What Would Patrick Henry Say Today?

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On this day in 1775, Patrick Henry delivered the most famous speech ever given on American soil. It was his immortal "Give Me Liberty Or Give Me Death" speech. He gave the speech to the Virginia House of Burgess in Richmond. The question before the delegation was whether the Colony of Virginia would join the fight for independence from Great Britain.

Toward the beginning of his powerful presentation, Patrick Henry said,

"Mr. President, it is natural to man to indulge in the illusions of hope. We are apt to shut our eyes against a painful truth, and listen to the song of that siren, till she transforms us into beasts. Is this the part of wise men, engaged in a great and arduous struggle for liberty? Are we disposed to be of the number of those who, having eyes, see not, and having ears, hear not, the things which so nearly concern their temporal salvation?

"For my part, whatever anguish of spirit it may cost, I am willing to know the whole truth—to know the worst and to provide for it."

Indeed, awakening people to "the whole truth" is in large part what must take place before any people can be sufficiently motivated to fight for liberty. And that is not nearly as easy as it sounds. Truth can often be as Henry describes it: "painful."

It is very painful to wake up and realize that the vast

majority of what our government tells us is false. It is very painful to wake up and realize that the vast majority of what our national news media tells us is false. It is very painful to wake up and realize that what the vast majority of our pastors and preachers tell us is false.

It is very painful to wake up and realize that the United States has not fought a constitutional war since World War II. It is very painful to wake up and realize that the United States, Israel, and Saudi Arabia are the aggressor states in the Middle East, NOT Russia, Iran, and Syria. It is very painful to wake up and realize that much, if not most, of our country's military endeavors have almost nothing to do with protecting the lives, security, and property of the people of the United States, but have almost everything to do with protecting and expanding the financial interests of the global/corporate/banking elite.

And it is very painful to wake up and realize that most of the so-called crises in both domestic and international affairs are completely manufactured and concocted by the very same government that comes charging in on a white horse to ostensibly solve the crises. Let me say it plainly: our federal government spends trillions of taxpayer dollars and thousands of American lives fighting wars, conflicts, terrorism, and crises OF ITS OWN MAKING.

Once in awhile, a local newspaper or television newscast will do a bit of independent, objective journalism and shed a little light of truth amidst the gargantuan darkness of a controlled press. It doesn't happen very often, and usually when it does, the poor little publisher, editor, or manager will find themselves quickly out of a job. But whether it's a complete accident (you know, some naïve journalist or editor thinks he or she is supposed to be an objective, honest investigator and proclaimer of truth) or whether it's a sudden act of raw courage, sometimes a story leaks out that shows the "painful truth" that Patrick Henry talked about. Such a story

came out of Kansas City recently.

According to The Kansas City Star, the vast majority of socalled foiled terrorist plots in the U.S. were actually contrivances of the FBI. The plots invoking the name ISIS or Al Qaeda were actually the invention of FBI agents carrying out elaborate sting operations.

Reportedly, in recent terrorism investigations in Wichita and Kansas City, the alleged terrorists were unknowingly following the directions of undercover FBI agents who supplied fake bombs and came up with the key elements of the plan.

And listen to this: of 126 ISIS-related cases prosecuted by federal authorities across the country, almost two-thirds involved undercover agents or informants.

See the report here: <u>FBI Undercover Stings Foil Terrorist</u> <u>Plots - But Often Plots Of The Agency's Own Making</u>

And did I mention that the FBI actually took over a child pornography website for several weeks using the photos and videos of real children? Well, it did. In fact, while the FBI was distributing the child pornography, they actually upgraded the site by making it faster and more accessible. The FBI distributed at least 48,000 photos and 200 videos of child pornography. Imagine if one of those images was a photo or video of YOUR child. Imagine! A federal law enforcement agency that ostensibly is dedicated to protecting American lives—especially children's lives—sexually exploited thousands of little boys and girls—all under the rubric of catching pedophiles, of course. But by sexually exploiting these little children, I contend those FBI agents did in fact become pedophiles themselves. But they carry badges, so that makes it okay. And if you don't believe what I'm telling you, look it up for yourself.

And did I mention that FBI and ATF agents sold arms to Mexican drug cartels that wound up using those arms to kill innocent

civilians on both sides of the border as well as U.S. Border Patrol agents? Well, they did. And, oh yes, the money used for these illegal and immoral weapons transfers came out of the FBI's annual taxpayer budget. Of course, not a single agent from the ATF or FBI was ever held to account. Again, look it up for yourself.

And did I mention that FBI agents gunned down innocent Branch Davidians, including elderly men, women, and children as they fled the burning buildings (fires that the FBI started) near Waco, Texas? As horrific as it sounds (and is), that is exactly what they did. And again, not a single agent was brought to justice.

And did I mention that an FBI sniper shot Vicki Weaver in the head while she held her little baby in her arms as she stood in the doorway of her own kitchen? (This happened near Ruby Ridge, Idaho.) Well, he did. And the dog who lined this young mother up in his high-powered scope, and as cold as a Great White Shark squeezed the trigger, was never held accountable. He was initially charged with involuntary manslaughter in State court, but a federal prosecutor successfully had the case moved to federal court where the charge was summarily dismissed.

This follows the pattern that the CIA uses globally. The CIA—along with covert agents from Israel, Saudi Arabia, and Great Britain—uses fake Muslims to create terror groups such as ISIS and Al Qaeda. Some of the terrorists are paid mercenaries with absolutely no religious persuasion one way or the other; others are Arabs and Muslims who are sick and tired of seeing their loved ones killed and maimed in relentless bombing raids and drone attacks by the U.S. and Israel and are, therefore, easy targets for CIA and Mossad agitators to recruit into terrorism; and others are mentally unstable CIA stooges.

Regardless, the arms, equipment, intelligence, plans, etc.,

being fed to Middle Eastern terror groups come straight out of Langley, Virginia, and Tel Aviv, Israel. Washington, D.C., needs the war on terror as justification for building its military/industrial/surveillance complex (aka the domestic Police State and global "New World Order"), and Tel Aviv needs the war on terror to defeat those pesky Arabs in Iraq, Syria, Jordan, and Iran who stubbornly resist its plans for a "Greater Israel."

Plus, Zionists are expert at pitting their two most hated peoples (Christians and Muslims) against each other. Furthermore, Saudi Arabia knows that the Zionists' love of money is even greater than its hatred for Muslims and that they are therefore willing to look past Saudi Arabia's Sunni Muslim religion in order to help King Salman try and rid the Middle East of his most hated enemy: the Shia Muslim epicenter, Iran. And who knows: Saudi Arabia might have even struck a deal with Israel to cede its northern territory to the "Greater Israel" in exchange for Israel's help in destroying Iran and Syria. Of course, at some point everyone must deal with Egypt; but I am seriously digressing now.

Back on point: I also suspect that the vast majority of the mass shootings in the U.S. are likewise concocted and carried out by stooges of the CIA and FBI.

One of the best things that could happen for the future peace and happiness of the people of the United States (and world) would be for the CIA and FBI to be completely disbanded. These are totally unconstitutional agencies to begin with. If one wants to "drain the swamp," that would be a good place to start. But why stop there?

If we truly want to "Make America Great Again," we would also shut down the BLM, ATF, DEA, Department of Education, Department of Energy, Department of Transportation, OSHA, EPA, HUD, the Commerce Department, HHS, the Department of Labor, EEOC, FEMA, FHA, FDA, GSA, and, of course, the IRS and Federal

Reserve.

And while we are at it, we should close the vast majority of the 800 U.S. military bases in at least 160 countries all over the world (source: military scholar David Vine; by contrast Britain, France, and Russia have about 30 foreign bases combined, according to Vine), and bring our troops HOME—which would mean we wouldn't need to spend HALF of the entire federal budget on entangling alliances, Deep State assassinations, regime changes, goading nations into wars-for-profit, nation-building, and fighting wars of aggression for the Zionist-apartheid State of Israel.

The painful truth discussed in this column is just the tip of a very large iceberg. I wonder what Patrick Henry would say today.

P.S. I am very happy to report that the book I began offering in last week's column is being wildly requested. So many people want it, we are having difficulty keeping the book in stock. The book is entitled "Judaism's Strange Gods" by Michael Hoffman.

Hoffman documents his provocative thesis that Judaism is not the religion of the Old Testament, but the newly formalized belief system of the Pharisees, which arose in Babylon with the commitment of the formerly oral "tradition of the elders" to writing, in the wake of the crucifixion of Israel's Messiah and the destruction of the Temple.

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Some of the chapter topics in this book include:

- *Judaism's attack on the prophets and patriarchs
- *Contents of the Babylonian Talmud
- *Warrant for the murder of Gentiles
- *Anti-black racism
- *Christians in the Talmud
- *Judaism and abortion
- *Calendar and holy days
- *Child molestation and homosexuality

THERE'S MUCH MORE.

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Will Donald Trump Let Paul Ryan Make Him A One-Term President?

From the beginning, there have been several things that have bothered me about Donald Trump. Perhaps my biggest concerns have always been how genuine Trump is and, if he is genuine, how much he truly understands about "the swamp" he promised to

drain.

President Trump has appointed numerous big-government, pro-war neocons to his administration. In just two months, Trump has appointed more individual members from the CFR—and people from corporations belonging to the CFR—to his administration than Barack Obama did during his entire eight years in the White House. That is very troubling. The CFR is perhaps the preeminent globalist organization on the planet. How can Trump talk about putting America first when he litters his administration with people who are sympathetic to subjecting the United States to the globalist agenda?

While decrying the methods and motives of the CIA (Bravo!) on one hand, Trump turns around and gives this deepest of Deep State entities the authority to carry out assassinations around the world WITHOUT Pentagon or White House approval or oversight.

See the report: <u>Trump Gives CIA Power To Use Drones To Bomb</u> <u>Suspected Terrorists</u>

In other words, President Trump has given CIA Director Mike Pompeo the power to launch drone attacks against anybody he wants to—with NO accountability to anybody (all in the name of the "war on terror," of course). This means Pompeo is probably the most dangerous and unaccountable human being on earth right now. Without a doubt, this is one of the most draconian decisions an American President could ever make. Imagine what the outcry would be if Barack Obama or Hillary Clinton were to make such a decision. As it is, you are probably learning about it for the first time as you read it right now. (Notice we have to read about this from a foreign news agency because the U.S. media totally ignores these kinds of stories—as do conservative publications and websites.)

We know now that the clandestine attack that got one of our Special Forces troops killed in Yemen was conducted by the CIA. We also know that our forces killed at least a dozen or more innocent civilians and children in that raid. But no one wants to talk about that either.

The CIA was never intended to be a paramilitary organization. It was supposed to be an international intelligence gathering agency similar to the FBI except on a much broader scale. Obviously, the CIA has grown into an international killing machine. And Donald Trump has just given CIA Director Pompeo a permanent get-out-of-jail-free card. If Mike Pompeo were remotely honest, he would never have accepted such raw, unaccountable power. Can you imagine?

Furthermore, Donald Trump has sent U.S. Special Forces troops and Marines into Syria. The Syrian government has given NO consent for American troops to enter its country and considers the presence of our troops to be an invasion. Therefore, the very act of sending U.S. armed forces into Syria is illegal and unconstitutional. The LAST thing the American people elected Trump for was to start another Middle Eastern war.

Illegally placing U.S. fighting men on foreign soil where they are not invited or welcomed is NOT the action of a President who intends to "live in peace" with foreign countries, as he said was his intention when he was campaigning for office. Imagine what the American people would do should any foreign power inject its fighting men onto U.S. soil without America's consent.

I wonder, too, just who our military forces will be targeting in Syria. After all, our government (via the CIA) has been surreptitiously assisting Al Qaeda and ISIS in both Iraq and Syria for years. You can bet your bottom dollar, our troops are NOT going to be assisting the Syrian army. So why in the H-E-double-hockey-sticks are our troops there?

The fact is, the Syrian army—with the help of Russia—has ISIS on the run. They are destroying ISIS as we speak. Even a few

news sources in the western media are reporting the significant decline of ISIS. It is no hyperbole to say that Russia and Syria have ISIS on life support. If Donald Trump truly wants to defeat ISIS, all he needs to do is just stay out of the way and let Vladimir Putin and Bashar al-Assad take care of it.

Then there is Obamacare Lite, also known as Obamacare 2.0 or Ryancare. This thing is a monstrosity! Everybody, and I mean everybody, knows that Paul Ryan's proposed healthcare bill is nothing but a huge payoff to the insurance companies.

Senator Rand Paul (R-Kentucky) and Tom Cotton (R-Arkansas) and Congressman Dave Brat (R-Virginia) and Thomas Massie (R-Kentucky) have come out strongly against Ryan's pseudo-Obamacare replacement bill. So have countless others. Congressman Massie's quote is the most honest and accurate. He says Ryancare is "a stinking pile of garbage." Congressman Brat pulled away the curtain by boldly saying that Ryancare "is designed to save the insurance companies."

See the report: <u>Exclusive - Rep. Dave Brat: RyanCare A</u>
<u>Perverse Economic System</u>

Writing for NewsWithViews.com, Diane Kepus says this about Ryancare: "Working Americans Screwed Again." She's exactly right.

See Diane's report: Working Americans Screwed Again

Writing for Breitbart.com, Katie McHugh wrote an excellent analysis of the certain disaster that would ensue should Ryancare become law. Her report is entitled "7 Reasons Why Obamacare 2.0 Is All But Guaranteed To Impose Crushing Costs On Voters, Hurt Trump's Base, And Hand Power Back To The Democrats."

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Repealing Obamacare was one of the major tenets of Donald Trump's campaign. Paul Ryan's bill doesn't repeal Obamacare; it just gives it a new name. So, why then is President Trump cajoling Congress to pass the stupid thing?

Recently on MSNBC's "Morning Joe" program, Senator Rand Paul said that "every conservative that's come out publicly opposed" to the Obamacare replacement "has been called by the White House [that's Donald Trump] and is being cajoled and wooed by the White House to give in."

See the report: Rand: WH Trying To Cajole And Woo Conservatives 'To Give In' On Obamacare Replacement

Paul Ryan is the consummate neocon. He makes John Boehner look GOOD. Ryan was one of Donald Trump's fiercest opponents within the Republican Party during the primaries. Now Trump is twisting arms in the GOP caucus in order to secure their votes in SUPPORT of Ryan's bill—a bill that is nothing more than an Obamacare rework? Why? Why would Trump do this—if he was sincere about what he said on the campaign trail, I mean?

