sorely tempted to break the prohibition against blowing it out. In that moment of temptation it was like G-d's small, still voice spoke to me: Those candles are the light of tradition, handed down from generation to generation for over three thousand years. They are a reminder of Judaism's deep past, and by teaching your children they become the hope of the future, forming a chain through the ages and binding you and your children to Me.

I relaxed, understanding what those candles really meant and why they are lit and never blown out, and the candle then winked out just seconds after that realization. It was as though G-d Himself then said to me Now that

you understand how the lights of Shabbat connect you to Me and your whole people through past, present, and future, you can go to sleep. It was a profound moment and I felt His presence in a way that I had not before... and the sensation of that presence has never left me since.

Mind you, it was not like me hearing someone saying those words conversationally – but as though I instantaneously understood the entirety in a split second in those two instances.

More recently I've started seeing small events – events that could be random <u>and perhaps are</u> – but, to me, indicate a Divine hand in things. For example, I was on my way to visit a supplier and on the way back I had to visit the bank. I was planning on going to one of the branches I normally go to that were several miles away but, as it happened, I had to take a construction detour... which led me RIGHT to one of my bank's branch offices. Right there, in front of me. So I went in and did my business. Had I not taken that detour I would have had to drive miles out of my way while heading home taking a good extra 20 minutes. Chance? Very possibly. But so perfectly what I needed *right then*? A small thing, but a data point nonetheless.

Another: I live in an area with many hawks. Lately I've been seeing quite a few more than before. Coincidence? Perhaps. But about a year ago, driving on a windy back road, I had an escort – *literally*. A hawk was flying in front of my car along the road for a half-mile or more, as if in formation. It was... wonderous. And it happened right after I booked tickets to take the family to Israel for our second trip. The more I look, the more I see His hand in events around me, inspiring me to follow the various commandments more carefully. E.g., I now try to say morning prayers while wearing tefillin every day, something that even five years ago would have been unthinkable. Just as if you'd told me 15 years ago I'd be wearing a kippa every day, that too would have brought disbelieving laughter.





But, in contrast, I see His laws being ignored more and more in today's society. I see time-honored wisdom, traditions, and traditional practices shunted aside. Channeling Dr. Thomas Sowell – who is one of the wisest men alive IMHO:

For the anointed, traditions are likely to be seen as the dead hand of the past, relics of a less enlightened age, and not as the distilled experience of millions who faced similar human vicissitudes before.



FYI, several books by him. All excellent:

Intellectuals and Society: Revised and Expanded Edition

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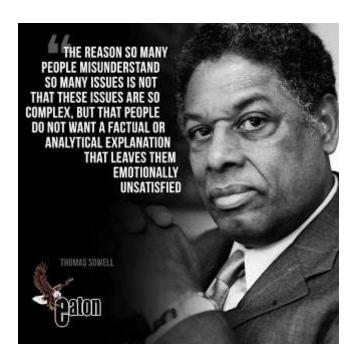
In this abandoning of what was developed, evolved, and distilled, I see echoes of

another Sowell comment (bolding added):

The charge is often made against the intelligentsia and other members of the anointed that their theories and the policies based on them lack common sense. But the very commonness of common sense makes it unlikely to have any appeal to the anointed. How can they be wiser and nobler than everyone else while agreeing with everyone else?

Extending this, how can they be wiser and nobler – and thus more "advanced" and "progressive" – if they follow the traditions and practices of their forebears? Related to this is yet another Sowell quote (bolding added):

Virtually no idea is too ridiculous to be accepted, even by very intelligent and highly educated people, if it provides a way for them to feel special and important. Some confuse that feeling with idealism.



In parallel see Evan Sayet's excellent piece Regurgitating the Apple: How Modern Liberals "Think".

So what are we, or at least our *cough cough* intellectual and moral superiors, casting aside so they can be different and thus better and more important than the past? And certainly they are more indulgent of feelings rather than restraint and overcoming the animal.



