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## IN THE NEWS

### JESSICA SIMPSON HEADED BACK TO SCHOOL?

**N.Y. Post, Dec., 03, 2008** — Jessica Simpson wants to head off to college to study theology—and watching TV was her inspiration. “I’ve been contemplating taking a college course in religion,” the bubblehead told Marie Claire. “I love religion. I remember whenever the book ‘The Da Vinci Code’ came out, the Discovery Channel did this three-night piece on it that I TiVoed and then watched eight times.” We just hope someone advises her not to include that bit in her application letter.

*I do not know why the N.Y. Post called Miss Simpson a “bubblehead,” nor do I know why they didn’t mention that her father is an ordained minister. I read years ago that the father has given up the ministry so that he might help manage the careers of his two daughters; Jessica and Ashley. I do know that Jessica Simpson recalls some charismatic style summer camp meeting where the attendees were told that God had made it clear that someone in that meeting was going to be very famous and well known. If I remember correctly, Jessica Simpson applied that “prophecy” to herself, evidently believing that her Hollywood Career has been a gift of God. We do hope that she understands that the “Da Vinci Code” is blasphemous trash. We also hope she follows up on her wish to study religion and takes courses from a good Christian school and attends a proper church.*

## A HOLIDAY GREETING.

MY FAMILY AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH EACH OF OUR FAITHFUL PEOPLE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS. OUR BEST WISHES ALSO TO THOSE WHO JOIN US OVER THE INTERNET. GOD ALONE KNOWS WHAT THE NEXT YEAR HOLDS—HOWEVER, WE WISH YOU THE BEST FROM HIS PROVIDENTIAL HAND.

SINCERELY IN CHRIST;

*PASTOR CORBETT & FAMILY*

### IOWA COLLEGE BASES MUSICAL ON BIBLE'S 'TERROR' STORIES.

Fox News, Saturday, November 22, 2008-Des Moines, Iowa

“Don’t expect to hear these Bible stories at church. Cannibalism, rape, a bear that mauls children—this is the Bible? They’re among six stories from the Old Testament acted out in “Terror Texts,” a musical at Northwestern College in Orange City. Adding to the shocking nature of the stories are the theatrics, with actors decked out in Goth attire, a rock band and a mosh pit. Theater professor Jeff Barker said the obscurity of the stories belies their value. “We believe we have discovered something that has been lying dormant for many, many centuries,” said Barker, who created and direct “Terror Texts.”

*The irreverence and ignorance of the “professor” belies the stupidity of his “creation.” There are many events recorded in the Bible, well known to every student of the Bible (and faithful congregants who have heard a series of sermons dealing with every story in a Biblical book). This is an old attack that Mr. Barker believes to be his own amazing discovery. Every event in the Bible is not approved of God. I am wondering when the good professor will be acting out the “terror texts” of the Koran that condone the murder of Christians and Jews? By the way, the children mauled by a bear were not toddlers or pre-teens. They were young men (probably in their twenties) who purposely provoked and threatened the prophet Elisha. I would suggest that the professor try reading a good commentary before thinking he has a novel discovery concerning Scripture.*