Respected conservative radio broadcaster Steve Deace recently wrote this:

Where, oh where, are Donald Trump's manly parts?

No one has seen them. There are no solid leads. Every jar in the 202 and 212 area codes has been inspected, and they're not there. There are rumors that Trump was really being wiretapped in an attempt to find out where he lost them, but that cannot be confirmed or denied. We're barely halfway through the first 100 days, and already Trump has backed down on the following:

• He's not going to arrest "crooked Hillary" and "locker her up" after all.

- He's not going to repeal Obama's unconstitutional (see that as illegal) executive amnesty (DACA) after all.
- After saying throughout the campaign it was weak and dumb to show your plans and give a heads up to your enemies, his new (and watered down) immigration executive order gives jihadists a 10-day warning before being implemented.
- He's siding with weak House GOP leadership in not repealing Obamacare as promised, and instead replacing it with something that could even be worse.
- His RNC leadership team looks like a Who's Who of the establishment, including the name Henry Barbour. The man who orchestrated one of the worst betrayals ever of the grassroots—the literal stealing of the 2014 Mississippi senate primary.
- He still hasn't lifted a finger to protect religious liberty. No repeal of the Johnson Amendment. No executive order. Not even a reference in his recent congressional speech to the Left's attempt to destroy the lives of believers like Barronelle Stutzman.

See the report: In Search Of ... Trump's Manly Parts

All of this goes back to what I said at the beginning of this column: perhaps my biggest concerns have always been how genuine Trump is and, if he is genuine, how much he truly understands about "the swamp" he promised to drain.

Either way, if Donald Trump succumbs to Paul Ryan's Obamacare 2.0 monstrosity, he will have allowed Ryan to make him a certain one-term President—which could be Ryan's goal. And if Trump continues his current course on foreign policy, we will be lucky if we are not in World War III before he finishes his first term.

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Basing his findings on authoritative Judaic sources, Hoffman demonstrates that Judaism is a man-made religion of tradition and superstition, which represents the institutionalized nullification of Biblical law and doctrine.

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Remembering The Alamo

This past Monday, March 6, marked the anniversary of the fall of the Alamo outside of San Antonio, Texas, back in 1836. This event is so significant in my mind that I always try to devote a column that honors the heroism of these men on or around the anniversary of the occasion.

For 13 days, 189 brave and determined patriots withstood Santa Anna's seasoned army of over 4,000 troops. To a man, the defenders of that mission fort knew that they would never leave those ramparts alive. They had several opportunities to leave and live. Yet they chose to fight and die. How foolish they must look to this generation of spoiled Americans.

It is difficult to recall that stouthearted men such as Davy Crockett (a nationally renowned frontiersman and former congressman), Will Travis (only 26 years old with two small children at home), Jim Bowie (a wealthy landowner with properties on both sides of the Rio Grande), and Almaron Dickinson (a 36-year-old blacksmith and artillery captain who was one of the very last men to die at the Alamo and whose young wife and daughter were two of only three Alamo survivors) really existed. These were real men with real dreams and real desires. Real blood flowed through their veins. They loved their families and enjoyed life as much as any of us do. However, there was something different about them. They possessed a commitment to liberty that transcended personal safety and comfort.

Liberty is an easy word to say, but it is a hard word to live up to. Freedom involves much more than financial gain or personal pleasure. Accompanying Freedom is her constant and unattractive companion, Responsibility. Neither is she an only child. Courage and Honesty are her sisters. They are inseparable: destroy one and all will die.

Early in the siege, Travis wrote these words to the people of Texas: "Fellow Citizens & Compatriots: I am besieged by a thousand or more of the Mexicans under Santa Anna. . . . The enemy has demanded a surrender at discretion, otherwise, the garrison are to be put to the sword. . . . I have answered the demand with a cannon shot & our flag still waves proudly from the walls. I shall never surrender or retreat. . . . VICTORY OR DEATH! P.S. The Lord is on our side."

As you read those words, remember that Travis and the others did not have the National Education Association (NEA) telling them how intolerant and narrow-minded their notions of honor and patriotism were. They didn't have the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) telling them they were a hate group. A hostile media did not constantly castigate them as a bunch of wild-eyed extremists. As schoolchildren, they were not taught that their forefathers were nothing more than racist jerks. The TSA didn't have them on a terrorist watch list. Neither did they have 501c3 pastors constantly filling their hearts and minds with this imbecilic "obey-the-government-no-matter-what" misinterpretation of Romans chapter 13.

The brave men at the Alamo labored under the belief that America (and Texas) really was "the land of the free and the home of the brave." They believed in God and that their cause was just. They also believed that the freedom of future generations depended on their courage and resolve. They further believed their posterity would remember their sacrifice as an act of love and devotion. It all looks pale now.

By today's standards, the gallant men of the Alamo appear rather foolish. After all, they had no chance of winning—none. Yet the call for pragmatism and compromise was never sounded. Instead, they answered the clarion call, "Victory or death!" Please try to remember the heroes of the Alamo as you watch our spineless political, religious, and business leaders surrender to globalism, corporatism, socialism, and political correctness. Try to remember the heroes of the Alamo as you watch the Republicans and Democrats in Washington, D.C., create a more draconian Police State than Santa Anna could have even dreamed of creating.

One thing is certain: those courageous champions at the Alamo did not fight and die for a political party or for some "lesser of two evils" mantra. They fought and died for a cause—and that cause was liberty and independence.

In 1836, those 189 defenders of the Alamo joined the ranks of the world's greatest freedom fighters. Patriots such as the 70 Christian men (most of whom were from Pastor Jonas Clark's Church of Lexington) who stood against 800 British troops on April 19, 1775, at Lexington Green and the hundreds more who joined them at the Concord Bridge a little while later. Men such as the great freedom fighter, William Wallace, and his band of 7,000 Scots who stood against an English force of 18,000 trained British soldiers at the Battle of Stirling Bridge on September 11, 1297—and again on July 22, 1298, when Wallace and 5,000 Scots went up against an English force of over 15,000 soldiers at the Battle of Falkirk. And let's not forget the single greatest example of men who chose to fight for liberty against the greatest of odds: the 300 Spartans who squared off against more than 100,000 Persians at the Battle of Thermopylae in August or September of 480 B.C. These stories—and hundreds like them—are the heritage of free men everywhere. And the willingness to stand against overwhelming odds for the cause of liberty is certainly America's heritage.

At the same time, it is extremely important to note that the Alamo defenders (and the rest of the honorable men mentioned in the above paragraph) did NOT act as a mob. It is truly stated that no one has a right to take the law into his or her own hands. These men acted in accordance with the Natural Law

of God, and thus their resistance was just and righteous.

I heard that a pastor recently said, "I can find no justification for America's War for Independence in the scriptures." (I hope many of his congregants found no justification for staying under his spiritual leadership after hearing that egregiously erroneous comment.) The only reason a pastor could say such a thing is because he is totally ignorant of Biblical Natural Law. Either that or he is a monarchical statist. Sadly, I would guess that a huge percentage of America's pastors today actually share this pastor's sentiment. (Why don't you ask YOUR pastor what he thinks next Sunday?)

The heroes of the Alamo, as well as the heroes of America's fight for independence, acted bravely and in good conscience under the moral law of God and the just laws of Nature. They did not act on their own authority but on the Natural authority of a Body Politic.

In the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson wrote, "Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.—Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government."

John Locke (The Father of America's Founding Fathers) said, "If a long train of abuses, prevarications and artifices, all tending the same way, make the design visible to the people,

and they cannot but feel what they lie under, and see whither they are going; it is not to be wondered, that they should then rouze themselves, and endeavour to put the rule into such hands which may secure to them the ends for which government was at first erected."

Locke continued: "Whosoever uses force without right, as every one does in society, who does it without law, puts himself into a state of war with those against whom he so uses it; and in that state all former ties are cancelled, all other rights cease, and every one has a right to defend himself, and to resist the aggressor."

In line with the law of conscience, for those who advance that civil society's rules must be abandoned and armed resistance taken (thus putting society in a state of war), there is a standard of proof that must be met, so as to convince The People that the actions taken outside the rules of established law are justified. This is what our founders did when they penned a Declaration of Independence. The founders of the Republic of Texas did likewise.

This is why it is absolutely obligatory that:

1. People are thoroughly informed and educated regarding the Natural Law-including the divine principles regarding lawful resistance to government.

America's founders were well versed in Natural Law. Their resistance to and separation from Great Britain—as well as the form of government that they created in the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights—were rightly predicated upon the "the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God." (Declaration)

2. Clergymen immediately familiarize themselves with the Natural Law of our Creator and quickly begin teaching these principles to their congregations.

Most New England pastors of Colonial America were scholars

when it came to the understanding of Natural Law. Sadly, Natural Law has not been taught in America's churches for over one hundred years—at least to any significant degree. The vast majority of pastors are totally ignorant of Natural Law. As a result, the people of this country have lost all cognizance of the integral relationship between Natural Law and a free society.

For this reason, I delivered a series of messages on the subject of Natural Law that are available on one DVD. The DVD series is entitled "Natural Law And Liberty." The five messages on this DVD include:

 Biblical Evidence For Natural Law Christ's Law Of The Sword The Law Of Necessity Liberty In Law The Importance Of Natural Law

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3. State legislators, governors, attorney generals, judges, sheriffs, etc., not only become familiar with the Natural Law principles of liberty but also come to a comprehension and conviction of their responsibility and authority to use their office within State government to galvanize the Body Politic, "We The People," in the defense of liberty.

The Alamo defenders, America's Founding Fathers, William Wallace and his band of Scots, and King Leonidas and his fellow Spartans all acted in accordance with the Natural Law principles stated above. They did NOT engage in armed resistance as individuals or as a mob, but under the Natural Law authority of man's Creator.

P.S. Several weeks ago, I informed readers of a fantastic new film that is currently in production. The movie is called "Mainstream: How Hollywood Movies And The New York Media Are Promoting The Globalist Agenda." I am so committed to the production of this film that I have become an executive producer of the film. This movie is truly a blockbuster movie: there has never been another film like it.

The mainstream media and entertainment industries have done as much to corrupt the soul of American society as anything else—and more than most. And the entire mainstream media and entertainment companies are controlled by a very small handful of people. And this tiny but powerful cabal is controlling most of the information that the American people consume on a daily basis.

MSNBC's Mika Brzezinski (daughter of globalist heavyweight Zbigniew Brzezinski) actually let the cat out of the bag on the "Morning Joe" show recently by saying, "And it could be that while unemployment and the economy worsens, he [Donald Trump] could have undermined the messaging so much that he can actually control exactly what people think. AND THAT, THAT IS OUR JOB." [Emphasis added]

See the report: <u>Brzezinski: 'Our Job' Is To Control 'Exactly What People Think'</u>

The new movie "Mainstream" is a brutally honest exposé of how the mainstream media and entertainment industries have tried to do what Ms. Brzezinksi emphatically stated was their intention to do: "control exactly what people think."

I have said it for years: the mainstream media is nothing more than a propaganda machine for globalists in and out of the federal government. And now, a major motion picture is preparing to give the American people the details that mainstream media bosses hope you will never learn.

Some of the most notable freedomists alive are featured in this film, including Edwin Vieira, G. Edward Griffin, John McManus, Ron Paul and several more. Yes, I am also featured in the film.

You can imagine how many people do not want to see this movie produced and how many people are refusing to help fund it. That's why I'm asking my readers to please help James Jaeger finish this film. Unless liberty-minded people support this film NOW, the project might grind to a halt. If you can give \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, or more, I urge you to do so. And THANK YOU for your help!

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The Greatest Man I've Ever Known

Yesterday, March 1, 2017, was my father's 110th birthday anniversary. Dad was born March 1, 1907—the same year that "The Duke" John Wayne was born. The 6'4" Duke passed away in 1979; my 5'6" father passed away in 1993.

Edwin J. (EJ) Baldwin was the eldest of five children. He was born in a little village in northern Michigan. My grandparents moved to Little Rock, Arkansas, shortly after Dad was born; and Dad and his siblings were all raised on a small farm outside of Little Rock. Dad didn't leave Arkansas until shortly before I was born. He passed away just a few days before his 86th birthday.

Dad was raised in a religious home; his father was a deacon in the church. However, by the time Dad was a teenager he had been totally turned off by the hypocrisy of dead religion and found his thrill at the bottom of a bottle. Though only a young man, Dad had mastered the art of moonshining and was known far and wide for the quality of his home-brewed whiskey.

Dad also mastered the welding trade. There were none better. He worked on projects all over the country, including the St. Louis arch. When Pearl Harbor was bombed, Dad and his two brothers marched down to the recruiter's office and signed up. One brother joined the Navy; the other brother joined the Marines and was wounded in the Pacific. Dad was in his midthirties when Japan struck our fleet in Hawaii (his brothers were much younger), and with his age and welding skills, Uncle Sam put Dad to work on a secret project that he never would divulge. As with most of the "Greatest Generation," my dad was fiercely patriotic.

I remember driving my mother and father from my home at the time on the Gulf Coast of Florida to my hometown of La Porte, Indiana (where Dad had moved shortly before I was born). As we made that 900-mile trip along Interstate 65, I was intrigued at something Dad did: he saluted every American flag that he saw en route. Every single one! I had never seen him do anything like that before. He passed away four months later. That trip was the last one Dad made on this earth. I have never forgotten it. Did Dad have a premonition that on this trip he was saying goodbye to "the land of the free" and about

to head out to a land that is even freer? I think so.

As previously mentioned, Dad was a master welder. He came from a long line of craftsmen. His father was a carpenter. His one brother was a master plumber, and his youngest brother was a master machinist. These were hard-working, blue collar men that took great pride and personal satisfaction in the quality of their work. Their word was their bond; and they were as honest as the day is long. I never knew any of them to not keep their word—about anything.

My father lived through two world wars, the Great Depression, the Korean and Vietnam conflicts, and the assassination of President Kennedy. He went from riding on a horse and buggy to watching a man step foot on the moon.

As I said, Dad mastered the art of whiskey making as a young man. Unfortunately, he also became a slave to his product. It didn't take Dad long to become an alcoholic. Dad was never mean or physically abusive when he was drunk. Instead, he would go on binges in which he would ride the rails, hoboing all over the country. His drinking cost him his first family, and by the time he was in his early forties, his health was gone.

He entered the Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) program, and step number three of that program changed his life forever. The third step of the AA program says, "[We] made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him."

