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A Fearful People

This article is a bit different from the ones I usually write, but I have to write it nonetheless, even though it's outside of my "comfort zone". It is meant to both admonish and to encourage all those who read it. And please know this, I too am just a regular "people" just like you, so it's written for my benefit also.

Let's examine a well-known fact and truth that has been used from the beginning of time by wicked men to ensnare and make "willing" slaves out of any people who lack a real faith is the only one that can protect and save us! Namely the God of all creation! The only truly divine and sovereign ruler of all! The one whose ultimate will has, is and will be completely and totally fulfilled according to His word and will. Jehovah God! There is no higher authority, power or magistrate to whom we must all give account! This powerful force used by wicked men doing the will of their god, namely Satan, is none other than **FEAR**!

Through the fear of losing a job, the fear of losing their material belongings, the fear of alienation of friends and family, and the fear of death to name a few. This fact is easily seen all throughout history and is surely present with us today. This factor can be understandable for those who have not had a personal life-changing experience of the "new birth" offered to all who will receive it through the grace and sacrifice of Jesus Christ. But for those who confess Christ as their Saviour, Lord, provider and protector, this evil "phantom" should hold very little sway in their lives. Of course, it's a given that no one "wants" to lose their "stuff" or family or friends. But the unfortunate truth is that at times standing on a conviction from the Word of God will "cost" you! (**Luke 14:28**) Please review the following scriptures to back up what I have stated thus far: **Proverbs 1:33, 3:25, 29:25, Matt. 8:26, II Tim. 1:7, Heb. 2:15, Matt. 10:34-39, Psalms 23:4, Rev. 2:18.**

Now folks, we are not talking about the instinctive fears that we all have in us by our Creator for the preservation of life. Like the fear of falling, dangerous or poisonous animals, etc. But rather "man" instilled fears that are used to control and enslave. Even mentally and spiritually if we allow it!

The current "scare" that is being used to control the mass of people, not only in America but all over the world is of course the corona virus or covid-19.

Now please allow me to make myself clear on one point. The corona virus/covid-19 is a for real type of "flu". And it can and has killed people! But we as a world population have bought into a hyped-up lie! American's did not used to be ignorant enough to buy into this manmade fiasco and outright push for tyranny! We in America have become en masse a universally ignorant people concerning our founding, and more importantly, God's Word! We have become ensnared in a fraud that we will never get totally out of as a society. Our economy is intentionally being destroyed along with what's left of our

freedoms! The whole world has been taken in by this deception! But we as Americans were given so much more in the way of a foundation that provided unheard of freedoms and prosperity. Therefore America will be the harshest judged nation by the Righteous God! (Luke 12:48) and I will add this final comment about ignorance! The blame for this nation's ignorance and therefore destruction lies squarely with the pastors behind the pulpits of all these so-called churches! Ninety five percent of them are, at best, are mostly ignorant of the "whole" counsel of God's Word that covers all issues of our lives here on earth!

(Hosea 4:6-7)

Now for the facts and figures to back what I have stated in this article. Let's list a few facts first. Because of this "flu" called covid-19, many nations have been almost completely shut down. Half of the world's population is on lockdown, 3.9 million people! But I want to talk about our nation where we live. Because of the fear that has been "instilled" into the people 95% of businesses have been shuttered! Many, if not most, of them will never fully recover! And many will never reopen! Unemployment is right now at least 40%. During the "Great Depression" it was only 25%! The markets have already dropped by 30%! And this is just the beginning! States and municipalities are going to go belly up with very little or no tax revenues coming in! The housing market, auto industry, restaurant chains, airlines, trucking companies and the general job providing businesses are going to fail. Or at least we will be crippled for years to come. Even churches are considered to be a "non-essential" entity! Many are voluntarily agreeing to not fellowship in direct disobedience to God's Word in Hebrews 10:25! In fact the government is in a direct violation of Article 1 of the Bill of Rights! But very few know this fact and even fewer really gives a tinker's dam?!

There has been at least one pastor arrested for following God's command over man's dictates in Tampa, Florida! God bless him! What a sorry statement is being made by those who obey man over God who prove how unneeded an unimportant they are to God and their communities! [Acts 5:29] International travel has come to a virtual standstill! State to state travel is being restricted! There are too many more insane and unneeded controls and restrictions to list in this article! Let's move on to some figures.

We won't even try to cover the figures used by so call "experts" have given about what's going on with all this chaos that were proven to be outright lies and cover-ups. Many of these people have been caught changing their statements on several occasions. But here are some solid facts about past flu epidemics when the people in this country weren't such spiritually ignorant cowards. No lockdowns were ever proposed because the government still feared the people enough not to try such an unconstitutional and ungodly tactic.

Every year there is some kind of flu scare to promote and prosper big pharma. Unfounded fear prospers many. Below are listed a few years all the way back to 1918 with the population of the U.S. and the deaths by the then current "flu epidemic". Now please keep in mind that covid-19 is a flu strain! We will start with 2020 and count down from there.

- 2020 -- Pop. 327.2 million -- "seasonal flu" through March 22,000 deaths. Corona virus deaths through March -- 5,343
- 2000 - Pop. 282.2 million -- 69,000 deaths
- 1990 - Pop. 250.1 million -- 92,000 deaths
- 1980 - Pop. 226.5 million -- 79,946 deaths
- 1960 - Pop. 180.7 million -- 97,197 deaths
- 1957 - Pop. 171.98 million -- 116,000 deaths
- From H2N2 - Hong Kong flu, 1918 -- Now pay attention please! Spanish swine flu - Pop. 103,268 million -- deaths 675,000!

The "projected" deaths of corona virus/covid-19 in the U.S. this year is 200,000, out of a population of over 327,000,000! The death rate in 1918 was over THREE times that of corona virus in 2020 and they did not even attempt to shut down society and control the people. Now I will tell you the reasons why they didn't try to implement the police tactics as they are today.

NO. 1 - **Most importantly**, the church still preached somewhat of a non-compromising gospel. The 501c3 controlling tax exemption had not yet been imposed.

NO. 2 - The moral standards and what would be accepted by society was on a much higher plane! Of course, all the evils of society today were committed, but even then they would not be tolerated!

NO. 3 - The people had not become dependent on Caesar (government) to feed them, clothe them, house them and provide medical care for them! An independent people are difficult to enslave for any reason.

NO. 4 - Although the Federal Reserve had been created by this time it had not taken over the money supply or form a fiat currency. Constitutional and Biblical money was still in use. Cash was still king. Credit was almost unheard of. There were no credit cards, direct deposit, debit cards or cell phone transactions.

The nation didn't start falling into the snare and deception of **Jer. 17:5 or Prov. 1:8** until the "planned" collapse of the American economy known as the Great Depression! Then the people gladly started begging and accepting Caesar's handouts. It has gradually and continually gotten worse and worse ever since then and the people love to have it so! **(Jer. 5:31)**

The choice is now **yours**! Will you continue to trust Satan's plan all the way into the beast system right down to the final damning deception. Or will you trust in the only One that can preserve your soul into eternity? **(Proverbs 3:5-7)**

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THE Works OF HIS HANDS

God's marvellous Creation!

The Brainless Genius of the Sponge

Most of us think of sponges as everyday household items. Their softness and absorbency make them versatile tools for cleaning our bodies, floors, and dishes, and for applying paint to our walls. Although the sponges we use today are likely to be made of synthetic materials, for most of human history we harvested our sponges from the oceans—the dried bodies of aquatic invertebrates.

Sponges can be found in marine environments throughout the world, from lakes and rivers to vast oceans, and from warm tropical climates to icy polar regions. They come in various shapes and sizes, with astoundingly vivid colors and intricate structural architecture. The underwater equivalent of flowers, their beauty is truly breathtaking. But although they may look like plants, sponges are members of the animal phylum Porifera ("pore-bearing"). Because sponges are among the simplest of multicellular animals, evolution-based science relegates them to the lowest branch of the animal "family tree." Yet these simple animals are *not so simple*. Sponges are a remarkable example of God's creative brilliance.

Remarkable Structure

Unlike most animals, sponges have no external or internal organs or muscles. They lack circulatory, nervous, and digestive systems. Sponges rely on cellular specialization to perform the functions necessary for life.

Some sponges are soft and fibrous. Others have a more rigid, yet highly flexible, skeletal frame that can withstand powerful ocean currents. Cells called *sclerocytes* secrete calcite or silica strands of varying lengths to form these deceptively delicate

architectural wonders. Researchers are studying sponges' construction techniques to find ways to help human engineers erect "taller, stronger, and more flexible buildings" ("Secrets of Our Ocean Planet: Sponges as Civil Engineers and Pharmacists," *blog.NationalGeographic.org*, April 24, 2018).

The body of a sponge is a hollow, open chamber, with a jelly-like substance called *mesohyl* between inner and outer layers of cells. A thin skin of plate-like cells, *pinacocytes*, forms the outer layer. Cells known as *choanocytes* form the inner layer. Choanocytes have a funnel-like collar covered with sticky hairs, surrounding a central flagellum.

A sponge's outer layer contains many tiny pores, which connect to the inner layer to form a complex network of channels through the *mesohyl*. Choanocytes line the walls of these channels. The flagella of the choanocytes move back and forth in unison, directing the flow of water through the network of canals. The sticky hairs of the choanocytes capture particles of organic matter carried in the water, and mobile *amebocyte* cells engulf and transport these captured bits to other cells within the sponge.

Incredible Cleaning Power

The filter feeding of sponges has a positive impact on the water quality of marine ecosystems. As they feed, sponges clean the water by removing harmful bacteria, pesticides, and in some cases, even heavy metals such as tin and lead.

They do this extremely efficiently and effectively. Sea sponges are known to remove more than 90 percent of the bacteria and organic matter found in the water

Ps. 139:14 Col. 1:16

things of God" (1 Corinthians 2:11). So, how do we receive the Spirit of God? On the day of Pentecost at the beginning of the New Testament Church, the Apostle Peter preached to thousands, proclaiming to his audience, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).

Evolution cannot explain, and often even denies, the existence of spirit—even though the greatest reality is not material existence, but the existence of spirit. We read, "For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal" (2 Corinthians 4:18). The Apostle John also proclaims this truth: "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). Scientists make many wonderful discoveries, but their tools can take them only so far. If God has not opened their minds to understand the things of the Spirit, they cannot spiritually discern the full reality of what He is doing here on the earth. "But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned" (1 Corinthians 2:14).

God's Spiritual Creation

Many who puzzle over the physical creation of the universe are missing out on the most astounding aspect of God's creation. Not only has God created the physical universe, He is creating in human beings the spiritual masterpiece of His creation: His very own holy and righteous character, which becomes the character of humble, yielded, genuine Christians. Not only has God created finely tuned physical law to form the universe, He has given spiritual law to form the character of Christians. Jesus gave the two "great commandments" in Matthew 22:36–39, which magnify the Ten Commandments given in Exodus 20 and Deuteronomy 5. These spiritual laws are just as real as the physical laws that govern the universe.


Philosophers have claimed that God is dead. But many of those philosophers themselves are dead, and God is alive. Psalm 14:1 gives us a clear perspective on that reality: "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'"

Can you prove that God exists? Yes, you can! Not only can you know God exists, but you can "know that you know" that He is alive! How can you have this certainty? Yes, it is good to understand the logical and philosophical points we have considered briefly in this article—properly used, reason and logic are not the enemies of faith. Yet we have seen that much modern "science" hardly deserves that name, as it does not offer us reproducible experiments that can prove or disprove theories such as evolution and intelligent design. However, *you* can perform one vital experiment on your own and examine the results personally. That experiment is found in your Bible: "Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments" (1 John 2:3). You can prove God's existence by living the way of life He has revealed through the Bible and through the Son of God, Jesus Christ. If you do this, you can know for yourself that God is alive and that He rules supreme—not only over the vastness of the universe, but also over the tiniest concerns of our lives (Matthew 10:29–31).

However, you cannot do it halfheartedly and expect to determine the truth of the matter: "But from there you will seek the LORD your God, and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul" (Deuteronomy 4:29). Seek the living God with all your heart and with all your soul, and you *will* find Him!

So, is there a living, caring God who was involved in the creation of the universe and the life within it—and who intervenes in human lives and world events today? Can you refute the critics who say, "God is dead"? Can you prove that God is alive? **Yes, you can!**

That living God wants us to think like He thinks. He wants us to become like Him in nature and character. And so, He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to give us an example of godly life and character, and to save us from our sinful nature. God wants us to be conformed to the loving image and nature of Christ (Romans 8:29).

Darwin's greatest mistake was his banishment of purpose from life. The truth, however, is that you and I were created for a great purpose. Our Creator is not just alive—He wants us to have a relationship with Him for eternity, as part of His very Family! Will you respond to Him? 

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SUGGEST?**

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they process ("Denizens of the Deep: How Sponges Create Important Habitats," Marine Conservation Institute, January 22, 2019). As reported in *Horizon: The EU Research & Innovation Magazine*, "Every day, a sea sponge can filter between two and 20 cubic metres of water per kilogram of body weight, and researchers are studying the possibility of using them on an industrial scale in a process known as *bioremediation*—where organisms are used to remove pollutants" ("The cleaning power of sea sponges," January 6, 2016).

The sponge stores within itself anything removed from the water that is not consumable as food. The jelly-like mesohyl of a sponge is home to a host of live bacteria, viruses, and toxins, making the animal of enormous interest to medical researchers for its pharmacological potential.

Miraculous Regeneration

Laboratories around the world have engaged in a fascinating experiment involving sponges: When they separate the individual cells of a live sponge, they find that the cells will *reassemble* to form one or more smaller sponges. The disassociated cells of a sponge can aggregate and reconstruct its entire body. Sponge cells do not require an assembly order, so a sponge can rapidly regenerate if forcibly separated. If two different species of sponge are put through a sieve together, the separated cells will *sort themselves* and combine only with other cells of the same species.

Given a food-rich environment, individual sponge cells could survive simply by reverting to an amoeba-like

state. However, that is not what they do. They *rebuild*. As they reconstruct the original animal, the cells of these simple animals display knowledge, intent, and the ability to identify other cells as part of the original larger sponge. Amazingly, sponges do this without an apparent means of communication, and despite having neither a brain nor a central nervous system. And scientists do not fully understand the mechanism by which sponges accomplish all of this. Carried somehow within each cell of this "simple" creature are the necessary blueprints and instructions—including knowledge of all the specialized cells and cellular functions required for life—to work with other cells and build *another* complete sponge.

Astounding as this is, there is even more to the sponge's amazing ability to regenerate. Sponge cells—sclerocytes, pinacocytes, choanocytes, amebocytes, and other cells of a sponge—are all *totipotent*. That is, each sponge cell is similar to a stem cell, able to become a different kind of cell. Therefore, sponges can *change* the function of every cell in their body when necessary ("Secrets of Our Ocean Planet: The Not-So-Simple Sea Sponge," *blog.NationalGeographic.org*, April 23, 2018). When strong currents damage it, or a hungry fish bites it, or a part of it is harvested for a bath scrub, the sponge can heal itself—because any cell near the damaged area can take on the cellular specialization of the injured or missing cells.

Made Perfect

Although they are scientifically classified as simple multicellular animals, we can appreciate that sponges are *not so simple*! Their form and structure, their ability to clean their ecosystem, and their miraculous ability to regenerate attest to a complexity far beyond human understanding. These fantastic creatures are ideally suited to their environment and their role. The ingenious perfection on display in the sea sponge cannot be the result of mere chance. It is evidence of a Creator who has planned, designed, and built everything needed to sustain life on this planet.

No wonder King David was inspired to write, "O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions—this great and wide sea, in which are innumerable teeming things, living things both small and great" (Psalm 104:24-25).

—Gary Molnar



Chick-fil-A Quietly Donated \$2,500 To Far-Left Southern Poverty Law Center In 2017

Another "pseudo christian" group compromises for the almighty god, the dollar!



Chick-fil-A made huge waves last month after its [decision to cut charitable funding](#) to the Salvation Army after the organization was slanderously labeled "anti-LGBT."

According to Townhall's Ryan Bomberger, tax records from recent years have revealed [another shocking act of betrayal](#) by the Christian-owned fast food giant: unannounced donations to the Southern Poverty Law Center, a far-left extremist group.

Back in 2012, Chick-fil-A CEO and president Dan Cathy simultaneously earned the praise of conservatives and Christians and the ire of leftists when he confirmed his biblical belief in God's design for marriage.

"[We are] based on biblical principles, asking God and pleading with God to give us wisdom on decisions we make about people and the programs and partnerships we have," Cathy said in an interview with [The Baptist Press](#) at the time. "And He has blessed us."

Just a few days after Cathy's infamous remarks, Floyd Lee Corkins, a pro-LGBT activist, attempted a mass shooting at the Family Research Council's (FRC) D.C. headquarters. Carrying a backpack full of Chick-fil-A sandwiches and 50 rounds of ammunition, Corkins hoped to "kill as many as possible and smear the Chick-Fil-A sandwiches in victims' faces, and kill the guard."

During an [FBI interrogation](#), Corkins admitted that he selected FRC from the SPLC's list of "hate groups" on its website.

