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Memorandum

To: Trialists

Fr: Curtis Meinert

Re: Turn the TV off

Most of my TV watching is with sound off. Why not? I can only hear half the dialog anyway.
BTW: I have a \$5,000 hearing aid I will sell cheap (three year supply of batteries included).

Before the pandemic my TV watching was mostly infomercials, cooking shows, Forensic Files, and surfing CNN, MSNBC, and Fox.

The evening news during most of our married life was a must, much like Judge Wapner for Rain Man. But no more. Everything you want to know is on the internet and questions you have are for Google.

Now my TV sits dark because I am awash in COVID news, “briefings”, and “updates”.

I could just as well cancel my subscription, but it is too much bother since my internet is also via Comcast. Hooked by Comcast!

For my benefit (and any body else who cares), I have converted “Turn the Radio Off” (performed by ska punk band Reel Big Fish) to “Turn the TV Off” (with apologies to the artists).

Turn the TV off

I hate TV, I hate the scene
I hate movies I don't get
I hate shows with dialog I can't make out
I hate drug commercials with ten reasons to not take the drug -- but take it anyway
'Cause I know TV has sucked out my soul
Turn it off
Turn it off
Turn the TV off
Try thinking for yourself

I hate cable news
I hate breaking news that is two days old
The business is filled with people who thrive on bad news
I'm getting older fast, I hope this anger lasts
So I can have the strength to keep fighting back
Turn it off
Turn it off
Turn the TV off
Don't you know we're turning into zombies
Turn it off
Turn it off

Turn the TV off
Try thinking for yourself
Blah blah blah

Another song about TV
Always complaining that we hate TV
Well it's time to start the...
Turn it off