

Connecticut School Murders

A Biblical Response



Introduction – Get Wise Now!

- **I Thess 4:13 teaches that true doctrine corrects wrong reactions to life's events, and God's sovereignty will help with the Connecticut school murders. Stop being ignorant, and learn true doctrine!**

“But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope” (I Thess 4:13).

- **America deserves severe judgment from God, for she has used His greatest blessings to be one of the most arrogant and wicked nations on earth as measured by most standards of righteousness.**

“The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God” (Ps 9:17).

What Happened Friday, Dec 14, 2012?

- **Adam Lanza shot his sleeping mother four times in the head.**
- **He went to the local elementary school and shot 20 first graders.**
- **He entered the school by shooting out a glass door window.**
- **He also shot the principal, psychologist, and four teachers.**
- **He shot each person up to 11 times, using hundreds of rounds.**
- **He shot himself as law enforcement officers arrived at the scene.**

How Could It Happen? - 1

- **Easily! ... man chose death over life in Eden, so God gave it to him!**
- **Easily! ... man chose to ruin his race and loves murder, like Cain!**
- **Easily! ... man chose the devil over God, and satan is a murderer!**
- **Easily! ... man chose a corrupt nature from Adam to hate others!**
- **Easily! ... a merciful God ordains these events to get our attention!**
- **Easily! ... murder is content for U.S. video games, movies, music.**

Why No Outrage about Movies?



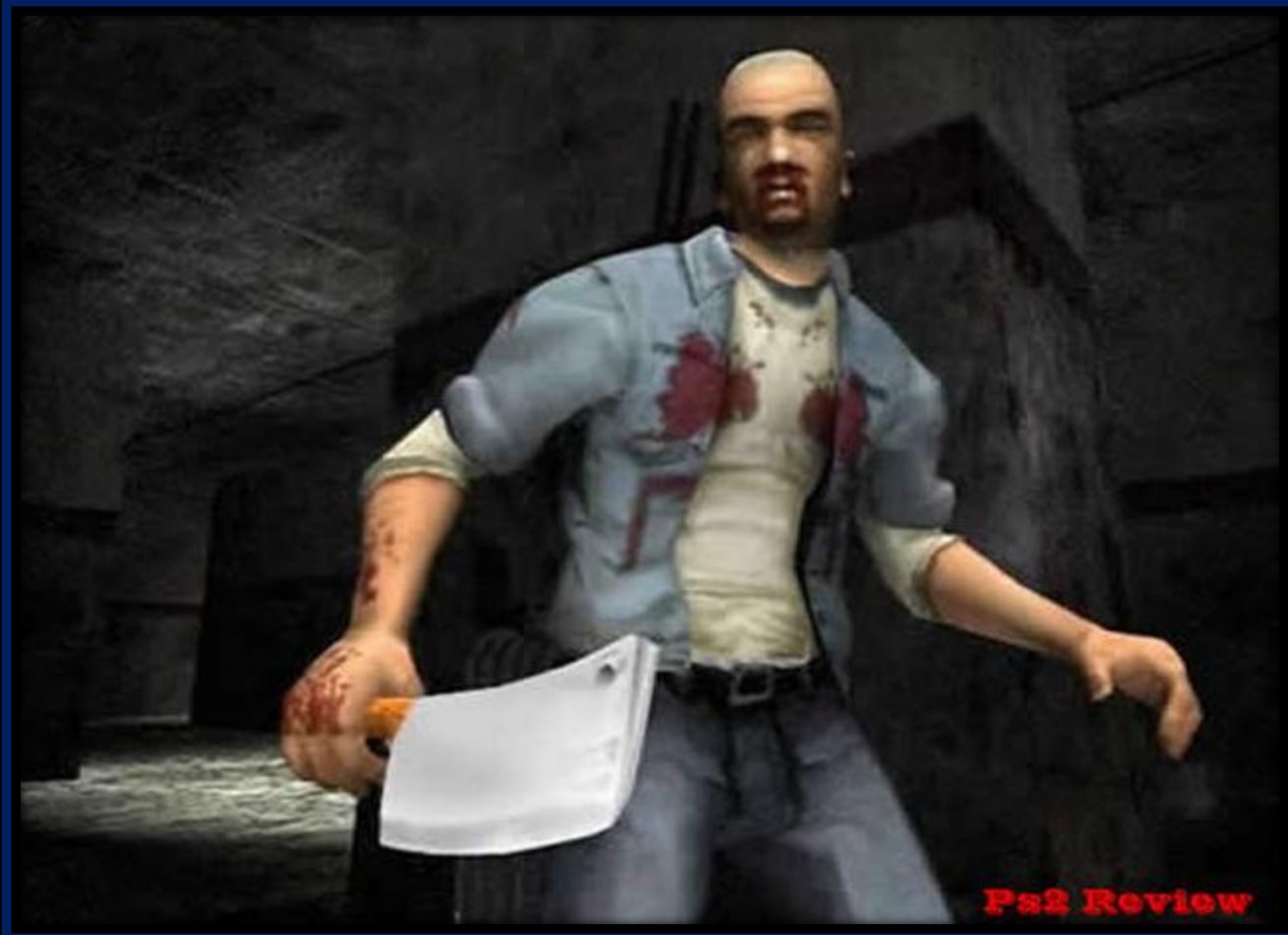
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God Hates Violence

