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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ What He Said! (db On Commandment #7)

Posted by: maggiectr May 7 2007, 03:25 PM

Being pretty new here, I'm not sure if I should've made this a New Topic or just put it in under another thread, but here goes (Moderators: Please move this to another thread if warranted.)

I taped most of the Ten Commandments Weekend (live presentation) on Sabbath, and just today got a chance to watch most of it. I was half-listening to Doug Batchelor's presentation on the 7th Commandment regarding adultery when the screen went black, then came back on again showing some flowers and music, then returned to the live feed. So I missed whatever he had said as a lead-in to the following interesting comments/observations he was making. But as I listened, I pricked up my ears...the scenario being presented seemed somehow...familiar. Herewith is the transcribed portion (I rewound the tape a dozen times to catch it the best I could):

(Doug, looking kind-of "worked up"):

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So...since this coincidentally(?) sounds a lot like what I've read (via 3abn itself and on the boards concerning the Danny-Linda divorce) maybe DB hasn't burried his head in the sand, and we may be hearing more from him one of these days. A girl can hope!

Comments?

Maggie

Posted by: LaurencD May 7 2007, 03:58 PM

Very perceptive, maggiectr

I know men like that. A couple months ago, I put it like this:

A good man doesn't force a woman back in her shell, deny her what she needs most (friends), then punish her for telling a white lie. She knows the hell she'll have to face once again if she's open and honest about everything that causes her sick, sick, jealous, dyspetic husband to explode.

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=12180>

Not only do I know men like that, but I know how their women react to being treated. They'll get yelled at, and in big trouble, because the man is so quick to judge, the women can't do anything right, and so when he yells, "where you been?" she knows she has to answer very carefully, even though she lost her keys (which means more anger) and was at the grocery store for more than 15 minutes. So she says something like, "I decided to stop by and get you something 'special'" which is a white lie.

His anger is then deflated and they live together in peace for one more day. Like survival.

EDIT NOTE: corrected the link so it works...called "Letter to Calvin"

Posted by: princessdi May 7 2007, 04:02 PM

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Posted by: seraph|m May 7 2007, 04:48 PM

QUOTE(LaurenceD @ May 7 2007, 06:58 PM)

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I can appreciate your points and agree, for the most part. Please bear in mind the "white" lie you refer to is a lie. There is no such thing.

Posted by: Skyhook May 7 2007, 05:03 PM

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Posted by: princessdi May 7 2007, 05:12 PM

I think we all spend too much time together here in the day! Whew!!! I am going to have to start charging rent for the space folks is taking in my head! LOL!!!

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If the man gets itchy um.. feet, that is often his excuse for running around because no one can prove him wrong. The wife is accused of being "cold", frigid, not meeting his needs. How many times "the other women" is told this. How many women feel sorry for him until they become the new wife who knows she is not sexless but finds that since she is no longer a challenge, he is out looking for new conquests.

I know it can happen but I would be very cautious about accepting the word of one who has a lot of people saying that he has a history of being, shall we say, dissatisfied.

Posted by: Jnana15 May 7 2007, 05:54 PM

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Posted by: Rosyroi May 7 2007, 09:07 PM

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Rosyroi

Posted by: princessdi May 7 2007, 09:24 PM

Has anybody noticed that nobosy asks Danny what he thinks about anything. He an only go on at 3ABN, When NAD wanted somebody to talk about it they asked DB, and so did everybody else. According to NAD the boards are exploring the possibility.

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Well, now, I remember him saying something like he asked his son how many women friends did he remember him(db) having, and the answer was none. He also said that his office has a Window in it. for counseling sessions with women. I don't remember the phone call time limit, but I was a bit distracted with my little nephews. it is also possible that it could have been DB's line all the time and DS conveniently used it to his advantage.

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What? only two choices? either he was talking about Danny or he was talking about Linda? What if he was just straight out proclaiming biblical and godly principles, and teaching about the seventh commandment, and it was to and for all?

Sadly, the one "implying" , and claiming it was about Danny and Linda, and even surmising, that he was bearding the lion in his den, and that this may mean the merger is in jeopardy, is you...

And worse, others are adding to it already...

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heard nothing resembling this in his words this past weekend.

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yes that's correct, I heard that too, I believe he mentioned having women counselors on staff, he also brought up even avoiding the appearance of evil or impropriety.