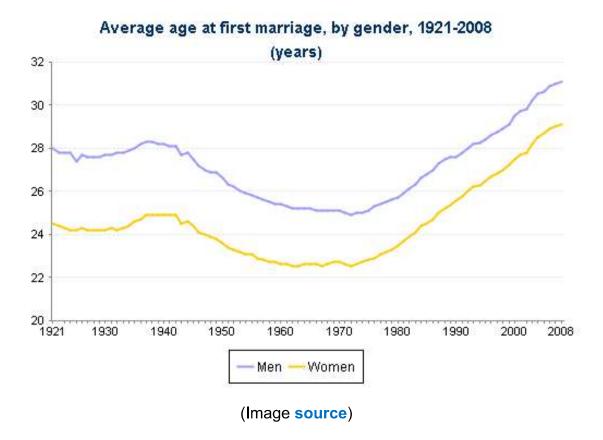
[Al Pacino's speech about God (The Devil's Advocate) / 1:51]

In general, compare/contrast the **Seven Deadly Sins** and the **Seven Cardinal Virtues**, and try to tell me that there isn't one of the former that the Left doesn't embrace, or in contrast even one of the latter to which they cleave.

THE WAR ON CHASTITY

<u>His wisdom</u>: Be chaste before marriage.

In the days when *America blessed G-d* (expression from **Wild Bill for America**) there was a culture of chastity until marriage. Now of course we know it was imperfect as are all things human; hormones are strong after all, especially, in the teens and early 20's.



Now there are many factors in this shifting of marriage age, which are mostly beyond the scope of this essay. One, though, that I view as extremely significant is a shift in the perception of marriage: from marrying early on and building a life together – i.e., a <u>foundation</u> of a life being built with another person's support – to marriage being a <u>capstone achievement</u> after building a career as an individual. And a massive HT to <u>The Art of Manliness</u> for this thought.

But IMHO there's no question that one of the dominant problems in today's culture is the lack of chastity, i.e., the "hook up" attitude exhibited by so many. It used to be that, to access sex, the majority of people would pursue marriage.





[Georgia Satellites Keep Your Hands To Yourself / 3:30]

Not that I'm innocent in this, especially having grown up in ultra-liberal "people's republic" Cambridge, MA... nor am I saying chastity is easy. Certainly in my college days "the pursuit" occupied a lot of mental energy - but looking back, though I could never give up my kids voluntarily to go back, were I to wake up in my 18 year old body with what I know now / being who I am now, I'd join an Orthodox shul and look for a likeminded woman to found a family early on and build a life together. And do so as part of a tight community; see that value as a part of my essay **Thought Trails from a Bar Mitzvah**.

Now, of course, it's just "swipe right" on tinder. Or attend the right party. But there are consequences to this, like infectious consequences; from **Porn Generation** where the first paragraph quoted discusses group-sex videos filmed at colleges (hereafter cited as "PG"; links in original, added thought in []):

Even when used, condoms give a false sense of security: **condoms are not proof against HPV or herpes**. Oral sex is also ubiquitous in these
videos, whether M on F, F on M, or F on F, and every single oral "service"
was done **bareback**, with the **obvious STD risks**. [Additionally, in the
majority of these videos, there are multiple partner swaps with that
compounding the potential spread of an STD.] So there are potential longterm health effects from this kind of behavior especially as diseases like
chlamydia are often asymptomatic but can **sterilize the infected woman** – **and the man too**.

And even if the impersonal sex is not on video, it's becoming more common; the Tinder generation almost expects first-date sex as a given – it's certainly becoming less taboo and, really, is the whole point of Tinder. Oral HPV infections are now so prevalent that some dentists are quizzing patients about their sex life! Chlamydia, along with gonorrhea and syphilis, are sweeping the US. On top of all this, new strains of STDs are showing up that cannot be treated; e.g., Super gonorrhoea

OUTBREAK worsens as new strains emerge – and there is NO CURE.

married, and stay faithful. I.e., <u>G-d's plan for marriage</u>. Another example of the wisdom of chastity and the avoidance of STDs; **New study: Higher number of sexual partners linked with increased cancer risk** (links in original):

People who had more sexual partners throughout their life have a higher chance of being diagnosed with cancer, according to a study published in the journal BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health.