- **God hates lovers of violence (Ps 11:4-6). Read it, and repent!**
- **What video games did he play? Outlaw them instead of guns!**
- **What movies did he watch? Outlaw them instead of guns!**
- **What music did he supply to his twisted soul? No one even asks!**
- **Be sure your sin will find you out (Nu 32:23). America deserves him!**
- **God will return this obsession with violence on America (Ps 9:10-17)!**

How Could It Happen? - 2

- **Easily! ... America kills 3000 unborn children every single day!**
- **Easily! ... mass murderers nearly get memorialized by the media!**
- **Easily! ... enough self-esteem will cause anyone to abuse others!**
- **Easily! ... America ridicules corporal punishment of children!**
- **Easily! ... America has no harsh or prompt punishment of killers!**
- **Easily! ... there is no thought of national repentance for many sins!**

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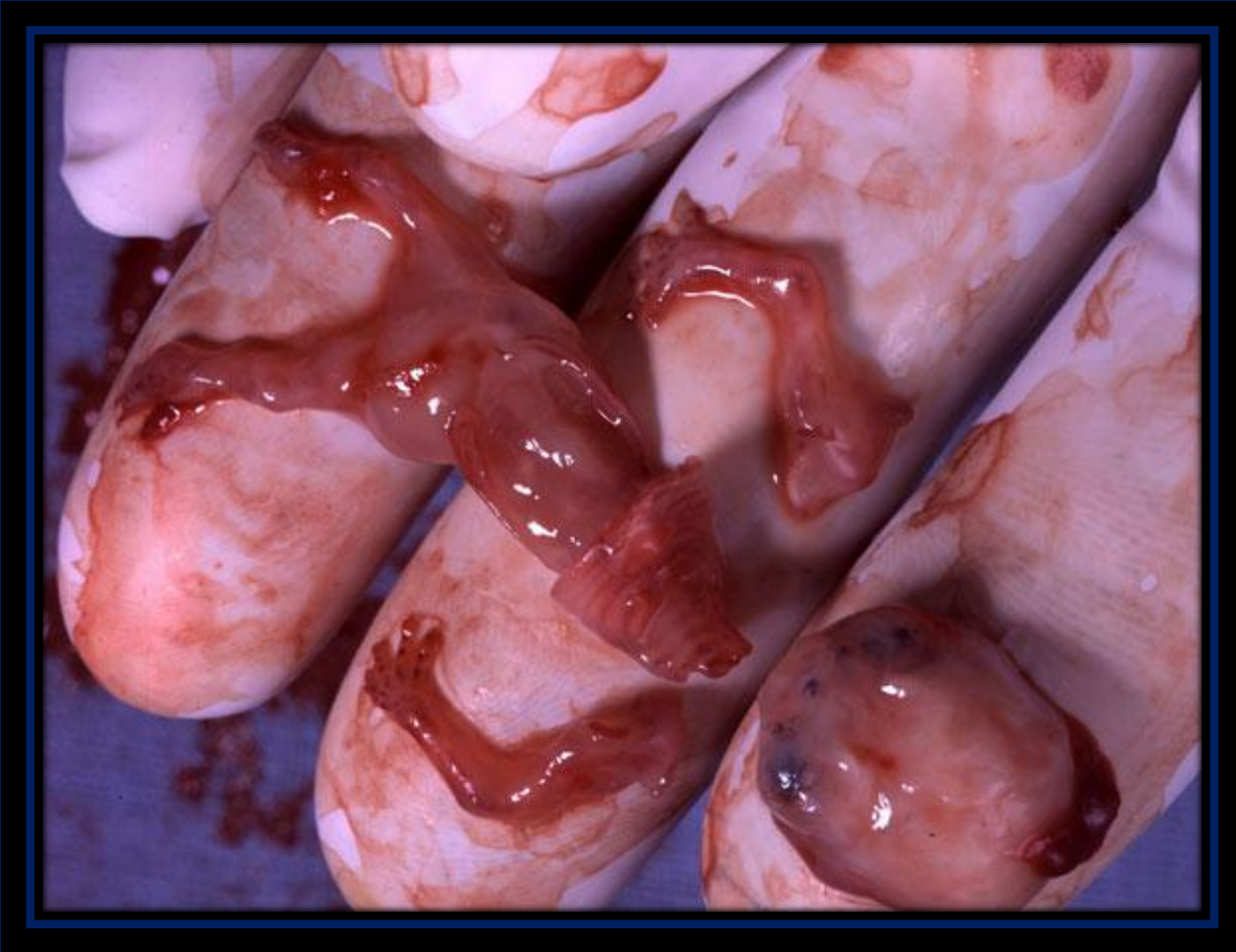
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God Hates Murder of the Innocent - 1

- **The same NEA/PTA mommies crying for 20 kids abort 3000 daily!**
- **The same media screaming for gun laws love D&C suction wands.**
- **Why no candlelight vigils, roses, and prayers for the 3000 per day!**
- **Why no pictures of any of the 3000 going viral on the Internet?**
- **Why babble about forfeited futures for those with 6-7 good years?**
- **Why no debate of the terror the unborn feel as they are shredded?**

God Hates Murder of the Innocent - 2

Exodus 21

22 If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine.

23 And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life,

24 Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,

25 Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

- **God judges those causing premature births without child harm!**
- **God judges in kind those causing child harm ... life for life! Amen!**

God Hates Murder of the Innocent - 3