SPLC has long been the subject of controversy for its practice of labeling virtually every politically and socially conservative group, including those who disavow the use of violence, as a "hate group." According to their classification, groups like the FRC are right at home on their ["Hate Map"](#) among the Ku Klux Klan and neo-Nazis. The group's classifications, however, have become so dubious that the FBI ceased referencing their "hate group" database years ago.

Just a few years after Cathy's remarks and the attack on FRC, Townhall reports, Chick-fil-A [donated](#) to **SPLC**. On page 11 of the company's 2017 tax forms, we see that it gave the organization \$2,500 for "civic/community programming," even surpassing amounts given to local food banks and shelters.

In a [statement](#) on the shocking discovery, FRC president Tony Perkins urged Christians to repay Chick-fil-A the same treatment they've shown the Salvation Army: taking their money elsewhere:

Tax reports have now exposed Chick-fil-A for funding the anti-Christian Southern Poverty Law Center; an organization linked in federal court to domestic terrorism after their smear campaign of Christian organizations resulted in a shooting in which the gunman planned to smear Chick-fil-A sandwiches in the faces of his victims.

Not only has Chick-fil-A abandoned donations to Christian groups including the Salvation Army, it has donated to one of the most extreme anti-Christian groups in America. Anyone who opposes the SPLC, including many Protestants, Catholics, Jews, Muslims, and traditional conservatives, is slandered and slapped with the 'extremist' label or even worse, their 'hate group' designation. At one point, the SPLC even added Dr. Ben Carson to its 'extremist' list because of his biblical views (and only took him off the list after public outcry).

Seven years ago, a shooter entered our building with the intent to murder as many people as possible and smear a Chick-fil-A sandwich in their faces. The gunman was enraged by the nationwide Chick-fil-A Appreciation Day held two weeks before and used the SPLC's 'hate map' to identify FRC as his target. Despite being seriously wounded, the FRC building manager, Leo Johnson, heroically stopped the gunman. Dan Cathy, nor anyone with Chick-fil-A inquired about the well-being of Mr. Johnson or any of the FRC team members, but they made a donation to the SPLC which was linked in federal court to this act of domestic terrorism. Chick-fil-A has seriously lost their way.

It's time for Christians to find a fast food alternative to Chick-fil-A.

In an attempt to explain away the questionable decision, Chick-fil-A Foundation's Executive Director and VP of Corporate Responsibility Rodney Bullard said, "We don't want our intent and our work to be encumbered by someone else's politics or cultural war. If something gets in the way of our mission, that is something that we are mindful of and cognizant of."

However, according to Townhall, SPLC is just one of several leftist, pro-abortion, and anti-Christian groups funded by Chick-fil-A in 2017 alone. How's that for staying out of the "cultural war"?

Before this revelation, there was still some room for debate as to whether or not a Christian could continue patronizing Chick-fil-A with a clear conscience. Now, it seems the decision is much more straight-forward. Are you done eating at Chick-fil-A?

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Time To Put Americans Back In Charge Of America

Members of the "right" and "alt-right" love to use terms such as "the establishment," "Deep State," "globalists," etc., in describing freedom's political enemies. And, yes, I often use those terms too. For the sake of brevity, I will refer to the above as simply "the ruling class."

Seldom, however, do conservatives identify who actually comprises the ruling class. Typically when using those terms, conservatives are attacking Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton and liberal Democrats in general.

While it is doubtlessly true that many liberal Democrats are pawns of the ruling class, so are many conservative Republicans. The ruling class monopolizes the philosophies, priorities and policies of both major parties in Washington, D.C.

The ruling class has mastered the phony left-right paradigm to perfection. The entire political debate in America centers on the left-right paradigm. If you are a Republican, Democrats are the enemy; if you are a Democrat, Republicans are the enemy. The entire political world revolves around this notion.

It's all a game, a façade, a hoax.

Here's how it works: When the ruling class wants to focus on building a socialist Welfare state, dismantling traditional cultural and religious norms and enacting gun control, it puts liberal Democrats in power. And when it wants to focus on building the Warfare State and creating foreign enemies for the purpose of expanding the "war on terror" and a global surveillance state, it puts conservative Republicans in charge.

And when it comes to accommodating the international bankers (translated: creating and increasing a debt-based economy), both Republicans and Democrats happily play along. The only difference in the economic policies of conservatives and liberals in D.C. is that liberals want to tax and spend, while conservatives want to borrow and spend. But both groups want to SPEND. Neither party cares a tinker's dam about sound money principles or fiscal responsibility. That's why no matter who the president is (including Donald Trump) or which party controls Congress (including Republicans), America's national debt and deficit spending continue to spiral upward.

This also explains why, no matter who the president is (including Donald Trump), the same miscreants wind up in the president's cabinet and administration. Donald Trump's administration looks like Barack Obama's. Obama's administration looked like G.W. Bush's. Bush's looked like Bill

Clinton's, ad infinitum, ad nauseam.

The president doesn't pick his cabinet and administration officials; the ruling class picks them.

Members, former members and fellow travelers of the Local 12 of the Villains, Thieves and Scoundrels Union—otherwise known as the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), Trilateral Commission (TC) and Bilderberg group—litter every presidential administration regardless of political party. Donald Trump is on a pace to surpass both G.W. Bush and Barack Obama in the number of [CFR appointments](#), a mark he will undoubtedly surpass during his second term in office.

But the 800-pound gorilla in every backroom in Washington, D.C., is the Israeli lobby. For all intents and purposes, [Israel and the ruling class are one and the same](#).

[Philip Giraldi astutely writes:](#)

And then there is the problem of Congress itself, which is precisely the institution that has been most corrupted by Israel and Jewish money. Almost thirty years ago, American politician Pat Buchanan described Congress as "Israeli occupied territory." As a result, he was viciously attacked by the mainstream media and the political leadership of both parties, demonstrating beyond all doubt that he was correct in his observation. Today the Israel Lobby in the United States is far more powerful than it was in 1990, so much so that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu actually boasts to his voters that he directs U.S. policy.

Everyone in Washington knows very clearly but will never admit that Israel has seriously corrupted the United States government and its elected officials at all levels. But [Congressman Adam] Schiff did not mention Israel, nor did he express concern that Israel's clearly unsavory involvement with Trump transition team members General Michael Flynn and Jared Kushner was never thoroughly investigated or included in the final Mueller report. One might assume that a deliberate decision was made by some parties in power to avoid embarrassing Israel. Those parties almost certainly included Schiff.

Schiff, who is Jewish, frequently tells audiences about his love for Israel, [sometimes complaining that](#) it is treated unfairly. It might be suggested that if anyone in the government is partial to a foreign power it is Schiff, and that foreign power is Israel, not Russia.

Unfortunately, Schiff is far from unique. Perhaps he and a number of other Congressmen should register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as required by law. Congressmen are not exempt when they work to benefit a foreign nation, though they frequently believe themselves to be not subject to the very laws that they pass. In May, [a letter was sent to the White House](#) with the signatures of 400 [out of 435] congressmen, purely to express America's legislature's solidarity with Israel and to give it a green light

to do whatever it wishes vis-à-vis its neighbors. The letter cites some questionable American interests relating to Syria, but it also mentions Israel no less than 13 times.

And let's not forget that there are over 100 high-ranking members of the U.S. government (that we know about) who are foreign citizens. And guess which country? Right: Israel. [The U.S. government is awash with dual U.S./Israeli citizens](#).

Former Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney has recounted several times her experience in Washington. Here is a portion of her testimony as recorded in [The Atlantic](#):

Press TV: Let us talk about their many reports that talks about the influence of the Israeli lobby, AIPAC on the United States politics in general. Did you experience anything in that realm as far as one would call the interference in American policy by AIPAC?

McKinney: Well, every candidate for Congress at that time had a pledge. They were given a pledge to sign and I was new on the scene and the pledge had Jerusalem as the capital city, the military superiority of Israel...

Press TV: American Congress people have to sign this pledge?

McKinney: Yes, you sign the pledge. If you do not sign the pledge, you do not get money.....

Press TV: I just want to get into this pledge a little bit more. So this is basically something that is mandatory, that every Congressperson has to sign saying that what Jerusalem as you said is the capital of Israel, and what else?

McKinney: You make a commitment that you would vote to support the military superiority of Israel that the economic assistance that Israel wants that you would vote to provide that.

Press TV: ...they are supposed to be representing the people of the United States not a foreign country and yet they have to pledge allegiance to a foreign state? No one questions this?

McKinney: That is what I was asked to do and I made it public.

Cynthia told me in person all of the above and much more. Suffice it to say that the vast majority of the congressmen on Capitol Hill in both parties have sold their congressional votes and their loyalties to the State of Israel.

For years, Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu (corrupt politician and mass murderer) has bragged privately and publicly that Israel controls the United States. [Here is a privately recorded video](#) of Netanyahu bragging about Israel's influence over the U.S. Notice how he mocks the American people for

being so gullible.

Just a few days ago, [Netanyahu again boasted of Israel's control not only of Washington, D.C., but of many U.S. states.](#)

Israeli caretaker prime minister Binyamin Netanyahu, who has been indicted for corruption and is facing an election soon, just boasted that his ministry of strategic affairs has managed to undermine first amendment protections for free speech in the United States by lobbying state legislatures to pass laws forbidding the boycott of Israel.

Gilad Erdan is the head of the ministry of strategic affairs, which has spearheaded the attempt to undermine the US constitution and make criticizing Israeli policy illegal in the United States. This effort is allegedly being [aided by Mossad](#), Israeli intelligence. [Mossad intensively spies](#) on Washington, D.C., and may have compromising information on US politicians.

The American Israel Public Affairs Committee or AIPAC is the main instrument of such Israeli policy pushes in the United States, and has never been forced to register as the agent of a foreign state, as US law requires.

On February 12, 2020, Bibi bragged:

It was also not for nothing that the American administration has taken this step together with us. In recent years, we have promoted laws in most US states, which determine that strong action is to be taken against whoever tries to boycott Israel.

Confirming Israel's intimidation of U.S. State governments, [Journalist Abby Martin](#) is suing the State of Georgia for requiring her to sign an anti-BDS manifesto before allowing her to speak at a college assembly in that State. Imagine, a State of the United States requiring an American journalist to, in essence, swear loyalty to a foreign country as a condition to speak at an American university.

Just recently, [the State of South Dakota](#) became the 28th State to pass an anti-BDS law.

In Texas, [Governor Greg Abbott](#) was recently invited to Israel to receive the *Friends of Zion Award* (the same award was also given to Donald Trump and G.W. Bush). In his acceptance speech Abbott said, "Anybody who is an enemy of Israel is an enemy of Texas."

I thought the governor's oath included fidelity to the United States, NOT a foreign country. When did Greg Abbott take an oath to Israel? And what does he have in mind for the citizens of Texas ("enemies") who engage in their constitutional right to participate in the BDS movement against Israel? Fines? Imprisonment? Torture? Death?

Speaking of Texas, in 2017, [the Houston suburban city of Dickinson](#) refused to provide emergency relief assistance due to Hurricane Harvey to townspeople

who would not sign an anti-BDS declaration:

The form includes a clause headlined "verification not to boycott Israel". It states: "By executing this Agreement below, the Applicant verifies that the Applicant: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement."

Please tell me what pledging loyalty to a foreign country has to do with an American citizen receiving emergency assistance from an American city?

How is this not treason? How is what all of these Israel bought-and-paid-for American politicians are doing not treason?

I bet most Americans are completely unaware (because the Zionist-controlled media in America doesn't tell them) of the way our [U.S. Embassy in Israel](#) turns a blind eye to Israeli atrocities committed against Americans abroad.

One of the principal functions of a United States Embassy overseas is to provide citizen services, which includes coming to the assistance of Americans who are treated badly by the local government. It is a responsibility that most embassies take seriously, with the exception of the facility currently located in Jerusalem. One has to understand that that is so because the United States Embassy in Israel is like no other. In other countries, the American Embassy exists to support American travelers, businesses and a broad range of national interests. In Jerusalem the Embassy exists [to support Israeli interests](#) and to serve as an apologist every time the government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu goes on a killing spree or does something else that is similarly outrageous, to include bombing neighboring Syria every other day.

America's current ambassador, former Trump bankruptcy lawyer David Friedman, has funded Israel's illegal settlements, which did not in any way complicate his confirmation as nearly everyone in Congress and the White House does not believe that [the Palestinians actually are human beings](#). Since taking up his position, [Friedman has defended Israel](#) when its army sharpshooters have shot down scores of unarmed Gazans, including children, and has both praised and endorsed out-and-out theft by the Israeli government in Jerusalem, on the West Bank and the Golan Heights.

What the U.S. Embassy under Friedman will not do is put any real pressure on the Israeli government if its security forces or rampaging settlers kill, beat, maim or torture an American citizen, especially if said citizen happens to be of Palestinian descent. Indeed, Friedman is only the latest manifestation of Israel-first-itis among U.S. Ambassadors, the rot having started inevitably with Bill Clinton, who appointed Australian citizen Martin Indyk as the first Jewish ambassador to Tel Aviv. The two most recent ambassadors, Friedman and Daniel Shapiro, both political appointees, have also been Jewish. Shapiro so enjoyed being an Israeli that he [decided to remain in the country](#) after his appointment as ambassador was completed. He now works for an

Israeli government funded [think tank](#).

The Israeli army and police have in fact killed a number of American citizens without any real pushback from the Department of State or White House. The unwillingness to confront Israel on any level stems from the formidable [Jewish power in the United States](#), which uses money and media control to corrupt the political system at national, state and local levels.

Ask yourself why you have never heard of these American citizens who were either murdered by Israel or who were shot in the head by Israeli troops but miraculously survived:

Rebhi Barakat Kaid, 67, Columbus, Ohio (killed August 1988)
 Rachel Corrie, Washington State (killed March 2003)
 Brian Avery, 24, Albuquerque, New Mexico (shot April 2003)
 Tristan Anderson, 37, Oakland, California (shot March 2009)
 Furkan Do?an, 18, Troy, New York, (killed May 2010)
 Emily Henochowicz, Potomac, Maryland (shot May 2010)
 Orwa Hammad, 14, Louisiana (killed October 2014)
 Mahmoud Shaalan, 16, Florida (killed February 26, 2016)

Of course, these are only a few of the ones whose stories have leaked out.

Oh! And let's not forget the 34 American sailors and Marines who were murdered by the State of Israel on June 8, 1967, when [Israel attacked the USS Liberty](#).

All of these Americans were murdered by the State of Israel and their deaths covered up by the U.S. Embassy, the U.S. State Department and the White House—regardless of whether a Democrat or Republican sat in the Oval Office. And this does not include the thousands of people of all faiths who are routinely tortured by the State of Israel.

The above-referenced article continues:

Inside Israel torture of Palestinians is routine on the grounds of "necessity" and absurd "ticking-bomb" scenarios. The courts and the medical profession aid and abet the practice. Over 1200 complaints regarding [the torture of Palestinians](#) in Israeli prisons have not resulted in even a single indictment of the torturers.

So, killing Americans as well as many others and torturing prisoners are all in a day's work for the Jewish state. What is disgraceful, of course, is the fact that the United States government, which has the power to do something about it, instead chooses to do nothing to stop the bleeding or even to demand inquiries to find out who is to blame. Instead, Washington lavishes money and praise on Israel, reportedly America's best friend and closest ally, while it also avoids looking at the horrors that are evident to most of the rest of the world.

[The John Birch Society](#) deserves credit for having identified the CFR as part of

the ruling class, but few have dared to name the State of Israel.

[Here is a relevant message](#) that I delivered over a year ago that includes pertinent information on both the CFR and Zionist Israel.

If Benjamin Netanyahu knows he controls America, why don't evangelical Christians know? It's because they are bewitched and deceived by the [false doctrines of Christian Zionism](#).

It's time to put Americans back in charge of America.

This Is Not Going To End Well For Evangelicals

Now that the election season is heating up, rational reasoning, constitutional principles and spiritual convictions are in deep hibernation. For that matter, they have been in deep hibernation ever since Donald Trump was elected president.

On my [Facebook page](#) this week, I wrote:

If conservatives and Christians were as faithful to the principles contained in our Constitution and Bill of Rights when Republicans are in the White House as they are when Democrats are in the White House, I would have some respect for them—and I would be singing a much different tune. Until that time comes, however, my songs will stay in the minor key.

Such an "if" is mere fantasy. And the deeper we get into the election cycle, the deeper rational reasoning, constitutional principles and spiritual convictions plunge into hibernation. The phony left-right, conservative-liberal, Republican-Democrat paradigm trumps (no pun intended) everything else—and I mean everything.

As I said in my Facebook post, had Christians and conservatives shown any kind of consistent convictions over the past three years, this column would have a much different tone. A vote for Donald Trump in 2016 based on his rhetoric is understandable. It's what people who voted for Trump's rhetoric are willing to tolerate from Trump's actions that is unforgivable.

The only time Christians and conservatives (on the whole) care a whit about Christian convictions and constitutional principles is when a Democrat is in office. Put a Republican in the White House—especially Donald Trump—and Christian convictions and constitutional principles go to mush.

