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How Society Works: Two Teachers Who Often Clash, Sometimes Seriously

Society has many teachers but the two biggest ones are the state and the church (shorthand for religious practice). When they are fairly well aligned on moral issues society goes smoothly. Continue reading...

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A Portrait of Latino Fathers

Hispanic fathers exhibit many of the traits associated with high levels of father involvement and child well-being, [reports](#) the National Research Center on Hispanic Children and Families.



Fewer Jobs Mean More Out-of-Wedlock Births

The decrease in labor-market opportunities for young men has increased the rate of out-of-wedlock births and single-parent families, [according](#) to researchers at the National Bureau of Economic Researchers.



Same-Sex Marriage and Teen Suicide

Same-sex marriage will likely *not* reduce teen suicide rates in the long run, [according](#) to Mark Regnerus of the University of Texas at Austin. Regnerus unpacks a recent study claiming same-sex marriage laws contributed to a dip in teen suicide, and explains why this study is more limited than the mainstream media will admit.

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