



"The Fear of the Lord Is The Beginning of Wisdom"

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Several years ago, I remember hearing that a State judge in Shreveport, Louisiana ruled that teaching abstinence cannot be a part of the sex education program for high school students. The reasoning - the judge argued that since abstinence is a religiously based virtue, teaching it in the public schools would violate the separation of church and state.

Are we really to believe that virtue and morality are contaminated because they keep company with religion? Must such virtuous concepts as honesty, kindness, respect for authority, love, tolerance, and a score of other virtues be eliminated from our schools based upon the same reasoning?

Where has wisdom gone? I'm not sure, but I know where it can be found.