And there is absolutely no use in arguing truth, history, facts, Biblical teaching, constitutional fidelity or anything else. Supporting Donald Trump is more important than all of the above. He is more important than the Constitution; more important than the Bible; more important than Natural Law; more important than the rule of law. He is the most important man—the most important thing—in the universe.

To millions of evangelicals, we are doomed if Trump loses the election. There is no hope if Trump loses the election. To them, our entire future depends on Trump not losing the election.

Evangelical Christians will support Donald Trump no matter what, and that's a fact. When [Trump said he could stand in the middle of 5th Avenue and shoot someone and not lose any voters](#), he was talking about evangelical Christians.

I'm convinced that if Donald Trump declared martial law, suspended the Constitution and declared himself Caesar, most evangelicals would shout, "Praise the Lord!" If he sent the U.S. military to round up his critics and incarcerate them for life—or even murder them—most evangelicals would shout, "Hallelujah!" Short of arming Iran and leading them in an attack against Israel, I am convinced there is nothing Donald Trump could do to lose their support. Absolutely nothing!

Trump's support for the life of unborn babies is all talk. His support for the Second Amendment is all talk. His support for religious liberty is all talk. And still evangelicals support him.

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Trump has appointed an open sexual pervert to the highest government office in U.S. history. He has exploded deficit spending and the national debt to the highest levels in U.S. history. He signed the USMCA, which is a total sellout of U.S. sovereignty—NAFTA on steroids. He has run roughshod over the Constitution and the rule of law.

He governs with brute force, fear and intimidation. He repeatedly blasphemes the name of God. He lavishes praise on every two-bit dictator and tyrant in the world. He spends over one hundred million taxpayer dollars on his own personal golf resorts—spending one out of every five days of his time in office playing golf on the taxpayer nickel. And still evangelicals support him.

Trump has expanded the "war on terror" beyond any of his predecessors. He drops a bomb somewhere in the world every 12 minutes. He has dropped more bombs than both G.W. Bush and Barack Obama (almost 200,000 by the end of this year), murdering tens of thousands of innocent people. He has transformed the definition of patriotism into racial and religious bigotry. He is on a pace to appoint more CFR swamp creatures to his administration than either G.W. Bush or Barack Obama. And still evangelicals support him.

I could go on and on and on and on, but it doesn't matter. It just doesn't matter.

To a majority of evangelical Christians, Donald Trump—and the State of Israel—are idols. Yes, I'm saying it: Millions of evangelical Christians are practicing idolaters.

I urge readers to [watch my short video exposing the great evil of idolatry](#)—which in the Bible is spiritual adultery.

Susan Wright said it so well:

In the age of Trump, running across these stories of absurdity and borderline blasphemy have become the norm, I'm sad to say. The fervor surrounding this unrepentant adulterer and cheater of orphans, widows, and veterans matches the unrestrained worship seen through the years in various cults and sects around the world.

What makes it equally disgusting is that once-respected Christian leaders have gone all in to back this man, putting their reputations and their witness on the line, for the glory of Trump. They've forgotten the first calling of a Christian – to go out into the world and be a light, winning souls to the Kingdom of God – because they've made winning elections and the pursuit of political power more important.

Let me reiterate this point: Trump is an abusive, profane, selfish, and in every way, **ungodly** man. His heart is far from God, and no matter how he courts evangelicals for their vote, only true repentance will save him. Not being surrounded by religious "leaders" of dubious character and intent. They lavish him with undue praise and admiration, but nowhere do they call out his abuse or profanity. At no time do they put Jesus' teachings of such things, above standing on their partisan platform. And why are they so cowardly, when faced with an opportunity to minister to this man, thereby impressing on a dark world the need and availability of salvation for all?

Because to do so would cause them to be cast out from his inner circle and away from that access to political power.

Amen, Susan!

Make no mistake about it: Barring some kind of national catastrophe (and, no, the Coronavirus is NOT it—all the fearmongering and media hype notwithstanding), Donald Trump is going to win re-election. It doesn't matter who the Democrat nominee turns out to be: Trump is going to win.

The ruling class has brilliantly maneuvered the Democrat Party into the hands of radical leftist extremists that make even an amoral, warmongering, philandering, narcissistic, blasphemous ego-maniac look good by comparison.

Speaking of which, consider the irony of this: Michael Bloomberg is a New York billionaire Republican running as a Democrat against Donald Trump, a New York billionaire Democrat running as a Republican. You just can't make this stuff up.

You must hand it to the ruling class. Pulling this off was sheer genius.

I've been cussed out by hundreds of good Trump-worshipping "Christians." I've been consigned to hell by hundreds of good Trump-worshipping "Christians." I've had several death threats from good Trump-worshipping "Christians." I've had scores of good Trump-worshipping so-called friends turn against me.



I am now totally immune to it. If I lose everything over my truth-telling, it's fine with me. It's never been about popularity or wealth with me. NEVER!

If the day comes when there is no longer enough support for truth to sustain my work, I will walk away with a clear conscience and a heart full of thanksgiving to God for giving me the strength to faithfully stand. And I mean that from the depth of my soul.

As I say in [the video I'm urging you to watch](#), this is not going to end well for evangelicals.

Almighty God is angry with the way His bride, the Church, has run off with the orange-haired whoremonger and his cabal of Zionist warmongers. It didn't end well for Old Testament Israel when they played the harlot with idols; and it won't end well for evangelicals either.

Mark my words: The time will come when evangelicals will rue the day they ever heard of Donald Trump—especially the televangelists who prostituted their pulpits for this psychopath.

Trump's re-election notwithstanding, this is not going to end well for evangelicals.

P.S. Again, I urge readers to [watch my short video entitled *God's Divorce From Israel*](#). It shows the tragic truth of how evangelical Christians are repeating the iniquity of Old Testament Israel by playing the harlot with idols.

Break Up Your Fallow Ground

By D.F. Lein

Hosea was a prophet to the nation of Israel, who was called to prophecy to them prior to their fall and captivity to the Assyrians. God called Hosea to take a harlot wife, Gomer, to exemplify the relationship between God and His people. In short, in the same way Gomer was unfaithful to Hosea, the nation and people of Israel were unfaithful to the Lord. They worshipped idols, although God had always declared to His people to have no gods before me (Exodus 20:3).

A warning of judgment was given by Hosea to return unto the Lord their God. We have the same situation today in the world, and in America, among God's self-proclaimed people, those claiming the name of Jesus Christ. Their lives are full of idols of many various forms, and judgment looms. They that have eyes to see can see it. Those whose eyes are blinded by their own idolatry are at ease in Zion.

Just as the prophet Hosea boldly proclaimed **"Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the Lord, till he come and rain righteousness upon you. Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men."** (Hosea 10:12-13).

Christians in America have plowed wickedness. We have tolerated wickedness, because it is easier to tolerate it than to fight it. We have redefined love to mean acceptance of evil, and indifference to it. The American church – comprised of both pastors AND individual Christians – does not want to threaten its "standing" in the community, or be stigmatized as "weird", or even worse, "hateful". We fail to speak out, we fail to take a stand for righteousness. Oh, we're big on "good works", feeding and clothing the poor, and many charitable outreaches that make the church "acceptable" in the eyes of the world. But calling all to repent of their sins (continually) and turn to the Lord Jesus Christ from sin and idols to serve the Living and True God, that's too controversial and exclusive. It's too offensive, and we've become a sick, anemic, non-offensive lukewarm imitation of the real thing! The church, *ekklesia* in the Greek, means

"called out ones". As Christians, we are called out of this world – its beliefs, its morals, its fashions, its loves, its lifestyles, its ways, and its sins. But, we have plowed in wickedness!



We need *true* prophets of God today who believe the Bible as their sole authority, and will declare without mixture **"Break Up Your Fallow Ground, for it is time to seek the Lord."** Such prophets are not focused on themselves, and have already gotten the idols out of their own lives. They are no longer glued to this world and its passions. They do not make excuses for sin, and give exceptions to their calling, but are sold out to His truth. They name the names of false prophets, as did Jeremiah and Paul, and they warn the people to repent of following fake, false teachers. They declare separation for the true church of the Lord Jesus Christ, and a holy walk, not a half-committed compromise. Because a half commitment is NO commitment. Would you

settle for a half-committed marriage, where faithfulness was sporadic, or where there was outward faithfulness, but inwardly the heart just wasn't in it for real? That is painful. And that is the kind of pain Hosea experienced, a wife that was not faithful. As a result, he knew firsthand how God felt with an unfaithful people. It makes me wonder, Do we even care how God feels, how we treat Him? Why is it always about what He has done for us, as if we are a bunch of spoiled brat children who don't truly appreciate all that God HAS done and IS doing, and WILL do in the future? But we always want more blessing, while continuing to be stingy with the lives He has redeemed for us already. God wants our full complete lives – full surrender. He wants us to truly love Him for who He is. He is a jealous God, and will not tolerate other gods before him. The lives of the vast majority of believers in America have let the fields of their lives go fallow. Weeds have sprung up and replaced the fruit. There can be no harvest because we have plowed wickedness. Let him who has ears to hear – hear.

Men and women no longer seek out true preaching, they want their ears to be tickled by false soothsayers speaking a man-centered message. The great preachers of yesteryear would not recognize this diluted people-pleasing "gospel" – which is no gospel at all, but is an accursed thing. The sin, filth, and depravity of the so-called Christian church in America is a sickening thing. And yet, the people love to have it so!

God showered blessing and prosperity on Israel, and yet they did not honor Him and obey Him. Thus, Hosea warned of judgment. God has always showered uncalculated blessings on America, and yet the Christians and non-Christians alike are smugly convinced it's their birthright! **"I spoke unto thee in thy prosperity; but thou saidst, I will not hear. This hath been thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice. The wind shall eat up all thy pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness."** (Jeremiah 22:21-22).

Weeds of indifference mark the Christian church in America. How do I know? Look at the fruit! It's the fruit (the weeds) and indifference to sin, and even the embracing of sin! Listen! God has saved us from Hell (if indeed we are truly His), and yet we take that as a light thing, as if that was just Jesus' unfortunate job He had to do. Our ingratitude is measured to the degree in which we resist submitting to God's rule in our lives. Yes, He is Lord of Lords and King of Kings! We don't *make* Jesus Lord of our lives – He IS Lord!

The Christian church in America makes provision for the flesh. It makes excuses, and complains to God that His ways are too harsh. Some, unbelievably, are even *angry* at God. *Angry at God!?!?* Each one of us deserves nothing less than eternal torment in Hell. God, in His love, compassion, mercy – and Sovereignty – paid an unbelievable sacrifice to save us from that torment, if we are willing to turn from our sins and surrender to Jesus Christ as rightful ruler

over our lives. And some are *angry* with God? How much does one have to love themselves for that wickedness to occur in the heart? Jesus Christ is the true and rightful ruler of our lives. Rules are laws – His laws. Yes, we are under Christ's laws, His sovereign rulership over our lives. We are not under man's made up laws and threats and coercions and lies. But under the Holy Scriptures – God's precepts for our lives. **"If you love Me, keep My commandments"**.



The indifference to sin -- the lack of tears, sorrow, and brokenness over the wickedness all around us -- speaks of a cold heart towards the things of God. We don't wish to rock the boat. We wish to hold on selfishly to this world and its acceptance with a clenched fist. Yet, the Lord Jesus Christ said otherwise. He declared in John 17:14-16 **"I have given them thy word: and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world."**

That's not my opinion or the wistful imaginations of my heart. That's Jesus speaking! He says we are NOT of the world! Yet, my question is, why are we enamored with the world then, when Jesus says we are not to be? Could we be suffering from a delusion of identify, such as was the Church of Laodicea, who thought they were doing just fine when God said they were bankrupt?

It is time to break up our fallow ground! It is time to stop loving the things that God hates! The thought of so-called Christian churches not only tolerating, but embracing the LGBT agenda into their congregations is an abomination to a Holy God. These people need to be warned, not made to feel welcomed "as they are". Netflix produced and aired a program about a homosexual Jesus, and the Church remains largely indifferent. Multitudes of Christians are wasting precious hours before television programming, because while true believers in other nations around the world are suffering some of the most horrendous persecution imaginable for being a believer, we feel we are entitled to be entertained. And then there is the obsession with video games – while the world goes to Hell! God has showered untold blessings on us here in America – physically, financially, and most importantly *spiritually* – and yet so many whine and complain about how hard it is, and have the nerve to be angry at God? Grow up mister! Grow up madam!

God's ways are too hard? You need a circumcision of the heart! You need to repent of selfishness, and thinking you are your own god. You're not! God is! We've got it all backwards in this culture. God said to honor our mother and father, and to bring up our children in the way they should go (God's ways). Yet, by and large, many in fact are resentful of their parents and in fact baby their kids, bringing up their children in the ways the *child* wishes to go! Let him who has ears to hear – hear!

We need to break up the fallow ground of false teaching and doctrine! Many deride doctrine as divisive, where as the Bible declares over and over again to be faithful to correct Bible doctrine – Scriptural teaching. Yet, so many are taken in by "experiences" and "stories" and "dreams, and visions and wonders" that are sensational in nature, but go against Bible doctrine. They feel their experiences are more valid than the Rock of God's Holy Word. They act as if the Holy Spirit didn't exist until Azusa Street in 1906. These are arrogant manipulators of the flock of God, and they that follow their pernicious ways will end in destruction. False teachers and embarrassing spoiled brat mega-teachers are like plagues of locusts over this land. The whole health-and-wealth crowd embodied in the TBN television network is part of the false teachers Paul warns about in 1st Timothy 4 – seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. "My people perish for lack of knowledge." Paul Crouch, Kenneth Copeland, Kenneth Hagin, Bennie Hinn, Paula White, Fred

Price, Charles Capps, Oral Roberts, etc. play on the emotions of the crowd and live like royalty as a result. **"And the people love to have it so!"**

Then there's the New Apostolic Reformation with all their lying signs and wonders, which are spearheaded by Hillsong, Bethel Redding, and the laughing revivals and self-declared prophets that are ripe to embrace the one-world religion and the antichrist.

Then there is the new social justice gospel, that is sounding more like the Communist Manifesto than the Biblical Gospel of Jesus Christ. Don't forget the deceptions of the seeker-sensitive movement, lead by Rick Warren (Saddleback) and Bill Hybels (Willowcreek). Out of that abomination came further apostasy in the form of the Emergent Church.

Pastors, preachers, and Christian leaders that don't warn about these things, just don't care, I'm convinced of it. They are hirelings, and are feeding the sheep what they want to hear. But while the pastors are to blame, that does not leave the sheep off the hook. We are to study to show ourselves approved, and that means Bible reading and study – not our subjective experiences. Biblical discernment comes from Bible study. There is more life in one single Scripture verse of that Bible than all the so-called dreams, visions, and experiences anyone has ever had since the Bible was completed. The Word of God is our guide, not some person or experience!

We need prophets that don't have an authority complex to humbly serve and warn the people to **Break Up Your Fallow Ground!** Repent of sin! Repent of complacency! Repent of false teachers! Repent of not telling people the truth to preserve a relationship! This is no joke! This is God's warning to us from His Word!

I recently wrote a letter to an evangelist I admire and signed my name with a Scripture reference. I meant to write Hosea 10:12, referring to the Fallow Ground text. I mistakenly wrote Hosea 8:12. Later, when I realized the mistaken reference, I looked it up. Hosea 8:12 says **"I have written to him the great things of my law, but they were counted as a strange thing."** How descriptive of the very condition of Christians and churches in America today. He has given us His precious Word – His law, His ways, His commandments, His precepts. And He has commanded us to follow them and obey them. But we brush them aside as if they were just "good advice" on how to have a better, more prosperous, more successful life! We've become indifferent to sin and righteousness. We are wrapped up in ourselves and protecting our own. We need an awakening. A Great Awakening. An awakening from the dead. We need to be stirred to righteousness, not to immaturity and silliness and thinking God is our bellhop. We need to Break Up Our Fallow Ground, for it is time – it is way past time -- to seek the Lord! I encourage and plead with any who hear or read this message to take it seriously, and cry out to Almighty God for forgiveness, for renewal, and for repentance – and then get serious about obeying the Lord Jesus Christ. Get serious about your life and take action to be surrendered to Christ's cause! **Break Up Your Fallow Ground!**

Dear friends,

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So many churches across America are closed now, and have been for three weeks. Perhaps even **your own church** has shut its doors. I am forwarding this article not only to **encourage you**, but also in hope that you will forward it to others, **especially pastors**, to encourage (and perhaps even challenge) them as well.

If this is still the United States of America, the state has **no legal authority** to shut down churches. In fact, while we have heard of some threats, I have not heard of **any** churches that have been shut down by the government; the churches, shamefully, have **VOLUNTARILY** closed their doors in fear of what they think **might** happen.

We think it is a **crying shame** that God's House is closed to the public and closed to its own congregations at a time when God's people need to get together **MORE THAN EVER**.



"We are all born ignorant, but one must work very hard to remain stupid!"

**~Benjamin Franklin
(1706-1790)**

This is a **MUST READ**, so read it, please.

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KrisAnne Hall: Coronavirus Or No Coronavirus, Feds Cannot Shut Down Churches

A bloody path was trod to bring religious freedom to modern America. Christian martyrs and patriots secured our God-given right to freedom of religion with their suffering and even with their lives.