Well, Dad clearly didn't understand God (as he would say repeatedly) and set out on a journey to try and satisfy this third step in AA. His search took him to the High Street Baptist Church and Pastor Harvey Hicks in Little Rock. Harvey himself was a former alcoholic and, therefore, talked Dad's language. Harvey led my father to the Lord, and Dad's life was transformed forever. Not only did God save my father's soul,

He healed my father's body. (And He didn't need Benny Hinn to do it.)

From the day Dad was converted to Christ to the day of his death some forty-six years later, Dad never touched another drink of alcoholic beverage. Say what you want; I know it was a divine miracle.

If you or a family member suffers from addiction (or if someone you know has a loved one who suffers from addiction), I will send you a CD (DVDs not available) of my father's truelife story as recorded on the international radio program "Unshackled," produced by the Pacific Garden Mission in Chicago, Illinois. There is NO CHARGE for this CD. Order Dad's true-life story here:

"Unshackled" - The Edwin J. Baldwin Story

After Dad's conversion, he moved to the city of my birth and spent the rest of his life there. He became a chaplain in the La Porte County jail. Later, he became a chaplain in the Indiana State Prison (a maximum security prison) in Michigan City. I guess you could say I cut my ministerial teeth as a boy with my dad in the jails and prisons of northern Indiana.

More than anyone else, my dad taught me the value of hard work, honesty, and devotion to God. My father was 45 years old when I was born, and growing up, I had no clue as to how valuable being raised by a father who was old enough to be my grandfather would eventually be to me.

I heard Dad and Mom (she was almost 40 when I was born) talk about things that impacted their generation. At the time, it seemed old-fashioned to me. But as I grew older, I realized that I had been privileged to be personally educated and influenced by people who had lived in and experienced a world that was quickly passing away—a world that my peers had absolutely no insight to.

Think about it: my grandfather was born in 1880. My grandfather! That was only two generations ago for me; and this is 2017.

My father and grandfather were old school. They didn't believe in debt. The only thing I know that my dad borrowed money for was our house. If he couldn't afford it, he didn't buy it. It was that simple. When granddad passed away, he left no debts; and when my dad passed away, he left no debts.

When I graduated from high school and went to college, I had to work a full-time job in order to pay my own way. I worked in a factory, a grocery store, sold vacuum cleaners, and did whatever I had to do to pay my way through school. Dad couldn't afford to pay my way through college; and I didn't expect him to. There was no such thing as handouts or entitlements in the Baldwin household. If you got it, you worked for it. I learned that lesson early on when I got my driver's license and wanted my own car. You guessed it: I had to earn the money for it, buy my own gas and oil, insurance, car repairs, etc. But that life lesson has served me well throughout my life.

At the age of 23, my wife and I launched out by faith with no money and no financial backing of any kind to a city where I had never lived—and went to work. All I had was a deep faith in God and a strong willingness to work hard—both of which I learned from my father. And then, at the age of 58, my wife and I moved 2,600 miles across the country and did it again.

Can you imagine? When most men my age are looking for financial security and a comfortable retirement, I left all of that behind and started a brand new work in a city and State in which we had never lived and where we knew no one (except I did know Rick Jore who lives a few miles south of where we live and who remains my dear friend). And not only did we start a new fellowship from scratch, we started a fellowship that is not a non-profit organization, which means donations

to our fellowship are not tax-deductible. Everyone said we were crazy; everyone said we would starve. But we are now in our seventh year, our fellowship is thriving, and I haven't missed a meal since moving here.

What I'm trying to point out is that everything I have done in my life, every risk I have taken, every step of faith I have made, every decision to defy the way it's "supposed" to be done, every decision to tackle any issue head-on (no matter how controversial or unpopular), every decision to back away from no enemy, every decision to be willing to change a long held theological position if I come to realize I was wrong—no matter how many feathers are ruffled or how much support I might lose—is ALL due to what I learned at the feet of and in the home of this remarkable man, Edwin J. Baldwin.

Oh, I should tell you this part of the story: my mother never had any children before me. She had been told by doctors that she had a medical condition that would prevent her from ever having children. But shortly after she and my dad were married, Dad started praying that the Lord would give them a son and that their son would grow up to be a preacher. And in spite of everything the doctors had told my mom—and at the age of almost 40—she gave birth to a little boy. And, well, that little boy grew up and became a preacher. And, of course, that little boy was me.

I still have vivid memories of my dad and the life lessons he taught me. I remember the stories he told me about growing up in the early years of the Twentieth Century; about the Great Depression; about the war; about the time my granddad had to take a man's life in self-defense; about his drinking days; about the hobo jungles; about the welding jobs; about the spiritual revival that took place in Pendleton Prison after he told his life story to the inmates there; about the pain and sorrow his drinking had inflicted upon his first wife and my two half-sisters and the lifelong grief and remorse he had over all of that; about Harvey Hicks; and about his miraculous

conversion.

Harvey Hicks died when I was a toddler, but I still remember how Mom had found out about it while Dad was at work. And after she called the factory where Dad worked and told him about Harvey's passing, Dad was overcome with such grief that he could not continue to work. His boss was a very kind and understanding man, and he let Dad come home for the rest of the day. I remember how grief-stricken Dad was when he heard that the man who had won him to Christ had passed away. Obviously, I never met Harvey Hicks. But I love that man. I love what he did for my dad. I'm looking forward to telling him how much I love him when it's my turn to join those great men in a much better place.

My dad has been in Heaven for over 24 years now, and he is still the most influential man in my life. I've never known a more courageous yet compassionate man. He was as hard as a nail and as soft as a pillow at the same time. He feared no one but God; and he loved God with all of his heart. He is the greatest man I've ever known.

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Two reports many Christians and Conservatives won't want

to read

Report One:

In this column two weeks ago, I asked the question, "Is Netanyahu finished?" I said:

Benjamin Netanyahu is one of the most corrupt political leaders on the planet. He is also one of the most heavily financed political leaders on the planet.

In spite of his billionaire friends and supporters, however, he is facing almost certain political destruction. His many crimes are being intensely investigated by Israeli authorities. The only reason he hasn't been removed from office already is due to the immense political and financial support he has from bankers, casino owners, land developers, etc., from other countries—especially in the United States.

But it is doubtful that Bibi will be able to tread water much longer. It appears that his political demise is inevitable. And you haven't heard a word about it from the controlled mainstream media in the U.S., have you? Of course, not. The men who own the mainstream media are among Bibi's largest contributors.

Neither have you heard anything about it from the so-called "conservative" publications, periodicals and websites. There is one common denominator that links the mainstream media with the so-called conservative media: infatuation with the modern State of Israel.

See the column: Is Netanyahu Finished?

My faithful readers know that after writing the above, Zionists of all stripes launched an intense media and personal attack against me.

How dare you say what you said about Benjamin Netanyahu? We've never heard anything about this from the media, whether

mainstream or independent, so you, Chuck Baldwin, must be full of horse manure. Plus, modern Israel is God's anointed nation-state, and since Bibi is the anointed nation-state's national leader, he, too, must be an anointed man who would be incapable of the corruption you accuse him of.

There was much more, of course. And much worse. But these attacks only served as an encouragement for me to bore deeper. I figure the more flak I am receiving, the closer I must be to exposing the real enemy. The closer one is to the enemy's headquarters, the more intense the firepower against him becomes. So, I must be getting REALLY close.

Here's a fact: if all you watch, read, and listen to are news outlets, radio talk shows, websites, and news publications from America, you are pretty much clueless as to what is happening in the world. Globalists almost totally dominate the American media; and even most of the so-called independent patriot news outlets filter everything through a pro-Zionist bias that removes or ignores real news. If one truly wants to find news that is not controlled by the globalists, one will need to look offshore.

I regularly scour foreign news services for information. As such, I've known for a long while what was happening with Netanyahu. His corruption has been well known and much talked about for years among people outside of the United States. So, for those folks who ignorantly accused me of being full of horse manure (and many other kind, Christian offerings), let me bring them up to speed with a source that even most Christian Zionists will have to accept: The Jerusalem Post.

Here is the title of an article that appears in the February 16, 2017, edition of The Jerusalem Post: "Game Of Thrones: Israel Prepares For Netanyahu's Potential Departure." The subtitle of the article says, "As corruption investigations pile up, Benjamin Netanyahu's potential early departure is likely to produce an early election with unpredictable results."

The report states, "PROCEDURALLY, ALL [emphasis in original] are waiting for the police to complete its investigations, a process that Inspector General Roni Alsheikh has said should take no more than 'weeks,' though he was referring only to the affairs involving Milchan and Mozes. The submarine probe, which had yet to be publicized when Alsheikh spoke, will likely take longer."

The report continues, "Though nothing will happen before these two processes mature, the political system is already swarming with calculations, scenarios and theories concerning what might unfold should the investigations piling up around him lead Netanyahu to resign."

See the JPost report here: Game Of Thrones: Israel Prepares For Netanyahu's Potential Departure

Of course, I do not expect that the revelation about Bibi will do anything to open the eyes of the blind (much less to inspire them to offer yours truly an apology). I fully anticipate that most of them will call this "fake news," dismiss it, yawn, and carry on in their blindness. But for those who have "eyes to see" and "ears to hear," this is what Benjamin Netanyahu is beginning to reap for his many crimes, most of which he will not pay for until he meets God.

Bibi has been a pawn of the globalists ever since before he was elected Prime Minister. And, just as with Hillary Clinton (and a host of others), when a globalist lackey outlives his or her usefulness he or she is fed to the sharks of political opposition. That's what's happening to Bibi.

Oh, mentioning Clinton's name reminds me: if you are not following Pizzagate, you might want to start paying attention to this one. This international pedophile ring is MASSIVE. Some speculate that as many as 30% of the people in the U.S. Congress are connected to it. I noted on my Facebook page that anonymous FBI sources within the investigation said that many

arrests were coming soon and that several major political, media, and entertainment figures would be included. The source said that Israel and Saudi Arabia are also involved.

I supplement this column with regular posts on my Facebook page. To read and make comments, go here and "Like" my page:

Chuck Baldwin's Facebook Page

Soon after writing that post, I discovered that over 400 people were arrested in California (mostly in the Los Angeles area) on pedophile-related charges. And the names have not yet been released, which means there are probably some big-name celebrities included. Don't be surprised if arrests are forthcoming on the East Coast (New York City and Washington, D.C., mostly) as well. And don't be surprised if at least a few of these arrests involve big-name politicians in both parties and also big-name media personalities. Truly, if Donald Trump is honest and clean, he has already instructed Attorney General Jeff Sessions to proceed with all haste. But I digress.

Report Two:

In several previous columns, I have tried to warn people about Donald Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner. After being elected President, Mr. Trump elevated Jared to the position of personal presidential advisor. In practically every photograph we see of President Trump in the Oval Office, Jared is standing directly behind him. Jared might be the most influential advisor Mr. Trump has.

Of course, Jared is a radical Zionist who comes from one of Israel and America's most influential and most corrupt Zionist families. Jared's father even served time in prison for corruption. Well, now we learn that Jared Kushner and the entire Kushner clan are financial partners with the notorious anti-freedom billionaire, George Soros. No, I'm sure you haven't heard about this from the mainstream media or even

from Alex Jones these days.

According to Jewish Business News, "It turns out that George Soros is the money behind a new real estate venture called Cadre which was founded by Donald Trump's son in law Jared Kushner and his brother Joshua Kushner.

"The Real Deal has uncovered the fact that George Soros was the man who provided Cadre with a \$259 million line of credit. A source told the publication, 'Soros has had a long and productive relationship with the Kushner family.'"

See the report: George Soros Backed Jared Kushner Venture Cadre With \$250 Million

Yes, the supposed "enemy" of Donald Trump, George Soros, is a major financial partner and backer of fellow Zionist Jared Kushner, the President's son-in-law.

Whether Soros is a real enemy of Donald Trump or whether the American people are being played by both Soros and Trump is hard to tell right now. But we do know that Soros is a for real enemy of freedom. And now we also know that Soros and Kushner are financially joined at the hip. Follow the money, folks. Follow the money.

Insiders say that there is an internal battle going on right now within the U.S. intelligence communities between those loyal to the CIA and the Israeli Mossad (international partners in crime) and those loyal to President Trump. But if Trump is truly going to stand foursquare against these dark and evil forces, he will FIRST have to stand against his son-in-law, Jared Kushner. And if that was going to be the case, why did Trump give Kushner such a powerful position in his government in the first place?

Along with many CFR globalists that Trump has placed in his administration, Jared Kushner might prove to be Trump's undoing. The enemy is ALWAYS most effective within the camp.

Forget that hackneyed expression, "Keep your friends close and your enemies closer." Remembering the Greek's Trojan Horse is much more relevant.

And for those of you who understand that one of the biggest reasons why nothing much changes no matter who is elected President is because of the numerous CFR members (either individual or corporate affiliate) that presidents of both parties place in their administrations, by selecting Army Lieutenant General Herbert Raymond "H. R." McMaster as National Security Advisor, Mr. Trump is up to CFR member number 22. And if he follows through with what he said he would do by appointing John Bolton (UGH!) to his administration, it would be CFR member number 23. As a comparison, Bill Clinton had 39 CFR members in his administration; G.W. Bush had 27; and Barack Obama had 21. And Donald Trump's appointments are far from over.

To Trump's credit, his first Supreme Court appointment MIGHT turn out to be a good one. Time will tell. The man is largely untested on matters that will help decide our country's future freedom. So, I'm NOT doing cartwheels just yet. But I am cautiously optimistic about Judge Neil Gorsuch. Here is an excellent review of the judge from two men I trust and respect:

Judge Neil Gorsuch: Some Cause For Concern

I know it is painful for some people to accept the truth—especially when it challenges a person's long-established beliefs and opinions. Believe me: it wasn't easy for me to discover that just about everything I had been taught about the modern State of Israel was totally unscriptural and untruthful. I guess it all depends on whether one is genuinely a truth-seeker or not.

Therefore, I am confident that the two reports contained in this column are ones that many Christians and conservatives will NOT want to hear, and after having heard them, will totally ignore—after they shoot the messenger, of course.

The good news is that more and more people are awakening to truth; more and more people are seeing through the façade; and more and more people are being delivered from the spirit of deception that has enveloped many of our churches and much of our country for far too long. I guess that is why other people react so violently to what I write.

P.S. Once again, I have a two-DVD series of now EIGHT (not seven) messages entitled "The Church And Israel." We have added an eighth message entitled "A Counterfeit Temple; A Counterfeit Israel."