“And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; which the LORD would not pardon” (II Kgs 24:4).

“And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood” (Ps 106:38).

“Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child. If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry; And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless”. (Ex 22:22-24).

“A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation” (Ps 68:5).

How Could It Happen? - 3

- **If God is omniscient, then He knew all about it in advance.**
- **If God is omnipotent, then He easily had the power to stop it.**
- **If God is all-loving, then He should have wanted to stop it.**
- **The truth – God’s omniscience includes all sins deserving justice.**
- **The truth – God’s omnipotence managed Adam’s anger for justice.**
- **The truth – God loves only His elect; even His chastening is hard.**

How Could It Happen? - 4

“I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things” (Isaiah 45:7).

“Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it (Amos 3:6)?

“But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips” (Job 2:10).

“Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not (Lam 3:37)?

Surely God Does Not Decree Murder?

- Jews & Romans tortured, mutilated, and killed Jesus of Nazareth.
- The jealous murder of Jesus was infinitely worse than Connecticut.

“For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done” (Acts 4:27-28).

“Ye men of Israel ... Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs ... Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain” (Acts 2:22-23).

The Connecticut Event Glorified God

- God rules over all evil events and manages them for His holy goals.
- He did not exempt His Son, and He does not exempt other children.
- Think: *Flood, Sodom, Judah's sons, Egypt's firstborn, Canaanite infants, David's son, Herod's infanticide, Jerusalem in 70 A.D., etc.*
- Adam Lanza did not kill more or less than God had fully purposed.

“Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain” (Ps 76:10).

God's Purposes Approach Infinity

- **The secret things belong unto God – leave them to Him (Deut 29:29).**
- **Our nation is very wicked and deserves far worse than 26 dead.**
- **God certainly has many purposes in every single family affected.**
- **God sees sermons preached, legislation pursued, and all results.**
- **God judged the Lanza family for their known and unknown sins.**
- **Every person considering the event will have a response – beware!**

Response to Tragedies - 1

“In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him” (Eccl 7:14).

“And when he was in affliction, he besought the LORD his God, and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers. And prayed unto him: and he was intreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD he was God” (II Chr 33:12-13).

“It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes” (Ps 119:71).

Response to Tragedies - 2

“When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice; (For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them” (Deut 4:30-31).

“If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me; And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity: Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land” (Lev 26:40-42).

Response to Tragedies - 3

“I will go and return to my place, **till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face:** in their affliction they will seek me early” (Hos 5:15).

“The LORD’S voice crieth unto the city, **and the man of wisdom shall see thy name:** hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it” (Micah 6:9).

“The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: **in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly**” (Jer 23:20).

“Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Consider your ways....**
Thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Consider your ways**” (Hag 1:5-7).

Response to Tragedies - 4

Luke 13:1-5

1 There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.

2 And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things?

3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

4 Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?

5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Why is this not heard or seen anywhere? This is the godly perspective!

What if it Happened to My Child?

- See earlier slides ... *consider, humble, repent* (Ec 7:14; Hag 1:5; etc.).
- Job: “The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away” (Job 1:21).
- God is greater than man, and your child is His, not yours (Job 33:12).
- Consider four reasons: *glory, faith, chastening, consequences.*
- A child is better off in God’s hands than in your hands. Believe it!
- Arise, wash, anoint, change, go, and worship (II Sam 12:20)!

Who Is Adam Lanza?



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- **At 5 ... his classmates knew he was “weird.”**
- **At 7 ... his mother told a babysitter, “Never turn your back on him.”**
- **At 9 ... his parents separated, indicating their relational problems.**
- **At 13 ... he refused to allow his picture in the school yearbook.**
- **At 15 ... he was a socially-dysfunctional, paranoid recluse.**
- **At 16 ... had a 3.26 GPA at Western Connecticut State University**
- **At 17 ... his parents finally got around to finalizing their divorce.**
- **At 20 ... his mother may have said he grow up or be committed.**
- **At 20 ... he visited the elementary school days before the shooting.**
- **At 20 ... he tried to buy a rifle but would not wait the legal 14 days.**
- **At 20 ... he killed 20 kids that “his mother loved more than him.”**

Did this Kill 26 Innocent People?



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Adam used this
.22 round in a rifle
to kill his mommy.



Adam used this
.223 round in an
AR-15 to kill 26.

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Does this Cause Obesity?



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Does this Cause Drunkenness?



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Does this Cause Slothfulness?