Religious freedom in America is not simply a fundamental right, but a foundational one. The settlements of the first American colonies were established in the flight from oppressive religious persecution and the struggle continued even on these shores. From the beating of Obadiah Holmes, the lynching of Quakers and the imprisonment of 50 Baptist preachers who were defended by a fiery attorney named Patrick Henry, religious liberty has been something American Christians have always been willing to stand for or even to die for.

This history and more gave us our First Amendment to the Constitution and its underlying principle of religious conscience, which has been part of the bedrock of our republic for more than two centuries.

The “Father of the Constitution” and fourth President James Madison wrote in 1792, “Conscience is the most sacred of all property ... the exercise of that, being a natural and unalienable right. To guard a man’s house as his castle, to pay public and enforce private debts with the most exact faith, can give no title to invade a man’s conscience which is more sacred than his castle.”

Indeed prohibitions upon the government’s authority to infringe, limit or dictate the [operation of the church](#) had been codified in western law long before the settlement of American colonies.

Many American Christians have heard of Thomas Jefferson’s famous letter to the Danbury Baptists ensuring them that America would never return to a time where the government sought to dictate the operations of the church. But long before 1802, Jefferson’s “wall of separation of

church and state” that kept government outside the sacred walls of the church was one alluded to by King Henry I in the 1100 Charter of Liberties.

Henry declared the body of the church to be free from government intrusions. Two centuries later, one of the tipping points in the fight that brought us Magna Carta was the crown’s attempt to interfere in the free operation of the church. This charter history of our founding documents continued its development through the Grand Remonstrance of 1641 and the English Bill of Rights of 1689 under which our founders arrived in this New World.

Each of these installments, which would later culminate in our founding documents; all happened amid the fight for religious liberty.

However, even with the clear language of our [First Amendment](#) and the history that should inform our actions, the struggle to maintain this essential right from the control of government continues to this day. Modern lawmakers like to carve out excuses and causes for government intrusions into our inherent rights when some imagined need arises.

William Pitt, The Younger, warned in 1783, “Necessity is the plea for every infringement of human freedom. It is the argument of tyrants. It is the creed of slaves.”

Necessity seems to always be the most powerful tool to persuade the masses into accepting these infringements. Today, because of the [coronavirus scare](#), religious liberty is facing a huge “necessity plea” in the form of limits upon assembly. At least one church has been descended upon by police and threatened with the National Guard for having more than 250 people attend.

According to the courts, a law that infringes upon a fundamental right like freedom of religion must overcome certain challenges: The law must not be arbitrary, oppressive, or unreasonable. The law must be equally applied to secular businesses and it must satisfy a qualification of being the least restrictive means necessary to accomplish a compelling governmental interest.

The restrictions imposed by governors and municipalities upon the number of people who can assemble in a private church gathering appears to fail these tests.

First, these numerical restrictions are completely arbitrary in nature. There has been no tested nor proven scientific or medical data to show us what “number” of people that congregate together are a danger to society. The number has varied from place to place and moment by moment. Somewhere it’s 50, other places its 10 and there are still other variations.

When politicians assign an “acceptable” number of people allowed in a private church, they are reducing our right to freedom of religion to a first come, first served privilege. Our first foundational document reads: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights.” The government deciding who can attend a service by way of a numerical limit does not demonstrate an equality of rights and ought to be seen as a per se violation of the principle of separation of church and state.

Secondly, these laws are not being applied equally upon secular businesses and other institutions. When arbitrary number limits are applied to a church and not to a library, post office, grocery store or hotel gym, there is not equal application.

These laws try to justify unequal application based upon the definition of [essential services](#). By what authority does the government declare the church nonessential? The Church is a place where people turn for help and for comfort in a climate of fear and uncertainty. In a time of crisis, people are fearful and in need of comfort and community, more than ever before. Even people who do not attend church regularly, or perhaps never go to church, need to know that there is somewhere for them to go when they need help.

Throughout history, the church has been viewed as an essential part of society, a refuge in time of trouble or need, a place of peace and a sanctuary for the weary, even a place of healing and provision. More salient for believers is that the Bible pointedly addresses the issue of assembling during troubled times: “not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” (Heb. 10:25, ESV) Many in the church take this as a solemn command.

To deny a Christian his obligation to gather with his local body is to put him at odds with a fundamental tenet of the faith. For a believer in Christ there are few things as essential as the gathering of the body of Christ in the study of God’s Word and worship of His Glory. As a matter of fact, the Bible teaches that since we are eternal beings in this temporary world, God’s word is more essential than food: “But he answered, ‘It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”’” (Mt. 4:4, ESV)

When those in government can assign a label of nonessential to the [practice of religion](#), then government is taking a very serious and dangerous role of defining religion, which is expressly forbidden in our Bill of Rights and in a majority of our state constitutions.

Finally, these restrictions are not reasonable and not the least restrictive means necessary. The case law used to define reasonableness in these laws are easily distinguishable. In *Moore v. Draper*, the court held that Moore could be quarantined and prevented from attending church because he had Tuberculosis. The court also said that once he was healthy he could no longer be reasonably or legally quarantined and prevented from attending church.

The current laws restricting the number of attendees of a church are not restrictions on one unhealthy individual. They are restrictions upon a group of healthy people, which the court said would be unreasonable.

Additionally, the court did not order the entire church to be shut down to keep Moore healthy, which is exactly what these laws are trying to suggest is a reasonable and constitutional solution.

Limiting an entire congregation of people for the safety of those who may be at risk of infection does not meet the standard of *Moore*, nor can it be seen as the least restrictive means necessary. The case of *Varholc v. Sweat* can be distinguishable for the same reasons as *Moore*.

Finally, in *Employment Division vs. Smith*, the court held that the outlawed use of peyote is not an unreasonable interference upon freedom of religion as it was a “neutral, generally applicable law.” Because the current restrictions upon church assemblies are not generally applicable to every place where people will congregate, this case is not controlling.

Although it is argued the “protection of the public health is one of the prime duties resting upon the State” we cannot escape the reality that the first prime duty of every state is codified in the [Declaration of Independence](#): “... that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.”

There is nothing in the law or precedent to establish a blanket and arbitrary assertion of “[state of emergency](#)” as an unquestionable authority.

There is also nothing in the law or precedent to support a restriction on the number of people who can assemble in a church, for health reasons or otherwise, as a criterion for denying the essential right of freedom of religion.

There is, however, everything in history and experience that says such actions by government are unreasonable and oppressive restrictions upon the essential and inherent right of [freedom of religion](#).

Rev. Jonathan Witherspoon, founder of Princeton University gave this warning: "There is not a single instance in history in which civil liberty was lost, and religious liberty preserved entire."

Indeed, when Peter and the apostles were told by law not to gather, preach or lay hands on the sick for God to grant them healing on threat of prison, they chose to continue to practice their faith. After they escaped from prison and were told by God to go back and assemble with the people and preach and heal, they did exactly that.

And when they were questioned by the government as to why they continued to break this law, the apostles did not hesitate or make excuse, they simply said, "We must obey God rather than men." (Acts 5:29, ESV)

True to the history that makes America great, our pastors and church members should not so easily surrender a fundamental rights so faithfully contended for by those who have gone before.

Who will stand and not let the landmarks be moved?

So I was at Walmart earlier

A lady was looking at frozen turkeys, but she couldn't find one big enough.

She asked the stock boy, "do these turkeys get any bigger?"

He replied with a straight face, "No ma'am, they're dead."

Made my week

Christianophobia is on the Rise

April 13, 2020 by Jon Watkins

They have a name, a Phobia, for everything! What in the world is Christianophobia

It means "fear of Christians" but I don't think that is the problem. It is really a fear of the Truth. The truth being those who hate and persecute Christians have a fear of Jesus Christ because, deep down, they KNOW he is King of kings and Lord of lords. They Know they are headed to [Hell](#) and that is what they are afraid of!

Watch the great preaching at the end of this article. The Accelerating Persecution of Christianity is NOW Underway!

[Got Questions](#) – The word Christianophobia literally means "fear of Christians." But, just as very few people are genuinely afraid of homosexuals (the literal meaning of homophobia), so are very few people actually fearful of Christians. Usually, Christianophobia refers to the state of being hateful or spiteful to Christians. A Christianophobe hates or despises Christians and/or what they stand for.

The existence of Christianophobia should not be surprising. Jesus Himself predicted the world's hatred for Christians: "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you" ([John 15:18–19](#)).

Christians are called not to conform to the world but to be transformed into the image of Christ ([Romans 8:29](#) [Romans 12:1–2](#)). The unbelieving world hates what it does not understand and, therefore, will hate those who follow Christ.

Few would admit an actual emotional hatred for Christians. And, admittedly, the hatred that Christians endure in most of the world is relatively mild. But the Christianophobia in the world today is simply a foretaste of what is to come. As the world increasingly turns away from God, the hatred of God's people will increase exponentially.

Examples of Christianophobia in the world today:

(1) In much of the Muslim world, Christians are subject to extreme persecution. In many instances, the choice is to convert to Islam, flee, or die.

(2) In much of the Western world, Christians are looked down upon, mocked or ridiculed, and marginalized.

(3) It is becoming clear that Christians who desire to live by their convictions will be ineligible for certain careers. For example, opposition to gay marriage is absolutely a biblical position. If a Christian stands firm in biblical convictions, any career that might possibly touch gay marriage is becoming off limits. Christian bakers, florists, venue owners, and government officials are being fined and even jailed for attempting to live by biblical convictions.

(4) Christian beliefs are being presented in an extremely biased manner. A belief that [homosexuality](#) is sinful is presented as hatred for homosexuals. A belief that [abortion](#) is wrong is portrayed as hatred for women. Christians proclaiming the biblical way of [salvation](#) are declared to be intolerant, even hostile, toward other beliefs. Christians desiring to train their children in a biblical worldview are seen as guilty of brainwashing.

Christianophobia is real, it is increasing, and, according to the Bible, it will get much worse as the end times approach. Ultimately, Christianophobia is satanically

driven. [Satan](#) hates God, and, as the “god” of this world, he controls the evil world system that hates God and His followers ([2nd Corinthians 4:4](#)). Thankfully, Christians have nothing to fear. Followers of Christ are overcomers ([Romans 8:37](#)). Greater is He (God) who is in us (Christians) than he ([Satan](#)) who is in the world ([1st John 4:4](#)).

Have You Noticed How Much Delight They Are Taking In Shutting Down Churches All Over The United States?

[Michael Snyder](#) – Did you think that you would ever see the day when police in America would be patrolling church parking lots on Sunday morning in order to keep people away? And did you think that you would ever see the day when Christians would be threatened with having their license plates recorded if they did attend church? That is what the Democratic governor of the state of Kentucky just did, and he is getting a lot of national backlash over that move. When “shelter-in-place” orders were first instituted all over the nation, most of them seemed quite reasonable, and we assumed that our leaders would use common sense in enforcing them.

But in recent days it has become clear that in many areas of the country churches and other Christian gatherings are specifically being singled out, and in some cases authorities have seemed to take quite a bit of glee in cracking down on Christians. This sort of tyranny was never part of the bargain, and believers all over America are rightly pushing back against it.

Every American should be deeply alarmed by the precedent that is being set right now. If our churches can be shut down any time an “emergency” comes along, and if the bar for declaring an “emergency” just keeps getting lower and lower, it creates the potential for a whole lot of abuse by tyrants both big and small in the days ahead.

Some of the things that we have seen happen over the last several days have been alarming to the extreme. The following are just a few examples...

[Kentucky](#): In Kentucky, Gov. Andy Beshear announced Friday that anyone who goes to a mass gathering – including religious services – [may have their license plates recorded](#). That information will be used to identify attendees, whom local health officials will contact and require to self-quarantine for 14 days.

[Kentucky](#): I'm at Maryville Baptist Church, which continues to hold in-person services despite orders to cease . This morning, piles of nails have been scattered at every entrance.

Pause from this article for a moment and consider this

If you go to the store to buy Meat, don't run to the Milk section or the Junk Food aisle looking for it.

The Meat Section is the True Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Milk Section is likened to those who will not preach on sin and Hell, just a feel good message.

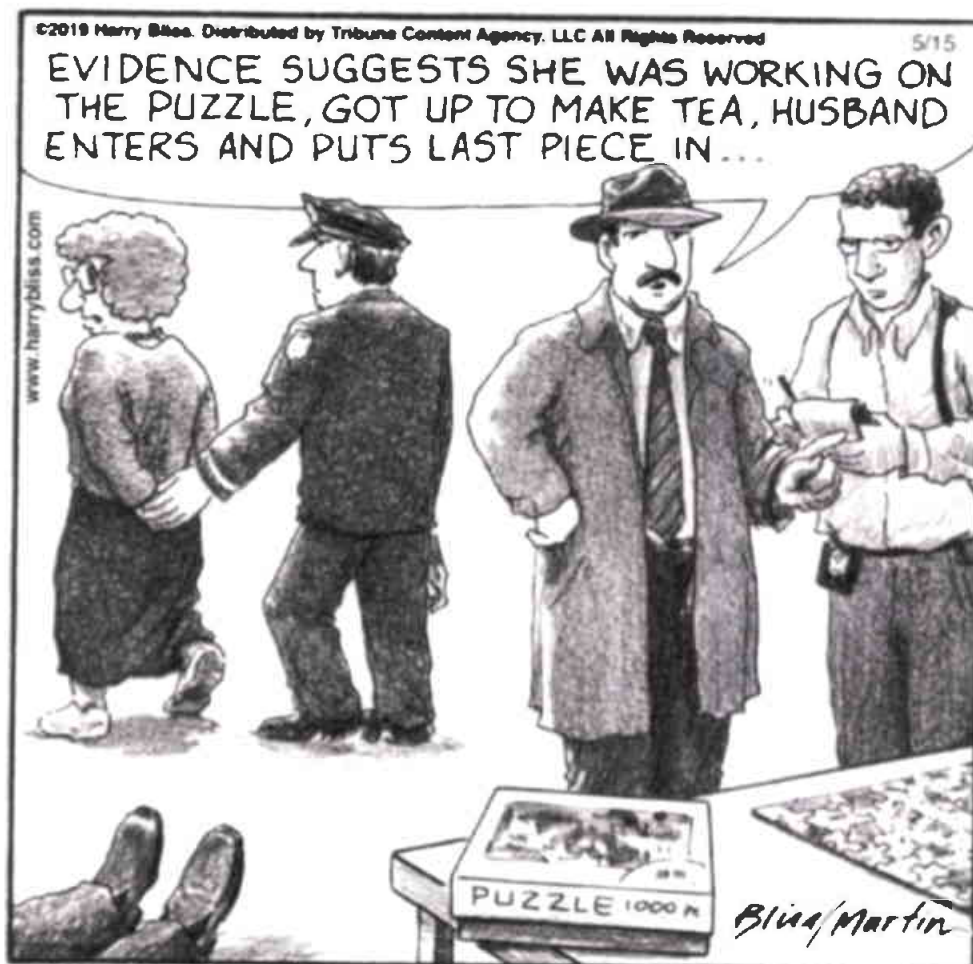
The Junk Food Isle is the outright false doctrine AKA the prosperity gospel, name it and claim it, the Hebraic Roots movement and other false teachings!!

Feasting on just Milk and Junk will eventually cause you great harm!

Illinois: The Illinois State Police are warning that people who attend church services on Easter Sunday may face charges including "reckless conduct." The police said that they will not be storming churches that violate the governor's stay-at-home order, but that charges could come "down the line."

California: In California, a federal judge denied a San Diego church's request to hold an Easter service, even with social distancing measures including possibly requiring members to wear hazmat suits.

Mississippi: But in Mississippi, not even 'drive-in' church is being allowed, in what will likely be seen by most American Christians as an example of severe legal overreach and breach of rights against a community clearly enacting health measures recommended by the CDC of social distancing. "Your rights are suspended," one police officer days ago told a local pastor who planned to hold modified drive-up services (see [1:20](#) mark below):



May God Bless him!

Baltimore pastor tears up cease-and-desist order: 'We're gonna do it God's way'



A pastor at Calvary Baptist Church in Baltimore, Maryland tore up a cease-and-desist order that he was issued during a sermon on Wednesday night, a report said.