As I said in this column, I believed and preached "Israel First" theology and prophecy for over 30 years. But the more I taught it, the more uncomfortable I became with it. I then began a truly honest and objective search of the scriptures for understanding. I purposely avoided studying what men had written on the subject, regardless of position. I studied the BIBLE. And what I believe now cannot be pigeon-holed into any theological "ism." So trying to put me in any prophetic "camp" is a complete waste of time.

What I can tell you is that through my recent years of study, I became convinced that what I had been taught and what I had believed for so long was egregious error. These eight messages serve as a basic tutorial of what I believe God taught me through His Word regarding the truth about Israel.

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Here are the titles of the eight messages on Israel (these were preached over a span of a couple of years, and they are in chronological order, so I strongly suggest that one watch

them in that order, as the messages build on the former messages):

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- "An High Priest Forever After The Order Of Melchisedec"
- Jesus: The Seed Of David, The Seed Of Abraham
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The left-right paradigm is back

Before the campaign and election of Donald Trump, the leftright paradigm was on life support. People were as sick of Republicans such as Jeb Bush as they were of Democrats such as Hillary Clinton. But the election of Donald Trump has resurrected the left-right paradigm BIG TIME.

Ever since Trump won the Republican nomination—and even more so since he won the general election—it seems we are right back to the old Republican vs. Democrat, left vs. right, liberal vs. conservative mentality that got us into this mess in the first place. It is to the point that major "patriot" radio talk show hosts are sounding more and more like Republican hacks such as Rush Limbaugh and Sean Hannity. And so-called patriot websites seem to have lost their constitutional objectivity as well when it comes to Trump.

As a national radio talk show host and columnist, I went through this with G.W. Bush. And as Yogi Berra used to say, "It's deja vu all over again." So, where exactly does that leave honest, objective truth-tellers? We catch it from all directions.

Just a few days ago, an ultra left-wing propaganda website did a hatchet job on yours truly and the good folks at Liberty Fellowship. A reporter (or should I say saboteur) snuck into one of our services and wrote up a hit piece that Joseph Goebbels (and the SPLC) would be proud of. At the same time, so-called conservative, patriot websites and columnists are attacking me with equal ferocity. What should that tell you? It should tell you that neither side is interested in truth; both sides only want to report that which furthers their own political agenda.

Truth is dead; objectivity is dead; honest journalism is dead. Truly, "fake news" is found on both ends of the political spectrum.

The fact is, Donald Trump has made and is making many decisions that should deeply concern constitutionalists, conservatives, and patriots. For all intents and purposes, the "law and order" agenda he is publicly promoting eviscerates

the Fourth Amendment along with several others.

For example, Trump recently threatened to ruin the career of a Texas State Senator who dared to introduce legislation that would require a criminal conviction before law enforcement authorities can seize a person's assets. The way the laws are written right now, the government can seize any citizen's personal assets without having to charge the person with any illegal activity or wrongdoing. Mere suspicion is all that is necessary. Do Trump's supporters really support THAT? If they do, they have no right to call themselves a "constitutionalist," that's for sure.

See the report: Trump Casually Offers To 'Destroy' Texas Senator Who Dared To Suggest Law Amendment (VIDEO)

With President Trump's public rhetoric promoting police "stop and frisk" laws and similar bullying tactics, 157 people have been killed by police officers in just the first six weeks of 2017. That is almost a 10% increase over 2016's banner year of police killings at this point on the calendar. And we are not yet two months into the new year. Does this make you feel "patriotic"? Do you really think this is what it means to "drain the swamp"?

Over Barack Obama's eight years in office, he appointed twenty-one members of the globalist CFR to his administration. In just the beginning stages of Trump's administration, he has already appointed four individual CFR members (Elaine Chao, Robert Lighthizer, K.T. McFarland, Robert Wood Johnson IV). Then count the companies that are CFR affiliates and the appointees from these companies that Trump has selected, including Rex Tillerson and Robert Harward, and that adds 15 additional CFR globalists to his administration. So, in reality, Trump has already appointed 19 CFR globalists to his administration—and he is only a few weeks into his presidency. At this rate, Trump is on a pace to far exceed Obama's CFR appointments. Is that what you call putting "America first"?

Donald Trump's CIA chief, Michael Pompeo, wants no interference or prohibition upon the federal government's collecting "metadata" information on the American people. He wants to ignore or eliminate the USA Freedom Act that limits such data collection and resume the government's collection of personal data on the American citizenry unimpeded. In other words, Pompeo wants the federal government to have complete freedom to spy on every American citizen, no exceptions and no limitations. Does that sound pro-constitution and pro-freedom to you?

Speaking of Pompeo and the CIA, Trump's CIA chief just awarded Saudi Arabia Crown Prince Mohammed bin Nayef the George Tenet award for his work in "fighting terrorism." I kid you not. Look it up for yourself.

Without a doubt, Saudi Arabia is the biggest exporter of terrorism in the entire Middle East. The Saudi government's fingerprints are all over Al Qaeda, ISIS, and even the 9/11 attacks here in the United States. And Trump gives the Saudi deputy premier and interior minister an "anti-terrorism" award? Are you kidding me?

And talk about conflict of interest: here are the Zionists that Donald Trump has appointed to his administration so far: Jared Kushner, David Friedman, Jason Greenblatt, Steven Mnuchin, Stephen Miller, Carl Icahn, Gary Cohn, Boris Epshteyn, David Shulkin, Reed Cordish, and Avrahm Berkowitz. Try to find that many people of virtually any other single persuasion that Trump has appointed. But appointing this many Zionists to his cabinet is not supposed to concern us?

And did I tell you that Trump's choice for Secretary of the Interior, Montana's Ryan Zinke, was one of the most liberal Republican State legislators in the entire State of Montana? Well, he was. Oh, and did I tell you that Trump's Treasury Secretary, Steven Mnuchin, wants to INCREASE the size and scope of the Internal Revenue Service? Well, he does. And did

I tell you that Trump's choice for Labor Secretary, Andy Puzder, is a disciple of Jeb Bush and Eric Cantor and that he has made a living out of hiring cheap labor and immigrant employees and that he has promoted illegal immigration during his entire career? Well, he is and he has.

Plus, as we speak, the Trump administration is already making excuses as to why Obamacare won't be able to be rescinded or replaced "any time soon." And, of course, after saying that NAFTA needed to be shredded on the campaign trail, President Trump is now saying it needs to be reworked. But it's uncertain at this point how or even if that will be accomplished. (Thankfully, Trump did put the whammy on TPP.) Oh, and the promise to put Hillary Clinton in jail: forget it. Trump has made it clear that the Clintons are "wonderful" people and that he has great "respect" for both of them.

And speaking of putting people in jail, you know that Donald Trump wants to put people who burn the American flag in jail for at least a year or take away their U.S. citizenship, right? What's next? Will he propose shooting them?

Do I support burning the American flag? Absolutely not! I find it disgusting and revolting. Neither did I support those NFL players who refused to stand during our National Anthem during this past football season. I found those players to be equally repugnant. And the American viewing public had every right to register their displeasure of Kaepernick and Company by not watching NFL games—and a host of them did just that. But this is America. People have the right to protest, whether the rest of us find the protest disgusting or not. Freedom says, "I may not agree with what you say, but I'll fight for your right to say it." Apparently, Donald Trump doesn't believe that. As a private citizen, that's no big deal; but as President of the United States of America, that IS a very big deal.

By this time, people may have gotten an entirely wrong perception of what I'm saying. Believe it or not, I'm NOT $\,$

anti-Trump. I actually concur with many things Trump has said and done so far (not the things mentioned above, of course). What I am is chagrined and saddened at the lack of principled objectivity being demonstrated by many so-called conservatives.

The left has been guilty of this for years. And now with the election of Donald Trump, the right is proving itself equally guilty. That makes the right no better than the left—which takes us back to the beginning of how our country got in this shape to begin with. As writers and columnists, why can't we stand foursquare on the principles of liberty and constitutional government, call a spade a spade, and just let the chips fall where they may? Is that really so hard to do? For many people, I guess it is.

It's the same old story: people love me when I'm taking Democrats and liberals to task for the violation of freedom principles but hate me when I take Republicans and conservatives to task for the exact same things. And the truth is, at this point, Donald Trump is sending so many mixed signals it's impossible to know exactly what he believes or what he intends to do. I'm not sure he even knows what he believes or what he intends to do.

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But that's not the point. Our job as independent, honest, and objective columnists, writers, reporters, journalists, etc., is to remain loyal to the principles of truth, liberty, and constitutional government—no matter who is in the White House or what party controls Congress. Anything less is just more unprincipled partisan politics. In other words, more SWAMP.

What seems clear is that whatever else Donald Trump has accomplished by this election—whether wittingly or

unwittingly—he has definitely brought back the destructive and distracting left-right paradigm. But that's not his fault—it's ours.

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Without a doubt, Netanyahu's plummet in popularity at home is one of the reasons (maybe the MAJOR reason) why he is pressuring Donald Trump to ratchet up a war against Iran and why he is mobilizing accelerated (illegal) Israeli settlements on private land owned by Palestinian people. War and military conflict has always been a favored tactic of embattled politicians to increase their popularity and deflect negativity. Neither does it hurt that Jared Kushner, Donald Trump's son-in-law and presidential adviser, is a MAJOR financial backer of the (illegal) land settlements.

One indicator that Netanyahu will be removed from office soon is longtime Bibi supporter, billionaire Sheldon Adelson, is starting to back away from the embattled Israeli Prime Minister. That's NOT a good sign for Bibi at all.

The removal of Netanyahu from office would be a very good thing for the entire world. The problem is the State of Israel is controlled by about 20 mega-rich Zionist families. To think that these power-brokers would replace Bibi with a truly honest man is as likely as the sun rising in the west tomorrow morning.

Read this honest and objective analysis of what I am talking about here: Netanyahu Scandals Reflect Corruption At The Heart Of Israeli Society

As I often do, I tested this column by writing a brief post on this subject on my Facebook page. I wasn't surprised when Christians came out of the woodwork in a vitriolic attack against me for what I said about Bibi. Many accused me of heresy and vowed to never read my Facebook page again.

Chuck Baldwin's Facebook Page

Since my lengthy personal research and study into the Biblical teaching on Israel, I have come to learn this: the entire faith system of many professing Christians depends on their allegiance to the modern State of Israel. These Christian Zionists might recite a pledge of allegiance to the United States of America, but their true allegiance is to the State of Israel.

It is no hyperbole to say that for many professing Christians, the modern State of Israel is every bit as important as Jesus Christ Himself and their own personal salvation. In fact, many of these folks equate their allegiance to the State of Israel with their own personal salvation. And they are quick to condemn anyone to hell who does not share their allegiance to the State of Israel. I find this extremely perplexing. I truly wonder if this cultish infatuation with the modern faux Israel might be the great "falling away" and devilish deception of the last days. But I digress.

Faithful readers of this column and followers of my ministry know that for most of my adult life I subscribed to dispensational modern-Israel-is-the-fulfillment-of-Bible-prophecy theology. And while I would debate with people holding alternative opinions (as I hold now), I never felt that their differences of opinion on this subject somehow invalidated their Christian faith.

So, why is it that so many Christians are so dependent upon a commitment to the modern State of Israel to the point that it is part and parcel to the very core of their Christian faith? For some nineteen centuries there was no modern State of Israel, and believers were quite cemented and steadfast in the Christian faith. In fact, most Bible scholars who wrote previous to 1948 had an entirely different perspective on the subject. Try reading some of them, and see for yourself.

Today, however, anyone who challenges the scriptural validity of the modern State of Israel is cast off by many professing

Christians in the meanest and most vitriolic terms. Why does the modern State of Israel hold such a strong grip on people's faith? It's as if their faith itself depends on the modern State of Israel, not Christ.

Christians seem oblivious to the fact that Netanyahu is not only a globalist, crook, and murderer, he is also a Talmudist. Not long ago, he promised that Talmudism would be official Israeli law. See the report: Netanyahu Promises Talmud Will Be Israeli Law

If you think the Koran is bad, try reading the Talmud. As a point of reference, the Pharisees that hated Jesus were devout disciples of the Mishnah, the oral traditions which later formed the Talmud. In other words, the Pharisees were Talmudists. And, as you probably know, Jesus strongly condemned them for their devotion to the Mishnah.

Consider, too: Tel Aviv is the international capital of homosexuality. That is no exaggeration. Also, the government of Israel pays for women to receive an abortion at any stage of the baby's development. Plus, as seen in Cook's article linked above, Israel is known globally as being a safe haven for all kinds of money laundering for international criminal gangs, especially from Russia. "A leaked U.S. embassy cable in 2009 warned that Israel was in danger of becoming a 'promised land' for organised crime.

"The Haaretz newspaper observed recently that this underground economy [from the money laundering by international criminal gangs] had become so big — with an annual turnover reaching as much \$39 billion — Israel could find itself on the same list as Iran as 'one of the leading state financiers of global terrorism.'"

Furthermore, for all intents and purposes, many (if not most) Talmudists are practicing atheists. The Lord Jesus Christ (true Israel's Messiah) is scorned and hated as much in the

modern State of Israel today as He was during the days when the Pharisees crucified Him. If you think there is religious liberty for Hebrew Christians in Israel today, you couldn't be more wrong.

The last time I was in Israel, I spoke at two Baptist churches. One was in Jerusalem, and the other was in Bethlehem. Take a guess at the composition of the Christians in those churches. They were 99% Palestinian.

In addition, Zionist bankers, casino owners, land developers, media magnates, entertainers, movie producers, etc., are among Christianity's biggest enemies. That is NOT a racist statement at all. That is a cold, hard fact.

You must understand that Zionism has nothing to do with race; it is a political philosophy. At its core, Zionism is communistic and atheistic. Accordingly, it is little wonder that Zionists are found among the liberal/progressive political parties in virtually every Western country. Zionists are found among all races and creeds. This is NOT a racial issue at all.

Plus, you should know that there are many Jews in and out of Israel who are just as opposed to Netanyahu, Talmudism, and Zionism as I am.

Of course, the biggest reason for this unbiblical infatuation with the modern State of Israel is the ubiquitous teaching of pastors and churches that the promise to Abraham in Genesis 12:3 is intended for the State of Israel born on May 14, 1948. And much of this teaching comes from seminaries and colleges such as Dallas Theological Seminary, Liberty University, and many other Christian schools and universities. And much of the teaching of these schools is an outgrowth of the Scofield Reference Bible and the writings of John Darby, Clarence Larkin, Tim LaHaye, John MacArthur, Hal Lindsey, et al. Also joining in this "Israel First" indoctrination is the vast

majority of charismatic televangelists, such as John Hagee, Pat Robertson, Benny Hinn, Jim Bakker, Kenneth Copeland, et al.

