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Good, Bad & Tebowing by Triston Jacobsohn, Lander WY, January 2012

Have you heard of the proven way to ensure no godless shows are shown on your TV? It is called the OFF button. It seems that the days of wholesome family TV are long gone – never to return. In China, although we had 40-odd channels, I could always hand the remote to my daughter and walk out without worrying. Here, even though we only have 2 channels and don't watch much after 8pm, I am regularly shocked. And it is not just the TV shows themselves, but also the lewd snippets shown to advertise later shows. My daughter has seen more in the last 6 months than in her entire life before.

Isaiah 5:20 says: *"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil..."* Too many call evil good, and good evil. Take Tim Tebow [the football player] for example. Here is a man who is openly expressing his faith in God. We know that is good, but few media outlets have much good to say about him. He is openly ridiculed and often verbally attacked. Some argue that the media have a right to express opinions. True, but doesn't Tebow? Furthermore, the media can hardly be called balanced. When last – if ever – did the media attack "Lady" Gaga? She is openly opposes God and much of what is good, yet in the media's eyes she can do no wrong. She was even a guest star at the White House New Year's party! Enough said. There is clearly an anti-God agenda at work here.

Tebow is a man standing for right against the pressures of his profession, and the pressures of the media. But, he is just a man. I say this to emphasize that we follow God – not Tebow; but also to emphasize that he is just a man, and needs support. Pray for and encourage him. Pray that Satan will not destroy him and give the media the chance to say, "Told you so!" Pray he will only grow closer to God and shine brighter for Him. Pray also that more will stand for Jesus in all areas of this nation: the media, politics, Hollywood, and right here in this church and in Lander.

And remember: the reason Tebow stands so high, is because he bows so low. *"Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time"* (1 Peter 5:6). -- Triston