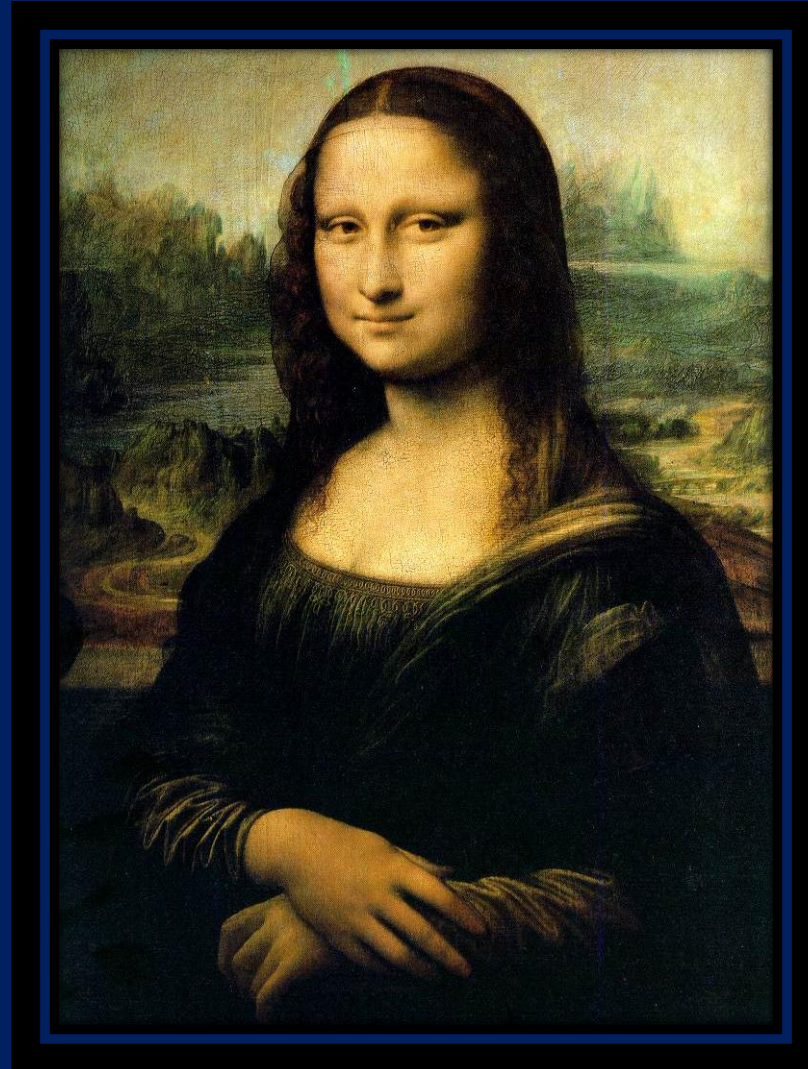


Does this Cause Adultery?



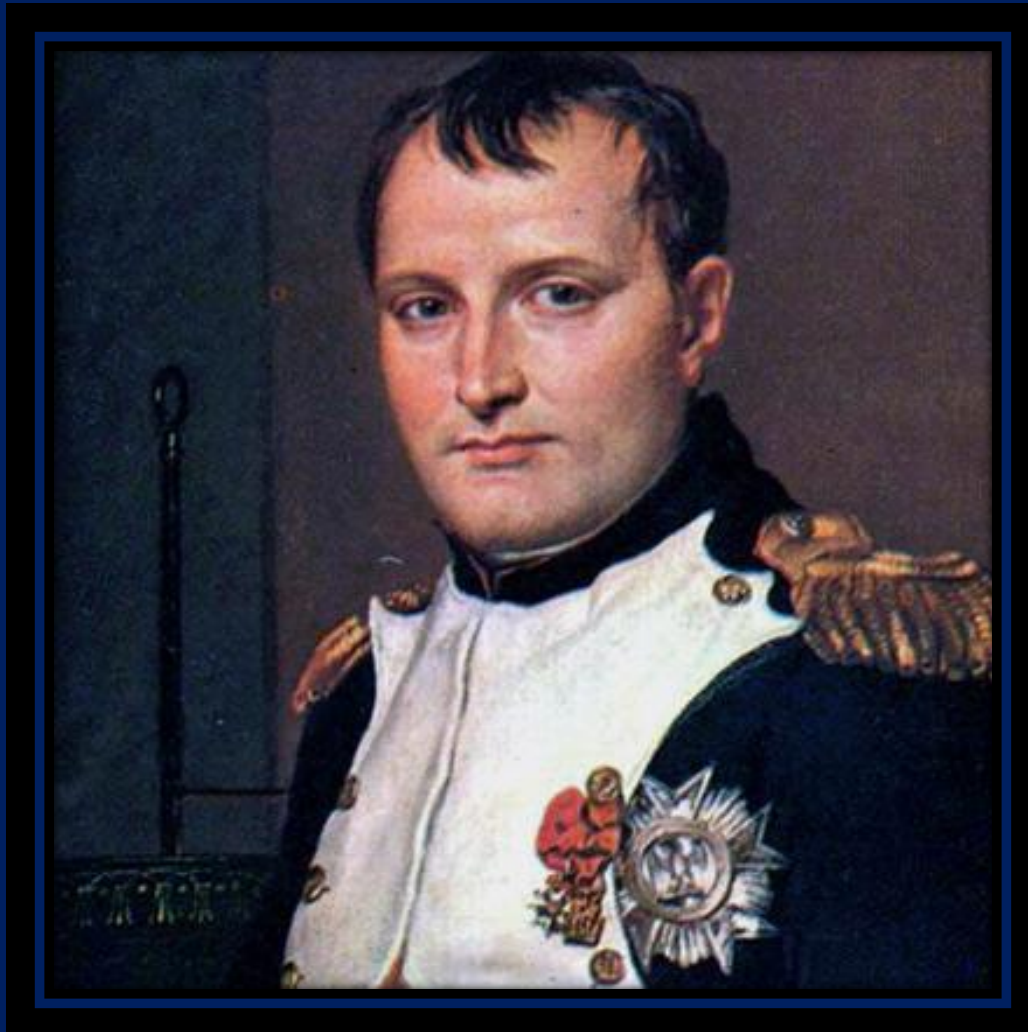
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Does this Cause Sodomy?

