



General Topics :: A very serious threat!

A very serious threat!, on: 2005/2/14 10:07

Doctors:

- (A) The number of physicians in the U.S. is 700,000.
- (B) Accidental deaths caused by Physicians per year is 120,000.
- (C) Accidental deaths per physician are 0.171. Statistics courtesy of U.S. Dept. of Health Human Services.

Guns:

- (A) The number of gun owners in the U.S. is 80,000,000.
- Yes, that is 80 million.
- (B) The number of accidental gun deaths per year, all age groups, is 1,500.
- (C) The number of accidental deaths per gun owner is 0.000188.

Statistically, doctors are approximately **9,000 times more dangerous** than gun owners.

Please alert your friends to this alarming threat.

We must ban doctors before this gets completely out of hand.

Remember, "**Guns don't kill people, doctors do.**"

Fact: NOT EVERYONE HAS A GUN,

BUT ALMOST EVERYONE HAS AT LEAST ONE DOCTOR.

Out of concern for the public at large, I have withheld the statistics on *lawyers* for fear the shock would cause people to panic and seek medical attention - thus causing more needless deaths.....

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Re: A very serious threat! - posted by PreachParsly (), on: 2005/2/14 10:54

How can you respond to that? lol Seek the Great Physician instead of man?

Re:, on: 2005/2/14 10:55

Well... I'm sure you figured out that I posted that to bring a little humor to the site... 8-)

Krispy

Re: - posted by philologos (), on: 2005/2/14 11:24

How if you change the question to 'intentional deaths?'

I grew up in a town which had a very old churchyard; older than some people's countries... There was an epitaph on one of the gravestones which read

Afflictions sore long time I bore
Physicians were in vain
Till God did please
to give me ease
And free me from my pain.

And before the Physicians join in... I have one as a son!

Re:, on: 2005/2/14 11:43

hmmm... my point was that gun owners (such as me) are not the criminals... the criminals are the criminals.

Krispy

Re: - posted by Angyl, on: 2005/2/14 12:27

Hmm...

I don't own a gun. Not because I have anything against them...I've just never gotten around to purchasing and training for one and don't really feel the burning need for it.

My reasoning for not jumping on the bandwagon for gun ownership is somewhat complex, but also kinda simple. What it boils down to is Faith. I am a multiple black-belt in a few martial arts forms and feel capable of defending my home against an intruder, armed or unarmed. If, in the extraordinary unlikely chance some armed assailant(s) should come to my home bent on violence, then my trust is in the Lord.

No one is going to harm me or my family without God's say so.

There's a wonderful peace in that statement.

NO ONE is going to harm me or my family without God's express consent to allow that trial into our lives.

And really, am I so attached to this mortal coil that I should jump through many hoops to get to stay on it?

Can't threaten ME with Heaven.

In the final analysis, I can pretty much guarantee that having a gun in my house would NOT make me feel any safer or capable of handling an intruder. If I heard something going bump in my living room at night I would be just as likely (and just as confident) to go investigate it bare-handed with stealth, than packing a .45 or whatever.

For those who are trained, to whom a gun brings a measure of comfort, I say more power to you. I am relying on you die-hard gun-freaks to help protect America from herself (overbearing government) and perhaps an invading force should our government fail.

Those two situations are the only ones I see myself really needing or using a gun. Not for common thugs, or break-ins... and not for peace of mind at night. :-)

Re: its funny, on: 2005/2/14 12:55

before I was saved, I had bought many rifles...not a crazy lot, but enuf to equip a hunting party in case my pals from the Midwest wanted to go hunting out here, and didnt want the hassle of transporting weaponry.

here's the funny thing, since I got saved, I've had very little desire to even look at these weapons, let alone warm up on t he range.....I havent even shot one since I got saved.

its part of the old life that's falling away.

I'm not condemning anybody, it's just not me, anymore.

I don't have a desire OR time to hunt. Part of it is that my old hunting buddies were also my get high buddies, or my grow dope buddies, and though I love these ole boys, I don't run with them anymore.

The rifles are locked up in the weapons cabinet, the generator sits in a shed, the crank-up radio's sit on a shelf, all that st uff's from a different era.

the era of fear, the era of lies in my life.

I used to 'believe' in a lot of stuff, and it was all rooted in fear, and in pride, and I would wrap it up in "noble" causes. Heck, I joined the Navy when I was 17, cause I one night I was watching my hero, John Wayne go down with the ship in "In Harm's Way". and the next day I was in the recruiter's office and in three days I was in boot camp.

oh yes, I didnt wait for them to give me a school, or 'gurantees'...just did it. God's hand was on me, because they wound up sending a 17 year old to one of the most prestigious language schools in the land.

