



WORD 2023

**EDUCATE**

**Hosea 4:6** My people will be destroyed, because they have no knowledge. **You have refused to learn**, so I will refuse to let you be priests to me. You have forgotten the teachings of your God, so I will forget your children. NCV

**Isaiah 5:13** Therefore my people go into exile for lack of knowledge; their honored men go hungry, and their multitude is parched with thirst. ESV

A grayscale photograph of a science classroom. In the foreground, a student is looking through a microscope. To the left, another microscope sits on a table with various lab equipment. In the background, other students are visible, some also working with microscopes. The image has a dark, semi-transparent overlay with a grid pattern.

**WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE?**

**WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO EDUCATE?**

**WHAT IS EDUCATION?**

**Lack of knowledge** - The specific knowledge that Hosea is speaking of is the knowledge of God. This knowledge is the most important of all knowledge.

“Therefore my people have gone into captivity, **because they have no knowledge**; their honorable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst” (Isaiah 5:13)

**Ignorance overlooked** - Acts 17:27-31 "His purpose was for the nations to seek after God and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him—though he is not far from any one of us. 28 For in him we live and move and exist. As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' 29 And since this is true, we shouldn't think of God as an idol designed by craftsmen from gold or silver or stone. 30 "God overlooked people's ignorance about these things in earlier times, **but now he commands everyone everywhere to repent of their sins and turn to him.** 31 For he has set a day for judging the world with justice by the man he has appointed, and he proved to everyone who this is by raising him from the dead." NLT

**ED'UCATE**, *verb transitive* [Latin educo, educare; e and duco, to lead.]

- To bring up, as a child; to instruct; to inform and enlighten the understanding; to instill into the mind principles of arts, science, morals, religion and behavior. To *educate* children well is one of the most important duties of parents and guardians. ( Noah Webster 1828 Dictionary)

**EDUCA'TION**, *noun* [Latin educatio.] The bringing up, as of a child, instruction; formation of manners. *education* comprehends all that series of instruction and discipline which is intended to enlighten the understanding, correct the temper, and form the manners and habits of youth, and fit them for usefulness in their future stations. To give children a good *education* in manners, arts and science, is important; to give them a religious *education* is indispensable; and an immense responsibility rests on parents and guardians who neglect these duties. ( Noah Webster 1828 Dictionary)

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**To educate is to communicate a worldview.** As a secondary head in the state sector, I believed I owed it to parents to make mine explicit. **To pretend neutrality is, after all, the first step towards indoctrination.** And to recognize children as image-bearers of a loving, all-wise designer has profound implications for education.

# **EDUCATION HISTORY PLANET – WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE EDUCATED?**

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**MANY SCHOOLS HAVE STARTED TO MOVE TOWARDS OFFERING CLASSES ON DIVERSITY EDUCATION BECAUSE IT REACHES ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE SOCIAL LIFE, ACADEMIC LIFE, THE WORK LIFE.**

**MANY PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT HAVING AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORLD AROUND THEM IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN BASIC LITERACY SKILLS.**

**BEING EDUCATED IS NOT JUST ABOUT BOOK SMARTS, IT'S ABOUT BEING OPEN-MINDED, BEING ACCEPTING OF OTHER CULTURES, AND BEING ABLE TO RESPECT DIVERSITY. EDUCATION PLAYS A VITAL ROLE IN OUR LIVES BY HELPING US GROW AS PEOPLE AND ENABLING US TO UNDERSTAND OURSELVES BETTER THROUGH LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE WORLD AROUND US.**

# How did we get where we are? Dictionary Christianity in America (1990)

- PUBLIC EDUCATION - Public Education, Religion and. The subject of religion and public education has long been a critical issue in American church-state relations.
- The U. S. Supreme Court has rendered nine decisions directly involving religion and public education, all of which have been handed down since 1948; most of them have been rendered by an overwhelming majority. (Reminder 1990)
- ABC News Devin Dwyer reports on **the Supreme Court** s decision siding with high school football coach Joe Kennedy over his post-game prayers with students at **the** 50-yard line. ABC News Live Prime, Weekdays at 7EST & 9EST WATCH **the** ABC News Live Stream Here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w\\_Ma8oQLmSM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w_Ma8oQLmSM) SUBSCRIBE to ABC NEWS: <https://bit.ly/2vZb6yP> ...
  - The Court's conservative majority
    - Allowing a Chaplain to pray and lay hands on an inmate as he is put to death
    - Allowing a Christian flag to fly from one of Boston's city hall flag poles
    - Approving taxpayer-funded tuitions assistance for religious schools in Maine

# THE BATTLE FOR THE AMERICAN MIND

- Quoting Abraham Lincoln's warning that "the philosophy of the schoolroom in one generation becomes the philosophy of the government in the next." The statement remains true, but it is incomplete. To put it more comprehensively the strength of the church in one generation becomes the culture of the people in the next ..... Followed by the philosophy of the schoolroom and the government.  
(pg. 14)
- The battlefield for the hearts and minds of our kids is the 16,000 hours they spend inside American classrooms from kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade .... it's the 16,000 hour War, for our kids and our country.(pg. 9)



**To an outside observer, the sheer scale of the school in America is head-turning.**

- The largest transportation system in the world is not New York or London - it actually takes children to American public schools in half a million yellow buses.
  - The United States spends more on national defense than China, Russia, Saudi Arabia, India, France, United Kingdom and Japan combined. Yet American spends even more on school than on defense more than \$700 billion annually on education alone.
  - The largest union in the United States supports not steel workers or the teamsters, but schoolteachers. (NEA)
  - Public schools in the United States are the largest state-owned monopoly in the world, outside of China.
  - How and why did this education story becomes so massive in America?
  - And why are more than 90% of students educated in progressive public schools?  
In a nation of capitalist, why is one of America's largest industries publicly controlled?
- **We're compelled by law to send our children to school.**

## Thanks to Covid .....

- Back to where we started:
  - What does it mean to have no knowledge?
  - What does it mean to educate?
  - What is education?
- The BIBLE says.....

Eternity  
Destiny  
Understanding  
Covenant  
Application  
Teach  
Engage



