

A Sermon on The Crispin Glover Method

Sermon by Rev. Minister Angela Smith of COPE for April 4th, 2021 (and beyond)

I sincerely do not wish to disappoint anyone and advise everyone that reader discretion is advised. The Crispin Glover Method is so named because of Crispin Glover's song "Auto-Manipulator" which celebrates knowing yourself in a "special way" (AKA masturbation). Crispin Glover is also in my selected highlight reel of inspirational fantasy stand-ins or potential partners because with God all things are possible. Ready to be uncomfortable? Okay, first, if you are referenced by name in this sermon and have not received an in-kind recognition tax receipt for said use, please e-mail me at rev@cope.church and the value of it at tax time will be up to you, however you may wish to see <https://www.cope.church/givetoday.pdf> before deciding the value. The mission has over 28,000 service recipients and the church has approximately 500 regular and unique congregants registered each month. If you choose not to or would prefer not to, fair use covers it anyway and I appreciate your commitment to free speech, freedom of religion, and free expression.

I'm a survivor of sexual assault and abuse by multiple perpetrators at different times in my life but no gang rape. I was sodomized at age 6 and that perpetrator was prosecuted. So, choosing my own partner and being comfortable with my own sexuality has been a challenge throughout my life. I've had professional help that advised I try fantasizing about someone I feel safe with when I think about sex to positively redirect my thoughts away from where sex may be a trauma trigger.

If you are familiar with my work and/or media recommendations, you may have an idea of who is in my highlight reel and perhaps unknowingly is giving me a wonderful assist in terms of being comfortable with my own sexuality. But, it isn't lust, it is always making love and here's the difference with some examples.

I do not fantasize about Brad Pitt. I found him most appealing as Louis in "Interview with the Vampire" co-starring Tom Cruise whom I've also never fantasized about in that way though my favorite role of his was Jack in "Legend". I find both Brad Pitt and Tom Cruise physically attractive. And, I enjoy their films. I don't feel I know them well enough to fantasize about them. So, they have not interested me to the extent some of the others named below have interested me. To know someone is to love them. I know Brad and Tom's work but do not feel as if I know them. Speaking more to "Interview with the Vampire" and Cruise's role as Lestat in the film, the scene where he dances with Claudia's mother's corpse stands out as one of the most disturbing scenes in any film and I've seen many in the horror genre. Both Pitt and Cruise are excellent. And, I've likely seen most of their work. But, it seems it is always beautifully portraying other people's stories so you see their talent but not what lies beneath. Also, I read, "Interview with the Vampire" and much of Anne Rice's literature before seeing the film version. So, I already loved the characters and story before seeing the live action role play version.

I've seen "Fast Sofa", "Bartleby", and have copies of Oak...and the worms will get in and the music CD and love Crispin Glover in everything he's ever done including his

own independent art. I loved “Willard” too. I love “Hot Tub Time Machine” though was annoyed with any harm coming to his character even in a comedy but know it was all fiction and he’s fine. I love his art that’s all his own creation and the art he makes with others. So, when I think of Crispin Glover while practicing The Crispin Glover Method knowing he’s a magnificent stand-in for the real deal (when and if especially if the possibility ever becomes probable that happens). This is love, not lust. And, there is humor involved too, listen to the song. It’s embedded on the FAQs page at <https://www.cope.church/faqs.htm> .

I love Charlie Sheen. I’ve seen “Beyond the Law”, “The Arrival”, and much more. “Major League”, “Wall Street”, “Red Dawn”, “Ferris Bueller’s Day Off”, and “The Three Musketeers”. And...no, I’ll stop there. Wait, “The Chase” is really important too. So, I also think his tweets are funny and enjoy his sense of humor. I thought his Twitter eulogy for Luke Perry was very touching and was moved by his cry for help to find his parents during one of the big fires I think.... I find his acting believable most of the time and believable enough all of the time. [“Red Dawn” crying scene is why some of that comment exists which was likely the director’s choice.] I have to also mention “Men At Work” the film he made with his brother. It was funny and a good story. I also thought the whole surfing thing was pretty hot. I also believe he is pretty honest and when he’s not he is joking. I love the one-man show though I didn’t get to see it in person. Everything I did see or hear about it though made me think he was doing something like Andy Kaufman and the audience didn’t get the joke but those from a distance could see the genius or Sheenius of it. So, given some people have a 3-date rule that they will have sex on the 3rd date or that’s the standard waiting period... And, according to online sources the average date is 3-5 hours long. So, if I’ve spent at least 9 hours with Charlie Sheen even vicariously or remotely then fantasizing about him is within the realm of acceptable conduct as a matter of common sense. I’ve spent more than 9 hours with Charlie Sheen, way more onscreen and as a fantasy stand-in off-screen. And, I actually like him and love him. Same with Crispin Glover, but, for different reasons.