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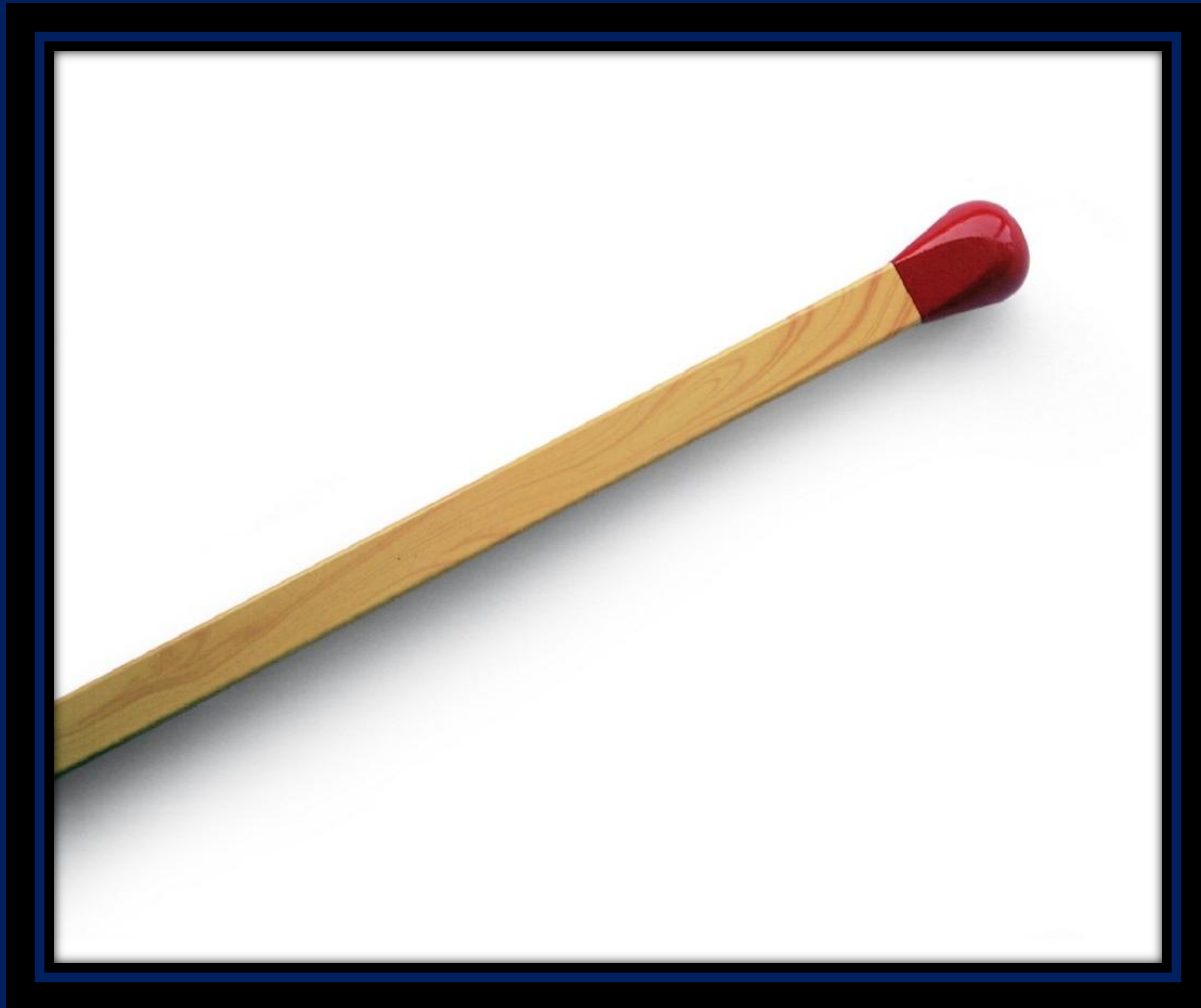
Can We End Road Deaths?