But that was a different day, and God is working to deliver me from my fears, and from my predilictions and my native pr ejudices.

Jesus told the disciples it is the time to buy a sword, and naturally, they went overboard and started yammering on about buying three, etc etc....until Jesus had to tersely reply, "Thats enough".

lol.

Its my belief after reading Scripture, that followers of Jesus, should model themselves on being a lamb...oh yes. And we don't like to hear that....our pride doesnt like to hear that, cause we wanna be lions, we wanna be John Waynes, we wan na blast over the landscape in a Bradley Fighting Vehicle, laying down a stream of covering fire on the "haji's, while "Rid e of the Valkyries" is blaring out on a huge speaker attached to our AV.

It doesnt work that way. John the Baptist said, "here comes the Lamb of God"

Jesus was born a in humble manger, a barn, laid in straw.

I went from John Wayne to Jesus, and my weapons stay in the locker, as does my fear.

Re:, on: 2005/2/14 12:56

Actually, Angyl... I just like guns. I either use mine for target shooting or hunting. I have a 120 german shepherd for hom e security. She works just fine. I'm not against having one for security tho... it's our right as Americans.

Think about this, tho... Thomas Jefferson wrote (I'm paraphrasing because I dont have the actual quote) that if the US g overnment ever overstepped it's boundaries with the American people, the citizens have the duty to uphold the Constituti on and rebel against the government. That is truly the issue behind "the right to keep and bear arms."

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Krispy

Re:, on: 2005/2/14 13:01

I read your post, Neil, and I agree that you probably did as the Spirit led you to do. You also bring up good points about fear and "gung-ho-ness". For those who deal with those issues they should leave those things behind.

For those of us who dont... well God doesnt deal with everyone the same.

We just have to be careful of getting into the mindset that just because God deals with me in a particular way... that does not mean He deals with everyone the same way.

I understand the spirit of what you wrote, and I dont think your trying to say that. Good testimony brother.

Krispy

Re: - posted by Angyl, on: 2005/2/14 13:39

Ahhh, a dog.

Yes, they're good for security too. :-)

But I despise dogs with an unbridled passion that borders on rage. LOL

It's a shame, too. Cuz I could see how having a nice, large, family pet snoozing away in front of the door would, if nothing else, scare the bejeebus out of an intruder and give tons of warning...

And you're righta bout Jefferson (or rather, he was right), and that's what I meant when I said I was relying on you gun freaks to protect us. Let the government try to overstep their bounds too quickly and I expect you all to head to the hills in our defense.

And I say overstep its bonds too quickly because, of course, the government has ALREADY way overstepped its bonds. They're just doing it wisely, and slowly, so as not to set the militia crowd off and incite revolt.

Re:, on: 2005/2/14 14:01

Quote:
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Unfortunately "militia" has a negative definition to it anymore. Too many racists and nazi's calling themselves "militias". The purest definition of militia is what freed America from Great Britain. Citizen Soldiers.

And I'll protect you, Angyl... you can stay with us.

Krispy

Re: A very serious threat! - posted by IRONMAN (), on: 2005/2/15 1:17

Krispy
those stats are crazy...I have a 3 word response for that, only in america...

Re:, on: 2005/2/15 9:51

Dude... I dont know if the stats are true... I posted the thing as a joke...

:-P ;-) :-D :-) :-x

Krispy

Re: - posted by IRONMAN (), on: 2005/2/15 12:17

Krispy

oh ok, I must say though you scared the crap out of me...

Re:, on: 2005/2/15 13:06

They could be true... it was emailed to me, I got a laugh out of it, and thought others might enjoy a chuckle...

Krispy

Re: - posted by IRONMAN (), on: 2005/2/16 0:48

in hindsight it is kinda funny...

Re: ironman - posted by rocklife (), on: 2005/2/16 14:44

Quote:

-----oh ok, I must say though you scared the crap out of me...

Some of us consider this a vulgar comment. Please remember our witness of the Lord Jesus Christ in christian communities, and Ephesians 4:29, and 5:4

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths"

"Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving."

There are some young people who read these threads, and in my family, "crap" is unwholesome. Please consider us. Thank you for understanding.

Re:, on: 2005/2/16 15:24

Is "dung" ok?

Ex 24:14, Lev 4:11, 8:17, 16:27, Num 19:5, 1 Kings 14:10, 2 Kings 6:25, 9:37, 18:27, Neh 2:13, 3:13, 3:14, 12:31, Job 20:7, Psalms 83:10, Isa 36:12, Jer 8:2, 9:22, 16:4, 25:33, Eze 4:12, 4:15, Zep 1:17, Mal 2:3, Luke 13:8 (Jesus speaking here), Php 3:8. **(KJV)**

I understand what your saying, and I dont think anyone wants to offend you, or have a negative influence on your kids... but there are all kinds of words in our vocabulary that someone some where will consider offensive.