Posted by: SoulEspresso May 8 2007, 09:07 AM

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Have you asked yourself this lately?

The intent of this board is, as far as I can tell, what it's always been: to find out the truth. We withheld judgment until we saw some evidence, and so far only one side has. The evidence, the documentation, the original papers and e-mails say (drum roll) **change 3ABN's leadership!**

But I do agree with Aletheia in one way. These comments, taken in isolation, don't mean anything. The proof is in the pudding, for me.

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Posted by: shinejoy May 8 2007, 01:14 PM

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Shinejoy I agree with your post. The idea is absurd to me about Linda talking 'too much' with another man just because she is concerned and worried about her son. Who knows maybe she was talking with Nathan possibly half or maybe three fourths of the time on the telephone.

My understanding from another post, my memory may be defective, it seems that JL also 'counseled' Linda against talking too much on the telephone with the Dr. that it is hurting the ministry.

My opinion is he was getting his orders from Danny for the (electronics degree style) 'counseling' to (NOT with) Linda.

Yes this has been discussed elsewhere.
edited for spelling and content

Rosyro

Posted by: princessdi May 8 2007, 01:34 PM

In a way I see what he is saying. These days you don't know the motives of anyone. In this way the appearance of evil takes on a little different meaning. I can't say that I disagree with him on this. I know pastor who basically "fell" by relaxing just the precautions to which DB was referring. I don't think it is so much that you make sure the situation can please everyone, some folks' minds are in the gutter 24/7, there is no way to please them, but as a protection.

Posted by: FineArt May 8 2007, 03:04 PM

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Posted by: SoulEspresso May 8 2007, 04:36 PM

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This church has a terrible habit of shooting people who are just trying to be helpful. It makes it harder to take a stand, but that's no excuse.

Perhaps Doug B could use some encouraging letters, too.

Posted by: seraph|m May 8 2007, 04:49 PM

This, from where I stand, is where the rubber meets the road and is well worth repeating:

QUOTE(shinejoy @ May 8 2007, 04:14 PM)

...i think Danny doesn't trust himself so he can't trust Linda.

Knows he can not be trusted, thus did not/does not trust...

Posted by: princessdi May 8 2007, 04:51 PM

"Spiritual adultery" is only committed against God. It is what the COI were doing each time they went to worshipping ht idols of their neighbors. It does not apply to a marriage. Period. Danny just applied it here, and it worked, because, of course every word that proceedeth out of his mouth is bible. In all the "counseling" sessions talked about with Linda, even with the electronics specialist, they told her to stop talking to the Dr. OR ELSE it would lead to something more, but they never came up with that something more.

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This has probably been covered before, but in Danny's case, from what I understand, it was his perceived loss of control over Linda that drove him up the wall. She was being influenced by someone with an intelligence and wisdom quite a bit beyond Danny's and that was a big threat to him. For someone who appears to be narcissistic and is said by those who have worked with him to be a control freak, it would be unforgivable for the wife to look to anyone else for counsel, especially having to do with his own family.

Posted by: inga May 8 2007, 06:34 PM

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Maggie, thanks for this.

Since women are infamous (i.e. often accused) of "withholding intimacy" (i.e. sex), Doug would be referring to Linda, if he is referring to one of the Sheltons. In that case, he's part of Danny's big cover-up machine. (So sad for Doug.)

Other remarks about 'women friends' and talking on the phone would substantiate that.

IOW, Doug is solidly behind Danny in the husband vs wife issue.

Now, what's in Doug's past life that makes him identify so strongly with Danny? (After all, he wasn't there, so knows nothing first-hand. A minister of the gospel and/or counselor has no business making judgments from hearing only one side of the story.)

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Regarding Doug and the issue at hand - he is not naive, look where he grew up! (a child of show business). I don't know how much he really knows or not. People writing him will not change his mind, I don't think. He will have to find out things on his own. We must be patient with him, and see how things transpire. He is human! So I'm not counting on anything. But I am praying for truth, no matter what that may be.

Posted by: princessdi May 8 2007, 09:04 PM

Where is that derved smiley when I need it?!

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Posted by: princessdi May 8 2007, 09:28 PM

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I wondered why Micah's mother was not mentioned, unless she was no longer alive then?? Not sure.