Does this Cause Bestiality?



Does this Cause Child Sacrifice?



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Sin Comes By Man, Not Things - 1

Matthew 15:

16 And Jesus said, Are ye also yet without understanding?

17 Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?

18 But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.

19 For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

20 These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

Sin Comes By Man, Not Things - 2

- **Guns do not kill ... hateful men abuse guns to kill (neglect or malice).**
- **Food does not cause obesity ... foolish, lustful men eat too much.**
- **Wine does not cause drunkenness ... foolish men drink too much.**
- **Women do not cause adultery ... lustful men steal others' wives.**
- **Animals do not cause bestiality ... perverted men abuse animals.**
- **Guns do not kill ... take them away! ... men will murder with knives!**

Sin Comes By Man, Not Things - 3

- **America's rush to judgment against guns proves national insanity.**
- **They are as ignorant or worse than the Pharisees Jesus ridiculed.**
- **They know America has an obesity issue – make fast food illegal!**
- **They outlawed liquor once (Prohibition) ... and bootlegging soared!**
- **When they make guns criminal, then only criminals will have guns!**
- **This “educated” nation is entirely bankrupt to solve real problems.**

Adam Lanza Is at Fault

- **Adam Lanza committed premeditated murder with great malice.**
- **It does not reduce his guilt as to any level of mental illness he had.**
- **Does rabies excuse a dog for biting a child ... or doubly judge it?**
- **It does not reduce his guilt that he was a loner, shy, and awkward.**
- **It does not reduce his guilt if psychs think him low in self-esteem.**
- **It does not reduce his own guilt he was deserted by a AWOL father.**
- **It does not reduce his guilt he felt his mom loved school kids more.**

Who Are these People?



Adam's Parents Are at Fault - 1

- **Divorce confuses all children, but especially those already at risk.**
- **Peter Lanza, left his wife, Nancy Lanza, when Adam was 9 (2001).**
- **The divorce was not made official until Adam was 17 (2009).**
- **Peter visited Adam weekly and paid \$300k annually to Nancy.**
- **Adam rejected his father in 2010, when he began dating a woman.**
- **Parents must see children's weaknesses and adjust accordingly.**

Adam's Parents Are at Fault - 2

- **Nancy knew that he was dangerous at 7 with his babysitter.**
- **The divorce decree ordered both parents to parenting classes.**
- **They should have kept their guns locked up from such a weirdo.**
- **She babied and pampered this spoiled brat way, way too much.**
- **Nancy was a fearful “prepper” for doomsday with food and guns.**
- **“Preppers” get distracted from reality and see evil in everything.**
- **She created the brat that refused her advice to enter the world.**

Adam's Parents Are at Fault - 3

Exodus 21

28 If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox shall be quit.

29 But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.

- **Nancy Lanza knew her son was a nut, but she did not commit him.**
- **Nancy Lanza knew her son was a nut, yet she left guns available.**

Is Divorce a Real Fault?