One can barely listen to a Bible message on the radio, television, or in a local church without being barraged with the "Israel First" doctrine that Genesis 12:3 is talking about the modern State of Israel. Christians are also bombarded with the indoctrination that the State of Israel created by the Rothschilds in 1948 is prophetic Israel. I suppose that belief, by itself, wouldn't be so bad, except for the hate, vitriol, animus, and bitterness that accompanies it.

With all of the controversial positions I have taken over my forty-plus years in the ministry, I have NEVER received the hate-filled opposition I am receiving right now because of my position that the modern State of Israel is NOT the Israel of the Bible or the "Israel of God." (Galatians 6:16) That position is NOT based on racism or prejudice or anything of the kind. It is based strictly on my study and understanding of the Holy Scriptures.

One would think I had denied the deity of Christ, His virgin birth, His blood atonement, or His bodily resurrection from the dead. I dare say the opposition against me would be LESS if I had. I am NOT making it up when I say that Zionist Christians have vowed to ruin me, thoroughly discredit me, and some have even threatened (more than once) to KILL ME. Can you imagine? It's absolutely true. I guess Muslims aren't the only ones who know how to hate.

I also wrote this related post on my Facebook page:

For all of the good things Trump has done thus far, he has wasted no time in beating the war drums against Iran. The rhetoric of Trump and Mattis and Flynn is eerily similar to the rhetoric of Bush and Cheney and Rumsfeld back in 2002 & 3.

Iran is being painted as the next Big Bad Wolf that the U.S.

must attack in order to save the world. But why?

Iran is condemned because Iran-backed Houthi rebels attacked a Saudi warship and Tehran tested a missile. For this, "American lives are at risk." Really? How so?

The Saudis have been bombing the Houthi rebels and ravaging their country, Yemen, for TWO YEARS. Saudi Arabia is apparently exempt from retaliation from wars it starts. But one act of self-defense by the Yemenis and Donald Trump puts Iran "on notice"— and generals Mattis and Flynn declare it to be America and the world's greatest threat. Really? Trump has also foolishly reinstated sanctions against Iran. Both Russia and Iran see this as a violation of the 2015 treaty, which now allows Iran to withdraw from the agreement altogether.

Where is the evidence that Iran even had a role in the Houthis' attack against the Saudi ship? Plus the UN resolution only forbade Iran from testing nuclear missiles, not conventional ones—which Tehran insists this test was.

Of course, the globalist warmonger Benjamin Netanyahu is cheering Trump on. Perpetual war in the Middle East is Bibi's best friend. Right now, he's counting on it to save his political career.

Furthermore, is it any coincidence that the Saudi king spoke with Trump on Sunday (1/29) and then suddenly the Trump administration is beating the war drums against Saudi Arabia's mortal enemy, Iran? The Sunni Muslim government of Saudi Arabia has long salivated over conquering the Shia Muslim government of Iran.

Trump's public rhetoric and the reinstatement of sanctions make a collision with Iran almost inevitable. Did Trump learn NOTHING from G.W. Bush and Barack Obama? An unnecessary and unprovoked war in Iraq; wars in Libya, Syria, and Yemen costing trillions of dollars and thousands of American lives; not to mention a global harvest of hatred against America that

launched Al Qaeda and ISIS. Oh, yes, and there's also the little matter that Iran and Russia are committed allies.

Trump said he wanted a less hostile relationship with Putin's Russia. Well, going to war with Iran is not the way to do it. As this is being written, the U.S. Navy is practicing war games fifty miles off the coast of Iran. This is not good, folks.

Perhaps Trump is listening to the advice of the War Party members that he foolishly appointed to his cabinet. (I tried to warn people about these appointments when they occurred—but I didn't think the bitter fruit of these appointments would ripen in only two weeks after his inauguration.) Convincing Trump to go to war with Iran would be a good way to make him a one-term President.

The American people didn't put Trump in office for him to take the United States into yet another unnecessary and unprovoked Middle Eastern war. But it looks like that is exactly what he is planning to do.

Some of the above I borrowed from Pat Buchanan's excellent analysis. Read: The Coming Clash With Iran

And what's at the center of all of this war fever? An Israel-First foreign policy and an Israel-First "Christian" theology.

Hate me and stone me if you want to: Americans should be all about America-First, and Christians should be all about Christ-First.

In the meantime, unless a U.S.-led war against Iran can save him, it seems that Netanyahu's crimes are starting to catch up to him. And if Christians cared anything about truth, righteousness, and justice, they would be happy to hear it. I seem to recall that God's prophets had something to say about Old Testament Israel's wayward kings. Speaking of which, where are God's prophets today?

P.S. Once again, I invite readers to watch my two-DVD message series explaining my understanding of the scriptural teaching regarding Israel: past, present, and future. The series is called "The Church And Israel."

Folks, consider: I had believed, taught, and preached dispensational, Israel-First theology for over thirty years—why would I take an opposite view NOW, after all these years? Why would I risk my ministry, my livelihood, and my family's future? And with the hateful reaction to my position, that's exactly what I've done.

Continued attacks against me for my position on websites, radio talk shows, periodicals, and newspapers make columns such as this one obligatory. Like my positions or not, I have always tried to be true to my conscience and my beliefs. And if I go to the poor house over this issue, so be it. I will be faithful to the truth as I understand it, regardless.

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Is there any such thing as a principled politician

anymore?

In my lifetime, the closest thing to a constitutionally principled politician that I have ever met at the national level was 12-term Congressman Ron Paul. There were a small handful of others, of course: Steve Stockman, John Hostetler, Paul Broun, Helen Chenoweth-Hage, and Jesse Helms come to mind. Ron's son Rand could also be put in this gallant group; I might also put Congressman Thomas Massie in the mix, but I have not personally met this gentleman. There are more, of course. But their number is VERY small and shrinking further all the time. And the number of truly principled politicians I have known on the State and local levels are equally sparse. Mind you, I'm talking about a span of over four decades.

Typically, as soon as a person is elected to public office, they start thinking about how far up the political ladder they can climb. If they are a county commissioner or city councilman, they are thinking about becoming a State legislator or senator. If they are a State legislator or senator, they are thinking about becoming a U.S. congressman or senator. And if they are a U.S. congressman or senator, they are thinking about becoming President or Vice President. The vast majority of decisions these self-absorbed politicians make, votes they cast, and friends they choose are all centered on one goal: obtaining higher office.

Congressional leaders and special interest lobbyists know that most politicians are unprincipled, and they prey on this weakness. That's why in almost no time after being elected, most politicians become pawns in the hands of the establishment. Furthermore, party labels mean absolutely nothing in this regard. Politicians can talk all day about "fighting the liberals" (if they are Republicans), or "fighting the conservatives" (if they are Democrats), etc. It means nothing. What they are really fighting is anything or anyone they perceive as a stumbling block to their political

futures. Most politicians have no moral or philosophical compass and are, therefore, mushy clay in the hands of Big Money potters and party strongmen.

Sadly, the same unprincipled, anything-to-get-ahead approach to life besieges many, if not most, preachers and businessmen as well. Preachers pander to contributors and businessmen pander to investors. And, again, "liberal" or "conservative" mean nothing. Both are driven by the same desires and motivations: success, money, notoriety, etc.

I am currently watching countless numbers of "conservative" and "patriot" radio talk show hosts, website writers, editors, and publishers, as well as newspaper and magazine writers, editors, and publishers pander to whatever they think will make them money. Truth, objectivity, and honesty mean absolutely NOTHING. There are exceptions, of course. But they are just that: exceptions.

Paid lobbyists transition in and out of government positions, and politicians and government employees transition in and out of lobbying positions. Oh, and don't forget that the mainstream media is littered with former political office holders, staffers, and lobbyists. A bunch of former congressmen and senators are even on the payroll of foreign governments. Several televangelists are too. Mostly Israel's, of course.

With the forty-fourth anniversary of Roe v Wade still fresh in our minds, think of the hundreds and thousands of "pro-life" congressmen, senators, mayors, State legislators and senators, county commissioners, city councilmen, sheriffs, etc., who have been elected to office over the past forty-four years. Think of the millions, maybe billions, of dollars that have been raised by "pro-life" organizations over the past forty-four years. Think of the hundreds and thousands of "pro-life" lobbyists that have been hired and have now retired over the past forty-four years. And we are no closer to overturning Roe

v Wade than we were forty-four years ago. (If you really think that President Trump and the GOP in Washington, D.C., or Trump's Supreme Court appointees will overturn Roe during the next four years—even though the GOP will control the entire federal government during that time—I have this bridge I would love to sell you.)

And how is it that during the past forty-four years we haven't had ONE of the fifty sovereign states in this country go on record as defining an unborn baby as a real, live human being? This in spite of the fact that 45 states have laws on the books that demand murder charges for anyone who kills an unborn baby. Well, anyone except the mother and doctor, of course. (I've never been able to figure out how the worth of an unborn baby can be determined by who decides to kill him or her.) Please tell me how someone can be brought up on murder charges without the victim being defined as a human being. Of course, the reason for this contradiction is the attempt by states to comply with the Roe decision, while at the same time trying to enforce a moral code they KNOW to be true.

In the meantime, every election year, the "pro-life" politicians tell us how much we need to elect and reelect them because they are "pro-life." Really? What difference has electing these "pro-life" legislators made to the sixty million unborn babies who have been killed during the past forty-four years?

If you want to find out how "pro-life" your State senator or legislator is, just ask him or her to sponsor a personhood bill in your State legislature. I'm serious. Try it, and see what these "pro-life" legislators do. Most of them will vote for it only after doing everything they can to keep it from even becoming a bill that they have to vote on. Truly, most "pro-life" legislators are hoping that they never have to vote on a personhood bill. Even then, some of them will vote against it, and guess what? The "pro-life" organizations like the "right to life" and "family" groups will not even record

the legislator's "Nay" votes on his or her "pro-life" voter guides. So, even after voting "Nay" on personhood, the legislator will be touted as "pro-life" by these phony pro-life organizations. That is the reality of what we are dealing with, folks.

If a State legislator or senator was truly pro-life, they wouldn't have to be begged or browbeat into doing everything in their power to end the legal murders of babies in their states, or if a U.S. congressman or senator, in our country. If a man or woman doesn't have a moral compass about killing babies, he or she doesn't have a moral compass about ANYTHING.

And that's the problem: most politicians don't have a moral compass about much of anything. It's all about their success; their career; their advancement; their wealth; their notoriety; etc. So, why do the American people keep electing these creeps? It seems that the more unprincipled, selfabsorbed, and pathological a politician is, the higher up the ladder he or she climbs.

Someone said cream rises to the top, but so does scum!

But, as I said, the same self-centered motivation that consumes most politicians seems to consume most preachers as well. In many ways, the best (not meant as a compliment) politicians in this country are not in congress; they are in the pulpits of our churches.

It was the compromise of core principles that caused the Religious Right to crash and burn in the late eighties and early nineties. I was there. I saw it up close and personal. I was a young preacher at the time, and at first I didn't understand what I was witnessing. I couldn't imagine that my mentors and heroes could actually be motivated and controlled by money and political influence. I was wrong.

There was a time in this country—at least, it seemed that way by the way my father raised me—when men esteemed truth above

treasure. And it didn't seem to matter whether the man called himself a Christian or not. Today, many people who call themselves Christians are more corrupt and dishonest than people who don't. In fact, the word "Christian" today is absolutely without meaning—especially when it comes to politicians.

I have said repeatedly that I would rather vote for an unbeliever who will preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution than for a believer who will NOT preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution. And without principles enshrined in our Declaration o f Independence—especially the principle of the right to life—our Constitution protects nothing and stands for nothing. And politicians who claim Christianity while betraying the sacred principles contained in the Declaration, Constitution, and Bill of Rights deserve not the support of any American citizen, Christian, or otherwise.

I can honestly say that the people who have attacked me, defrauded me, stolen from me, lied against me, slandered me, attempted to ruin me, and even threatened to kill me have been almost exclusively professing Christians. And all I have ever tried to do was follow truth wherever it led me. As sincerely as I can say it, I've never had a personal agenda or been driven by a lust for personal gain in anything I've ever said or written. My quest has always been truth. Nothing more. Nothing less.

I preach more people OUT of my church or fellowship than most pastors take in. I've preached unpopular truths and taken unpopular positions at great personal and professional cost. Only God's power, protection, and provision have sustained me. But the way I look at it is, if I need more than that, I'm not really God's man to begin with. And to the dismay and chagrin of many, God has preserved me for these forty-plus years of labor.

I guess this column took on a life of its own. (Smiley face here)

Yes, Ron Paul (and a handful of others) was the closest thing to a constitutionally principled politician I ever met at the national level. I still wonder if Ron was America's last chance for peace. His message was emphatically a message of peace, and his lifelong character was emphatically one of sterling honor and integrity. And it was mostly conservative Christians that rejected Ron Paul: his character and his message.

Should I be surprised, then, when what I mostly see from professing Christians today is a spirit of bitterness, hatred, and war? (You should read the mail and emails I receive from professing Christians.) The biggest cheerleaders for perpetual war are Christians. And without a doubt, this hatred and war fever is bringing us ever closer to a global nuclear conflict that could make the first two world wars look like boys playing army in the backyard. If that happens, the blame lies on the doorsteps of America's churches and in the cloakrooms of America's unprincipled politicians.

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Fourty-four years and sixty million dead babies

Last Sunday, January 22, was the forty-fourth anniversary of the Roe v Wade and Doe v Bolton Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion-on-demand. Since those dreadful decisions, nearly sixty million helpless, innocent unborn babies have been mercilessly slaughtered in the wombs of their mothers.

Think about it: an American fifty years of age or younger has no conscious recollection of a country where abortion-on-demand was NOT legal. And the truth is, both major parties and the vast majority of America's pastors and churches are equally culpable for this slaughter of innocents.

The Republican Party touts itself as being "pro-life." The claim is so much hot air. The GOP controlled the entire federal government for six of G.W. Bush's eight years in office. They did nothing about Roe. This in spite of the fact that every year Congressman Ron Paul would introduce the "Sanctity of Life" Act; and every year the GOP leadership in Congress let the bill collect dust in the document room and die. And President Bush never once voiced his support for the bill. NOT ONCE. The bill was never voted on by a congressional committee, much less by the Congress as a whole.