Posted by: Grith May 8 2007, 09:43 PM

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When Micah died, I looked up his obituary on the internet. One Cal. paper gave both his parents names. Both of DB's wives (former and current) are named Karen. The first Karen had a different last name, so it seems obvious she is remarried.

Posted by: Skyhook May 8 2007, 10:08 PM

I think it would be wise to not jump to any conclusions about DB and his relationship to DS and 3abn. There is more than enough first hand experience, evidence and information to give a fairly accurate picture of the kind of person Danny Shelton is. I don't think we can say the same about Doug. We need to take care that we not start condemning him. As has been pointed out, this is a big deal for the church. Whatever happens can and will reflect on the church. I have no doubt that there is an unseen

struggle going on in the background. Satan would like nothing better than to cause as much damage as he can to the 3abn ministry--and he is successfully using DS and the others to cause it to happen. If he can drag DB and Amazing Facts into it and neutralize them too, he will. My hope and prayers are that God will take control of the affairs at 3abn. It could be that He does this using DB and AF. It may be that the outcome is still uncertain.

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Sorry if I sound preachy. JMHO.

Posted by: roxe May 8 2007, 10:36 PM

QUOTE(Rosyroi @ May 8 2007, 08:08 PM) □

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Posted by: princessdi May 8 2007, 11:11 PM

Wow! Thanks Rosy!

Posted by: Skyhook May 9 2007, 12:47 AM

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Posted by: princessdi May 9 2007, 12:57 AM

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As for his story, you can view it here: http://www.amazingfacts.org/about_us/pastor_doug.asp (this was recorded before his father died.)

A newer version of his testimony
<http://www.dougbatchelor.com/MyTestimony/tabid/60/Default.aspx>

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
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QUOTE

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Posted by: princessdi May 9 2007, 11:48 AM

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Posted by: mozart May 9 2007, 04:07 PM

QUOTE(maggiecttr @ May 8 2007, 11:54 AM) □

OK--I'm back. Nope, nothing about being on the phone with someone of the opposite sex UNLESS that was said during the 2.05 minutes that the feed was blacked out & nature photos/music was inserted by 3abn. (That "blackout" occurred immediately before the part I quoted/transcribed.)

Blessings,
maggie

ok, well that must have been another sermon within those two days. i wasn't sure but it might have been worked into the sabbath school lesson or a sermon they showed after the TCW. i do know that i heard him say that however i wan't paying that close attn. to the whole TCW. just had it on from time to time. none the less, he did say it. i am sure of that. just don't know exactly when.

Thanks maggie than

QUOTE(shinejoy @ May 8 2007, 12:14 PM) □

you know there must be some men that don't have self worth if they can't trust there wifes talking to the opposite sex good grief my husband works in a place where there is woman all over the place and i trust him he even has some friends which don't threaten are relationship abit i have men friends that i talk to which he trust me too. i think Danny doesn't trust himself so he can't trust Linda.

true in all cases where ppl are paranoid about cheating and their own strengths and weaknesses. these folks have control issues. lack of control and the need to control.
i've had friends of the opposite sex for decades. if i wanted them in that manner, i'd have married them. but i married the love of my life and i don't expect anything to change in that sitchiachun.

Posted by: mozart May 9 2007, 04:47 PM

The race issues go both ways folks. this way<---&---> this way. when i lived in northern NM, one thing seemed clear to me. the Mexicans don't like the Indians, and the Indians don't like the Mexicans and neither of them like the Caucasians. There's no point in discussing this in an accusatory fashion. let's either be constructive lest we insult one another and ourselves with our generalities.

I like this: QUOTE FROM pb

I completely agree with you. That small detail, that change in the abundance of the heart needs to come from the right Teacher. If we don't see each other in the same way that Jesus sees each of us we will never truly be one. There will always be something that makes us feel superior or inferior to those around us. Does the Lord love any of us differently due to our color, our weight, our I.Q., our education, our social status, or our sins, etc.? Does He love you any less or more than He loves Danny or me or Aletheia? Does he love those in leadership more than those living in Thompsonville who some classify as racist? Nope, He died equally and completely for every person on Planet Earth.

Posted by: shinejoy May 9 2007, 07:06 PM

i agree with you mozart how sad we have this kind of problem.

