

CN Morning Rundown: Judge Rules in Favor of Teacher Suspended for Denouncing Proposed School Policy on Gender

Here's a quick summary of the top stories on :

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A Virginia judge has ruled a physical education teacher be reinstated to his Virginia elementary school position after being placed on leave following a speech in which he denounced proposed school policy on gender.

Twelfth Circuit Judge James E. Plowman ruled in favor of Byron "Tanner" Cross, and ordered Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) to reinstate Cross to his position at Leesburg Elementary School.

Judge Plowman granted a temporary injunction allowing Cross to continue his job until Dec. 31, at which time, unless other orders have been made, the injunction will dissolve.

Why Higher Education Institutions Would Do Well to Heed Proverbs 1:7

Prompted by Benjamin Rush and Richard Stockton, American Founding Father John Witherspoon (1723-1794) emigrated from Scotland to America in 1768. Witherspoon, Rush and Stockton would each go on to sign the Declaration of Independence.

Witherspoon became president and head professor at a small Presbyterian college in New Jersey, now Princeton University.

The college's primary occupation was training ministers and students. All were required to take Witherspoon's moral philosophy course about ethics and "what one ought to do and why."

He became a leading light in early American education with its emphasis on right and wrong and good character, which America's founders considered fundamental to sustainable freedom. Witherspoon was the only active clergyman and college president to sign the Declaration of Independence. He later signed the Articles of Confederation and supported ratification of the Constitution.

Spirit-Filled Pastor Addresses Controversial Worship Music Trend

About a year ago, I sent Bethel an email asking them to clarify a lot of the things that are being said about them (my initial article on using controversial music is below). They finally began that process. My ministry doesn't endorse this church; we are simply sharing what they are releasing to help clarify what they believe. Here is a page about the project, and episode 1 (full length) was posted here today. Each day a short-form clip of one of the specific topics will be published. By the second week of July, all of the content for this video series will be published.

But What About the Music?

The question goes something like this: "Is it possible to not endorse or agree with (such-and-such church) but still listen to their worship in a corporate setting?" First, I want to be clear that my position has never been "I don't care what the roots are; I'm playing their music." I myself am in the process of evaluating. You can actually watch my interview with Kim Walker Smith here. The answer to the first question is very eye-opening.

In 2020, I preached a sermon series on revival. Bryan and

Katie Torwalt led worship during one of the messages and Kim Walker Smith during another one. To view the controversial services that sparked this article, [click here](#) and [here](#). Then let us know your thoughts. Were the services God-honoring? Were the lyrics theologically sound? Were the messages biblically accurate? Could there be abundant fruit? {eo}

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