Homeschooling Parents and Christian Educators Beware!

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"Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein." Jeremiah 6:16, 17

After earning my teaching degree (in 1971)—knowing something was wrong with the *method* I was trained in (using what are called "Bloom's Taxonomies" in the classroom)—I had the opportunity to research the *method* (over a 5 year period, reading over 600 social-psychology books which were in harmony with Bloom's *method* of education—100 listed here) only to find (after spending 20 years speaking from coast to coast, warning people on its use, i.e., "Bloom's Taxonomies," i.e., the *method*) there is little if any interest today in responding to them, i.e., "Bloom's Taxonomies," i.e., the *method*—no one has hosted a meeting for me to expose the *method* in over two years. It is not that they do not want to host a meeting. It is that so few if any want to know about the *method* in order for them to set up a meeting. People of influence, who could make a difference, do not seem to want to know about the *method*. "Christian" grade schools, high schools, colleges, and universities, along with homeschool curriculum writers and "co-ops" are even using the *method* today—unabated.

"The child takes on the characteristic behavior of the group in which he is placed... he reflects the behavior patterns which are set by the adult leader of the group." (Kurt Lewin in Wilbur Brookover, A Sociology of Education)

By replacing <u>discussion</u> with <u>dialogue</u>, i.e., by replacing doing right and not wrong according to established commands, rules, facts, and truth with <u>"feelings,"</u> making the <u>children's carnal desire(s) of the 'moment,'</u> i.e., the children's <u>opinion</u> a part of the learning process in the classroom, children are 'changed,' making right and wrong subject to their <u>"feelings"</u> of the 'moment' instead of subject to <u>the father's/Father's authority</u>, <u>negating</u> the father's/Father's authority in their thoughts and actions, <u>negating</u> their having a <u>guilty conscience</u> for doing wrong, disobeying, sinning in the process.

"There are many stories of the conflict and tension that these new practices are producing between parents and children." (David Krathwohl, Benjamin S. Bloom, Taxonomy of Educational Objectives Book 2: Affective Domain)

Even the "church," through its use of "the youth group" and so called "Bible studies" is doing it, i.e., is using the method today, replacing the preaching, teaching, and discussing of established commands, rules, facts, and truth, which are to be accepted by faith and obeyed, with the dialoguing of opinions ("feelings") to a consensus (affirmation), i.e., replacing the individual before God, accountable to God's Word with "the group" becoming at-one-with its "self," i.e., "building relationship" through dialogue, i.e., through "self" 'justification..

"In the dialogic relation of recognizing oneself in the other, they experience the common ground of their existence ['liberating' their "self" from the father's/Father's authority]." (Jürgen Habermas, Knowledge & Human Interest, Chapter Three: The Idea of the Theory of Knowledge as Social Theory)

"For the dialectical method the central problem is to change reality.... reality with its

'obedience to laws'." (György Lukács, History & Class Consciousness: What is Orthodox Marxism?)

"And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God." Luke 16:15

"The heart is deceitful above all things [thinking pleasure is the standard for "good" instead of doing the father's/Father's will], and desperately wicked [hating whoever inhibits or blocks it from enjoying the carnal pleasures of the 'moment' it desires]: who can know it?" Jeremiah 17:9 No one can see their heart as being "deceitful" and "wicked" because their love of "self," i.e., their love of pleasure 'justifies' their hated toward anyone getting in their way, blinding them to the truth that their heart is "deceitful above all things" and "desperately wicked."

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:" 1 Peter 5:6

"And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." Luke 9:23

"Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:11

Your child coming home from the "youth group" will never be the same, i.e., will no longer be your child, respecting authority. Fellowship and relationship are not the same. Fellowship is based upon doctrine, i.e., established commands, rules, facts, and truth, i.e., the father's/Father's authority. Relationship is based upon "feelings," i.e., the child's carnal nature (desires, i.e., "lusts") being affirmed by "the group."

"It is usually easier to change individuals formed into a group than to change any one of them separately." "The individual accepts the <u>new system</u> of values and beliefs by accepting belongingness to the group." (Kurt Lewin in Kenneth Bennie, Human Relations in Curriculum Change)

"One of the most fascinating aspects of group therapy is that everyone is born again, born together in the group." (Irvin D. Yalom, Theory and Practice and Group Psychotherapy)

"Freud commented that only through the solidarity of all the participants could the sense of guilt be assuaged." (Norman O. Brown, Life Against Death: The Psychoanalytical Meaning of History) Without guilt there is no contrition. Without contrition there is no repentance. Without repentance there is no salvation. Dialogue, i.e., dialectic 'reasoning,' i.e., 'reasoning' through "feelings," i.e., 'justifying' your "self" before others removes guilt, contrition, repentance, and salvation.

"Building relationship upon common self interest" (dialoguing opinions to a consensus) is antithetical to the Word of God (preaching, teaching, and discussing the truth), negating faith. In a discussion you must suspend, as upon a cross, your "feelings," i.e., your "self" in order to hear the truth—truth is objective. In dialogue, you must suspend, as upon a cross any command, rule, fact, or truth that gets in the way of your (and others) "feelings," i.e., that gets in the way of dialogue—"truth" becomes subjective, negating faith.

"It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Matthew 4:4

"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Romans 10:17

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Hebrews 11:6

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God; not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians. 2:8, 9

"No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon." Luke 16:13

"Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" Romans 6:16

"For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ." Galatians 1:10

"Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise." John 5:19

"For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother." Matthew 12:50

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

"And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven." Matthew 23:9

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my father which is in heaven." Matthew 7:21

"and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." 1 John 1:3

Dialogue (dialectic 'reasoning, i.e.., "reasoning" through "feelings") negates all the verses above. It destroys (negates) not only the father's authority in the home, it negates (destroys) the Father's authority in the fellowship—making "feelings," i.e., the child's carnal nature, i.e., "human nature" the arbiter of what is right and what is wrong, i.e., what is good and what is evil. It is what two "children" did in the garden in Eden (Genesis 3:1-6), negating the Father's authority (Hebrews 12:5-11), and the guilty conscience which it engenders (Romans 7:14-25), in the process. It is what psychology (the use of dialogue, i.e., "self" 'justification' in education and in the "church") is all about. (The issue "Why?" explains this in detail.)

"To experience Freud is to partake a second time of the forbidden fruit;" (Norman O. Brown, Life Against Death: The Psychoanalytical Meaning of History)

"The 'original sin' must be committed again: 'We must again eat from the tree of knowledge in order to fall back into the state of innocence.'" (Herbart Marcuse, Eros and Civilization: A philosophical inquiry into Freud)

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." 2 Timothy 4:3, 4

"And for this cause [because men, as "children of disobedience," 'justify' themselves, i.e., their love of "self" and the world, i.e., their love of the pleasures of the 'moment' over and therefore against the Father's authority] God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie [that pleasure is the standard for "good" instead of doing the Father's will]: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth [in the Father and in His Son, Jesus Christ], but had pleasure in unrighteousness [in their "self" and the pleasures of the 'moment,' which the world stimulates]." 2 Thessalonians 2:11, 12

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