Posted by: Fran May 9 2007, 10:39 PM

QUOTE(awesumtenor @ May 9 2007, 09:42 AM)

Or, to put it in the words of Mr. Pascoe, my uber-bigoted 9th grade ancient and medieval history teacher...
" I have nothing against nigras; I think everybody should own a few..."

In His service,
Mr. J

Your post made me rally laugh because it brought to my mind the first time I ever heard the "N" word!

My mother was a saint, mind you. Years ago, I would ride the bus with her. It never mattered to her, but if the seats were full, she and I stood to allow others to sit! Mama always said, "You never know if that person is an angel or not. You must always treat them with respect."

She was talking about "ALL" people. We gave our seats to Whites, Blacks, or Hispanics. It was what Jesus would do! I remember that to this day.

I was 14 before I ever heard the "N" word and someone called me that saying I was a "N" just like the other person was that I had served.

My first job was as a Soda Jerk. The neighborhood Pharmacist hired all of us at one time or another. My turn came. My first screw up was I did not know how to cook a hamburger! I thought that man would never stop screaming at me! (I was a Vegetarian)

Off I went, back to the counter and a really nice black boy came in for a strawberry soda. I asked him about the weather and made small talk while I got down the soda glass and started making the soda. When I finished it, I put the straw in, put the long spoon in the glass, put some napkins on the counter, and told him I hoped I had made it OK.

Armageddon hit! I thought my boss was going to kill that nice boy! Then I changed my mind; he was going to kill me for sure! After about 45 minutes of listening to him get angrier and angrier, he fired my, how can I say this, "posterior"!

I will tell my age over this, but I went home crying! I learned that "N's" had to drink out of different water fountains; That they were always served to go; that their lips were to never touch the stores dishes that served white people!

I have never to this day learned as much as I did that day. Well, I went back home and start by asking mama what a "N" was! Oh boy! Mama grabbed me by the ear and washed my mouth out with soap, and she told me I was to NEVER say that word ever again. I was to have respect and

call them "colored folks"! I never heard that before either! Boy was I confused! I finally explained to mama what happened. She fell on her knees right there with me and asked God and me to forgive her for punishing me before I told her everything.

The lessons my mama taught me were profound! I wish I had never learned what the local pharmacist taught me that day. However, Mama beat him to the draw. She taught me from an earlier age that God is no respecter of persons. Every human is a child of God's and we should treat them as such.

Am I prejudiced? Yes, I "do not" trust men who have never had a mustache or a beard, but all of the sudden starts growing one, but after a few months cuts it off. Ask me! They are hiding something behind that facial hair! I am not talking about Danny or Doug. They have had mustaches for years, but look out if it is new! "You just mark my words," my mama would say!

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered May 10 2007, 12:28 AM

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Fran, I agree with Aletheia that your story touched me today and thank you for sharing it.

Cindy, I know that although many of us here disagree vehemently and often I think we have more in common with each other than we usually remember.

Since we are off topic at the moment and because I think women supporting each other is something we forget about way too often (and the very reason I found BSDA when I heard about a woman I did not even know and the scenario raised many red flags for me), I want to share something a friend that was recently diagnosed with breast cancer sent me today:

To my sisters in the Lord...

- > There comes a time in every woman's life when she has to take a close look at herself. Not at her circumstance, not at what she did, not how unfair life is, or at who made you do it. She has to just look at herself.
- > Have you ever admired a woman who has been through changes in her life? Or have you made up in your mind that she is just messed up. Before you make this mistake, take a closer look. A woman who has endured the most unusual life is someone of wisdom, someone who has been chosen by God to go through things that have made her stronger.
- > Think of all the great women in the Bible: Mary Magdalene, Ruth and Naomi, the woman with an issue of blood, and Esther, to name a few. Mary was a very uneasy woman. But by the time Jesus was done with her, she was His closest follower. Esther was unfortunate in marrying an abusive man, but by the time God was done with her, she had married one of the wealthiest men in the land!
- > Women are so quick to beat the next one down instead of trying to hold her up. Before you wonder, "What's up with her?" ask yourself, "What's up with me?" That woman could be my mother, sister, aunt, in-law, stepmother, niece, grandmother, great-grandmother, neighbor, friend, or co-worker, etc. That woman could be ME.
- >
- > Women are the carriers of life, not the channels of death. Let's build and encourage each other, as did Ruth and Naomi.
- > Encourage and love, forgive and forget, and trust that the woman that receives this will be touched in some way!

