



**Sunday, June 20, 2010: Teaching to all Generations**

**Scripture: Psalm 71**

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**Sermon Notes:**

1. The role of fathers is essential to children, and to society at large.
2. God reveals Himself as a Father to His children (verses 5-6).
3. From his youth David was taught by his father (verses 17-18).
4. Fathers are responsible to teach the next generation who God is.
5. The state has enabled fathers to be delinquent by freeing them from moral and economic responsibility for their children.
6. A generation can be revolutionized for good or for ill by the education of its youth.
7. The claim that the state owns the children is pagan in origin.
8. God has entrusted primary stewardship of children to parents.
9. Christ claims every square inch of the universe, including our children and every subject matter they are taught.
10. By our children's education we are equipping them for life and for engagement with the world at every level.
11. We cannot give our children to the darkness to be educated.
12. Children don't have the faculties to critically evaluate what they are told. They accept everything from their teachers as true.
13. Canada is a humanist religious state, protecting itself by blasphemy laws and courts called Human Rights Tribunals.
14. Morality is inescapably part of every education and curriculum.
15. God who created all things cannot be irrelevant to any subject.
16. If there is no purpose and plan of God in history, then humanist historians are correct in saying that it's meaningless.
17. There's a disinterest in history because in our live-for-the-moment culture there's a disinterest in the future.
18. The purpose of everything is to bring all things into captivity to Christ. (2 Corinthians 10:3-5)

19. Humanism is creating a culture of subjectivism leading to anarchy.
20. Any of those who deny that Jesus is the Christ are of the anti-Christ. (1 John 2:22)
21. If education is to prepare children for living, then morality cannot be removed from curriculum and neither can God.
22. Sir John William Dawson was a recognized scientist who stood up for Christian education and science at the time of Canada's founding. He saw the implications of abandoning Christian education in the area of origins and critiqued Darwin.

**Application Questions:**

1. What is the father's role in passing the faith to the next generation?
2. What is the primary purpose of education for our children?
3. Why are children especially vulnerable to being indoctrinated into humanist religion?
4. Why must parents be careful to guard their children's spiritual wellbeing in our pagan culture? (Cf. Matthew 18:6)
5. What is the religious implication of the Ontario federation of elementary teachers supporting pro-homosexual curriculum?
6. What are the implications of Christ's claim of authority in Matthew 28:18-20 for the educational enterprise?
7. Why is it impossible for education to be morally and religiously neutral?