- **God made one man and a woman to cleave to each other (Gen 2:24).**
- **Ignoring current opinion, opposite sex monogamy is God's order.**
- **What God hath joined together, let not man put asunder (Mat 19:6).**
- **God hates putting away for its violent treachery (Mal 2:16; I Tim 5:8).**
- **When they bring children into the family, it is even more crucial.**
- **Adam was truly harmed, and he was deserted of fatherly control.**

What If I Had a “Adam Lanza”?

- **Every child is unique so there are not specific, detailed rules.**
- **We start with a loving, secure marriage and home environment.**
- **We would add to that Bible child training from Solomon’s Proverbs.**
- **We would adjust training content / methods for identified faults.**
- **We would get others involved for counsel and outside diagnosis.**
- **We would keep deadly weapons out of reach, if he was too distant.**
- **We would get him locked up, if the behavior became too erratic.**

Let Us Be Biblical Parents

- **We will love our spouses and never consider separation or divorce.**
- **We train children the Bible way without coddling or compromise.**
- **We emphasize example, prayer, love, and discipline as great tools.**
- **We require spiritual, social, academic, and professional maturity.**
- **We recognize deficiencies or faults and wisely take precautions.**
- **We reject foolish political or economic doomsday fear mongering.**
- **We reject withdrawing and isolation of any as selfish rebellion.**

No AWOL Fathers!

- **More societal harm is done by AWOL fathers than any other cause.**
- **More than 50% of USA marriages end up in divorce – no fathers!**
- **America has gone so far that two women or two men can parent.**
- **Every man must face up to the duty and privilege of his office.**
- **AWOL can be in geography ... in time ... in emotion ... in direction.**
- **Fathers are commanded to train their children for God (Eph 6:4).**

Should We Pity the Victims? - 1

God's dominion does not justify a calloused response to the victims.

“And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle” (Jonah 4:11)?

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not” (Luke 13:34)!

Should We Pity the Victims? - 2

God's dominion does not justify a calloused response to the victims.

“Take heed that ye **despise not one of these little ones**; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven” (Matt 18:10).

“Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: and he that is **glad at calamities** shall not be unpunished” (Pr 17:5).

“And the second is like unto it, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself**” (Matt 22:39).

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Closing Prayer

- **Repentance – for God to have mercy on this profanely sinful nation.**
- **Revival – for God to convict and provoke His children in America.**
- **Sorrow – for the families and friends of the 26 innocent victims.**
- **Mercy – for the Lord to spare us from any Cains or Adam Lanzas.**
- **Conviction – for every parent, especially fathers, to do their job.**
- **Wisdom – for discretion and prudence with each unique child.**

For Further Study

1. **The Dominion of God ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/god/dominion-of-god/sermon.php>.
2. **Why Bad Things Happen ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/why-bad-things-happen.pdf>.
3. **Virginia Tech Mass Murderer ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/vt-mass-murderer.pdf>.
4. **The Finger of God (WTC) ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/today/finger-of-god.php>.
5. **Twin Towers (WTC) ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/disasters.pdf>.
6. **Space Shuttle (2003) ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/today/spaceshuttle.php>.
7. **Indonesian Tsunami (2003) ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/what-about-tsunami-relief.pdf>.
8. **Haiti Earthquake (2010) ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/practical/charity-haiti-earthquake/sermon.php>.
9. **Japan Earthquake & Tsunami (2011) ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/earthquake-tsunami-japan-2011.pdf>.
10. **Decline of a Nation ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/today/decline-of-a-nation.php>.
11. **Proverbs 17:5 about calamities ...** http://www.letgodbettrue.com/proverbs/commentaries/17_05.php.
12. **Proverbs 11:10 about calamities ...** http://www.letgodbettrue.com/proverbs/commentaries/11_10.php.
13. **Proverbs 1:26 about calamities ...** http://www.letgodbettrue.com/proverbs/commentaries/01_26.php.
14. **Proverbs 8:36 about calamities ...** http://www.letgodbettrue.com/proverbs/commentaries/08_36.php.
15. **Christian Ethics ...** [coming!](#)