

The Old World Order

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[0:00] For this Mother's Day, we're going to take a look at the Old World Order. 1 Corinthians 14, verse 40. 1 Corinthians 14, verse 40.

! 1 Corinthians 14, verse 40. The verse says to us there, Let all things be done decently and in order. Decently and in order. God upholds decency and order. God upholds it.

He wants us to see decency and in order. And there's a lot of talk these days in political circles about the New World Order. The New World Order. I'm told it's a kind of joining together of government into a one world government.

A socialistic kind of one world government. A one world money. A one world military bringing a one world control. And it's bringing together all kinds of religions in a bit of a mishmash into one pantheistic humanistic philosophy.

So what's all this got to do with Mother's Day? The New World Order encroaches on the family. The family unit. The home.

[1:09] The basic building block of what is considered decent and in order. It's being redefined. The family is being redefined in our day. At the heart of this attack on the old world order of things.

Is a movement. The New World Order. That threatens to disintegrate and overturn the very basic foundation of moral society. The home. The family unit.

Right on there. The father. The mother. Is the basis of the moral society that we've known. The traditional family unit.

The old world order. Is being systematically dismantled. Piece by piece. Dismantled. And one area it's starting at. As I say. Is the home.

Is at the family unit level. What do we see around about us? Families. Torn apart. Falling apart. The old world order. Is under vicious attack.

[2:10] With its Christian foundations. What was once the foundation. Of moral society. Of Christian foundation. Was that family unit.

A place of decency. Of morality. Of integrity. It's all under attack today. Satan's plot is to demolish. What lies at the very heart. Of foundation.

Of stable and decent society. The very building block. Of society. The family. The institution of marriage. And the new world order. Is bringing in something completely different.

There's an increasingly pornographic culture. There's high divorce rates. There's increasing numbers of unwed mothers. And illegitimate children. Homosexuality. Lesbianism.

Sexual perversion. Alarming numbers of abortions. That's the new world order. It's almost like that's the normal now. That's the normal now. In 1950. In the US. One out of every 20 children.

[3:06] Was born. To an unmarried woman. One out of every 20. And there were very few abortions. But by 1990. More than one out of every four children.

One out of every four. Was born. To an unmarried woman. And hundreds of thousands more. Were aborted. And approximately half. Of all marriages. That take place this year.

Will end in divorce. It's a reality. That is the new world order. Of things as it were. And you know.

This is not to condemn anyone. Because sad things happen.

To all kinds of families. As much as you might be. A godly mum. Or father. You may still find. Your family. Your marriage might disintegrate. And it's just a sign of the times.

Isn't it? And that's the sad reflection. On the way the world is today. A shifting. There's a shift.

Taken place. From what once was. Decent and in order.

[4:03] Into what is the chaos. That we're seeing today. That is called the new world order. As it were. A shifting into. A state of indecency. And disorder.

That's what we're seeing. As we read the newspapers. At the heart of it all. Lies the need. For decency. And order. And. You know. Things work better with order. I was at something yesterday. And there were some troops. Marching there. In our city. They had a special occasion. For the. Air force people. From Edinburgh. And I was there. As I was watching the troops. And they were walking. Decently. And in order. There was an order. To what they were doing. We need order. In the military. We need order. The operation of the universe. The solar system. The planets. The marvel. That is creation. All around us. In the micro and the macro level. We need order. [4:56] For it to function. We need order. In the creation. And as we look at the context. Of this verse. In the church too. God commands order. He commands that which is decent.

And in order. And he rebukes brethren. In the word of God. Those that were walking disorderly. Disorderly. They were to be withdrawn from. And to be rebuked. We need order. In the church. It's critical. It's vital. And we need order. Brothers and sisters. We. Every one of us. Need order. In the home. In the home. Ephesians 5. Carrying on. From where Peter read. Ephesians 5.22. It says. Wives. Submit yourselves unto. Your own husbands. As unto. The Lord. For the husband is the head. Of the wife. Even as Christ is. The head. Of the church. And he is. The saviour of the body. Therefore as the church. Is subject. Unto Christ. So let the wives be. [5:51] To their own husbands. In everything. Husbands. Love your wives. Even as Christ also. Loved the church. And gave himself for it. And then it goes on. Ephesians 6. Addressing the children.