"Compared to women who reported one partner or none, those who reported 10 or more were 91% more likely to have been diagnosed with cancer. Similarly, men with 10 or more partners were 64% more likely to have been diagnosed with cancer compared to men with one partner or none," Reuters reported on the findings of the study.

. . .

However, STDcheck.com, a service that facilitates STD testing, explains that many STDs can be transmitted even if a condom is used during intercourse. The website lists, among others, HPV, genital herpes, syphilis, and pubic lice.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a federal agency and the leading national public health institute of the United States, is equally cautious.

"However, condom use cannot provide absolute protection against any STD. The most reliable ways to avoid transmission of STDs are to abstain from sexual activity, or to be in a long-term mutually monogamous relationship with an uninfected partner."

If an event has an "X" percent chance of something bad happening, the more times you try it, the more likely "X" will happen. (Statistically, if something has a probability of X of happening, then to not have it happen even once after N attempts means a probability of P=(1-X)^N. So if each sex act has, say, a 30% chance of getting an STD from someone infected, and on a Tinder date weekend you do it five times, that's (.7)^5 or 17% that you won't get it... and an 83% chance you will.) Chastity has health benefits.

So you have to ask why the Left is **so dead-set against abstinence training** (bolding added):

"President Obama is trying – finally – in his 2017 budget **to remove all federal funding for abstinence education**," Orenstein wrote, advocating for speaking to children often about sex, to "normalize" it, and "integrate it

into everyday life."

And from the same link (links in the original):

MFI notes that Culture Reframed, an organization that **addresses** hypersexualized media and pornography as "the public health crisis of the digital age," asserts boys exposed to porn are more inclined to adopt attitudes that normalize sexual harassment and violence toward women.

Similarly, girls exposed to porn are increasingly likely to participate in highrisk sexual behavior and develop problems such as eating disorders and drug abuse.

The National Center on Sexual Exploitation (NCOSE) also **observes** children exposed to porn are inclined to engage in sex at younger ages, opening them up to higher risk of developing sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and pregnancy.

Normalizing porn and fall-into-bed-fast sex. What a horrible message to send to our children.

Those who wait until marriage do far better in their marriages – because the waiting, and anticipation, for "that night" as you get to know the person shows common bonds and common values... and test those bonds and values too.

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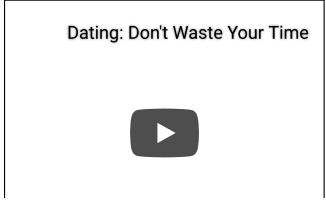
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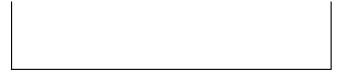


[Be a Man. Get Married. / 4:41]

Those pairs that survive the dating ordeal are far stronger for it; The Point Of Dating Should Be Marriage:

Having marriage as a goal brings a seriousness to relationships from the beginning, as the couple is constantly assessing their compatibilities and values. When you are seriously thinking about how your political differences may affect your life together, decisions are made much sooner about the long-term potential of your relationship, and often time heartbreak is avoided because you haven't allowed yourself to grow too close with this person. Sure, a relationship ending will always be disappointing, but it doesn't have to entail the heartache that accompanies letting another in on a deep and intimate level and then having that suddenly severed from you.





[Dating: Don't Waste Your Time / 5:17]

And children born out of wedlock are far more likely to be criminals plus a host of other issues because of the **absence of a father** in a stable marriage.

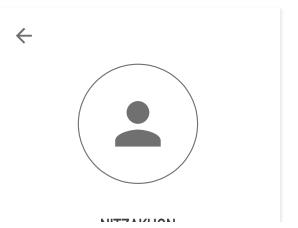
<u>Consequences for not following Him</u>: Potential diseases (and sterility), a jaded attitude towards "commoditized" sex, less respect for your partner if they don't live up to the porn-driven expectations, pregnancy out of wedlock, and less importance on getting to know each other prior to diving into bed. All negatively impact life, and also any marriage that follows.

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