

# Defending Christian values

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As our cultural values shift, Christians now find themselves morally, culturally and spiritually alienated in an increasingly hostile secular world. We cannot leave our homes without seeing references to how everything sexual is OK, premarital sex is the thing to do, and homosexual sex is now a virtue. Our faith is under constant attack. Feminists such as Mary Daly refer to Our Lord as "The Supreme Phallus." Those who believe that Christianity is one true faith as proclaimed by the Bible are denounced as closed-minded.

Christians are constantly blamed for all of the world's problems, and Christian students must tolerate constant anti-Christian diatribes by Marxist professors. One professor even referred to the Christians as being brainwashed. Unfortunately, Christians are often too passive and tolerant. When Christians

decide that they have had enough, secularists denounce them as intolerant and bigoted. They just merely fight to protect their faith from an increasingly hostile pagan world.

Christians here at Behrend have grown steadily tired of being forced to tolerate values and sentiments opposed to their faith. Examples include the University's promotion of extramarital sexual unions, the consumption of alcohol for the purpose of getting drunk, and the general anti-Christian attitude of the students, faculty and staff.

Christians must make themselves visible and active in the campus community because unless they do so the hostile environment will persist. Behrend's Christian community consists of the campus' most loving and supportive people. However, it is divided between the Protestants and Catholics. Protestants keep to themselves as do the Catholics. Both sides must unite for we are one in Christ Jesus otherwise we will

remain ineffective. The only way to Christianize this campus is together.

We must take a stand for alternative Christian values and stare down our secular opponents. This is a battle for the hearts and souls of our community. We have been set back for now, but a united Christian front will prevail.

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world, and against spiritual forces of darkness in heavenly realms" (Eph. 6:12).

The best way to defend your faith is by knowing it. Study your Bible and know the teachings of the defenders of the faith, past and present. Know that you will be persecuted for your faith, but rejoice in your persecution. "Rejoice in your suffering because you share in Christ's suffering" (1 Peter 4:15).

Catholics and Protestants must cling to their faith tenaciously and resist the lies of

this corrupt world. We must meet hate with love, but we must never be passive. If the Christians of today were the Christians for 2000 years ago our faith would have been long since extinguished. We must never permit the secularists on this campus to destroy us. Never question your faith because it will make you stronger than any feel-good ideology will. "Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God" (Jas. 4:4).

If you consider yourself a Christian ask yourself "Do I follow what I want of what God wants for me?" If you are a Christian you will not do what is good for me or believe what is popular, but what the Lord has commanded. Christians should never allow non-believers to call them narrow-minded because those non-believers bask in their own ignorance. "The Lord says the road to damnation is far and wide and is travelled by many, but the road to salvation is

narrow and few find it" (Matt 7:13-14).

Christians must keep fast in their faith because therein lies the only truth. St. Paul writes, "Do not deceive yourselves. If anyone thinks he is wise by the standards of this age, he should become a 'fool' so that he may become wise. For wisdom of the world is foolishness in the eyes of the Lord," (1 Cor. 3:18-19).

There is no need for Christians to be secretive about their faith. They must spread their faith to all as the Lord commanded. "Go forth make disciples of ALL NATIONS baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit" (Matt 28:19).

Remember it is always better to be narrow-minded on the road to salvation than broad-minded and burning in Hell. Be strong and united and pray for those who persecute you.

# Dave's show: 'Adventure Dog'

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I have this idea for a new television series. It would be a realistic action show, patterned after the true-life experiences of my dog, Earnest. The name of the show would be: "Adventure Dog."

The theme song would go: "Adventure dog, kinda big, kinda strong Stupid as a log."

Each episode would be about an exciting true adventure that happened to Earnest. For example, here's the script for an episode titled: "Adventure Dog Wakes Up and Goes Outside":

"It is 6:17 a.m. Adventure Dog is sleeping in the hall. Suddenly, she hears a sound. Her head snaps up. Somebody is up! Time to swing into action! Adventure Dog races down the hall and, skidding on all four paws, turns into the bathroom, where, to her total shock, she finds: The Master! Whom she has not seen since LAST NIGHT! YAYYYYYY!! ADVENTURE DOG: Bark!

MASTER: DOWN, dammit! Now Adventure Dog bounds to the front door, in case the Master is going to take her outside. It is a slim chance. He has only taken her outside for the past 2,637 consecutive mornings. But just in case, Adventure Dog is ready.

ADVENTURE DOG: Bark! Can it be? Yes! This is unbelievable! The Master is coming to the door! Looks like Adventure Dog is going outside! YAAAYYY!

MASTER: DOWN, dammit! Now the Master has opened the door approximately one inch. Adventure Dog realizes that, at this rate, it may take the Master a full three-tenths of a second to open the door all the way. This is bad. He needs help. Adventure Dog alertly puts her nose in the crack and applies

600,00 pounds of force to the door.

MASTER: HEY! DOOR: WHAM! And now Adventure Dog is through the door, looking left, looking right, her finely honed senses absorbing every detail of

the environment, every nuance and subtlety, looking for . . . Holy smoke! There it is! The YARD! Right in the exact same place where it was yesterday! This is turning out to be an UNBELIEVABLE adventure!

ADVENTURE DOG: Bark!



Adventure Dog is vaguely troubled. Some primitive version of a thought is rattling around inside her tiny cranium, like a BB in a tuna fish can. For she senses that there is something he wants Adventure Dog to do. But what on earth

could it be? Before Adventure Dog can think of an answer, she detects . . . is this possible? Yes! It's a SMELL! Yikes! Full Red Alert!

ADVENTURE DOG: Sniff sniff sniff.

MASTER: Come on, Earnest.

ADVENTURE DOG: Sniff sniff sniff sniff sniff.

MASTER: Will you hurry UP?

ADVENTURE DOG: Sniff sniff sniff sniff sniff sniff sniff.

No question about it. The evidence is clear. This is a smell all right. And what's more, it's the smell of -- this is so incredible -- DOG WEEWEE! Right here in the yard!

MASTER: EARNEST!

ADVENTURE DOG: Sniff sniff sniff sniff sniff.

Adventure Dog is getting the germ of an idea. At first it seems far-fetched, but the more she thinks about it, the more she thinks, hey, why not? The idea is -- get ready -- Adventure Dog is going to MAKE WEEWEE! Right now! Outside! It's crazy

but it just might work!

MASTER: Good GIRL. What was that? It was a sound! Definitely. A sound coming from . . . over there. Yes! No question about it! This is unbelievable! It's the MASTER, out here in the yard! YAAAYYY!

MASTER: DOWN, dammit! THEME-SONG SINGER: Adventure Dog, Adventure Dooooooooooooogggg ...

ADVENTURE DOG: BARK!

MASTER: DOWN!" Bear in mind that this is only one episode. There are many other possibilities: "Adventure Dog Gets Fed," "Adventure Dog Goes for a Ride in the Car and Sees Another Dog and Barks Real Loud for the Next 116 Miles," etc. It would be the kind of family-oriented show your kids could watch, because there would be extremely little sex thanks to an earlier episode, "Adventure Dog has an Operation."