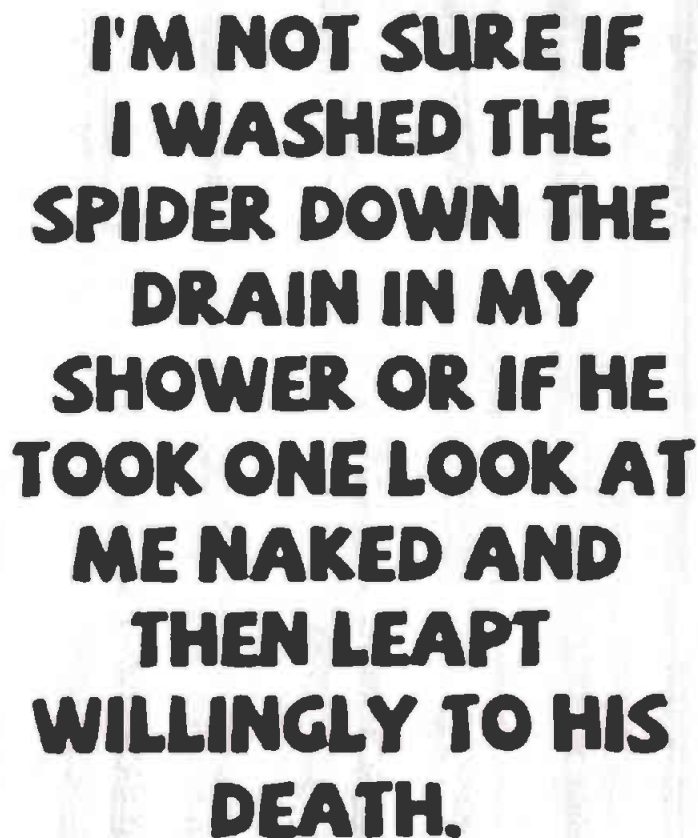
Stacey Shiflett, who was threatened with a \$5,000 fine if he continued to hold in-person services, tore up the order proclaiming, "We're going to do it God's way," [according to The Hill](#).

In a video that was [posted online](#), Shiflett can be heard exclaiming "So I'm tearing up this cease-and-desist order right here, and I'm telling you right now, we're gonna do it God's way! God tells us how to worship Him, nobody else gets to do that."

On Friday, Governor Larry Hogan said that places of worship are allowed to reopen as long as they were kept 50 percent capacity. According to Fox News, while Calvary Baptist has been complying with state occupancy laws, it has been breaching local ones. Which allows only 10 people to be at a place of worship at the time.

"It has become abundantly clear that if we settle for permission, we will never have liberty again," Shiflet told Fox News. "Either we have liberty to worship or we have permission to worship."

Calvary Baptist Church is not the only church to flout governmental authority. In states such as Texas and Georgia, many churches have opened their doors before being given permission only to have close up again due to pastors and church staff testing positive for the virus.



**I'M NOT SURE IF
I WASHED THE
SPIDER DOWN THE
DRAIN IN MY
SHOWER OR IF HE
TOOK ONE LOOK AT
ME NAKED AND
THEN LEAPT
WILLINGLY TO HIS
DEATH.**

"If you want to stay home, stay home.
 If you want to wear a mask, wear a mask.
 If you want to avoid large crowds, avoid large crowds.

I am not required to descend into poverty for you.
 I am not required to abstain from human contact for you.
 I am not required to shop alone, without my kids, for you.

I refuse to participate in 'quarantine life' until there's an unsafe, untested vaccine released in eighteen months. I refuse to receive said vaccine to make others feel more safe. I won't set myself--or my children--on fire to keep you warm. If you're convinced the vaccine is safe and effective, you can get it yourself.

Some of you are allowing fear and policies devoid of scientifically accurate data to destroy America and ruin your life. I can't control your self-destructive behaviors, but we all have a say in America.

We need to tell legislators that we demand options. We have a constitutional right to take risks. Life is full of bacteria and viruses--many of which spread before symptoms manifest and after they subside. We have a right to receive OR refuse vaccines.

The data was inaccurate at best; purposely overblown to justify government overreach at worst.

Stop allowing the government to destroy:

The Food Supply
 Small Businesses
 Medical Autonomy
 Access to Healthcare
 Religious Gatherings
 Privacy Rights
 Fellowship

When the 'new normal' is filled with starvation, depression, suicide, imprisonment, governmental spying, and pure DESPERATION, the virus is going to look preferable to the world you helped facilitate."

~anonymous

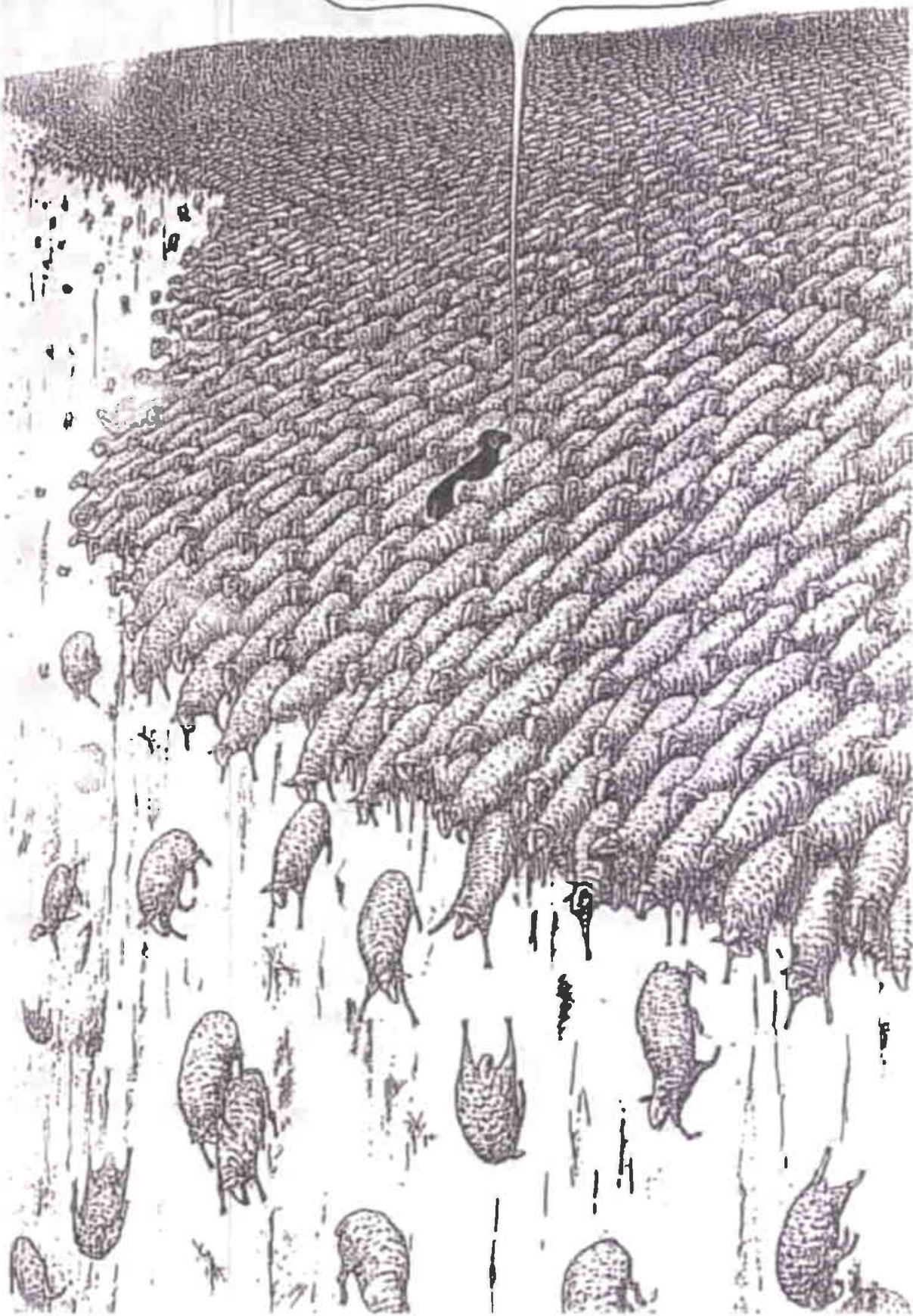
Millennials' economic catastrophe

Annie Lowrey
 TheAtlantic.com

Millennials have truly become a "lost generation," said Annie Lowrey. Most Americans born in the 1980s and '90s entered the workforce after the 2008 financial collapse, "during the worst downturn since the Great Depression." Now, as they come into what should be their peak earning years, Millennials are being swamped by the economic tsunami created by the coronavirus pandemic. They are particularly vulnerable to a severe recession, given their large amount of debt, lower salaries, meager savings, and high housing costs; many work in jobs that are disappearing, such as gig and contract work, bartending, restaurant work, and retail. A new study found that "a staggering 52 percent of people under the age of 45 have lost a job, been put on leave, or had their hours reduced due to the pandemic, compared with 26 percent of people over the age of 45." Many Millennials are facing "skipped meals," failed business startups, missed rent payments, and repossessed homes. For "prime-age workers in the richest country on earth," this will be the second major economic collapse in their lives. It is very likely to guarantee that Millennials "will be the first generation in modern American history to end up poorer than their parents."

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The truth about homosexuality

Unlike the godless secular world that's arrogantly ignorant of the reality of the spiritual realm. Homosexuality is a blatant spiritual attack from the fallen spiritual realm. Nobody is born that way. It's not in the genes and science proved it. It's an insult to Our Creator to even suggest it. Why would GOD so vehemently command death to homosexuals and then allow some to be born that way ?!

It's a Luciferian, spiritual attack on the human race. Satan hates mankind with a vile hatred. He's been at it since before The Deluge. Ever since The Lord told Lucifer about the seed of the woman that's destined to destroy him, he devised ways as to prevent that from happening. First he established the Nephilim, to try to corrupt the human genome so as to prevent the birth of Messiah.

Then he introduces the homosexual agenda so as to prevent the replication of God's image bearers. And so create another foil for the prevention of the birth of The Lord Jesus.

According to ancient Babylonian Rabbinical writings, the first time same sex marriage was legalised was before The Deluge. Apparently the recent legalising of same sex marriage is only the second time in the history of mankind that it happened. The first time before The Great Flood. The second after it, albeit thousands of years after it.

This is one of the reasons The Lord Jesus referred to when HE stated that the last days will be just like in the days of Noah when HE referred to that they were given in marriage. The other reason I will touch on later.

So today Satan is running rampant and his indoctrination is taken to the ruling and law making authorities. He gets his minions to influence people. He gets into people's ears, their minds, their dreams, expose them to unhealthy lifestyles. If you're not aware of the spiritual warfare you are not prepared to fight or resist it. Maybe you have perceived that if someone has been a homosexual for a while his or her countenance and manner changes. This is the hard facts regarding the truth of homosexuality. Nobody has ever spoke or wrote about it the way I perceive it. It's a revelation from Our Lord.

Demons get a hold of them. Make them, walk, talk and gesture in unnatural mannerisms. Change their countenance. Make them behave in vile unnatural acts. It's literally like a case of the body snatchers. The invasion of humans by vile demons. This way Satan can condemn a lot of God's image bearers with him.

The only One who can release them from such unnatural, demonic behaviour is The Lord Jesus Christ. And believe me, HE'S done it many, many times. You can just google it. Some of them became Pentecostal Pastors, married and have children. Living holy lives for GOD.

The evil Luciferian, left wing media laughs and scoffs at such possibilities. It's supporters says that Christians hate homosexuals. But nothing is further from the truth. There is no sin that Jesus can't forgive. No matter, how vile, how heinous. The only sin that HE said cannot be forgiven is the unforgivable sin, which is blaspheming The Holy Spirit.

I hope you didn't mind me sending this to you. I will appreciate your feedback on it, if you don't mind.

By Andre Alexander

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Does the Church Belong to Caesar? (/archives/featured-articles/2020/april/01/does-the-church-belong-to-caesar/)

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I'm not sure which is more sad, that American pastors are being arrested for having public worship services or that most Christians seem to be perfectly fine with that travesty. While I always assumed the American "church" would fold at the first sign of persecution, it turns out that many have folded far easier than that.

They didn't have to be beaten, shot, or tortured; they merely had to be commanded by the government to stop meeting; and most squeamishly complied.

The First Amendment has been discarded as nothing more than a quaint footnote to a bygone era. To a time when "patriots" valued their freedom to assemble and worship as they pleased. To a time when they would rather die than give up this freedom. And to a time when a nation was formed with the idea of enshrining this freedom as the law of the land. Sadly, today we are told it is our "patriotic duty" to cancel church services for the sake of the greater good.

Cable news anchors are exempt from such decrees because they're considered to provide an "essential service." Yet pastors are deemed "non-essential" and most Christians seem fine with that. And while it is not surprising to see a secular government make such dictatorial decrees, it is astounding to see how quickly the churches have submitted. Things used to be different in Christian circles. They were certainly different in New Testament times.

Some have said it is the church's duty to "render unto Caesar" as Jesus said to do. The passage in question involves a time when Jesus was asked about whether or not it was lawful for a Jew to pay taxes to Caesar. According to scripture the question was posed by a group who was trying to entrap Jesus and get him arrested. Luke records:

The scribes and the chief priests tried to lay hands on Him that very hour, and they feared the people; for they understood that He spoke this parable against them. So they watched Him, and sent spies who pretended to be righteous, in order that they might catch Him in some statement, so that they could deliver Him to the rule and the authority of the governor. (Luke 20:19-20)

Several things should be noted. First of all, Jesus was in hot water because he PUBLICLY SPOKE AGAINST THE AUTHORITIES. In this case, it was the Jewish "scribes and chief priests" who were not only religious authorities, but also the local governing body for the Jews. All under the authority of Rome. If the "render unto Caesar" argument is followed to it's logical conclusion, then Jesus was blatantly refusing to "submit" to the local "Caesars" (I.e, scribes and chief priests) by continuing to

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speak publicly against them. Why didn't he submit to the Sanhedrin, since they were the local authorities who governed with Rome's blessing? In fact, Jesus did the opposite.

Secondly, the opponents of Jesus sought to "hand him over the the rule and authority of the governor." Of course this eventually happened, when he was arrested and stood before Pontius Pilate. But why did they want him arrested? What was his crime? Why did they oppose him so vigorously? Because he spoke out against them. Jesus didn't go silently into the night, as many Christians seem willing to do today. Much of Jesus's ministry involved speaking out against corrupt authorities.

When asked the question about Roman taxation, Jesus used a denarius, with Caesar's inscription, as his object lesson. "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's." (Luke 20:25)

Technically, Jesus was not answering a question about paying taxes in general, but rather explaining whether or not it was "lawful" for a Jew to do it; since some Jews saw it as an act of idolatry to grant Caesar such payments. Jesus's answer put the question to rest from a Jewish perspective, in telling them to "render unto Caesar" the taxes he demanded.

The more telling aspect of Jesus's statement is the second half of the verse, which is often overlooked; and seems to be have been largely forgotten by Christians today. Jesus said, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, AND TO GOD THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S." (Luke 20:25 emphasis added)

This begs an obvious question: Does the church belong to Caesar? Or does it belong to God? And does the church look to Caesar to find out if, when, and how they are allowed to worship God? Does the church in America belong to the government? Do individual Christians belong to the government? Or for that matter, does any person belong to the government? Are we citizens or are we slaves? Christians are indeed "owned." But they recognize Christ as their rightful Lord and Master. He alone owns the title of possession, because he alone paid the price with his blood.

Churches today are certainly free to cancel their services, or go "online" as many have done. But they are also free to gather together. They should not cancel based on a false notion of "rendering unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's." Because the church doesn't belong to Caesar. Nor any other governing authority. It belongs to God. America's founders understood that all too well, and were willing to die for this "freedom of religion." They were willing to enshrine it in the Bill of Rights in the very first amendment which states:

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

The government can't force you to worship. They also can't STOP you; at least not LEGALLY.

Is it best for churches to cancel, in the face of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic? Some say yes and some say no. But it's not for Caesar to decide; at least not in a "free" country like America. And certainly not in a church which looks to Christ, not Caesar, as its ultimate authority. Are Christians risking their lives by going to church? Maybe they are and maybe they aren't. But shouldn't it be

their choice to decide? Do we not take a risk every time we leave our house? Do we not take a risk every time we drive a car or get on an airplane? Life is full of risks. That isn't in question. The question is whether or not we have the freedom to take risks as we see fit. Being commanded to not leave your house is draconian. But being commanded to not gather for worship is demonic. Yet Christians today seem perfectly fine with such mandates.

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In most cases, what fuels the Christian's compliance is fear. I get that. People are afraid of getting sick and dying. And they are afraid of getting arrested for non-compliance. But if the pandemic is real, then the church needs to meet. Or at least have the FREEDOM to. Let the people decide if they want to attend services or not, and let the government stay out of it; as they are Constitutionally bound to do.

Don't claim that a "national emergency" renders the Constitution moot; because the document was written in the midst of a "national emergency" (or revolution) with the intent of protecting liberty. And liberty is most under fire during "emergencies." Moreover, if our liberties can be squelched at such a time as this; whose to say that future administrations cannot do likewise over far lesser "emergencies?" Who gets to decide when an emergency is serious enough to take our freedom? And why should anyone be allowed to decide that for someone else?

Pastors are being arrested in America today, for the crime of "unlawful assembly." And most Christians seem perfectly fine with that disturbing reality. But once upon a time Christians didn't fold their tents so easily. Once upon a time, Christians were willing to be arrested for their beliefs. They were willing to oppose unbiblical mandates against their faith. Indeed they were willing to die for the cause. Not so today. They're too busy "rendering unto Caesar" the things that AREN'T CAESAR'S TO TAKE. While forgetting to render unto GOD.... the things that belong to God.

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(https://shanekastler.typepad.com/pastor_shanes_blog/2020/03/does-the-church-belong-to-caesar.html) blog.