If anyone at any time knew for any reason that I think about them when I practice The Crispin Glover Method and told me they’d prefer I didn’t, I’d stop. But, I only fantasize with stand-ins if I really like and love them and it is age appropriate all around.

If you have reason to believe you are one of my fantasy stand-ins and would like to know what it is about you in the event you are correct, let me know. It isn’t as long a list as you might think and does not include anyone who ever harmed me and all the rapes were harmful. No, thankfully for men like Charlie Sheen and Crispin Glover, I have beautiful artists to focus on as I heal from sexual trauma while practicing The Crispin Glover Method. They get all my love and affection in fantasyland where some memories are so weak they can’t even take on fantasy versions of Charlie Sheen and Crispin Glover based on the men as I know them. And, I know Aikido. But, the point here is I really appreciate those I appreciate and can honestly say The Crispin Glover Method has likely helped save my life.

If any men named here, or in the other video also available on the FAQs page linked above, don't feel comfortable being included in this sermon, e-mail me at rev@cope.church and disclaim it as feedback. You'll need to give me a way to verify it is actually you and not someone pretending to be you. But, for quite a few we already have each other's e-mails so if you e-mail me from one I know or that's already in my address book, I'll respect your wishes and edit or delete this sermon. The reason is because I respect you and while I find this helpful and believe it may help others in more ways than one, you have a right to your name that I recognize even if the law doesn't when it comes to nonprofits, churches, and fair use. I do hope you consider it an honor and know I secretly hope every orgasm I have while fantasizing about you sends a vibe through magnetic fields to wherever you are and you feel the love. Amen.

Addendum: Supporting Rape/Sexual Battery/Sexual Abuse Victims & Survivors

If you are not a survivor of any form of sexual abuse, you may feel you can't really empathize or understand what it is like to live with that type of trauma. However, you may have other traumas that may help you understand.

Most everyone has put something in their mouth they wish they had not put in their mouth. This could be food prepared by someone who shouldn't be allowed to prepare food for others without supervision and possibly not even with supervision. Something that tastes so bad that you had to spit it out into a napkin or excuse yourself and find a trash receptacle or toilet to spew. And, what happens when someone asks if you'd eat food prepared by that same individual again? The passion you feel about not accepting any dinner invitations and perhaps not even wishing to think of that person and food at the same time is similar to how I feel about the people who sexually abused and raped me. But, I still need to eat and I know there is a lot of food fit for human consumption that I enjoy. But, some meals were so bad that anything that reminds me in the slightest of them can send me looking for a place to puke or cause a total gagging fit. I also suffer allergies and do my best to manage those too.

If the above makes rapists feel insulted, I'm fine with that and actually hope it does so offend. Even if they've never been raped themselves, I'm sure they've had a bad meal or two they wish to forget but also need to remember to avoid that experience again. So, rapists you are that. You are something everyone would prefer to forget that we need to remember exist so we can protect ourselves and properly assess risks to avoid further harm, discomfort, and trauma. And, you make me sick, literally. Luckily, I have a remedy called The Crispin Glover Method.

ABOUT EASTER

Easter is #TaoFu for many reasons. Is it a Pagan holiday or not? Does it matter how it is celebrated and does that clue anyone in to the meaning or layers to the theater of the holiday?

I understood Eostre to be a Celtic Goddess, but another source claims she is Germanic. "Eostre" is pronounced "Easter" and is celebrated at the time of the Spring Equinox. Source: <http://www.arcane-alchemy.com/blog/2020/3/5/all-about-eostre-the-pagan-goddess-of-dawn>. Traditional Christian Easter is celebrated the first Sunday following the first full moon following the Spring Equinox. Eostre is represented by the rabbit or bunny as her animal totem. It is an egg-laying bunny. Source: <https://www.refinery29.com/en-us/2016/03/106859/easter-bunny-origin>.

Christians typically celebrate Easter as the day everyone who cared was relieved to find out Jesus didn't die on the Cross. One alternative explanation for his survival of the crucifixion is that one of his disciples was mistaken for him when captured and he went along with it. It could have been Thomas who said "I am who you say I am" to protect Jesus. And, then the real Jesus hid in the cave where they took Thomas' body and walked out three days later not recognized by anyone that didn't know him well. See, Jesus and his disciples all were very similar in appearance, wearing the same clothing, and wearing their hair in the same fashion. You may wish to see <https://www.cope.church/rjsermon.pdf> for more on these alternative perspectives. It is a day to celebrate that Jesus lives or didn't die as a result of crucifixion ergo didn't die to absolve you of responsibility for your own vices. Stay tuned for the April 18th, 2021 sermon, which elaborates on this point. And, you may wish to see <https://www.cope.church/gypsysermon.pdf> if you have not already done so to understand that it is not only possible, but likely that Jesus was wrongfully declared dead in the first place proving the local government was fallible.

