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LEAD Class

LGBTQ and the Christian



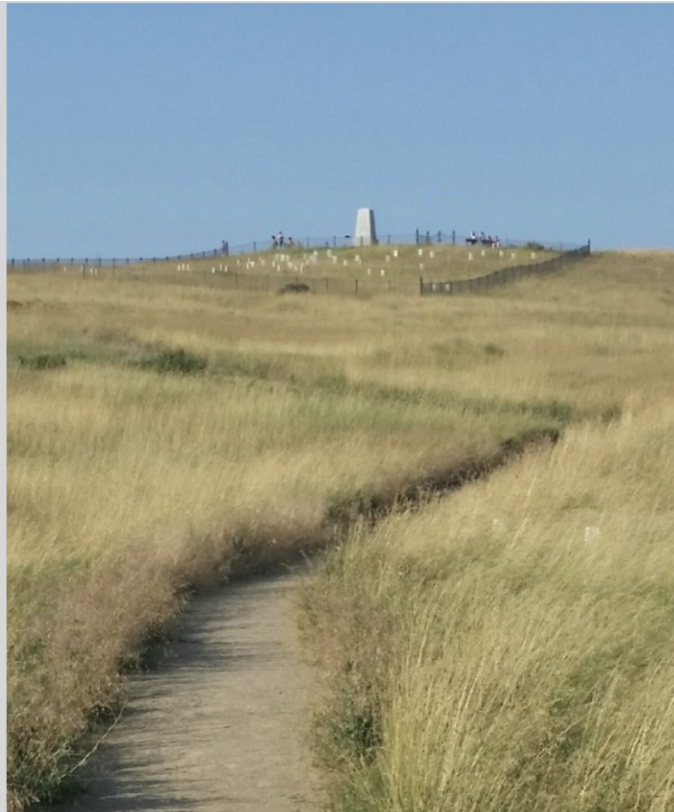
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Colonel George Armstrong Custer



Last Stand Hill



Sitting Bull



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THE BATTLE OF THE LITTLE BIGHORN

THE LAST STAND



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Why did Custer attack?

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1. Overconfidence



“Custer did not drink; he didn’t have to. His emotional effusions unhinged his judgment in ways that went far beyond alcohol’s ability to interfere with clear thinking.”

Nathaniel Philbrick

Why did Custer attack?

1. Overconfidence
2. Craving for glory



“Think of the valuable time lost.”

George Armstrong Custer

“Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit.”

Matthew 15:14

hypocrisy = when we are blinded
to God's Word by man's word

1. The **contention** (1-6)

Religious leaders ask Jesus - accusation

“Then Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem and said, ‘Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat.’” (1-2)

“For they do not wash their hands when they eat.” (2b)

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The way to hold one's hand when pouring

“He died worthy of stoning.”

Jesus asks the religious leaders -
counteraccusation

“He answered them, ‘And why do you break the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition?’” (3)

Case Study (4-6) -

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“For God commanded, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’” (4)

“Honor your father and your mother. . . .”

Exodus 20:12a

“Whoever curses [reviles] his father or his mother shall be put to death.”

Exodus 21:17

“But you say, ‘If anyone tells his father or his mother, “What you would have gained from me is given to God,” he need not honor his father.’” (5-6a)

corban = legally given to God

1. The contention

2. The **confrontation**

“You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’” (7-9)

“And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed.

“When men give it to one who can read,
saying, ‘Read this,’ he says, ‘I cannot, for it is
sealed.’

“And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, ‘Read this,’ he says, ‘I cannot read.’”

Isaiah 29:11-12

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Their worship

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“This people honors me with their lips, but
their heart is far from me;” (8)

function without **fruit**

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“in vain do they worship me” (9a)

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vain = aimless, fruitless

“... teaching as doctrines the commandments of men” (9b)

* We are being bound and blinded by something!

“Men think God’s laws too many and too strict, and yet make more of their own, and are precise for keeping them.”

Richard Baxter

What should we do?

“I will run in the way of your commandments
when you enlarge my heart!”

Psalm 119:32

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enlarge = expansion + freedom

When God enlarges my heart, he is . . .

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expanding my understanding

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expanding my understanding
+
freeing me from narrowness

“Enlargement of heart means delight in righteousness. This is a gift of God.

“With it we are not cramped by fear in the observance of his commands but led into the broad freedom of love as we delight in justice.”

Augustine

My heart is being squished by . . .

My heart is being squished by _____
(anxiety, lust, greed, pride, fear of man,
anger, bitterness, craving recognition, doubt)

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This is blinding me to _____

Please, Father, enlarge my heart.

Open my eyes so I can see.

Set me free from the narrowness and
confinement of hypocrisy as I repent and
turn to you!