Thanks for letting me share my 2 cents today.....

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Posted by: andithomas1 May 10 2007, 06:01 PM

Fran,

I logged in just to say how blessed you were to have a great mother. She was a great example of how a Christian should be. I don't normally post in this part of BSDA, but I was blessed by what you posted

about your mother and was reminded that "our attitude determines our altitude".

Posted by: calvin May 10 2007, 10:53 PM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ May 9 2007, 02:29 AM)

Danny and Doug have race issues? That's a first. It is my understanding that the reason that the little town of T'ville is not friendly about 3abn is because they have hired many african americans as well as hispanics. In a community where there is still a KKK that would make sense.

Let's see, a man of color is head of production, a man of color is the pastor of the T'ville Church, several women of color have worked and do work there (I have seen one on an interview), the Aikens do programming, T Marshall preaches, Wintley Phipps sings, preaches, has done interviews and sits on the board, there are lots of singers of color, Mrs. Lomacang works in the radio department....And all of this in a town that doesn't have one african american resident except for those who are employed at 3abn. mmm...I am failing to see a race issue.

So if Doug wanted to move his church or AF where black people were non existent (your allegation) then all he would have to do is move to T'ville.

I agree Cindy, you are stating the oblivious with your examples. Don't know why folks are giving you the 3rd degree over this. I don't dismiss everything you say as spin, there is enough of that on both sides. Are they watching the same 3abn that I am watching? He also does road shows in Black churches. He does not have to do any of this, Black folks are not his primary financial supports.

My brother Curtis Eakins and I have only had one brief conversation about this whole 3abn ordeal. It is just not a subject of priority to us, we have more things of interest to talk about. Curtis did mention without me asking that Danny does not see color or maybe better term was does not consider color in personal decisions. So i have my first hand information from somebody I have know all by life, a man that I trust, a person of integrity and someone I respect, and close enough to 3abn that would know. Not to mention the evidence that I can see with my own eyes.

Posted by: Eirene May 11 2007, 12:01 AM

QUOTE(seraph|m @ May 9 2007, 02:02 PM)

Is not the Shelton clan (family) from Tville? If so, then it would stand to reason that there may be some association, being from that community, with those who are, let us say less than accepting towards other ethnic groups.

Food for thought:

When a person, of any ethnic group, is working "for or with" someone that does not mean that they do not see that ethnic group as beneath them. Consider, how many "people of color", as you put it, are anything but employed, in one capacity or another, by the Sheltons? Just a thought...

PB, it looks like we posted within a min of each other.

Yes, it seem they could benefit from some "cultural diversity training". But would it matter? I mean doesn't scripture mention "As a man thinketh in his heart" and also, "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh? Anybody can "learn to say the right things" but it's what is in the heart that matters to God. Apparently these folks are missing that small detail.

No Sera, the Sheltons are not from Tville but from the same county. The fact that t'ville doesn't have a chapter of kkk is a moot point because the whole county is geared that way. There are chapters in the

county but they certainly don't publicize it in any way. If, as you suggest, the Shelton's looked upon people of color the way most of the county does, they would have never employed them in the first place much less put them in leadership positions. Then there is the fact that they all socialize away from the work place quite often.

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Posted by: ex3ABNemployee May 11 2007, 12:18 AM

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Assumptive and uninformed.

There are bigots in Franklin County, as there are everywhere, but the "whole county" is NOT "geared that way."

Posted by: princessdi May 11 2007, 12:01 PM

Just four letters Eirene-----EEOC. If Danny, or any company wants to stay out of trouble with them, the they need to at least fill the quota.....as 3ABN has done quite nicely. In Fact, GC did an excellent job of quota filling at the last session by appointing a black woman, sorry two.

