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The elephant in the room on this piece of journalism is the falsity that there is some sort of honest concern about the welfare of Scientologists in the upper management of the Church. This false concern is very poorly cloaking the true desire for the eradication of the religion.

It is a mistake to consider that Scientology is built around the charisma of the head of its organizations, and that attacking the current head of the Church will bring about its demise. What is not understood is that the bond between Scientologists and their Church is the understanding they gain through their study and application of the literature of Scientology, as written and spoken by its Founder, L. Ron Hubbard. Executives of Scientology are stewards of the religion and it is the shared responsibility of every member of the religion to strive to achieve perfect application of the Founder's technology, whether the technology of organization, of ethics, or of spiritual counseling.

The Founder wisely built into the design of Scientology organizations mechanisms for self-correction. Thus the bad apples either get straightened out, or, if they refuse to straighten out, they are dismissed. So the system worked by resulting in the dismissal of Rathbun and the other abusers.

If not for current society's thirst for sensation, and the concern of some about the positive changes that the religion of Scientology is bringing about, this piece of entertainment would not have occurred.

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