Children. Verse 1. Obey. Your parents in the Lord. For this is right. Honour thy father. And thy mother. Which is the first commandment. With promise. That it may be well with thee. And thou mayest live long on the earth. And ye fathers. Provoke not your children unto wrath. But bring them up. In the nurture. And the admonition. Of the Lord. There is meant to be order. In the home. Order. In the family unit. There is a rightful. And needful order. People of God today. We need that order. Don't we? When there is disorder. Then there is problems. Now this morning. I had the delight. Of working with this technology. And my dad normally does all that. But you know. Had an owner's manual. [6:46] Had an owner's manual. To tell me everything I had to do. And you know. There is owner's manuals. For just about everything. These days. And in the sphere. Where I have my day job.

They have got these. Standard operating procedures. For just about everything. And I stick them on the wall. Above the toaster. You know. Plug in. Turn on. Turn the dial. It's like. It seems almost too basic. That you don't need. Operating instructions. To operate a toaster. But then. You do get some people. That need. Even the most simple appliance. How to work it. And especially something. There's a bit. There's pages and pages. Of how to operate. That particular. Piece of equipment. But. The irony is. That for the most complicated. Thing. That we ever brought. Into our home. It did not come. With an owner's manual. This one thing. That we brought. Into our home. It had no manual. Yet it is the very thing. [7:42] That has been. The most complicated. Challenging. And life changing. Effect. On our home. We're talking about. Our children. Our children.

Our children. They were not made. By. By a factory. Or by a welding shop. Or made over in China. At least not for anyone here present. Our children. Were not made. In that kind of place. They were miraculously. Created by God. As a gift. In the womb. From the almighty God. The part. Of God's. Creation. Not of man's engineering. And thankfully. There is an owner's manual. There is an owner's manual. For the children. That God has given to you. Parents today. Mums and dads today. You've got an owner's manual. That shows us how. We can. Amen. Instruct. And give guidance. And instruction for life. It's the holy word of God. [8:35] Amen. And the word of God. Tells you. Lo. Children. Are an heritage. Amen. Of the Lord. And the fruit of the womb. Is his reward.

Psalm 127. As arrows are.

In the hand. Of a mighty man. So are. Children. Of the youth. And happy is the man. That had his quiver. For them. You know. Children are a blessing.

And all the men said. Amen. And the women. And the women. Find them a blessing too. I'm sure. And. But you know. As arrows are. In the hand. Of a mighty man.

Amen. So. Are the children. Of the youth. And they are. The fruit of the womb. Is his reward.

Children are a blessing. Most of the time. And we know.

That they are a blessing. From the Lord's hand. And the family is. God's design. God has designed. The family unit. And it operates best. By God's design. There's meant to be an order.

[9:30] And a decency. In the home. And a biblically defined family. Works best. Whether his headship. Where there is order. Today. There are dark forces. About intent.

On destroying the family. Parents today. There's forces at work. Intent. On destroying the family. And God's guidebook. For life. For raising children. For living in a family.

They've been woefully disregarded. And disobeyed. Children. Obey your parents. In the Lord. For this is right. Honour thy father. And mother. Now I know. We can find times.

As all of us can. Where we might disagree. With our mums and dads. No matter what our age. But we should obey them. And honour them. Give them reverence. Give them respect. The word translated honour here.

It means to fix a high value on something. It means to regard them as precious. As valuable. To treasure them. As a prized possession. And young people. And young people. Older people.

[10:26] All of us. Let us give regard. And value our mums. Our dads. Our parents. Honour them. Respect them. I know for some. They've had experiences. Maybe a parent.