Had Dr. Paul's bill become law it would have 1) defined life as beginning at conception, and 2) under Article. III. Section. 2. of the U.S. Constitution, completely removed abortion from the jurisdiction of the Court, thereby overturning Roe v Wade. All of this talk about "nothing can be done about abortion-on-demand until some magical configuration of the Supreme Court" is just smoke and mirrors. Congress and the President could end abortion-on-demand anytime they wanted to. Plus, never forget that the Supreme Court has been dominated by Republican appointments ever since the Roe

decision in 1973—and still nothing. NOTHING!

To add insult to injury, these national "pro-life" organizations like the "National Right To Life Committee," "Focus On The Family," and the "U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops"—and their affiliates at the State level—have consistently OPPOSED Dr. Paul's "Sanctity of Life" Act and State personhood bills. Their reasoning goes something like this: "Since it was a Supreme Court ruling that instituted abortion-on-demand, we must wait for the U.S. Supreme Court to issue a ruling reversing the decision." Such reasoning is Balderdash!

In 1857, the Supreme Court issued a ruling that African slaves were "so far inferior, that they had no rights which the white man was bound to respect; and that the Negro might justly and lawfully be reduced to slavery for his benefit. He was bought and sold, and treated as an ordinary article of merchandise and traffic, whenever a profit could be made by it."

Now please tell me, when was the Dred Scott decision EVER reversed by the Supreme Court? It wasn't! The Supreme Court NEVER reversed the Dred Scott decision. It was reversed by the passage of the 14th Amendment in 1868. And as you know, a constitutional amendment is an act of the U.S. Congress proposing and the individual states approving an amendment. In other words, the Supreme Court wasn't involved in the remedy AT ALL.

It is the responsibility of each branch of Congress to serve as a check and balance to the other two branches. In other words, when the Supreme Court issues an unconstitutional ruling (which the Roe and Doe decisions certainly were), it is the duty of the other two branches, especially Congress, to correct the abridgments of the judicial branch. Why else would Article. III. Section. 2. (along with other provisions) even be in the U.S. Constitution? To suggest that the Supreme Court is the final arbiter of the Constitution is antithetical to

the sacrosanct doctrine of the separation of powers, which America is founded on.

I submit that if the Supreme Court is the lone arbiter of the Constitution, the oaths that a President and members of Congress take to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States" are absolutely moot and meaningless. Why take an oath to something you have no obligation to or responsibility for? If the Supreme Court alone is the arbiter of the Constitution, the other two branches of government are totally unnecessary.

Here is what Thomas Jefferson wrote regarding this fallacious doctrine of judicial supremacy:

"The Constitution . . . meant that its coordinate branches should be checks on each other. But the opinion which gives to the judges the right to decide what laws are constitutional and what not, not only for themselves in their own sphere of action but for the Legislature and Executive also in their spheres, would make the Judiciary a despotic branch." (Thomas Jefferson to Abigail Adams, 1804)

"The question whether the judges are invested with exclusive authority to decide on the constitutionality of a law has been heretofore a subject of consideration with me in the exercise of official duties. Certainly there is not a word in the Constitution which has given that power to them more than to the Executive or Legislative branches." (Thomas Jefferson to W. H. Torrance, 1815)

"In denying the right [the Supreme Court usurps] of exclusively explaining the Constitution . . . then indeed is our Constitution a complete [act of suicide]. For intending to establish three departments, coordinate and independent, that they might check and balance one another, it has given, according to this opinion, to one of them alone the right to prescribe rules for the government of the others, and to that

one, too, which is unelected by and independent of the nation.

. . . The Constitution on this hypothesis is a mere thing of wax in the hands of the judiciary, which they may twist and shape into any form they please." (Thomas Jefferson to Spencer Roane, 1819)

"To consider the judges as the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions [is] a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy. Our judges are as honest as other men and not more so. They have with others the same passions for party, for power, and the privilege of their corps. . . . And their power the more dangerous as they are in office for life and not responsible, as the other functionaries are, to the elective control. The Constitution has erected no such single tribunal, knowing that to whatever hands confided, with the corruptions of time and party, its members would become despots. It has more wisely made all the departments co-equal and co-sovereign within themselves." (Thomas Jefferson to William C. Jarvis, 1820)

These so-called pro-life organizations have been waiting around for forty-four years for the magical configuration of the Supreme Court to reverse Roe. And in the meantime, nearly sixty million unborn babies have died. And again, I remind you that the Republican Party has dominated the appointments to the Supreme Court during the years following the Roe and Doe decisions in 1973—and continue to dominate the makeup of the Court today.

Also digest this: these national "pro-life" organizations commonly have retirement benefits built into the contracts of their staff. What does that tell you? It tells you that these organizations have no intention or expectation of Roe being reversed. I personally believe these "pro-life" groups care NOTHING about ending abortion, because if that actually happened, they wouldn't be able to continue to suck millions of dollars annually from pro-life Christians and conservatives

and, thus, keep their plush jobs intact.

At the national and State levels, these so-called pro-life organizations lobby AGAINST personhood bills and bills such as Ron Paul's "Sanctity of Life" Act. They—as much as liberal Democrats—are responsible for our federal and State legislatures doing NOTHING to reverse Roe. Legislators like it because it allows them to tout themselves as being "pro-life" to their constituents back home without sticking their necks out, and "pro-life" organizations like it because it allows them to keep up their fundraising efforts—which allows them to stay employed in a cushy lobbying job without having to produce anything.

This past Sunday, I brought a message to our fellowship entitled "I Formed Thee In The Belly," taken from the first chapter of Jeremiah. Let me ask you: how many pastors across the country even bothered to address the Roe decision this past Sunday? How many bothered to bring a detailed exegesis on what the Bible teaches regarding the right to life, when life begins, and God's laws and principles regarding the killing of unborn children? Come on, be honest. How many of you who attended church last Sunday heard more than a two-minute soundbite about abortion—if even a mention at all?

To watch my message from last Sunday, go here: "I Formed Thee In The Belly"

I also have a video presentation entitled "The Case For The Life Of The Unborn." And should you order the video, we will also give you a printed copy of President Ronald Reagan's masterful treatise, "Abortion And The Conscious Of The Nation."

To order this video, go here:

Combo: "The Case For The Life Of The Unborn" DVD Message By Dr. Chuck Baldwin And "Abortion And The Conscience Of The Nation" Treatise By President Ronald Reagan

I urge you to share this video with your friends and kinfolk. And don't assume for one minute that your Christian friends and relatives understand the scriptural teaching about abortion. According to recent surveys, some 70% of the women and girls who have abortions identify themselves as Christians; and some 40% of the women and girls who have abortions attend church regularly. What does that tell you? It tells you that pastors are doing a lousy job of teaching their churches the core principles of Biblical Natural Law truth.

I dare suggest that a majority of professing Christians have never heard the material presented in the videos mentioned above. Who knows? These messages might help save a baby's life. If pastors were preaching the truth, the lives of untold numbers of babies could be saved.

In my message last Sunday, I read a letter from a lady who told me that after watching my messages at Liberty Fellowship that explain the Biblical position of abortion, she pleaded with her pregnant daughter to not abort her child after being told that the baby might have Downs Syndrome. The mother was able to help the daughter come to understand the issue, and, thankfully, the daughter made the decision to not abort the baby. Today that child (yes, it has Downs) is home and being raised by a loving mother and grandmother. And both mother and grandmother say the child is "God's perfect gift to us."

You and I both know that the only reason the slaughter of innocents has gone on this long in our country is because the vast majority of pastors and churches are completely silent and apathetic on the subject. Pastors and churches are the nation's moral compass and conscience, and when they are indifferent to a national moral crisis, the nation itself (especially our politicians) remains indifferent.

Culpability for the slaughter of millions of unborn babies lies on the doorstep of the American church and clergy, on the doorstep of the so-called pro-life organizations, and on the doorstep of the Republican Party as much as on the doorsteps of Supreme Court justices and liberal Democrats who openly supported (and continue to support) legalized abortion.

Yes, I know that President Donald Trump issued an Executive Order reinstating the "Mexico City Policy" that denies U.S. taxpayer funds for overseas abortions. I applaud that decision. (I like all of the executive orders I have seen that Trump has issued so far.) However, I will add: if Donald Trump truly wanted to start draining the swamp, he would stop ALL foreign aid—including aid to Israel. In the meantime, I remind you that the reinstatement of the "Mexico City Policy" does NOTHING to stop a single abortion here in the United States.

Just like in the Bush II presidency, the Republican Party will completely control the entire federal government for the next four years. How many of you want to wager that four years from now the Roe decision will be overturned and abortion-on-demand made illegal in this country again?

The famed French political thinker and historian, Alexis De Tocqueville, said this about our country: "America is great because she is good. If America ceases to be good, America will cease to be great." As long as the U.S. is aborting almost 4,000 unborn babies EVERY DAY, she is NOT good.

I don't care how many walls Donald Trump builds; I don't care how many jobs Donald Trump brings back; I don't care how many wars Donald Trump fights on behalf of Benjamin Netanyahu. As long as America continues to legally sanction the wanton killing of unborn babies, God's judgment against this country will continue.

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The bravest movie producer I know

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To find the industries that are doubtless the most culpable for the overall deterioration of the American republic (besides churches, which are at the top of the list), look no further than the Hollywood movies and the New York media (collectively, the Mainstream Media). These industries reach into the minds and hearts of the American people on a daily and almost hourly basis. Without a doubt, these two industries are largely responsible for the collapse of our nation's political, social, economic, and cultural health.

No other institutions directly shape the values, philosophies, ideas, and lifestyles of the American people more than the mainstream media and entertainment industries. And what most folks would be shocked to learn is that both of these industries are controlled by a very small handful of people. I mean VERY SMALL.

That's right: a small group of people are almost single-handedly disassembling the traditional values, philosophies, and ideals of the American nation and replacing them with their own radical socialistic, amoral, globalistic ideas.

More and more people are awakening to the duplicity and dishonesty of the mainstream media, as evidenced by the election of Donald Trump. People who voted for Trump openly defied the national media and Hollywood elite and voted for a man who campaigned as an anti-establishment outsider. So, the subject that I am addressing today could not be any timelier.

Most of us realize how rare it is for anyone inside the mainstream media and entertainment industries to be willing to stand against the elites who control these institutions. Trying to find movie producers, directors, actors and actresses, news anchors, producers, directors, reporters, etc., who are NOT liberal socialists or big-business neocons is like trying to find hens' teeth or pigs that can fly.

However, once in awhile someone will come along with the courage and grit to challenge the establishment. Such people are rare gems indeed. One such man is a longtime movie producer, director, writer, and editor. In his early days, he worked as a production still photographer, camera operator, assistant editor, music editor, script analyst, assistant producer, etc. He has worked inside the industry at almost every level.

This man worked on projects for The Carpenters, Peggy Fleming, Sonny & Cher, Tom Jones, NFL Films, CNN, Errol Flynn Enterprises, Columbia Pictures, CBS, actors Angie Dickinson, Barbara Hershey, Gregory Peck, and many more. This man has seen the mainstream entertainment and media industries up close and personal for most of his life.

I am talking about Mr. James Jaeger. This man is the bravest movie producer I know. Let me tell you why.

After working many years in Hollywood and on the East Coast, James broke away from mainstream narrative dramatic features and entered the world of independent documentaries. His first documentary, FIAT EMPIRE: Why the Federal Reserve Violates the

U.S. Constitution, featured Congressman Ron Paul and was released in 2005. This documentary won a Telly Award and hit #1 on Google Video (forerunner to YouTube) for six months.

Following "FIAT EMPIRE," James produced such notable films as "MOLON LABE: How The Second Amendment Guarantees America's Freedom," "MIDNIGHT RIDE: When Rogue Politicians Call For Martial Law," "SPOILER: How A Third Political Party Could Win," "CORPORATE FASCISM: The Destruction Of America's Middle Class," "CULTURAL MARXISM: The Corruption Of America," and "ORIGINAL INTENT."

As you can tell by just the titles of the above films, Mr. Jaeger has been willing to bravely wage a frontal assault against the sacred cows of the liberal establishment in a way no one of his stature in the film industry has before. Now, he is about to release what I believe is his most courageous film of all. This film goes for the jugular of the mainstream media and entertainment establishments like no film has ever done.

Not only is James Jaeger's newest film his most courageous undertaking, it is also his most dangerous. In my opinion, Jaeger is literally risking his financial and professional future with this latest film. Believe me, not many men are willing to do what he is doing. I mean very few. I mean hardly anyone.

I know what it means to literally risk your financial and professional futures. At the age of 58-at the peak of my professional career and enjoying both financial and professional security—when most men are looking for financial security, occupational retirement, and physical comfort, I crossed the bridge of no return into financial uncertainty, fallow occupational territory, and physical hardship. That was in the fall of 2010. I know how frightening it is; I know how risky it is; I know how dangerous it is.

With the release of this new film, James Jaeger has decided to

cross that bridge of no return into a world of financial and professional uncertainty. Again, he is the bravest movie producer I know.

The name of his new film is "MAINSTREAM: How Hollywood Movies And The New York Media Are Promoting The Globalist Agenda." This film explicates the MAINSTREAM MEDIA (Hollywood movie studios and the New York networks) like no film has ever done before.

In my opinion, Jaeger is literally risking his professional future with this latest film because Hollywood, contrary to ongoing media propaganda, still blacklists producers and talents that do not conform to its interests and values or who speak out about its unethical and often-times illegal business practices, Jewish domination, and predatory behavior. Believe me, not many are willing to do what Jaeger is doing, and he tells me that there is a long list of celebrities, mainstream media opinion leaders, and Hollywood power brokers that he has invited to interview for MAINSTREAM but who all declined, ignored the invitation, or bowed out. This list includes directors Steven Spielberg and M. Night Shyamalan; Catholic League executive director Bill Donohue; former ADL executive director Abe Foxman; and former FOX President of Production Sherry Lansing. Also, it didn't help that MAINSTREAM is inspired by the works of entertainment/securities attorney and author, John W. Cones, because Cones' 17 books on the movie industry lay out the most extensive academic study of the industry ever done. This is another reason anyone connected with Hollywood or the New York media is terrified to participate in this film.

As you can see, this film sticks a BIG thumb in the eye of the media and entertainment elite. I believe this film has the potential to awaken the people of America to the evil agenda of the media and entertainment elite like no film before it—especially in the wake of the November elections.

Not only does this film have the courage to name names within the entertainment and media elite, it dares to touch the THIRD RAIL. I mean it dares to tackle the issue that NO ONE dares to broach. The film confronts the reality of the massive influence that a few powerful Zionists have over the media and entertainment industries. I know of no one else of James Jaeger's credentials that is courageous enough to tackle this issue. Now do you understand why I say he is the bravest producer I've ever known?