Then there is the ratings and support contributions factor. I think we all saw how Shiloh has supported 3ABN at the 10 Comm. Weekend, and in 'on the Road" tapings. This would not be accomplished if there was not at least a basic "representation" in front and behind the cameras. It is often enough for some blacks. However, Danny makes far too many politically incorrect statements regarding race. It shows that the blacks closest to him(JL, AC) have not, in love, corrected him, and have also allowed him to get way with phrases like them "being a credit to their race" and " I like you, you are different from most blacks" It is innate, and he would have to put forth great effort to restrain or at least educate himself. However being in So. IL and large and in charge, he doesn't' put forth the effort. So I do doubt that Danny does not consider color when it comes to 3ABN because he would need to in order to ensure the success of the network. There is one question which needs to be asked, though. How many of these people you say he holds in such high regard are truly his friends, not just part of the 3ABN family, but and extended part of the Shelton Family? Welcome at Family gatherings, etc.? I am sincerely asking, because if you say any number of them then I am wrong, and I don't mind being wrong, especially in this case.

DB, is quite another story. He is more savvy, and subtle, as he would have to be here in Northern Cali, where racism is really not supposed to exist. We know from history that southerners we just up front with theirs, Northerners, show you the house in the "black "neighborhood and make a habit of white flight when too many minorities find theirs. As I said before, you are hard pressed to find a black face in DB church. I know, have have watched his program, and if they are there the camera man rarely catches them. The Sacramento area is growing mainly because the Bay Area Housing is just so expensive. Many from the urban areas who found themselves in a position to buy, have bought there and the surrounding areas. I am a growing number of those minorities have found their way to Sacramento Central, instead of Capitol City(black church). DB and his members are now talking of moving their church.....to an area with.....less minorities. Subtlety is the name of the game here. Now, if you ask them they will have five reasons, except the one that is "understood". Believe me, I am Cali born and bred and fourth Generation Adventist, product of a white conference, I know it when I see it.

In short, and as Clay, AT and Sera have already said, the presence of blacks(minorities) by no means indicates the absence of racism.

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Posted by: daylily May 11 2007, 06:45 PM

All Southerners are not racist :-)

I remember seeing Danny on some on-the road program with Samuel Thomas. Danny made some remark that I immediately interpreted as racist, but he was making a joke. Pastor Thomas had already gone back stage but he came back out, put his arm around Danny and made some comment to let Danny know he had crossed a line. I wish I could remember what they both said but I can't. Danny was rather sheepish.

Posted by: HUGGINS130 May 12 2007, 09:06 AM



Posted by: Noahswife May 12 2007, 09:18 AM

QUOTE(princessdi @ May 11 2007, 01:01 PM) □

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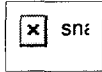
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Posted by: HUGGINS130 May 12 2007, 02:17 PM



Posted by: SandyColorado May 12 2007, 05:49 PM

QUOTE(from-the-pew @ May 8 2007, 08:31 PM)

Exactly. The question, as I understood it, was how many wives **prior** to the current one. The previous wife was mother to three of his five children, including Micah, who died in a freak accident a few years back.

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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered May 12 2007, 06:12 PM

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vell, i'm not even sure if this is worth discussing but he always refers to the 3 younger ones as "our second litter" (with that famous smirk of his). i'm pretty sure there are 6 all together but never have heard him mention another marriage. it doesn't really matter to me unless there is some awful skeleton in his closet which i doubt.

Posted by: roxe May 13 2007, 09:28 PM

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Wife: Car [leyn] this boat chiller (Karen J. (Ensminger) Batchelor) of me

How there's a good moniker for ya, "boat chiller."

Posted by: from-the-pew May 14 2007, 11:25 AM

QUOTE(lurker @ May 14 2007, 11:49 AM)

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Posted by: seraph|m May 14 2007, 12:31 PM

QUOTE(Eirene @ May 11 2007, 03:01 AM)

No Sera, the Sheltons are not from Tville but from the same county...

If, as you suggest, the Shelton's...

Then there is the fact that they all socialize away from the work place quite often.
You need to read the first hand information that Calvin gave. He is correct.

My question was as follows:

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[size=](seraph|m @ May 9 2007, 02:02 PM) *
Is not the Shelton clan (family) from Tville? If so, then...[/size]

Actually Eirene, I did not "suggested" anything. Thus, "you NEED" to work on your reading and comprehension skills and learn to address the questions asked, rather than the ones imagined.

Posted by: SandyColorado May 15 2007, 11:05 AM

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It wasn't on a program. It was a VHS tape that was made at my home church on Christmas Day. He was preaching there. He also had mentioned to our pastor that he was visiting his daughter - that is why he was in town for Christmas.