Who's not been really. A good example. Not really a good role model. Sometimes parents can be harsh. And really. Not measuring up to what God wants for them too.

But nevertheless. There still is a needful honour. And a needful regard. And it's something that is right. It says there. Because it is right. And the design of the family.

Was instituted by God. It rests on the marriage covenant. A vow of commitment. Between a man and a woman. To live together in love and unity. For a lifetime. All of that's been redefined now.

By the new world order. A vow of commitment. Between a man and a woman. That's what it's meant to be. That's marriage. That's family. And it may not be politically correct these days.

[11:26] To discipline your child. But it's biblically correct to do so. There's a needful need. And I'm not talking about. A harsh.

Or a. Losing your cool. Kind of. Letting go. And venting it on a child. In a harsh and uncontrolled way. But godly discipline.

In nurture. And admonition. In godly instruction. And upbringing. In guiding. And instructing. Because.

We are. Meant to be. The ones who rear our children. Not the state. Not the state. You see the new world order. Would have the state. Take all of that away from you.

As parents. And it's God's plan. For love and reverence. Between the husband and the wife. That's what it's meant to be. In Ephesians 5. Let every one of you in particular.

[12:20] So love his wife. Even as himself. And the wife seeing. That she reverends her husband. Amen. You know. I know there's a lot of men. Who love themselves.

Amen. Alright. But. Yeah. If you could just love your wife. That much brother. Amen. You know. If you spend all that time. Combing that hair. And admiring that face. In the mirror.

Think of how you should love your wife. So much. So much more than that. And the wife seeing. That she reverends her husband. Reverends her husband. Now it's the fact that. In the way things are going.

The whole world is changing. You know. The change you can believe in. Barack Obama. You know. You can see. The world is changing. The new world order. And in the 1977 marriage service manual.

That the Anglican church uses. It says this. The bride takes the groom's right hand. And says. I. Name. Take you. Name. To be my husband.

[13:16] To have and to hold. From this day forward. For better. For worse. For richer. For poorer. In sickness and in health. To love and to cherish. Then it's got in brackets. And obey.

That's optional. Till death do us part. According to God's holy law. And this is my solemn vow. You know. In the old times. They used to say. Love.

Cherish. And obey. Till death do us part. Obey is optional now. In the marriage service. Of the Anglican church. And many other places. In fact. This is a great disrespect.

For marriage. These days. And for what marriage meant to mean. What it meant to be. And I'm not saying. A woman. Has to obey. Yes sir. To every command. Or instruction.

Of the husband. But there's a godliness. Of obeying. That which is godly. And that which is right. And of course. We know. Sadly. And again. It's a sad reflection.

[14:12] Of the times we live. Where there's domestic violence. In homes. Of course. A woman is not in a place. To have to obey. That kind of environment. And certainly not. That's not something.

That the Bible supports. Where a man is out of order. Certainly not. And I certainly can understand. For many women. And for many families.

These things are being torn apart. And it's out of that person's control. So please. I understand that. But there is sadly. A great disrespect. Disrespect.

For marriage these days. Half of all babies in Britain. Will be born to unmarried mothers. By 2012. And the new research shows. There's a rapid erosion. Of the social.

And moral. And religious fabric. It's being torn apart. Fatherlessness. Is rampant. Respect for fathers. Is out the window too. You see. Fathers portrayed in cartoons. In films these days.

[15:08] As if there's some wimping excuse for a man. And you see this. Kind of mockery. And disregard. I suppose. Not that I'm conversant with. The Simpsons or what not.

But you see this. The father of the family. Is a joke. He's a wimp. He's a joke. He's a nothing. And that's how he's portrayed. In the media. In Hollywood.

Where he's almost like. Who needs a father anyway. Just get a sperm donor. That's how the new world order. Would regard fathers today. And how we need. Brothers and sisters. To uphold the family.

