

A Sermon on Hypocrisy

Sermon by Rev. Minister Angela Smith of COPE for June 6th, 2021 (and beyond)

EULOGY for Robert G. Smith:

I didn't know my father very well. I've spent more time with Bill Murray than I ever spent with my father. And, Bill Murray is more of a father to me than Robert G. Smith. As far as I know, I'm the only offspring of both or either Catherine Elizabeth Smith and Robert Gerald Smith. So, I was asked to provide a eulogy. It is my understanding my father was dishonorably discharged from the United States Air Force for being involved with a human trafficking cult. I honestly think it is likely the one to be featured or featured in Fox's "In The Valley of Sin" or had connections to it.

He went to church a lot but just saw all the people of good faith as marks of some sort or another. He used Jesus and claims of faith as a human shield and to avoid personal responsibility while claiming birthright to forgiveness having been "born again". He was selective in how he chose to share and interpret scripture. He used it primarily as a tool of domination while perverting the meaning to the extent I devoted my life to figuring it out and believe I have so figured.

He could pull a passage out of context to defend any unrighteous act he may commit while at the same time claim Jesus forgives him for everything so no one else's opinion or view matters. So, here are the two passages I choose to employ from the King James Version here now. Luke 17:21 "The Kingdom of God is within you." and Matthew 7:12 "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." At this point my father would likely point out it says men and not both men and women. But, I read "men" as meaning mankind or all of humanity and not necessarily gender specific. In addition, according to the National Institute of Health, all fetuses start out female or biologically female. Source: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK222286/#:~:text=All%20human%20individuals%20whether%20they,same%20and%20are%20phenotypically%20female.>

Therefore, my father didn't believe fetuses are human beings or unborn humans, but, something less than human so would arguably have no issue with abortion even if the churches he attended would be shocked to learn of that position. I believe all humans are equal in the eyes of God and the law.

So, it is my belief by failing to recognize my equality to him as a fellow human and child of God, that if not a hypocrite, he would understand my responding in kind. I have to believe that if he is Christian as he claimed, he treated me and others as he wished to be treated. So, I don't recognize his humanity, because, based on his actions that's how he wishes to be treated. He seemed to enjoy mocking pain, which doesn't seem very compassionate. So, he was either a complete moron or total hypocrite. If a complete moron, then Luke 23:34 and if he doesn't know what he's doing as a result of being a total moron then Jesus forgives him and so do I, may he rest in peace in such a case. But, if he denies being a moron, he is a liar and hypocrite. The reason is an honest moron would say they didn't know if they were a moron or not rather than deny being one where they

don't know the meaning. A liar would deny everything including his/her own ignorance. So, Matthew 23:14 and John 8:44, looks like if he continues after death rather than ceasing to exist altogether, he'll be in hell.

He once said his father was in hell. I loved my paternal and maternal grandfathers and both were great people. This was after Gramps (my paternal grandfather) died and I missed him. I spent a fair amount of time with all four grandparents. Gramps and PapaSam (both of my grandfathers) were great men that I believe are in heaven and/or have reincarnated because heaven would get boring and I believe God would answer all prayers including those of loved ones who want to see their loved ones again where reincarnation is the closest thing that can be done considering the material world, location of the praying people, and way to make that happen. "With God All Things Are Possible" Matthew 19:26. So, I believe it is possible my father is a total moron, but, if he denies that then I think he's in hell. He also liked steamed clams with butter sauce.

My father preferred the King James Version and to my knowledge was unaware that John Wycliffe rather than "God" wrote the first complete written version of the old and new testaments. Wycliffe was a 14th century priest and professor at Oxford. So, maybe my father is a moron and thereby forgiven? God only knows. Moron or not, he was pretty vicious in life suffering from false pride, vanity, gluttony, lust, avarice, sloth, wrath (vindictive/malicious), though I don't know if he suffered envy. 6 of 7 deadly sins though seems like a super majority where even the Pope might suggest someone claiming to be protestant exhibiting 6 of the 7 who never received last rites ceases to exist or spends eternity in hell. COPE is an Independent Wycliffite Church, therefore protestant, and I don't know if this eulogy will count as a last rite or not in the eyes of God. But, I trust God's judgment and my own, though would defer to God's on matters of eternal life or eternal damnation. Amen.

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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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