.... even words that are used repeatidly in the Bible. Illegitimate sons comes to mind.

Krispy

Re: A very serious threat!, on: 2005/2/16 15:56

(B) The number of accidental gun deaths per year, all age groups, is 1,500.

The reality: Every year, more than 30,000 people are shot to death in murders, suicides, and accidents. Another 65,000 suffer from gun injuries.

Re:, on: 2005/2/16 16:27

Quote:
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Thanks for clarifying the stats in my joke.

In the US 42,643 people died in motor vehicle crashes in 2003.

Krispy

Re: - posted by philologos (), on: 2005/2/16 16:31

Quote:
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In my study the same is true.

Abstain from all appearance of evil. (1Th 5:22 KJV)

Re:, on: 2005/2/16 16:49

Quote:
-----In my study the same is true. Abstain from all appearance of evil. (1Th 5:22 KJV)

philologos, I completely understand what you're saying. There is some history behind my response to the request not to use that word.

I was giving a teaching once, and using the KJV (of course), and in the portion of scripture I was using was the word "bastard" (Zechariah 9). Well... you would have thought that I had committed the unpardonable sin. As soon as I was done with the teaching, one set of parents met me in on my back deck and went up one side of me and down the other for reading that word in the presence of children. I said "well, it's a word that's in the Bible... and if your children ask you about it, you should take the opportunity to turn it into a teaching moment."

That didn't go over too well either... and they actually left our fellowship over that because I wouldn't apologize. (Their suggestion was that I use the NIV since the language was less offensive... and I refused, as I always will.)

Granted, the word in question on this thread is not in the Bible. Therefore I do agree with the idea that it could be offensive to some... thus it probably is out of place here.

I just wanted to explain why I responded the way I did.

Krispy

Re: - posted by PreachParsly (), on: 2005/2/16 17:13

When I think of those words that are questionable, if they are used in the context it would be ok. Ex. Using the name Jesus Christ. Some use it for praise as others use it like its a filthy curse word. Hell would fall into the same category. I personally try to avoid slang usage of words like that. Most times you can just omit the word from your sentence and it gets the same point across. Ex. Using Hell as a word to amplify No. You could have just said NO instead of putting the 2 words together.

Re: A very serious threat! - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2005/2/17 2:48

Quote:

KrispyKrittr wrote:

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Before I post what I am about to post, I'd like to offer this disclaimer:

The views presented in this post are not those held by Sermon Index, Greg Gordon, or Aaron Ireland. They are simply a recounting of information presented to the poster in good faith, by a third party.

I heard a story, from a pastor in Sydney, about a Pakistani minister who went to a muslim doctor, for a check up. During their conversation, the doctor casually asked the minister (assuming that he was a minister), what he was doing to ensure the spread of Islam, in Australia. The minister answered that he wasn't, to which the doctor insisted of the importance of such a task.

Upon hearing the passionate rebuke from the doctor, the minister decided to ask him what he was doing. The doctor replied that he was ensuring that those who were opposing the task were being stopped. The minister asked how he was doing that, he replied "Anyway I can." The minister asked, "No really what are you actually doing?" The doctor said that he was silencing all opposition with medicine.

Is this true? Lets just say that the man who told me hasn't lied to me yet.

Re:, on: 2005/2/17 8:04

Boy... all I was doing was posting a joke I received in my email! You know, humor?

Krispy

Re: - posted by IRONMAN (), on: 2005/2/17 11:57

Brethren

I do apologise for using that word. I will refrain from using it in future. I must ask though, Krispy brought up an interesting point, would dung be usable in it's stead? Just curious

Re: - posted by rocklife (), on: 2005/2/17 15:32

Just to clarify, the whole sentence the word "c---" was used in is vulgar. Not just the word at the time.

Context is important, when Pastor Richard Wurmbbrand talks about such things being smeared on christians under torture, christians who are being mocked on crosses and forced to wear excrement to mock Christ, then such talk is not vulgar, it is reality and sharing in their sufferings (it helps people talk about terrible realities and we can pray), but to joke about such things in untrue ways is just a vulgar joke.

Thank you Ironman, for your consideration and apology. The Ephesians quote I posted reminds us vulgar jokes are also out of place, again I am referring to the comment the word "c---" was in specifically. Thanks again.

Re: - posted by ZekeO (), on: 2005/2/17 15:38

Quote:

KrispyKrittr wrote:

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Just a bit crass krisp :-)

Re: - posted by IRONMAN (), on: 2005/2/19 1:03

You know Krispy I think I know a bit about how you felt when you said "illegitimate son"... :-(