

Churches breaking sacred silence in a hookup culture

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Breaking a sacred silence in a hookup culture, church leaders are talking about sex with young people as part of a larger effort that includes providing information about health and job programs to combat poverty and hopelessness.

Faith Digest: Presbyterians move toward allowing gay ministers

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The nation's largest Presbyterian denomination- the Presbyterian Church (USA)-has cracked open the door to ordaining noncelibate gay clergy.

Shyamalan movie mixes fear,

faith and fright

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As a moviemaker, M. Night Shyamalan likes to ask the big questions. His new film, *The Happening*, is just his latest to take on questions of science and faith, and the “gaps”—as he puts it—where the two uncomfortably meet.

‘Prince Caspian’ more violent, less virtuous than original, scholars say

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Baylor professor Ralph Wood feels the film lacks the magical quality of its predecessor.

Most evangelicals, Baptists tolerant, even universalist,

survey suggests

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WASHINGTON (ABP) — A massive survey of Americans' religious views shows that Baptists, like the overall population, generally are socially tolerant of other faiths.

Before you get married: Loving your in-laws

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Before you get married: Questions that need answers

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No easy answers dealing with religious, civil dimensions of marriage

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When it comes to pronouncing a couple "husband and wife," how did the government get into the sanctification business? And if the government has a legitimate right to define and regulate marriage, should it also offer incentives to promote healthy marriages?

Legal scholar looks at prohibition on polygamy

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John Witte, a scholar of marriage law and director of the Center for the Study of Law and Religion at Emory Law School in Atlanta, responded to questions about why prosecuting adults for polygamy is so difficult and whether the practice may one day be legalized in the U.S.