Now, imagine how difficult it is for Jaeger to obtain funding for such a film. In fact, he has already lost several sources of funding due to the subject matter of the film.

The movie MAINSTREAM will cost over \$100,000 to produce. That might sound like a lot of money to you, but it's a very modest budget when one compares it to standard Hollywood documentary budgets. For example:

Michael Moore spent \$160,000 making "Roger & Me," his first film. Moore spent \$4.3 million making "Bowling For Columbine," \$6 million for "Fahrenheit 9/11," \$9 million for "Sicko," and \$20 million for "Capitalism: A Love Story." As you can see, liberals have no problem raising huge sums of money for projects that promote socialism and Marxism and that mock traditional Christian values.

All of Jaeger's films are pro-Constitution, pro-liberty, pro-America, pro-free market, and pro-Christian values. But does Hollywood distribute these films? No, not at all. And this is one of the reasons MAINSTREAM is necessary: to expose the U.S. mass media oligopoly and how it refuses to allow the dissemination of ideas and values important to a free society. This film will literally assault the gates of Hell. As James likes to say: "We need to address the Media Trolls on the Bridge to Liberty."

Here are but a few of the notables who are featured in this

film: Edwin Vieira, Jr. (author, constitutional attorney), G. Edward Griffin (author, producer), John Cones (author, entertainment attorney), and Richard Gage (producer, Architects & Engineers 9/11 Truth). And, yes, yours truly is also featured in this film. Let me hasten to say at this point that none of the film's participants (including yours truly) receive any remuneration for our part in the film. None!

I am asking my readers to give to the support of this new film. I understand that James needs at least an additional \$25,000 to finish production of this fantastic film. But in truth, he could use DOUBLE that. There are additional shots in LA and New York that are still needed, the narration must be completed, new music rights must be purchased, and he has to get through many months of editing. Plus, I am confident that the readers of this column are more than capable of meeting this need.

Some of the most intelligent, patriotic, committed, and wide-awake people in the country read this column. I know you folks. You are very awake to the modern scourge of corporatism and globalism. This is your opportunity to give to a project that has the potential to awaken people to the gamemakers who control the mainstream media and entertainment industries. You know I would not use this column to promote Jaeger's newest film if I did not wholeheartedly support it.

Here is the start of the film: MAINSTREAM Titles And Start Of The Show

Here is a trailer of the film: MAINSTREAM Trailer

And here is one of my clips from the film: Pastor Chuck Baldwin On Anti-Semitism

Will you give a one-time donation to help Jaeger produce this phenomenal film? Will you be as generous as you can? And when you donate, please tell him that you heard about the film from my column.

Here is the online address to donate to James Jaeger's newest film, "MAINSTREAM: How Hollywood Movies And The New York Media Are Promoting The Globalist Agenda": MAINSTREAM Donate Form

Again, I receive no financial benefit from the production of this film. And I am receiving no financial benefit by asking you folks to contribute to the production of this film. I volunteered to do this because I believe in James Jaeger and I am excited about this film and the potential it has to awaken the hearts and minds of the American people to this much-needed truth.

Please make a donation to the support of this film. Whether your gift is large or small, it will help James finish production of this great film. America really needs to see it.

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Thank you! And thank you, James!

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The Ft. Lauderdale shootings

There was another mass shooting in a gun-free zone: this time in the Ft. Lauderdale airport in Florida. As I have said repeatedly, the most dangerous place in the world to be is in a gun-free zone. An example is the heavily gun-controlled city of Chicago. In a place where very few good guys are legally allowed to possess a firearm, some 762 people were murdered during 2016. That's over two per day.

And true to form, the mass shootings in Ft. Lauderdale make no more sense than any of the other mass shootings in this country—except that they took place in a gun-free zone, of course. Here's what we've been told:

A 26-year-old Hispanic guy flies all the way from Alaska to South Florida. But after he arrives in Ft. Lauderdale, he decides to go into an airport bathroom, take out the handgun he had lawfully checked onto the plane, and without saying a word start shooting people in the baggage claim area, killing five. After he runs out of bullets, he calmly lies down on the floor and waits for authorities to take him into custody. Authorities never fire a shot.

The man was a U.S. veteran who was a member of the Alaska Army National Guard and had served a tour of duty in Iraq. Now get this: last November, the man walked into an FBI office in Anchorage and told them that the Army had forced him to submit to mind control programs that included pumping him full of ISIS videos. He also said that the military was trying to force him to fight FOR ISIS. He further said that he was sickened and guilt-stricken at the numbers of innocent children in Iraq that the U.S. military was killing through all of its drone, missile, and bombing attacks, to the point of it affecting his emotional stability. Of course, we are told he was dismissed as a wacko and drummed out of the Army.

His family testified to the mental and emotional changes that this man had undergone after his tour of duty in Iraq. By the way, he worked as a security guard and carried a handgun in the performance of his duties.

As happens so very often in these mass shootings, initial

reports from eyewitnesses said there were multiple shooters at the scene, but authorities later declared the man acted alone. This happens in almost every mass shooting.

Again, nothing about this story makes any sense. But I get it: this was another "deranged" madman, so nothing has to make sense. How convenient. Or, as many Muslim-hating "Christian" writers and talking heads are now saying, the guy was a Muslim terrorist. So, THAT explains it. Brains in neutral; think no further.

Based on a photo of the alleged handgun used by the shooter, the gun looks to be a Walther PPS 9mm. This gun has a single stack magazine and holds seven or eight rounds. These are not high-capacity magazines by any stretch. Early reports said that the shooter did NOT reload. Later, however, reports said he did reload.

By the number of people hit, it seems obvious that the shooter did reload at least once—if he was the ONLY shooter, that is. If the shooter only reloaded once (as some eyewitnesses say), this was still an extraordinary display of handgun accuracy. A total of thirteen people were shot, and five of them were killed. That means this man fired sixteen shots and thirteen of them hit a person and five of the thirteen were kill shots. That was very good shooting given the fact that people were not standing still. They were moving and moving quickly. They were panicked; they were running; dodging; weaving; diving; seeking cover; etc. Granted, one of the five killed was elderly, which would have impaired her mobility. But unless some of the others had physical handicaps, they would have certainly been able to move fast enough to make themselves difficult targets. You handgunners know how difficult it is to be accurate with a short-barreled handgun when shooting in a no-stress environment at a stationary target. Throw fast moving targets and the stress of shooting at live human beings into the mix, and accuracy becomes extremely difficult.

For a real-life comparison, an investigative study by the New York Times found that in actual, real-world shootings, from a distance of zero to six feet, police officers hit the bad guys only about 40% of the time. Did you get that? Trained police officers from a distance of zero to six feet (that's called bad breath range) only hit their targets four out of ten times.

See the report: A Hail Of Bullets, A Heap Of Uncertainty

If this shooter in Ft. Lauderdale was truly alone, his accuracy ratio was MUCH higher than trained police officers, and he would have been shooting at much greater distances. If he reloaded once, his accuracy was 81%. If he reloaded twice, his accuracy was 54%. As you can see, we are supposed to believe that this man was much, much better with a handgun than professional police officers. And before you cite the man's military training as making the difference, unless the soldier is in Special Ops or has a duty-specific need for advanced handgun training, the primary weapon a soldier or Marine is trained with is the battle rifle, and their training with a handgun is minimal. Of course, the presence of a second or third shooter at the Ft. Lauderdale airport would significantly help explain the number of killed and wounded.

If the shooter truly acted alone, it is much more plausible that he reloaded more than once—which brings to surface another problem. In the length of time that an active shooter is calmly walking around shooting people and taking time to reload his handgun, how is it that NO airport security personnel managed to get there in time to engage the shooter? By the time any police officer or security personnel arrived, the shooter was out of bullets, had dropped his handgun, and was lying prostrate on the floor waiting to be taken into custody. Come on! You folks have flown in and out of these big international airports. They are crawling with armed security. But somehow, this man was able to calmly walk around shooting people, even taking enough time to ostensibly execute several

reloads, and NO ONE arrived in time to engage the guy.

Ladies and gentlemen, neither scenario makes any sense. NONE!

Watch this though: as sure as anything, more restrictions (or even a total prohibition) will be placed on the transporting of firearms on commercial airliners (except for government employees and their bodyguards, of course). Plus, this shooting also provides momentum for the anti-gun zealots in Washington, D.C., (in both parties) to squelch a certain effort by pro-gun members of Congress to pass a national concealed carry reciprocity bill that appeared inevitable given the results of the November elections. All bets are off now.

Here we go again. The one common denominator of all of these "random" mass shootings is more and more gun control and less and less freedom.

This will also fuel the accusations by anti-gun leftists against our military combat veterans that they are mentally ill. A PTSD diagnosis of combat veterans is a tool of biggovernment toadies to deny veterans their Second Amendment liberties. No doubt, this shooting will be used as justification for denying more combat veterans of their right to keep and bear arms. They will say this shooter in Ft. Lauderdale was just another mentally ill war veteran, and, therefore, they will tend to adjudicate more and more war veterans as being mentally ill.

But the vast, vast majority of our combat veterans are NOT mentally ill. What they are is grief-stricken and guilt-ridden at the acts of horror that they have both witnessed and been forced to participate in by a blood-thirsty, conscienceless Congress and war department. This is easily understood when one recognizes that we are losing far more combat veterans to suicide than we are to enemy fire.

"Confirming once again that war, to those who are sent to

fight them, is absolute hell, newly released Pentagon statistics show that suicide—not combat—is the leading killer of US troops deployed to the Middle East.

"According to a report in USA Today this week, of the 31 troops who have died as of Dec. 27 in Operation Inherent Resolve, 11 have taken their own lives. Eight died in combat, seven in accidents and four succumbed to illness or injury.

"These new numbers confirm a trend that's been in place since the beginning of the prolonged occupation of the Middle East.

"Earlier this year, the DoD released a similar report from 2014 that revealed some startling numbers. In all of 2014, a total of 55 US troops, in both hostile and non-hostile situations, lost their lives in foreign occupations. The number of soldiers who killed themselves was nearly 5 times that amount.

"According to the DoD report, in 2014, there were 269 deaths by suicide among active component service members (compared to 259 deaths by suicide in 2013)."

"In war, human lives become units to be traded as a commodity to aid in the expansion of the State. When they are no longer deemed useful, these human lives are then tossed out like yesterday's garbage.

"Treating human beings in such a brutal and inhumane manner is not without consequence.

"Not only are active duty soldiers tragically ending their own lives at an increasing rate, but once they finish their service, these numbers skyrocket.

"In a 2012 report put out by the Veterans Administration, it was estimated that up to 22 veterans a day kill themselves. That is 8,000 lives a year—almost one per hour."

The report goes on to say:

"If you really want to 'support the troops' you'll stop supporting wars of aggression in distant lands in which Americans are forced to kill people who pose no threat to the US.

"If you really 'support the troops' you'll stop blindly standing up for your government whose proven track record shows that they do everything but support the troops.

"If you really support the troops, you'll educate yourself on who is behind these wars, why they are waged, and how US foreign policy actually creates enemies. ISIS would not exist had the US not remained hell bent on overthrowing the Assad regime for the benefit of special interests in DC.

"Pledging blind obedience and unquestioning support for wars that one's government illegally wages at the expense of our sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, and mothers and fathers, is the antithesis of what a free person should do—and anything but 'supporting the troops.'"

See the report: The Biggest Killer Of US Troops In The Middle East Is Not ISIS — It's Suicide

As for the Ft. Lauderdale shootings, it has all of the earmarks of another MK-Ultra-type false flag event. It might absolutely scare us silly if we really knew how many Manchurian candidates the government has walking around out there.

Folks, I do NOT trust federal authorities (or their puppets in the mainstream media) to tell us the truth about much of anything. Most everything the federal government tells us is a deliberate, bald-faced lie.

The reports about mind control programs conducted by the U.S. military and CIA are well documented. It makes sense to me that this man could have been truly subjected to mind control programing that included being programmed to commit acts of

terrorism on behalf of ISIS. After all, our military Special Ops and CIA have been actively and deliberately working on behalf of, and in support of, ISIS for years.

It also makes sense to me that this man could have been overwhelmed with feelings of guilt and shame at the reality of watching hundreds—maybe thousands—of innocent little children being killed in the U.S. bombing raids in Irag to the point that-coupled with the mind control programming he had been subjected to-he wound up doing exactly what the U.S. government had programmed him to do. Eyewitnesses may have also truly seen a second or third shooter: a specially trained killer whose job was to make sure the patsy fulfilled his assignment and to also make sure there was a sufficient death toll. A man who then simply disappeared like a ghost into thin air leaving the mind-controlled patsy to take all of the blame. These highly skilled, professional killers have no problem disappearing after a killing, because they have all of the backup they need from whichever government is sponsoring them.

Just how many of these mass killings are indeed the work of wicked and murderous assassins within our own government who manipulate distraught, disillusioned, mind-controlled patsies in order to saturate the country with more and more fear and anger, we will never know.

Each time one of these tragedies happens, liberals are left with more and more fear and anger against guns; and conservatives are left with more and more fear and anger against Muslims. All the while, the New World Order neocon globalists who are the masterminds behind these brilliant conspiracies achieve their desired objectives with the attitudes and reactions of both liberals and conservatives.

Conspiracy or no conspiracy, this much is an absolute fact: gun-free zones are great places to get shot.

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2017: the year of pandering, pussyfooting, pharisaical preachers

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It's been going on for decades, of course. I'm talking about America's pastors. For the most part, they have become little more than glorified errand boys for corporatism, elitism, legalism, and statism. They watch FOX News too much. They watch Joel Osteen and John Hagee too much. They worry about their 401k's too much. They worry about their reputations too much. They worry about offending major donors too much. They worry about falling out of the smiley side of the political establishment too much. They play golf too much. They belong to too many civic clubs. They try to be liked too much. Like Barack Obama, they take too many vacations. They play and socialize too much and study too little. They are too afraid of being

controversial. They are too afraid of being unpopular. And worst of all, they are too afraid of TRUTH.

The televangelist pied pipers of apostasy are blind guides leading a blind church into a deep and horrible ditch. Joel Osteen refuses to use words such as "sin," "sinner," "hell," "judgment," "wrath," "homosexual," "lesbian," etc. His perverse and pernicious brand of prosperity theology has warped a generation of gullible and undiscerning Christians. John Hagee has made a fortune pandering to the Zionists in Tel Aviv. He has sold millions of dollars worth of books and DVDs promulgating the false doctrine that Jews have a special covenant with God and need not come to Christ for salvation. He has also blatantly said that Jesus did not even come to be the Messiah and that the Jews cannot be blamed for rejecting a Messiah that never was.

