

“Stop the war!”

by Paul deParrie

“Stop the war!”

That was my message at the peace rally during Gulf War, Part Deux.

That was also my message at the “pro-troop” rallies.

“Stop the war! Stop the war against God!” I called out.

The message wasn't appreciated. No one wanted to be reminded, in the midst of their angst over their positions on that war, that they themselves were at war against God. No one wanted to be reminded that we casually were destroying the image of God by surgical abortion at the rate of 3,200 a day in America. No one wanted to be reminded of the gross acts of war in fornication, adultery, homosexuality, theft, and covetousness.

It is a war that began long ago at the Throne of God when Lucifer first tried to directly supplant God – and lost – then sought to supplant God's place in the hearts of the human race – and won.

Since that time, though, human beings have hardly needed Lucifer's help to continue the war. Whether it is worshipping other gods of created things, or simply ignoring God's existence, it all has the same aim – to become little gods ourselves, the captains of our own souls.

In this country, the sub rosa war finally surfaced when the U.S. Supreme Court declared that prayer in schools was unconstitutional. Closely following that, they ruled that the Ten Commandments were not to be posted there. Darwin help us if one of the little darlings would actually see, read, and (gasp) obey one or all of them. Yikes!

The secular humanists had the run of the country – with predictable results.

It wasn't long before the high court ventured to rule that one of those commandments was merely advisory – that women had a “choice” about whether or not to obey it.

Wouldn't it be nice and comforting if we could blame this all on those nasty secular humanists (Communists, bleeding-heart liberals, coercive utopians – take your pick). It would be nice but not true.

The people of God had long since vacated the field of public policy when these overt actions in the war became manifest. The church was actually beginning its rebellion against God by evading the “draft” – the call of God to “teach the nations whatsoever things [Jesus] had taught.”

It wasn't a very long step from evading the draft to moving towards joining the enemy. It took the U.S. Supreme

Court to remove the Ten Commandments from the schools but who, as my friend Charlie Wysong is fond of noting, ordered them removed from our church buildings? Most church buildings don't display them, you know. In fact, most evangelical Christians cannot name more than three of them if asked to do so.

So we moved from draft dodging, to willful ignorance of God's law. Now we find ourselves in full rebellion. One in five women having surgical abortions in the U.S. is self-described as an evangelical Christian – and those are just those who will admit it. Further, Christian families use abortifacient birth control (The Pill and the IUD) at the same rate as the non-believers. So, every Sunday, while raising their hands in worship in the sanctuary, many Christian women are chemically aborting babies.

This is a much greater assault on God's image than the pagans who go to the clinics.

Further, the church rarely speaks out against or condemns divorce. Those who have unbiblical divorces are much more likely to be coddled in “support groups” in their congregations and be taught how to

“get on with their lives” (i.e., find a new sex partner) than to meet stern resistance and a call to repentance.

Nor do most Christians preach to the lost any more. When thousands gather for “gay” pride parades, the landscape is absent of any Christians with enough care for their souls to even hand out tracts. Now we even have a Christian President who is deliberately catering to the homosexual lobby – all the while still receiving the support of the American Christian church. Isn't this the essence of “taking pleasure in those that do [abominable acts]” warned about in Romans 1: 32?

Is this not war against God?

No one seems to want to admit that God has been sending warnings. Christians scurried to appear “sensitive” and proclaim early that AIDS was “not a judgment from God.” Those who pointed out the 9-11 attack as a warning from God were quickly marginalized by Christian leaders. Those who coddle Moslems as though they were kindred in the faith are held up as examples, while those warning of idolatry are condemned. The fear of SARS (which is much worse than SARS itself) is played down.

Christians are not only refusing to “retain God in their knowledge” (Romans 1 again), but actively assisting those who oppose God.

This is war against God – and we need to stop. END