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Common entertainment included playing cards. However, there was a tax levied when purchasing playing cards but only applicable to the 'Ace of Spades...' To avoid paying the tax, people would purchase 51 cards instead. Yet, since most games require 52 cards, these people were thought to be stupid or dumb because they weren't 'playing with a full deck..'

Did you know?

Now We Know How Germany Let It Happen

By chuck Baldwin

For as long as I can remember, when freedom-loving Americans would gather in small groups to discuss world affairs, the question would come up, "How did the German people come to allow themselves to embrace totalitarianism the way they did?" Then, after a time of discussion about it, the group would always conclude by saying, "Thank God, this could never happen in America."

As a small boy, I heard those discussions from my parents and their friends, who were part of "The Greatest Generation." I heard it from my friends in college. And I heard it all of my adult life in churches, coffee shops and conference rooms all over America: "How could Germany let it happen?" And, "Thank God, it could never happen in America."

Well, it IS happening in America—and all over the world at the same time. Due to their complete collapse into a state of fear and panic, most Americans seem oblivious to the fact that we are right now—RIGHT THIS VERY MINUTE—living in what could easily be the last days of freedom.

It happened in less than 30 days—and it is happening due to mass hyperbole and media manipulation. No, I'm not saying that the coronavirus is not real. Neither am I saying that people have not died from the virus. But I am saying that the fearmongering over the claim that corona has the potential to be a global pandemic akin to the Black Death is pure, unadulterated poppycock.

[Here is a list of twelve of the most respected and imminent medical scholars in the world](#) telling us that all of this fearmongering over COVID-19 is much ado about nothing.

[The virus models](#) spawning much of this fear and paranoia that are producing all kinds of Martial Law around the world are themselves fraught with inaccuracies.

And [in this analytical report](#), John Rappoport uses quotes from official sources about their own diagnostic tests to prove that the entire coronavirus scare is an "illusion" produced by "fake science."

Rappoport shows:

- *A positive test doesn't guarantee that the COVID virus is causing infection at all.

- *Some PCR tests register positive for types of coronavirus that have nothing to do with COVID—including plain old coronas that cause nothing more than a cold.

- *The idea of "asymptomatic patients" confirmed by the test is nonsense. And even though a positive test for COVID may not indicate the actual cause of disease, all positive tests must be reported—and they will be counted as "COVID cases." Regardless.

*All positive tests must be reported to government agencies, and they are counted as COVID cases.

Let this sink in: The corona cold virus has been with us for almost forever. If we ever had the corona cold virus in our past, a PCR test could show us as being corona "positive." And if a person dies from almost any cause—short of a car wreck or bullet wound—a postmortem test that reflects a positive reading for corona would require (by the demands of government) that the deceased be listed as having died FROM corona. But in many cases (if not most cases), the deceased died WITH corona but not FROM corona.

In other words, these tests and statistics surrounding the coronavirus are wildly speculative and exaggerated. But they succeed in keeping the public in a state of fear and panic.

By the way, did you know that [more people in Tennessee committed suicide than died from corona](#) last week?

Make no mistake about it: This is a planned event. The globalists—that the entire evangelical Christian and conservative Republican world kept telling us for the last three years that Donald Trump had on the run—are actually stronger than ever and have chosen this White House and this moment to launch an all-out attack against our Constitution, Bill of Rights and the Laws of Nature.

No! Donald Trump was not a man of the people to take down the Deep State; he was always a puppet of the Deep State to take down the rights and freedoms of The People. State governors (Republican and Democrat) are taking their Police State cues from the White House, because they know that as long as Trump endorses the plan, Christians and conservatives will sheepishly go along. I'm telling you straight out: This all-out assault against our freedoms would not and could not be happening if a Democrat was in the White House.

I've said it a hundred times: America loses far more freedoms when a Republican is in the White House than when a Democrat is in the White House. We lost far more liberties under G.W. Bush than we did under Bill Clinton, and we have lost far more freedoms under Donald Trump than we did under Barack Obama. And right now it looks like the loss of EVERYTHING we hold dear as a nation will occur under the Republican President Donald Trump.

This is not because Republican presidents are worse than Democrat presidents. It's because both Republican and Democrat presidents are controlled by the same people, and when Republicans are in office, the real source of resistance—born-again Christians, "patriots" and conservatives within the GOP—becomes sheepish slaves of the Republican president and offers ZERO resistance. No! It's more than that: They provide enthusiastic support for the Republican president—no matter how draconian his actions prove to be.

In the past 30 days, Americans have lost—or should I say have willingly surrendered:

- *The free exercise of religion
- *The freedom to peaceably assemble
- *The freedom to travel
- *The freedom to work
- *The freedom to obtain a firearm (if you live in Washington State, New Jersey, New Orleans and other places)
- *The right of autonomy over one's own property
- *The right of autonomy over one's own money (try to withdraw a large sum of money right now

and see what happens)
*The right to buy and sell

And this is just the tip of the iceberg. A county in Indiana recently declared books (which includes the Bible) to be "non-essential" goods and outlawed their sale. Checkpoints are going up. National Guard troops are checking temperatures at airports. Local governments are setting up networks for citizens to rat out each other. Medical care is being rationed. The list is endless.

Judge Andrew Napolitano rightly asks, "What good are constitutional rights if they are violated when Americans get sick?"

One of my Fox colleagues recently sent me an email attachment of a painting of the framers signing the Constitution of the United States. Except in this version, George Washington — who presided at the Constitutional Convention — looks at James Madison — who was the scrivener at the Convention — and says, "None of this counts if people get sick, right?"

In these days of state governors issuing daily decrees purporting to criminalize the exercise of our personal freedoms, the words put into Washington's mouth are only mildly amusing. Had Washington actually asked such a question, Madison, of all people, would likely have responded: "No. This document protects our natural rights at all times and under all circumstances."

Namely, that since our rights come from our humanity, not from the government, foolish people can only sacrifice their own freedoms, not the freedoms of others.

Thus, freedom can only be taken away when the government proves fault at a jury trial. This protection is called procedural due process, and it, too, is guaranteed in the Constitution.

Of what value is a constitutional guarantee if it can be violated when people get sick? If it can, it is not a guarantee; it is a fraud. Stated differently, a constitutional guarantee is only as valuable and reliable as is the fidelity to the Constitution of those in whose hands we have reposed it for safekeeping.

Because the folks in government, with very few exceptions, suffer from what St. Augustine called *libido dominandi*—the lust to dominate—when they are confronted with the age-old clash of personal liberty versus government force, they will nearly always come down on the side of force.

How do they get away with this? By scaring the daylight out of us. I never thought I'd see this in my lifetime, though our ancestors saw this in every generation. In America today, we have a government of fear. Machiavelli offered that men obey better when they fear you than when they love you. Sadly, he was right, and the government in America knows this.

But Madison knew this as well when he wrote the Constitution. And he knew it four years later when he wrote the Bill of Rights. He intentionally employed language to warn those who lust to dominate that, however they employ governmental powers, the Constitution is "the Supreme Law of the Land" and all government behavior in America is subject to it.

This is not a novel or an arcane argument. This is fundamental American law. Yet, it is being violated right before our eyes by the very human beings we have elected to uphold it. And each of them — every governor interfering with the freedom to make one's own choices — has taken an express oath to comply with the Constitution.

What is the nature of freedom? It is an unassailable natural claim against all others, including the government. Stated differently, it is your unconditional right to think as you wish, to say what you think, to publish what you say, to associate with whomever wishes to be with you no matter their number, to worship or not, to defend yourself, to own and use property as you see fit, to travel where you wish, to purchase from a willing seller, to be left alone. And to do all this without a government permission slip.

What is the nature of government? It is the negation of freedom. It is a monopoly of force in a designated geographic area. When elected officials fear that their base is slipping, they will feel the need to do something — anything — that will let them claim to be enhancing safety. Trampling liberty works for that odious purpose. Hence a decree commanding obedience, promising safety and threatening punishment.

It was only a few months ago when Christians and conservatives would often use this quote from Benjamin Franklin: "Those who would give up essential Liberty, to purchase a little temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety."

Hardly any of them are using that quote today. Instead, they are expressing enthusiastic endorsement for the assaults against their liberties—in the name of SAFETY from corona. More than that: They are frothing venom and hatred against anyone who dares to stand up for our constitutional liberties.

These conveniently confused Christians and conservatives are regurgitating the very words and ideas that the Tories expressed toward our American patriot forebears.

Recall that the great champion of liberty, the Rev. James Caldwell of New Jersey, was assassinated by a fellow American loyal to the tyrannous British Crown. These modern Tories would be happy to do the same thing to those preachers standing for freedom right now. I know, because I receive and hear their hate-filled threats almost daily.

Do you not find it interesting that the same Trump-worshipping Christians and conservatives who for the last three years kept telling us that the mainstream media (MSM) was "fake news" are now aggressively attacking anyone who doesn't buy what the MSM is saying about the coronavirus? Talk about blatant two-facedness!

Make no mistake about it: We are in the beginning of a war against our liberties that will not subside until the American people decide, AGAIN, that essential liberty is more valuable than temporary safety.

As loudly as I know how to say it: FREEDOM IS NOT A NON-ESSENTIAL.

From *The Ron Paul Institute For Peace And Prosperity* website, [Justin Pavoni writes](#),

There have been 23,000 US deaths so far this year due to flu, 3,000 from coronavirus. Worldwide stats are roughly in parallel. Legitimate population samples and common sense show that the virus has infected way more people than reported by the immoral news organizations that make money off this hysteria. [It is highly likely that REAL death rates are closer to .05 percent rather than the oft-emphasized 3 percent.](#)

Social Distancing makes people distrust one another. People that are afraid of each other are easier to control.

[As Dr. Frank Ulrich Montgomery noted, lockdowns and quarantines in Italy did NOT slow down the spread of the virus but actually caused it to spread much faster.]

I have already seen certain local governments posting websites for all of us to tell on each other for congregating in groups. My wife has had skeptical posts removed from Facebook. Sounds a lot like the secret police to me.

Will they soon be forcibly vaccinating my whole family even though there's a huge chance I'm naturally immune to this virus already? What if I don't want the vaccine? What if I would rather develop a natural immunity? Am I going to be targeted (modern day witch hunt) as a bio terrorist germ spreader if I want to contract the cold and let my body beat it on its own? Of course, since vaccines have all kinds of toxins in them and since they'll also get rushed to market in the hysteria, there's a huge likelihood making me take the vaccine would do more harm than good. Is anyone going to be held responsible for that if it were to happen?

The first amendment to the constitution is supposed to guarantee the right of Americans to peacefully assemble with their fellow man. THAT IS, TO PEACEFULLY PROTEST AS A GROUP. What happens when I get together with > 10 people to protest this insane coronavirus lockdown that does nothing to stop the spread of a disease the government is likely 6 months behind? I would probably spend 6 months in jail and everyone would tell me I'm trying to kill their grandparents. INSANE! There is no provision in the constitution that allows for this fundamental human right to assemble to be ignored during the coronavirus or at any other time.

The government has no money. It has to steal everything it gets and since it's in the red, it has to print the \$2 trillion [actually \$6 trillion] out of thin air. The one honest guy in the House of Representatives, Thomas Massie, called this a huge wealth transfer from the masses to the rich with \$1200 as the cheese in the trap. He is exactly right.

[I urged everyone on my Facebook page to call Mr. Massie and encourage this courageous congressman. Almost everyone in Washington, D.C.—including Donald Trump—is excoriating this good man for his principled stand on the Constitution. Trump is calling for Massie's expulsion from the Republican Party, and wealthy Zionists are heeding Trump's call and are amassing money and personal opposition to Massie's re-election.]

Now they're printing up more money to buy all the big companies. So soon the Fed will own all the businesses because who can compete with a printing press. Who needs a communist revolution when you have central banking?

Welcome to 1984 in the central banking states of America.

What's going to happen during the next 30 days? An Internet shut down? Cash made illegal? Jail for people who question the media/government spin on the virus? What comes after that? Elections cancelled? Military courts taking over civil courts? An oligarchic politburo installed?

I was talking about the elitists' plans for an unelected, oligarchic takeover of America via a *Continuity of Government* (COG) blueprint on my national radio talk show back in the 1990s. Even the CBS TV show *Jericho* (2006 - 2008) highlighted the existence of COG in its dramatic

depiction of a conspiracy between giant corporations and government to destroy America's constitutional liberties.

Even as we speak, the U.S. military is prepared to implement [COG Martial Law in America](#) due to the coronavirus. The point is, all of this has been on the drawing board for decades.

[Bill Gates](#) is saying he expects that people will soon receive a "digital certificate" branded into their skin to show that they have been vaccinated. He also said that a "national tracking system" is on its way for Americans. He said that "technology is nothing more than an upgrade on traditional cattle branding." Obviously, Gates believes we humans are cattle—to be branded with HIS mark.

"It could never happen in America," you say? A month ago, I seem to remember people saying that same thing about what is happening RIGHT NOW.

So, now we know the answer to the decades-old question, "How did Germany let it happen?" They let it happen the same way WE are letting it happen.

NEVER AGAIN! *By Chuck Baldwin*

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There are several events in modern U.S. history that must never be allowed to happen again. Never, as in EVER!

I'm talking about false flag events that warmongering politicians have used to authorize U.S. military aggression and unjust war around the world and gross miscarriages of justice in violent despotic assaults against American citizens inside the United States.

I'm talking about the fabricated Gulf of Tonkin incidents in 1964 that launched an illegal and indefensible war in Vietnam. I'm talking about the premeditated and unprovoked [attack on the USS Liberty](#) by the State of Israel in 1967.

I'm talking about the total con job that was the 9/11 attacks, which precipitated two unconstitutional and immoral military invasions against two countries, Iraq and Afghanistan, that had absolutely nothing to do with those attacks—wars we are still waging in those countries almost twenty years later—and the phony perpetual "[war on terror](#)" that has caused millions of innocent deaths around the world and has taken the U.S. to the precipice of financial ruin.

The events surrounding 9/11 also birthed a burgeoning Police State in this country with the introduction of the Stalinesque USA Patriot Act, the Military Commissions Act, the unconstitutional provisions of the National Defense Authorization Act that expunge both the Fourth Amendment and Habeas Corpus, etc.

I'm also talking about the government murders of nearly 100 American citizens by federal police agencies outside Waco, Texas, in 1993. The brutality and barbarism committed against the Branch Davidians rival that of any despotic dictatorship anywhere in the world.

And while we are on the subject, let's not forget the federal police agents who murdered Vicki and Sam Weaver and seriously wounded their husband and father, Randy Weaver, and a friend near Ruby Ridge, Idaho, in 1992. Vicki had her brains blown out by FBI assassin Lon Horiuchi as she stood in her kitchen doorway holding her infant baby in her arms. Her son, Sam, 14, was shot in the back by another federal agent. Oh, yes, they also shot and killed the boy's dog.

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The American people must see to it that events such as these are never allowed to happen again. Ever!

And now we must add to the ignoble list above the mass Naziesque lockdown of the American people and the shutdown of private businesses and churches in the wake of the greatest con job against our Constitution and Bill of Rights since 9/11: the so-called coronavirus pandemic.

These unconstitutional and dictatorial lockdowns and shutdowns must never be allowed to happen again.

I have documented in this column the way the coronavirus is being hyped and exaggerated for the express purpose of fomenting fear and panic among the American citizenry, thereby enabling government lockdowns and shutdowns that the American people would never tolerate had they not been scared to death by power-mad politicians, mad scientists and the malevolent mainstream media.

[I have documented the facts](#) that prove that the CDC and medical establishment have exaggerated and extorted deaths from corona to the point that those institutions now have zero credibility in any statistic they provide regarding corona deaths. The 60,000 U.S. deaths from corona that they are claiming could in truth easily be half that number—or even less than half. They have fabricated and exaggerated corona deaths to the point that we cannot believe anything they have told us. Absolutely nothing!

I am saying (and, thankfully, I am not the only one saying it), the American people must never allow government lockdowns and shutdowns of their states and communities ever again. If we allow this to be repeated, it will be repeated again and again until we are living permanently under this dictatorial yoke.

As an aside, I suppose I must acknowledge the fact that not every State in the United States is a Free State. Several states have already succumbed to the chains of tyranny as a matter of daily practice. I see virtually no hope for freedom in states such as Hawaii, California, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. To be sure, there are county sheriffs in several of those states that are bravely trying to hold the line for liberty. God bless them.

If you live in those states, my only advice for you is to LEAVE, because lockdowns and shutdowns are guaranteed to be the “new normal” for those states.

Neither do I see much hope for freedom in large metropolitan areas. My advice to people living in dense urban areas is to GET OUT.

For the rest of us, if we do not draw our line in the sand for liberty RIGHT NOW, our liberties are gone. And I mean FOREVER.

We must make the motto “Never Again” the motto by which we elect anyone to public office this November. We should demand that every candidate for governor, attorney general, State legislator, State senator, sheriff, mayor, city councilman, county commissioner, etc., answers one question: Will you authorize, support or help enact ANY government lockdown, stay-at-home order or shutdown of private businesses and churches? Yes or no!