As God designed it to be. To uphold the vital role. Of mothers and fathers. Now it's again. Another sad reflection. Here's a fairly recent quote. From a children's author.

Mem Fox. Apparently a famous children's author. She was quoted as saying this. In the Courier Mail. About babies. Less than 12 months old. Placed. In prolonged day care.

[16:03] She says they will suffer. Brain damage. Yeah. She says this. Putting babies. As young as two weeks. Into child care. For the first year of their life. For 60 hours a week.

Will cause their brains damage. Yeah. She added. For me. The corollary. Is buying a puppy. Putting it in kennels. For the whole of the week. And playing with it.

At the weekends. That's normal now. That's the norm. That's the new world order. That the state. Brings up your families now. The state. Rears your children. The state. Educates your children.

She says. I couldn't do it to a dog. So I couldn't do it to a child. You know. They're calling. Again. Families make choices. And some of you.

Might be making those choices. To send your children. To a day care. Or a child care. I'm not here to condemn you today. I'm just quoting. A children's author. Who's an expert. In children's matters.

[16:58] She says. She calls these places. Child kennels. Child care kennels. It's like. You know. When you go away on a holiday. Book your dog into a kennel. It's as if.

We treat children. Like a commodity. That's just something. Inconvenient. And a commentator.

Writes about this. He says. Are we surprised. To learn. That children. Who spend more time.

At the day care. Than they do with the people. Who brought them into the world. Tend to grow up. To be emotionally needy. And insecure. Is that really worth.

A standard. A higher standard of living. Is it really worth it. Parents today. Is it really worth it.

Parents have the responsibility. To raise their children.

To rear them. To educate them. Welcome to the new world order. The new world order. Directionless youth. Messed up teens. A hopeless generation.

[17:52] No wonder. Many young people. In the western world today. They've got no principle. They're drug addicted. Promiscuous. Violent. Every night. 40% of children in America.

Go to bed in a home. Without a father. The home has lost the influence. Of parents. The new world order. We're being conditioned. We're being programmed. Brainwashed. Trained. By age 70. And some of us are already there. By age 70. People have spent about 10 full years.

Watching television. That's surprising isn't it. God forbid that that would be said. Of me. When I'm 70. 10 full years watching television. You know. No wonder.

When you're taking so much quantity. Of stuff in the ear gate. And the eye gate. In that grey matter up here. You're getting saturated with stuff. That's not always wholesome.

[18:47] Not always good. And the home has lost the influence of parents today. It's the new world order for the family. Let me just quote. We're trying to close. A couple of little quotes here.

This is almost tongue in cheek. But it could be virtually real. Listen to this quote here. Today anyone with a bit of money. Can go to a donor bank. And select both sperm and eggs.

That are typically classified. In terms of academic achievements. Of health history. Of ethnic background. Of the donor. And after IVF. Of the donor eggs.

With the donor sperm. Selected fertilised eggs. Can be implanted. In a surrogate woman. Who gets paid to carry the children. Until birth.

Further selection can take place. In the womb. By selective abortion. So the persons who ordered the children. End up with the children. Of their preferred gender. Health.

[19:44] Hair colour. Etc. In the delivery room. The proud. New regal parents. Then. Pay the bills. And happily walk away. With the children of their choice. Much more convenient.

In the old fashioned way. Isn't it? And such children. May not recognise. They may not even recognise. Their biological parents. Including the woman. Who carried the child. If they later pass them.

On the street. Later in life. And the child. May only have one legal parent. Which can be a different person. From all of the above. The child. May have only casual contact.

With the sole parent. And may even regard the nanny. As the most familiar person. So what is family? This may sound. An exceptional fabricated. Case. But it shows that many concepts.

That were traditionally. Lumped together. Into what was called family. Can technically be separated. Biotechnological processes. Have advanced this. So much now.

[20:39] Medical scientists. Are now working. On artificial wounds. We don't even need the mum anymore. Wow. Technology. The new world audit. So good isn't it? And this.

