The Making of a MASS MURDERER + 2 Timothy 3:1-9



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(2) He has been taught that he is the product of blind chance and mindless evolution, and thus he sees himself here on earth by accident with no real reason or purpose for his existence. He believes that death ends all, and that there is no afterlife and no accountability. He may see himself of little more value than an earthworm.

 \mathbf{X} (3) He is totally confused about basic realities, perhaps not even sure what sex he should identify as.

 \times 4) He is not part of a stable family with a loving and caring Mom and Dad. Often he has no Dad in the home to be a mature model and guide. He never was subjected to healthy discipline and correction by parents concerned about right and wrong.

 \times (5) He was educated in schools that lack discipline, deny moral absolutes, promote a godless curriculum, and fail to teach about the influence of Christianity on the ideals of America.

 \times (6) He is constantly immersed in social media, smart phone use, streaming videos (including pornography), and sometimes violent video games. He spends many hours every day with these things, as he seeks to distract himself from his own lonely and hurting heart. \times (7) His role models are often corrupt Hollywood actors, licentious rock stars, and greedy sports heroes.

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