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And any candidate that takes longer than two seconds to shout a resounding “NO!” should not receive our vote. Period. Political parties do not matter. Saying they are a conservative does not matter. Saying they are a Christian does not matter. If they will not take a principled stand on these unconstitutional lockdowns, shutdowns and stay-at-home orders, our freedoms are toast. I repeat: They are TOAST.

I don’t know how to say it any plainer: If we do not draw our line in the sand for liberty right here and right now, our children and grandchildren will grow up in a land of tyranny. That is not being an alarmist; that is being a realist.

In addition to that, it is obligatory that we go on the offensive and begin filing lawsuits against these unconstitutional government directives. [Judge Andrew Napolitano](#) rightly states,

“Governors stay-at-home orders are unconstitutional [and] won’t hold up in court.”

Fox News senior judicial analyst Andrew Napolitano said on Tuesday that [stay-at-home](#) orders from governors across the U.S. are unconstitutional because creating laws is a power delegated solely to legislatures.

“The government has to recognize that the rights that are in the Constitution still exist in bad times as well as in good and it has to treat people equally,” Napolitano told [“Fox & Friends.”](#)

Napolitano pointed out that Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy’s stay-at-home orders are “made-up laws.”

“The only laws that we have to obey and the only laws for which we can be punished for not obeying are those enacted by the legislature,” he added.

“The bad news is that the police are not in a position to distinguish. The good news is once these cases are tried when the pandemic is over, there isn’t a judge in the country who is going to recognize the power of the governor or a mayor to make up a law off the top of his head, to make up a punishment off the top of his head requiring people to comply with it. That’s not democracy in America and that’s not what the Constitution requires.”

Here in Montana, we need an attorney to challenge our governor’s unconstitutional stay-at-home order in court. Our Montana constitution clearly states:

Article II – Declaration of Rights

Section 5. Freedom of religion. The state shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.

Section 6. Freedom of assembly. The people shall have the right peaceably to assemble, petition for redress or peaceably protest government action.

Government lockdown and shutdown orders violate each of these constitutionally protected liberties—along with several others.

Nowhere does our State constitution give the power to the governor to deny these basic liberties via executive order to the citizens of this State. A State code annotated that contravenes the State constitution is no law at all. I imagine that your State has a similar constitution, and nowhere does your State constitution give your governor the power to deny these basic liberties to the people, either.

In all likelihood, this is the first time that such a statewide directive denying basic liberties has been enacted, and so it has never been challenged in court. We intend to put an end to that inaction.

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I strongly suggest that people in every State in which a governor issued a statewide stay-at-home order also begin taking legal action—and SOON. Judge Napolitano is right. “It won’t hold up in court.”

And my heartiest kudos go out to the seven governors that did NOT issue a stay-at-home order. If things are not turned around in the rest of the states, these seven states could very well find themselves welcoming many new freedom-minded people to their communities.

The seven states that did NOT issue stay-at-home orders are South Dakota, North Dakota, Utah, Iowa, Arkansas, Wyoming and Nebraska (albeit there may have been local and county directives shuttering businesses and restricting gatherings within those states—and the Mormon churches in Utah surrendered their First Amendment liberties as sheepishly as did the evangelical churches in the other states).

Fascists Anthony Fauci and Bill Gates are already saying that future lockdowns will be in order as the coronavirus will never go away. In other words, they intend to see to it that America is turned into a Fascist medical dictatorship, complete with forced vaccinations, microchipping and universal surveillance.

Furthermore, self-professing conservatives and patriots need to STOP aiding and abetting the international criminals Fauci and Gates by continuing to sensationalize and dramatize the coronavirus. Turn off the propaganda news media, and stop playing into their hands by legitimizing the phony narrative and thereby contributing to the further fomenting of fear.

People of America: The time has now come for you and me to draw our line in the sand and say to these government-mandated lockdowns and shutdowns: NEVER AGAIN!

P.S. If you missed it, here is [an excellent video](#) from a 30-year veteran physician on how the CDC has instructed doctors to fudge corona death numbers upward on death certificates. This video has been viewed over 2 million times on various platforms. How good is it? It’s so good that Facebook is calling it “false news.”

As you can imagine, Dr. Bukacek is now the target of an orchestrated campaign by the liberal media to have her removed from her position on the local board of health.

We have created an online petition in support of Dr. Bukacek. I am asking all of my readers to please go vote in support of one of the finest medical doctors in the entire Flathead Valley (Montana). In fact, Dr. Bukacek is the reigning “Best Family Physician of the Flathead” as voted by residents. And, no, you don’t have to be a resident of the Flathead Valley to sign the online petition.

Please take a minute to add your name to this online petition and support this courageous truth-telling doctor.

(Note: The request for donations is from the petition organization, not from Dr. Annie. Therefore, any donation would go to the petition organization, not Dr. Annie.)

'The Land of the Free and Home of the Brave'

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When Francis Scott Key wrote the words "the land of the free and the home of the brave" in 1814, he did so in a poem called "The Defense of Fort McHenry." The battle of Fort McHenry in Baltimore was a decisive one in which Americans truly demonstrated bravery and fought for freedom.

This was the War of 1812, the origins of which are lost to history. The British government claimed that President James Madison had designs on the British king's lands in Canada, and so it attacked the U.S. The Americans argued that the British government's stated reason for its attack was a pretense, as its real goal was to re-capture what many Britons still considered to be their colonies.

They thought this even though the Treaty of Paris, signed by the United States and Great Britain in 1783, unambiguously recognized the United States of America as a free, independent and sovereign nation.

Notwithstanding its origins, the War of 1812 brought Americans perilously close to being British subjects again. Both the U.S. Capitol and the White House were burned and severely damaged, with President and Mrs. Madison narrowly escaping.

After the British tired of the war and went home, Key's poem was set to the tune of a drinking song, popular among British soldiers and sailors. It was re-named "The Star-Spangled Banner," and it became a popular patriotic piece meant to commemorate American freedom and the bravery of those who fought to preserve it. A century later, it became our national anthem.

The phrase "the land of the free and the home of the brave" is as American as any one-liner in our history. Could it be we have repeated it so often that we have lost sight of its meaning? Is the United States today the land of the free and the home of the brave?

This is a painful question to ask and answer in these trying times. The government has persuaded nearly all of us, with its selective employment of scientific data, that we are suffering from an unavoidable viral pandemic that originated in China.

It probably did originate there, but the Trump administration declined to take it seriously for nearly three months. Drop by drop, the intelligence data is being released or leaked, and it shows an administration indifferent to the plight of folks from China traveling west, gullibly accepting the deceptions of the government of China, arrogantly self-confident that it can't happen here, ignorant

of the ease with which a virus passes among the heedless, and unwilling to grasp the dangers making their way here.

Once the virus arrived here — like a tidal wave — the government's response has been to treat the freedoms for which brave men and women have fought and died as if they are not the inalienable personal rights Madison and Thomas Jefferson and all the founders and framers and the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution called them but rather privileges subject to government permission slips.

The Constitution openly and directly prohibits all governments from interfering with personal liberties like speech, press, travel, assembly, religion and commercial intercourse. And it prescribes the means for the government to follow if it can show that the freedom of some — like a bank robber — needs to be curtailed.

A bank robber gets a fair jury trial before losing his basic freedoms. Today, the government threatens and punishes us without trial for exercising basic freedoms.

And all this do-as-I-say-today-or-face-newly-crafted-government-punishment nonsense, which is enforced by reluctant police who would rather chase a bank robber than a jogger in a government-owned park, is not the result of legislation enacted after a broad national debate, nor is it authorized in the Constitution. Rather, we have been silenced and immobilized and humiliated by the commands of 50 state governors — some more in-your-face than others — all profoundly offensive to the personal freedoms that the Constitution purports to guarantee.

Is the United States today the land of the free and the home of the brave?

To ask that question is to answer it. We have little freedom remaining because of our timidity. Most folks are content with an overbearing government acting as if we work for it and trampling our liberty in the name of public safety.

History shows that it takes a determined minority to seek and to preserve freedom. Harvard Professor Bernard Bailyn, the country's foremost scholar on the colonists at the eve of Revolution, has concluded that barely one-third of them favored violent secession from Britain.

Today, polls show a smaller percentage of present-day Americans as outraged at the loss of freedom as were those prepared to fight the Revolution against the king.

Is the United States today the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Let's answer rationally, not emotionally. We have lost liberty without a shot being fired because most Americans prefer the comfort of safety to the battles for liberty. We have allowed elected officials to do to us what our forebears shed blood in wartime to prevent foreign governments from doing to us.

All elected state governors in power today have nullified the freedom-protecting clauses of the Constitution. If those clauses can be nullified, then of what value are they? By supinely accepting all this, today we are neither free nor brave. Today, we are the land of the fearful and the home of the confined.

Does the government work for us, or do we work for the government?

~Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (2018)



“Owning guns is not a right. If it were a right, it would be in the Constitution.”

(try the 2nd amendment ratified Dec 15, 1791)

Surrendered Without A Shot...

The Global War on Germs will put the Global War on Terror to shame...

Their "cure" for the coronavirus will be far deadlier than the disease. The quarantines and lockdowns will bring the world to a standstill—that's the point...

- "[The Last Gasp](#)," *Straight Line Logic*, March 24, 2020

Here is a predictive strategy that will, guaranteed, improve your prognostication batting average. Whenever you make a prediction about a government, predict the worst outcome you can think of.

The only surprise will be that you're probably not pessimistic enough.

Back in 1913, if you had predicted the brand new Federal Reserve would steadily debase the currency and exacerbate rather than dampen the business cycle, you were dead right. You would have gotten more points if you predicted its creation was the first step towards abandoning the gold standard and that it would eventually finance government deficits.

Similarly, back in that unlucky year if you predicted the new Constitutional amendment allowing the government to levy an income tax would lead to massive confiscation of incomes and fund gargantuan welfare and warfare states—the blob—you hit it on the screws.

Later, if you predicted that the **New Deal** wouldn't reverse the economic contraction that the government had already transformed from a garden variety financial crash and recession into a Great Depression, you were right again. More points for those who foresaw both the abandonment of any effective Constitutional constraints on the federal government, and the fiscal consequence of welfare state collectivism—a spiraling and uncontrollable national debt.

Most of the time politicians' predictions are wrong, but Eisenhower's warning about the military-industrial-complex, now expandable to the military-industrial-intelligence-academic-media-complex, was spot on. Those who said that Vietnam would set the precedent for endless wars that only enriched and empowered the complex while plunging the US further into debt—they were right, too. If, when Nixon terminated dollar-gold convertibility in **1971**, you predicted inflation the likes of which hadn't been seen since the Civil War and put your money where your mouth was by purchasing gold or its derivatives, you did just fine.

Fast forward to the aftermath of September 11, 2001: if you said that when the US went into the Middle East it would never get out, that "emergency" measures like TSA screening and the Patriot Act would never be rescinded and clearly advanced a police state agenda, and that the George W. Bush administration's new standard of fiscal and monetary recklessness would soon be surpassed, you were right again.

Fast forward to now. If you predict that governments' response to the coronavirus outbreak will reveal not so hidden agendas of globalist power and domination (Why do you think they keep saying, "The world will never go back to the way it was"?), terminate the last vestiges of freedom, destroy the economy and financial markets, kill far more people than the virus itself, and set precedents for everything from enforced confinement to martial law to mandatory vaccinations to electronic money to compelled microchipped identification and surveillance whenever a group of experts makes scary projections about lethal microbes—which from now on will be almost always—you're well on your way to being proved right on all counts.

If you're going to get in the prediction game and your predictions reflect an expectation of the worst from governments, it's best to realize what you're up against. Every time you make a prediction you will be disparaged, mocked, or ignored, particularly by legions of government worshipers, regardless of how many of your previous predictions have been borne out. If you're proven right, not one person who disparaged or mocked you will acknowledge you were right and apologize, nor will anyone ask you for an opinion or prediction in the future. In fact, you'll be shunned.

An affliction that strikes 3.3 million in one week and 6.6 million the next puts coronavirus growth rates, even in the hardest hit countries, to shame. Those are the last two weeks' US jobless claims, just shy of 10 million, clocking in with a week-to-week increase of 200 percent. According to the April 2 US coronavirus and jobless claims statistics, there were 40 people newly unemployed in just two weeks for each confirmed coronavirus case and 1645 newly unemployed for each coronavirus death (dividing 10 million, rounded up, by the April 2 figures for confirmed cases and deaths from worldometers.info), and on current relative growth rates both numbers will increase.

Humanity must produce to survive. Stop people from producing and eventually they die. Virtually all jobs are essential to the people who hold them. Although it's seldom acknowledged, particularly by politicians and bureaucrats playing with other people's money and lives, life involves choices, some of which have benefits and all of which have costs. **How many government workers have lost their jobs? Does anybody in their right mind believe all government jobs are essential?**

If among each group of 1645 newly unemployed workers there is on average more than one death—from the psychological and physical stress of imposed idleness, depletion of savings, inability to pay bills or afford groceries and other essentials, including medical care, media idiocy, general insanity, and mounting debt—then the coronavirus outbreak “cure” is worse than the disease. Keep in mind that for at least the next month or two unemployment will climb at a faster rate than coronavirus cases or deaths, and the longer lockdowns persist, the more widespread financial distress will become.

An estimated additional 10,000 people killed themselves during the 2008-2009 financial crisis. Those are the easiest deaths to count. **How many heart attacks, cancers, hypertension, and other stress-related illnesses were exacerbated by that crisis, shortening lifespans?** We'll never know.

The coronavirus death count includes many victims with one or more co-morbidities—a combination of diseases kills them but in many cases, they weren't long for this world. **The most you can say is that the coronavirus may have shortened their lifespans.** At the very least, the same medical community compiling statistics on the coronavirus and clamoring for lockdowns should be looking at changes in trend rates in suicides and deaths from stress-related illness to try to estimate the effects of skyrocketing unemployment, crashing economies, plunging stock markets, crushing debt loads, and mounting bankruptcies.

There are other killers lurking out there: crime and mass unrest. The statistics for the former and the probability of the latter will only increase with the duration of lockdowns. Police are already reporting an uptick in crime. The death toll from a week of widespread urban rioting could easily surpass that of the entire coronavirus outbreak. There's no mystery why President Trump has called up a million military reservists, and no assurance they will be able to prevent sporadic riots from deteriorating into total chaos and pandemonium. No mystery, either, why sales of firearms and ammo have jumped. By the way, rioters and looters don't always social distance, so they may spread the coronavirus.

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Finally, there's the most significant cost of all: the police state is here; whatever was left of our precious liberty is gone. As carte blanche for the open-ended suppression of what remains of our rights, the Global War on Germs (GWOG) far surpasses the Global War on Terror (GWOT). Like the GWOT, the GWOG will be forever, since you can never vanquish either terror or germs. However, the GWOG opens up new avenues of repression that go far beyond GWOTists' wildest fantasies. The GWOG takes away not just people's liberty, but their livelihoods, their means of survival. There's a reason why jobs are called livelihoods: they allow people to live. Consider the alternative. The GWOGists embrace it.

There will always be germs out there of better than average virulence that will pose a threat of widespread sickness and death. They seem to crop up once every two years or so. If a natural germ can't be found, there are thousands of unsung Dr. Frankencrobes toiling in bioweapons labs around the world who can manufacture one (the current coronavirus may have been manufactured). Find some group of medical experts, add a Bill Gates or a George Soros, and presto! you have well-publicized pandemic projections of global disaster and death. Lock everybody up! Better yet, per the precautionary principle, lock everybody up before any such deadly germ has manifested itself, so when it does, everyone will be safe.

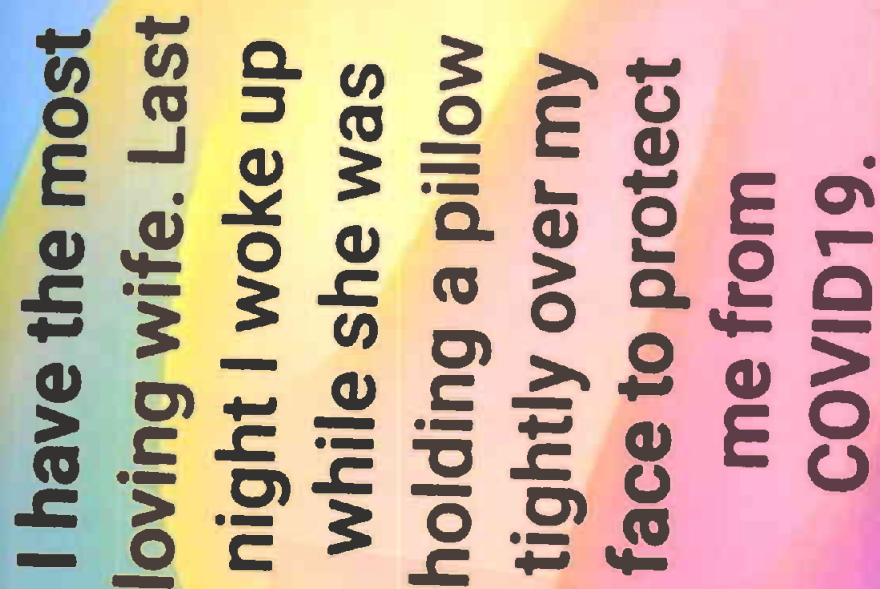
Anyone who thinks that “emergency” measures will be rescinded or will not serve as future precedents is referred to Draconian Emergency Measures Enacted By Governments Throughout History That Have Been Rescinded and Not Served as Precedents. It's available for free on Amazon and takes only four seconds to read; the title is longer than the book.