These artificial wounds. Can hold. Multiple children. For the first three months. After their conception. Babies can be delivered. By cesarean. Many months. Before their.

Due date. Egg. And sperm cells. Can be selected. And modified. In all kinds of ways. They're playing God. People today. And it's getting worse. And worse. It's like.

Mums and dads. Are not going to be needed anymore. You know. Just put them in a. In a test tube. That's the way. The world is changing. Welcome to the new world order.

You know. Friends. Just another quick quote. And this is thinking about. Honouring our father and mother. And that's for all of us. We've all got mums and dads. Maybe some not living now.

[21:34] But we can think of. How true this sounds. This account here. This. Illustration here. Let me. Read it to you. There was a frail old man. He went to live with his son.

Daughter-in-law. And. Four-year-old grandson. And the old man's hands trembled. His eyesight was blurred. And his step faltered. And the family ate together. At the table.

But the elderly grandfather's shaky hands. And failing sight. Made eating difficult. Peas rolled off the spoon. Onto the floor. And when he grasped the glass. Milk spilled on the tablecloth.

The son and daughter-in-law. Became irritated with the mess. We must do something about grandfather. They said. I've had enough of his spilled milk. And noisy eating. And food on the floor. So the husband and wife. Sat a small table in the corner. And their grandfather ate alone. While the rest of the family. Enjoyed the dinner. Since grandfather had broken a dish or two.

[22:28] His food was served in a wooden bowl. When the family glanced in grandfather's direction. Sometimes he had a tear in his eye. As he sat alone. Still the only words.

The couple had for him. Were sharp rebukes. When he dropped a fork. Or spilled his food. The four year old. The four year old watched. It all in silence. One evening after supper. The father noticed his little son.

Playing with some wood on the floor. And he asked the child sweetly. What are you making son? And just as sweetly. The boy responded. Oh I'm making a little bowl. For you and mama. To eat your food out of.

When I grow up. The four year old smiled. And went back to work. The word so struck. The parents. That they were speechless. Then tears started to stream down their cheeks.

Though no word was spoken. Both knew. What must be done. That evening. The husband took grandfather's hand. And gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days.

[23:26] He ate every meal. With the family. And for some reason. Neither husband nor wife. Seemed to care any longer. That the food was spilled. Or the fork was dropped. Or the milk was spilled.

The new world order would change all of that. That we don't care for our father, our mother. We don't honour our father, our mother. We don't consider our mother, our father.

The order, the decency that God has given. How to raise children. How to live as a godly man and woman. As God helps us to. Despite all the things that maybe.

And some things might be out of our control. Or as we know families do break up. And that might be really just how it is. At times. But God will help you.

To live by godly principles. Put it into practice. As God gives you the help and strength to. Put it into action. Ask God to help you to live. According to the old world order.

[24:23] According to the old book. The old instructions. That are so valid and so current. For today. The old world order of biblical parenting. Of obedient children.

Of strong families. God can do that. Even today in the 21st century. We don't need the new world order. We don't need the nanny state. We don't need the state to rear our children.

And train them up. But it's up to us. As parents. To do so. Let us pray. Heavenly Father. We rejoice in your word. That is truth. It's life.

It's real. It's meaningful. Lord. We know. As mums. As dads. As children. We all can do better. Lord. Help us to be husbands. And wives. And parents.

As you help us to. Guide those that might have. Situations beyond their control. Of disintegrated families. Yet Lord. You are the one. Who is the father of the fatherless.

[25:20] You are the one. Who is the one who cares. And you are our father. We can look to you. And lead. Be led by your spirit. We pray. Into how to live.

To put your truth into action. Lord. We pray. That you would be glorified. In every home. We thank you for our mums. On this mother's day. And for the dads. Lord. For every home.

That you would be the one. Who is truly the head. Of the home. And that we would all submit. In the fear of God. Unto you. In Jesus name. Amen. Amen. Amen.