

Pk's Perspectives... The Devil Smiled

On February 14, 2018, a gunman opened fire at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, killing seventeen students and staff members and injuring seventeen others. This is the type of tragedy that leaves people from every walk of life bewildered as to how they should filter/interpret/grasp a way of understanding the “how” of this horrible happening and also the “who” – as in, “Who do we blame for this kind of madness?”.

The day after the Parkland shooting, Todd Starnes shared his thoughts on the “how” and the “who” on his nationally syndicated radio show. What follows is the transcript of Todd’s monologue from his February 15th broadcast. It’s brief, concise, and quickly gets to the heart of the matter as relates to Parkland and other similar tragedies:

Another American high school has been turned into a killing field. And the nation wonders why. Well, I’m going to answer that question for you. And the answer may leave you a bit unsettled.

You see – I believe there is a God – but I also believe there is a Devil. And I see his hand at work here.

We’ve raised a generation to believe that truth is relative, that there is no right or wrong. And the Devil smiled.

They’ve kicked God out of public schools – banned Bibles and prayer. And the Devil smiled.

We’ve destroyed the traditional family – broken homes raising broken kids. And the Devil smiled.

There are no consequences for bad behavior – no personal responsibility. And the Devil smiled.

Our movies and music and games glorify violence and gore. Relationships are poisoned by pornography. And the Devil smiled.

What happened in Parkland, Florida is about wickedness – a war with the forces of darkness, good versus evil.

Our land is wounded, her people suffering. But we have turned our back on the One who promised to heal our land.

The politicians and pundits would have you believe this is not about God – it’s about politics and mental illness and gun control. And the Devil smiled.

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