Perhaps the most distressing aspect of this whole ordeal is that Americans have surrendered to panic and propaganda without a shot. *Molon labe* and *They'll take my gun when they pry it from my cold, lifeless fingers* patriots—bumper-sticker freedom fighters—are cowering in place, living off their 3, 6, 12, 24, or 60 months of provisions, lest they encounter a germ. Neighbors are reporting on neighbors who leave their houses, take a walk, clear their throats, or other heretofore legal activities (they would still be legal if the Constitution had any remaining relevance). Apps have been developed to monitor and report people's locations, coughs, sneezes, sniffles, and runny noses. Can one that monitors and reports social distances be far behind? If only one life is saved...

With a few noteworthy exceptions (lewrockwell.com takes the gold medal), the alternative media has been a disappointment. Bloggers who would normally cast darkly skeptical doubts if the government announced the sun will rise tomorrow have accepted official statistics, projections, propaganda, and draconian measures without a peep of skepticism or doubt. Prepper sites have perpetuated and profited from the panic, selling face masks, sanitizers, and reusable toilet paper. More alternative media sites are glomming on to what's happening to civil liberties and the dark designs behind it, but their warnings are too little, too late.

Surrendered without a shot—they've got us by what's left of our balls. **The men and women who risked probabilities of death far higher than some small fraction of one percent and paid the ultimate price to defend our freedom and our lives are spinning in their hallowed graves.**

Do you know that there are many people in our churches who think they are saved but they are not? In this hour, "seeker friendly" churches invite people to just raise their hand to "accept Jesus." The people are raising their hands, but are they really being saved? There is no call to repentance, requiring you to turn away from your sins. And there is no mention of complete surrender to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Everything is just nice and comfortable, not wanting to cause offense. These churches may boast of the numbers that were "saved" but many are false conversions. This is tragic, beloved. There are also those who have attended denominational churches all of their life. They think that because they were baptized and confirmed they will surely go to heaven. They believe that following the rules will get them into heaven. Please be careful. The scripture clearly says we must be born again. There is a huge difference between following a religion and having a personal relationship with God through His son, Jesus. You must turn from your sins and personally accept Christ's sacrifice (His suffering and death) for your sins. His incredible act of love purchased your salvation - you can't earn it. You then give your life to the Lord and obediently follow Him. Anything less than this is merely religion. Christianity is not just about raising your hand to accept Jesus or about following the rules of your denomination. Christianity is all about believing/trusting in Jesus as Savior AND Lord. You must obediently follow Jesus the rest of your life. It's time to evangelize our churches! In addition... we have been instructed by our Master to make disciples, not converts. Are you doing that?



**I have the most
loving wife. Last
night I woke up
while she was
holding a pillow
tightly over my
face to protect
me from
COVID19.**

Only Men May be Pastors



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In spite of the fact that it seems more and more fashionable in our day to say that women may be pastors, the Bible is clear that pastoral leadership is restricted to biblically qualified men. This post will examine 1 Timothy 2:12-14, one of the key biblical texts on male-only pastoral leadership, and it will respond to some of the most popular Evangelical Feminist efforts to undermine the teaching of these verses.

The Scriptural Teaching

In 1 Timothy 2:12-14 Paul says:

“I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. For Adam was formed first, then Eve; and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor.”

Paul writes these words in the context of a pastoral epistle. He’s writing Timothy to teach him about pastoral ministry in the church, which means these verses need to be read in that light. They apply to church leadership, specifically to pastoral leadership.

Two Prohibitions

Paul says that women are forbidden to teach or exercise authority over men in the church. It’s important to understand that Paul does not prohibit women from teaching in all contexts (Titus 2:3; Acts 18:25-26), only from teaching the Bible to men in the church.

Notice that Paul prohibits women from doing two distinct things. First, women may not teach the Bible to men in the church. Second, women may

not exercise authority over men in the church. Teaching and exercising authority in the church are the two primary responsibilities of elders, pastors, or bishops. Thus, women are not to hold the office of pastor, but neither are they to perform these particular functions of a pastor over men in the church.

A Positive Command

In addition to Paul's two prohibitions, he gives a positive command to women in the church. He says in verse 12 that women are "to remain quiet." Paul is not telling women that they may never speak in church at all. Rather, his words must be understood in context. He means that when it comes to teaching and exercising authority over men in the church, women must "remain quiet" (1 Tim 2:12). This is similar to Paul's teaching in 1 Corinthians 14:34-35, where he says:

"The women should keep silent in the churches. For they are not permitted to speak, but should be in submission, as the law also says. If there is anything they desire to learn, let them ask their husbands at home. For it is shameful for a woman to speak in church."

Many have misunderstood these verses to say that women shouldn't speak in church at all. But the context of 1 Corinthians 14 is about speaking in prophetic tongues and the need to interpret them in the worship service of the church. In verses 34-35, Paul is saying that women should not be involved in prophecy or the interpretation of prophecy in the worship service of the church. In these matters, they should "keep silent." In other words, they are not to be a part of the church's teaching ministry, nor are they to exercise authority over men, when the church is assembled. Paul is saying the same thing in 1 Corinthians 14 that he says in 1 Timothy 2.

The Two Logical Grounds of the Command

Paul provides two distinct grounds for his command to women to remain quiet when it comes to teaching and exercising authority over men in the church. The word "for" in verse 13 means that if we want to know the reasons Paul is arguing the way he is, we must continue reading.

1. *The creation order is the first reason Paul gives for prohibiting women from teaching or exercising authority in the church.* Paul doesn't ground his command in cultural considerations or a particular problem with the women in the Ephesian church. Rather,

he grounds his command in creation. He says that the reason women are not to teach or exercise authority over men in the church is that, “Adam was formed first, then Eve” (1 Tim 2:13). Paul means that God established Adam as the head and authority of his wife, Eve. God designed men to lead (1 Cor 11:3, 8-9).

2. *The nature of women is the second reason Paul gives for prohibiting them from teaching or exercising authority in the church.* Paul says, “Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor” (1 Tim 2:14). Paul is saying something about the natural constitution of men and women, that men as a class are naturally more fitted to teach and have authority in the church, but women are not. Wayne Grudem says, “This is by far the most common viewpoint in the history of the interpretation of this passage” (*Evangelical Feminism & Biblical Truth* 70).

But why are women naturally more likely to be deceived than men? It’s true that not all women are more likely to be deceived than all men. And it’s true that some men are more likely to be deceived than some women. But most interpreters in the history of the church have understood this passage to teach that, in general, women are more likely to be deceived than men. In “A History of the Interpretation of 1 Timothy 2,” Dan Doriani says:

“Both sides [feminists and traditionalists] note women tend toward enmeshment, which entails an unwillingness to see and condemn harsh truths about loved ones. Mindful of many individual exceptions to the rule, they [both feminists and traditionalists] sometimes say that women generally have more interest in persons and less interest in detached rational analysis of ideas. But the capacity for detached, critical assessment is absolutely essential for discerning and rooting out heresy, for carrying out discipline in the church. . . . We can also recognize variety in human nature, without labeling anything inferior or superior. In this view, because women generally focus on relationships more than abstract rational analysis, enmeshment in relationships could compromise a woman’s willingness to uproot heresy in the church” (264-265).

Thus, Paul explains that women should not teach the Bible or exercise authority over men in the church for reasons of the creation order and human nature. God created Adam first, and then Eve, establishing Adam as the head and authority over his wife. Also, Eve was deceived by the serpent, not Adam.

Some Evangelical Feminist Objections

Having briefly examined the meaning of the passage, let's consider a few of the leading Feminist misinterpretations of 1 Timothy 2:12-14. These are mostly drawn from Wayne Grudem's book, *Countering the Claims of Evangelical Feminism*, and the page references cited below are from that book.

Women were Teaching False Doctrine (161-167). Some Feminists claim that women were teaching false doctrine in Ephesus, which is why Paul prohibited them from teaching. The Feminists go on to argue that Paul's command was situational and does not apply to us today. The problem with this view is that the only false teachers named in 1 Timothy are men, Hymenaeus, Alexander, and Philetus (1 Tim 1:19-20; 2:17-18). Another problem with this view is that it makes Paul unjust. It would have been wrong to ban all women from teaching because a few women were teaching false doctrine. Moreover, if Paul banned all women from teaching because some women were teaching heresy, then consistency would demand that Paul also ban all men from teaching because some men were teaching heresy as well (1 Tim 1:19-20).

Women were Not Educated (168-174). Some Feminists argue that Paul forbids women from teaching men in the church in 1 Timothy 2 at Ephesus because they lacked a formal education. The most glaring problem with this view is that the Bible nowhere requires formal education as a prerequisite to teaching in the church. Furthermore, most people in Paul's day had a basic education, but few men or women had any education beyond that. So, if Paul forbade women from teaching in the church for lack of education, then he would need to forbid men as well.

Wives Shouldn't Teach or Have Authority Over Their Own Husbands (175-178). Some have argued that Paul is only prohibiting wives from teaching or exercising authority over their own husbands in 1 Timothy 2:12-14. While the Greek words for "man" and "woman" can be translated "husband" and "wife," that is highly unlikely in this passage for two reasons. First, the context of these verses is a pastoral epistle in which Paul is explaining proper conduct within the churches, not marriages. The passage in question comes just before a discussion of officers in the local church; so, it makes the most sense to take 1 Timothy 2:12-14 as referring to church leadership. Second, when the Greek words for "man" and "woman" are to be translated

“husband” and “wife,” context provides clues that indicate such a translation. This passage contains no such clues.

A Temporary Command (179-182). Some Feminists argue that when Paul says, “I do not permit” in 1 Timothy 2:12, he is using a present tense command, which should be understood to mean “I do not *now* permit.” But this argument misunderstands how Paul uses present tense commands. There are many examples of Paul using present tense commands that are far from temporary. “I *urge* [present tense] that supplications” (1 Tim 2:1), “I *appeal* [present tense] to you therefore brothers, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies as a living sacrifice” (Rom 12:1), “I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, *urge* [present tense] you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called” (Eph 4:1). Clearly, the present tense of a command does not imply it is temporary.

Nobody Forbids Jewelry or Braids (199-201). Some Feminists argue that most interpreters take Paul’s instructions about jewelry and braids in verses 9-10 as no longer applicable today. Therefore, the Feminists say, we should not take Paul’s instructions in verses 11-14 about women not teaching or having authority over men as applicable today either. The problem with this view is that 1 Timothy 2:9-10 does not prohibit jewelry or braided hair. It says women should not “adorn” themselves with clothing, like jewelry or braids, but with godliness. Paul is warning against women making any of their clothing their adornment (literally *kosmos* or “world”), rather than godliness and good works. These verses apply just as much today as they did in Paul’s time.

Women Were Not Respected as Religious Leaders. Some Feminists have argued that Paul prohibited women from teaching and exercising authority at Ephesus to accommodate the church to the culture of his day. They argue that women in Paul’s day would not have been accepted as religious teachers; so, in order to avoid offending the men, Paul prohibited women from teaching in order to reach the men of the culture for Christ. A major problem with this view is that women were accepted religious leaders in Paul’s day. Pagan priestesses were common. Another problem is that it suggests that the church should accommodate its practices to false and damaging beliefs of the world.

The overarching problem with all of these Feminist misinterpretations is that they arise from speculation or subjective conjecture and lack any actual support from the text or from the historical background. In addition, all of

these misinterpretations ignore the actual grounds Paul himself provides for the command he gives, which involve the fixed realities of the creation order and human nature.

In conclusion, the Bible is clear that only men should be pastors in a local church and only men should perform the duties of teaching the Bible to men and exercising authority over men within the church. The reasons for the Evangelical Feminist interpretations of 1 Timothy 2:12-14 do not arise from the text itself, but from foreign commitments not found within the passage.



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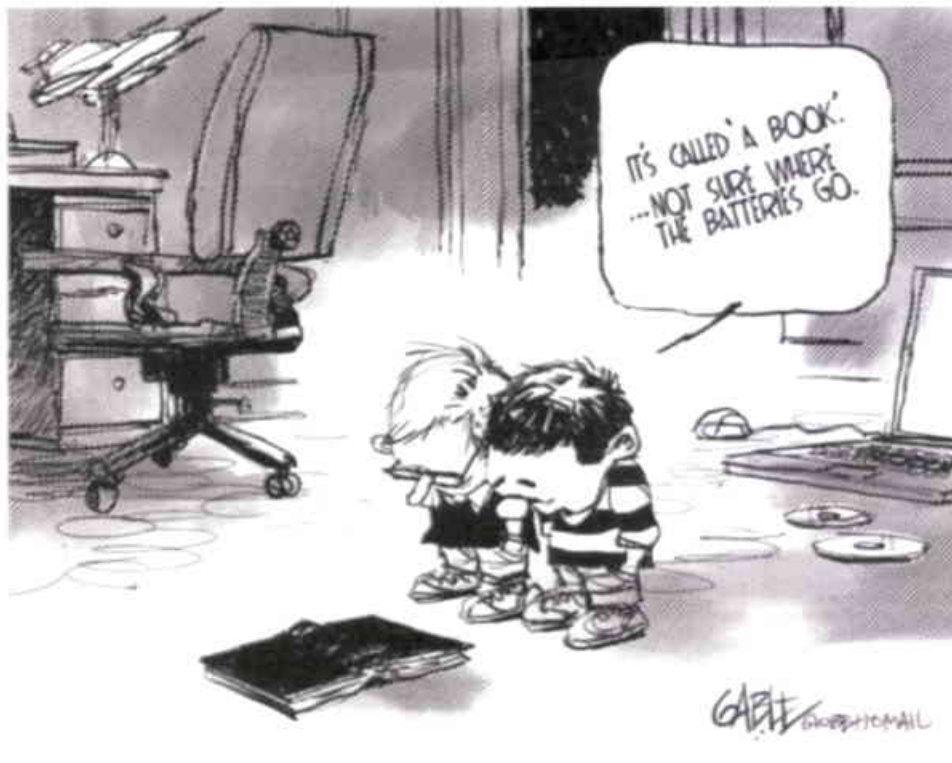
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Ms. Sally Mulligan of Coral Springs, Florida, read it, and decided to apply for one of the jobs that most Americans are not willing to do. She submitted her application for a job in a Florida lemon grove, but seemed far too qualified for the job. She has a liberal arts degree from the University of Michigan, and a master's degree from Michigan State University. For a number of years, she had worked as a social worker, and also as a school teacher.

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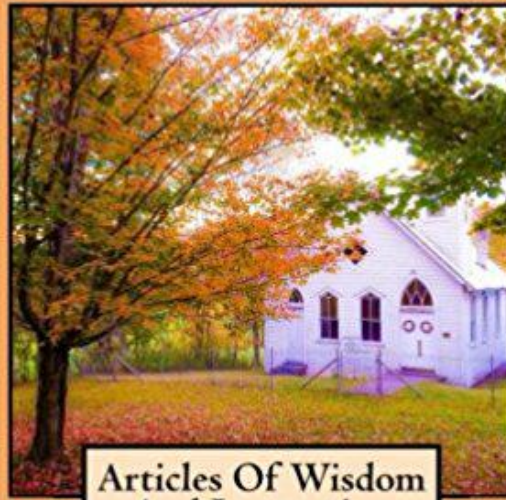
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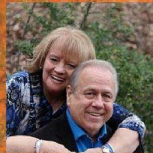
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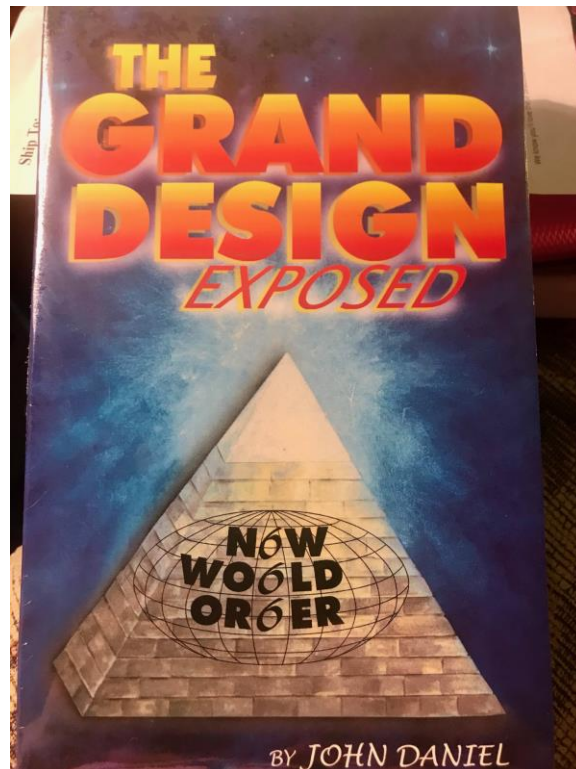
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