# Quotes from the fictional Church of the Holy Divine

- Listen children small and tall. Obey your parents. Heed their call.
- Modesty is a young woman's virtue. All skirts should be mid-calf in length and of dark subdued colors. It is our soul that should shine, not our outer clothing.
- Homosexuality is the modern plague, brought to the world by Satan and implemented by his true followers.
- Use every opportunity to help our misguided brothers and sisters here on earth to find God's light and truth.
- Truth lines the path to Heaven. Falsehoods coat the slippery slope to Hell.
- *Makeup is the paint brush of the devil.*
- It's the female's responsibility to dress modestly, to keep men's minds pure.
- I represent Him and His purpose. I will be faithful. I am a youth in God's Army. I represent Him and His purpose. I will be faithful and obedient. I will dress appropriately. I will resist fads of the day. Modesty will be my motto. I will stay morally clean. I will resist the temptations of the flesh. As a youth in God's Army I will study His word. I will be a light for Him at all times and in all places.
- Infant baptisms are a desecration before God. Only when a child has reached the age of accountability and is baptized by full immersion and by those with true authority is this sacred act acceptable before God.
- Obedience is the first law of the gospel. A questioning heart leads to the path of Satan.
- A cheerful countenance bringeth forth miracles.
- *Only the sin of murder is greater than that of the sin of fornication or adultery.*
- Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
- Dating is the first step of courtship. At the age of sixteen it is appropriate for young men and young women to begin dating, preferably in small group outings.

- The body is a sacred temple. It should not be cremated or cut apart. Keep it pure and whole so you may rise with the Just on the Blessed Day of Resurrection.
- Look for situations where you can bring up another person's talents. Make them feel important. Make them feel loved. After you have prepared the soil with friendship and trust, then introduce the seeds of the True and Everlasting Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- And ye who are the true light of Christ shall be the leaven of the earth. Share the gospel of Christ with those around you and the whole earth will rise at His coming.
- Pornography is an evil that will steal all the purity from your soul. Avoid it like the plague.
- Honor thy mother and father that thy days may be long upon the earth.
- Homosexuality is an abomination and plague practiced by followers of Satan.

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#### Jamie's T-shirts

Vegetarians have more fun

If you can't see the forest don't blame the trees

Shoot the breeze not Bambi

Straight but not narrow

Jamie's Bumper Sticker

I brake for Gay rights

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### **Quotes from Authors**

Sometimes the Bible in the hand of one man is worse than a whiskey bottle in the hand of [another]. – Harper Lee (To Kill a Mockingbird)

Any fool can make a rule, any fool will mind it. - Henry David Thoreau

Our inventions are wont to be pretty toys, which distract our attention from serious things. – Henry David Thoreau (Walden)

*Tomorrow we will run faster, stretch out our arms further.* – F. Scott Fitzgerald (*The Great Gatsby*)

When the wild river valley and the wood were bathed in so pure and bright a light as would have waked the dead, if they had been slumbering in their graves, as some suppose. There needs no stronger proof of immortality. All things must live in such a light. O Death, where was thy sting? O Grave, where was thy victory then? – Henry David Thoreau (Walden)

Be curious not judgmental. – Walt Whitman

I cannot be awake for nothing looks to me as it did before. Or else I am awake for the first time and all before had been a mean sleep. – Walt Whitman

Not I--not anyone else, can travel that road for you, you must travel it for yourself.

Walt Whitman

"Fish, I love you and respect you very much. But I will kill you dead before the day ends." – Ernest Hemingway (The Old Man and the Sea)

"There ain't no sin and there ain't no virtue. There's just stuff people do. It's all part of the same thing. . ." I says. "It's love. I love people so much I'm fit to bust."

John Steinbeck (The Grapes of Wrath)

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass or tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Charity suffereth long and is kind, charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself; is not puffed up.

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Charity never faileth, but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether T

For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face; now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known

And now abideith faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. – The Bible

Out beyond the ideas of right doing and wrong doing there is a field. I'll meet you there.

– Ancient Poet Rumi