Both ideas for Eostre and Easter celebrate the hope that life springs eternal. No matter what the holiday means to you, if anything, I hope you respect that it can and does mean different things to different people even though the thematic meaning remains fairly universal. I do celebrate Easter and have given as well as received Easter baskets and had my photo taken with someone dressed as an Easter Bunny. I also celebrate Jesus' life and teachings. The two are not mutually exclusive and with God all things are possible.

For those interested in what I believe to be true in regards to Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, I'll tell you now. For the sake of reconciliation, I concede and will agree Jesus was in fact crucified and it was Jesus tried and even nailed to the cross. I have some misgivings about the nails and believe he may have been tied to it rather than nailed to it. The reasonable basis for that is that they crucified thousands of people at a time. Source: <https://www.livescience.com/65283-crucifixion-history.html> And, I believe they would want to reuse the crosses where using nails would weaken the wood faster than tying someone to one with rope of some sort. Egyptian rope dates back to 4000 BCE/BC. Source: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rope>. Vinegar was used to dress Christ's wounds and today is verified to be an acetic acid, which is a disinfectant that can kill some bacteria and viruses. For many years it was customary historically to hold "wakes" or wait on burial or cremation in case the "dead" weren't really dead and just unconscious or in a coma. For those who buried the dead more quickly, sometimes they tied a string around the finger of the dead and attached that to a bell above the fresh grave so if it rang

the caretaker of the cemetery could help. Source: <https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/54818/4-people-who-were-buried-alive-and-how-they-got-out> So, it is my sincere belief that Jesus never died and therefore didn't die to save you from your sins nor give you a free pass as long as you say the magic words "I repent" and pay lip service and/or tithing on any given Sunday. Jesus broke the law and paid for it and there is no reason the same rules shouldn't apply to you, especially in a free country.

I see Jesus as a brother and all who are committed to honest reason, honest living, Truth, and Virtue as children of God regardless of storefront or cultural influences. Jesus, I am your sister and boy am I pissed at some false prophets. But, taking your experiences into account, I'm law-abiding and in the USA so I can express myself with words while trusting law enforcement. Raping children and human trafficking are both serious crimes and punishable by death and forced labor today. I believe that is in part because of your message and your life story. And, because I love you so much, it is no sacrifice even if donations are few and far between. That's why I'm saying the following to all who have eyes to see and ears to hear.

If I walked up to you and said "Sean Stone is perfect and the only begotten son of the only true God. He served humanity well and took good care to feed, clothe, and heal the poor, orphaned, widowed, and disabled. He did all of that for you and then he was punished for it by a corrupt system that killed him so you'd never have to reciprocate or participate in society in any way while having free reign to be as vicious as you wish as long as you remember to say the magic words "I repent" and pay the false prophet feeding you this line of bullshit every Sunday and at least 10% of your earnings or wealth", would you honestly believe any of it? How much of it would you believe? If vicious, you'll likely take the cover of righteousness while you are the exact opposite in every way. If virtuous and gullible, you may feel guilty and feel like you can't do enough to show your appreciation for such a beautiful person who died so you would be forgiven even though you exist now and if you don't believe in reincarnation were not alive when Sean Stone lived and so hadn't sinned at all so there was nothing to forgive in the first place in such a case. But, you are moved by the story and feel you need to compensate or reciprocate for all Sean Stone has done for you. You can't, he's dead or in spirit form. But, there are lots of people who will accept your gifts for Sean Stone on his behalf and put them to their own purposes, which may be vicious or virtuous. The important thing is that you believe this entire paragraph and never question it while subjugating yourself to anyone who sells you a similar story. Or, just exercise due diligence and give to charities that actually make a difference and help rather than manipulate, exploit and abuse everyone including or especially the poor, orphaned, widowed, and disabled. Turn in all rapists and human traffickers to law enforcement. I believe Sean Stone as represented in this paragraph is fictitious.

Jesus never died for you, he lived for everyone even those who didn't care for his message. And, the vinegar helped save his life for all of you who wince and think that was adding insult to injury, it actually saved his life. Thank God for the vinegar!

I dare anyone who claims to be Christian to demand to me that Jesus is dead when I'm a Christian who believes Jesus Lives. And, it's my Easter message. Is it alright with others who call themselves Christian if I celebrate that Jesus Lives rather than that Jesus died for my sins though I hadn't even been born yet unless reincarnation is real and then Jesus never left us and was just recycled after he actually died long after he was crucified while in witness protection just to be reincarnated still seeking to gather the charitable to assist the unfortunate? It is as a matter of law in the USA. God Bless America!

Happy Easter!

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"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32 KJV Willful blindness is an abomination.

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