



# CHRISTIAN

EDUCATION NIGHT

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## TITLE: WE STAND FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### INTRODUCTION

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*“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6)*

**Quote:** “The best means of forming a manly, virtuous, and happy people will be found in the right education of youth. Without this foundation, every other means, in my opinion, must fail.”—**George Washington**

## 1. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### A. Given To \_\_\_\_\_

*“And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:4)*

### B. Given to the \_\_\_\_\_

#### A MANDATE TO TEACH

*“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” (Matthew 28:19-20)*

#### A RESPONSIBILITY SHARED

*“Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; 2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.” (Galatians 4:1-2)*

**Quote:** “Finally, let us not forget the religious character of our origin. Our fathers were brought hither by their high veneration for the Christian religion. They journeyed by its light and labored in its hope. They sought to incorporate its principles with the elements of their society and to diffuse its influence through all their institutions--civil, political or literary.”—**Daniel Webster**

## 2. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

*“Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. 2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.” (Psalm 1:1-2)*

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ Risk

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ Risk

*“For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.” (Romans 16:19)*

C. The \_\_\_\_\_ Risk

BECAUSE OF SCORNERS

**Quote:** “I advise no one to place a child where the Scriptures do not reign paramount.”—**Martin Luther**

BECAUSE OF HUMANISM

*“As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: 7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. 8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.” (Colossians 2:6-8)*

**Quote:** “The philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next.”—**Abraham Lincoln.**

### 3. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE CHURCH IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**Quote:** “Cursed be all learning that is not subservient to the cross of Christ.”—**John Witherspoon**, First President of Princeton

#### A. To Teach The \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s Word

*“This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation. 10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. 11 These things command and teach. 12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.”*  
(1 Timothy 4:9-13)

**Quote:** “The only foundation for a useful education in a republic is to be laid in religion. Without this there can be no virtue, and without virtue there can be no liberty, and liberty is the object and life of all republican governments.”—**Dr. Benjamin Rush**

#### B. To Teach \_\_\_\_\_ Academics

**Quote:** “The Christian religion is the most important and one of the first things in which all children, under a free government ought to be instructed.”—**Noah Webster**

*“If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; 4 He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, 5 Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.”* (1 Timothy 6:3-5)

#### C. To Cultivate \_\_\_\_\_ For God

*“Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;”* (Ephesians 6:6)

**Quote:** “An education is not worth a great deal if it teaches young people how to make a living but not how to live.”

**Quote:** “To educate a man in mind and not in morals is to education a menace to society.”—**Teddy Roosevelt**

## CONCLUSION

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**Quote:** “Christian education doesn’t cost—it pays.”



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