But the Judaizing of the church in America has just begun. I predict that 2017 will see a tsunami of Zionistic thought and theology immersing the church. Ultra-Zionists in Congress such as John McCain, Lindsey Graham, and Ted Cruz are preparing to launch a fresh Israel-First political campaign like this country has never seen. And I predict that Donald Trump will likewise launch his own Israel-First campaign from the White House. And given that a majority of preachers and Christians in this country are already laboring under a false and fictitious Israel-First theology in their hearts and minds, they will be wide open to entertaining and promoting this new political, economic, and military push—all of which will benefit the international Zionist bankers who bankroll their toadies in the cloakrooms of Washington, D.C., and newsrooms of New York City.

Already, these pandering, pussyfooting, Pharisaical preachers are beginning to compromise the cardinal doctrines of the Christian faith. This past Christmas, Atlanta megachurch pastor Andy Stanley said in a message that "the story of Jesus' virgin birth is not crucial to the Christian faith.

"'If somebody can predict their own death and resurrection, I'm not all that concerned about how they got into the world,' Andy Stanley said in a Dec. 4 sermon at North Point Community Church, which draws 36,000 attendees across six locations in suburban Atlanta. 'Christianity doesn't hinge on the truth or even the stories around the birth of Jesus. It hinges on the resurrection of Jesus.'"

See the report: Megachurch Pastor Ignites Debate After Suggesting That Christianity Doesn't Hinge On Jesus' Birth

Surely, Andy Stanley knows that the resurrection of Christ is not possible without the virgin birth of Christ. And he must also know that Christianity does indeed hinge on the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. So, why would he say such a thing? Like the vast majority of these megachurch pastors, he is pandering to self-interest. One doesn't attract 36,000 parishioners in modern self-absorbed America by preaching like John the Baptist.

And speaking of John the Baptist, ex-con Jim Bakker and prophecy geek Tom Horn are promoting a new book that suggests President-elect Donald Trump is a modern-day John the Baptist for a soon coming Messiah. I kid you not! They are saying that Trump's election could be the precursor for Christ to return in September or October of this year.

These guys never miss a trick! How many millions of dollars will they make on this book? Of course, when November and December of this year roll around, I'm sure they will be offering another prophecy book with more "signs" and "moons" and "sabbaths" and "miracles" that point to other dates for Jesus' return. And that book will net them another million or two. P.T. Barnum sure knew what he was talking about when he said, "There's a sucker born every minute."

In the first place, I've never heard Donald Trump say one word that even suggests he has a personal relationship with Christ.

I don't know his heart, of course. I'm just saying he has never made any kind of public affirmation of a personal faith in Christ. In the second place, for supposed preachers to suggest that the hedonistic, womanizing, foul-mouthed Donald Trump is a modern-day John the Baptist is the height of spiritual idiocy. What kind of president Trump will be is yet to be seen. I sincerely hope he will be a good one. But to compare him to John the Baptist, the mighty prophet and forerunner of our Lord who was filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb, borders on blasphemy.

News flash: when Christ returns, He will not need anyone's help—not Jim Bakker's, not Tom Horn's, not Kenneth Copeland's, not Benny Hinn's, not Donald Trump's, not ANYONE'S.

And speaking further of pandering preachers: one of Trump's "spiritual advisers," Jerry Falwell, Jr., recently said that the moral (or immoral) convictions of Rex Tillerson, Trump's pick for Secretary of State, aren't relevant. That's right. He said they aren't relevant.

Tillerson is a major promoter of Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. He is also a major promoter of the homosexual agenda. It was Tillerson who led the Boy Scouts of America to accept homosexuals.

See the report here: Jerry Falwell Jr.: Rex Tillerson's Position On Social Issues Not Relevant

Of course, Tillerson is also a loyal fellow traveler of the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) and a major globalist. But New World Order, globalist issues NEVER make the radar for Christian leaders such as Jerry Falwell, Jr.

All over America, pastors are pandering to power, wealth, success, and position. Had Hillary Clinton been elected, she would have chosen several of the same kind of people for her new cabinet as Trump has selected for his—people such as Tillerson. The difference is because Donald Trump is the one

doing the selecting, preachers, radio talk show hosts, conservative writers, etc., for the most part, say absolutely nothing against these appointments. But if Clinton was the one making these selections, they would be screaming their heads off.

Folks, the word for that is PANDERING.

If scripturally illiterate people want to pronounce a President-elect as their new messiah and savior, so be it. But supposed men of God and students of the scriptures should know that America's real problems are spiritual, not political. They should know that America's remedies are spiritual, not political. They should know that NO politician or political party can ever provide salvation—not even temporal salvation.

Will Donald Trump accomplish some good things in office? I hope so. Will he also do some very BAD things in office? I fear so. Will his administration be a net positive or negative for America? Right now, no one knows. We all pray it will be the former, of course.

But what we do know is that it is the pastors and men of God in this country who are the ones charged with the responsibility of speaking truth to power (regardless of political party), of standing boldly and uncompromisingly for the Biblical Natural Law principles of liberty, and of being honest truth-seekers and truth-tellers.

For far too long, churches and Christians have looked to politicians, political parties, and political celebrities to lead the country out of darkness. This they cannot do. Light and darkness are spiritual realities, NOT political ones. Jesus said that His disciples were the "light" of the world, NOT the kings, governors, potentates, emperors, or even presidents of this world. So, why does the church look to the likes of these to lead them out of darkness? Maybe it's because all they see around them are pandering, pussyfooting,

and Pharisaical preachers.

Then again, if people truly want truth-telling men of God to bring light to their country and communities, why do they continue to sit in the dark shadows of pandering pulpits?

P.S. As I said, I predict that 2017 will be "The Year of the Zionists." It is as clear as crystal to me that the old covenant, Pharisaical, Zionist false doctrines will be enveloping the western church in an unprecedented manner during the course of this year. In truth, THIS could be the beginning of the great "falling away" that leads to the "man of sin" who will deceive the "very elect."

Equating the modern State of Israel created in 1948 to Biblical or prophetic Israel is the devil's greatest deception upon the church. As long as the church—and our country—lies buried under this delusion, the light of Christ and His truth can never shine on this nation.

I preached the "Israel First" doctrine for most of my life, but the more I taught it, the more dissatisfied I became with it. A few years ago, I began a systematic search of the Bible with an open mind and discovered that the promise to Abraham in Genesis 12:3 was fulfilled in Jesus Christ and in those who believe in Him, as clearly explained in Galatians 3:16.

The misapplication of Genesis 12:3 to the modern State of Israel has produced untold death, carnage, and war. And sadly, it is Christians who are the loudest cheerleaders for all of these global wars of aggression. And the reason for this "spirit of war" is the egregious misinterpretation of Genesis 12:3 that inaccurately applies the promise to Abraham to the modern State of Israel.

Let me be clear: I'm NOT talking about race—the Jewish race or any other race. I'm talking about false theology. Many rabbis and Jews are as opposed to the false teachings of Talmudic Zionism as anyone.

I urge readers to watch my seven-message, two-DVD sermon series entitled "The Church And Israel." This message series has helped thousands of people come to a better understanding of what the Bible truly teaches regarding Israel—past, present, and future. It is by far my most requested DVD package. If you watch these messages with an open heart and mind, I believe the Holy Spirit will reveal truth to you that will change your life. And you do remember what Jesus said, right? "The truth shall make you free."

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The U.S. Ministry of propaganda is now official

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Frustrated by its sudden and surprised inability to propel Hillary Clinton to the White House, the mainstream media (MSM) introduced a new term into the public lexicon: "fake news."

Basically, "fake news" is anything that contradicted the sacrosanct spillages from the news and opinion desks of the MSM. But Russia and Vladimir Putin were specifically targeted by the MSM and the White House as the source of all of this "fake news." Thankfully, the vast majority of the American people no more believed that accusation than they did the MSM's hysterical predictions that the earth would tilt off its axis if Donald Trump was elected.

No matter. In the name of "national security," big-government toadies in Washington, D.C., have quietly created what in essence is "The U.S. Ministry Of Propaganda." While most people are reveling in the election of the man they think will be their political and economic savior, and as they were rightly focused on the celebration of Christ's birth, President Barack Obama signed S. 2943, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017" (NDAA) into law on Friday, December 23.

These defense authorization bills are the cubby holes of choice for big-government politicians to hide mammoth Police State-type projects and still convince the people back home that they believe in "limited" government. After all, it's a defense funding bill. Who can be opposed to that? Democrats and Republicans alike approve these bills with little or no opposition. But these bills almost always contain draconian legislation that EXPLODES the size and scope of government. And I mean oppressive government. This latest NDAA is no exception.

Back in March of this year, the bill that became part of the NDAA just signed by Obama was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives by Congressmen Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) and Ted Lieu (D-CA). The bill was called "Countering Foreign Propaganda and Disinformation Act of 2016 (H.R. 5181)." The Senate version was sponsored by Senators Rob Portman (R-OH) and Chris Murphy (D-CT) and called "Countering Information Warfare Act of 2016 (S. 2692)."

Of course, one must have a bogeyman to justify the passage of such a bill, and the usual red herrings were pulled out of the sack for this bill as well: Iraq, China, and especially Russia. Gee! Why does that surprise me? Again, it was Russia that the MSM blamed for all of the "fake news" during this past election.

Quoting ZeroHedge.com, "Long before the 'fake news' meme became a daily topic of extensive conversation on such discredited mainstream portals as CNN and WaPo, H.R. 5181 would task the Secretary of State with coordinating the Secretary of Defense, the Director of National Intelligence, and the Broadcasting Board of Governors to 'establish a Center for Information Analysis and Response,' which will pinpoint sources of disinformation, analyze data, and—in true dystopic manner—"develop and disseminate" 'fact-based narratives' to counter effrontery propaganda.

"In short, long before 'fake news' became a major media topic, the US government was already planning its legally-backed crackdown on anything it would eventually label 'fake news.'

"Fast forward to December 8, when the 'Countering Disinformation and Propaganda Act' passed in the Senate, quietly inserted inside the 2017 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) Conference Report.

"And now, following Friday's Obama signing of the NDAA on Friday evening, the Countering Disinformation and Propaganda Act is now law."

"And so, with the likes of WaPo having already primed the general public to equate 'Russian Propaganda' with 'fake news' (despite admitting after the fact their own report was essentially 'fake'), while the US media has indoctrinated the public to assume that any information which is not in compliance with the official government narrative, or dares to criticize the establishment, is also 'fake news' and thus

falls under the 'Russian propaganda' umbrella, the scene is now set for the US government to legally crack down on every media outlet that the government deems to be 'foreign propaganda.'

"Just like that, the US Ministry of Truth is officially born."

See the report here: Obama Quietly Signs The "Countering Disinformation And Propaganda Act" Into Law

Folks, you and I both know that the MSM in America is the biggest disseminator of "fake news" on the planet. For all intents and purposes, the MSM is the Propaganda Ministry for the always lying government in Washington, D.C. But now with the MSM being totally discredited during this past election, the big-government sycophants in DC have created an OFFICIAL ministry of propaganda—or "truth" as some are calling it.

Can you imagine those crooks, thieves, and liars on Capitol Hill setting themselves up as the guardians and protectors of truth? Pardon me while I puke!

As of December 23, ladies and gentleman, the federal government has authority from Congress to shut down any news service, any website, or any information clearinghouse in the country that proffers what the government considers to be "propaganda." And remember, this was passed by both Republicans and Democrats.

So, kiss the First Amendment goodbye, folks, because it's G-O-N-E.

And since Russia is involved in this discussion, what happened to that Russian military plane that crashed into the Black Sea two minutes after taking off in good weather from Sochi? Yes, accidents happen, but this crash raises all kinds of red flags (no pun intended) in my mind—especially when occurring so close together with the assassination of the Russian ambassador to Turkey.

As I posted on my Facebook page shortly after it happened, the assassination of the Russian ambassador in Ankara has the smell of the CIA all over it.

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The plane was carrying members of the Alexandrov Ensemble, widely known as the Red Army Choir. This musical group was world renowned and considered a national treasure in Russia. It was undoubtedly Russia's most prestigious musical group. Everyone on board the plane was killed. These were many of the finest musicians, singers, and dancers in Russia. They were on their way to Syria for a performance. The crash has left the group decimated and the entire country in mourning.

Is it a total coincidence that these two tragic events happened simultaneously with the verbal attacks against Vladimir Putin and the country of Russia by America's MSM, Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama, and the U.S. Congress and intelligence agencies?

Franklin Delano Roosevelt is quoted as saying, "In politics, nothing happens by accident. If it happens, you can bet it was planned that way."

As an example of the global peace appeal of the Alexandrov Ensemble, listen to this rendition of "God Bless America" following the attacks on 9/11:

Alexandrov Choir Sings 'God Bless America' In Tribute Posted By Russian Embassy In US (VIDEO)

In addition, watch these brief remarks recently delivered by President Vladimir Putin and compare them to anything you have heard come out of the mouth of any U.S. President in your lifetime.

Putin Criticizes Western Countries For Abandoning Christian

Roots

Are the globalist neocons who control U.S. foreign policy and who are the indefatigable purveyors of American hegemony around the world trying to incite Russia into global war? If so, Donald Trump's talk about a new nuclear arms race sure isn't helping.

Through the years, many are said to have repeated it, but it seems the first record of it being said was by the Greek tragic dramatist Aeschylus (525 BC-456 BC): "In war, truth is the first casualty."

It would appear that the warmongers in Washington, D.C., have already laid the legal cornerstone for the next war's first casualty. And it also seems likely that Russia could be the next bogeyman they use to strike the match.

I realize the neocon and neolib warmongers in DC don't have much use for God, but the Almighty has protected the United States from ITSELF since the end of World War II. This country has fought unjust and illegal wars of aggression one after the other (mostly on behalf of the Zionist State of Israel), and, as much as God HATES this national sin, He has not YET allowed America to succumb to the full weight of its consequences.

But I remind everyone of the sage counsel of Thomas Jefferson: "Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that his justice cannot sleep forever."

God will NOT allow this country to continue unabated in its bloodthirsty warmongering, nation-building, regime-changing, and international-bullying ways forever. The innocent blood of millions cries out from the ground for divine justice.

I have no clue as to whether President-elect Donald Trump truly gets it. Does he remotely understand the moral imperative of just war? I have no idea. Does he have any idea of just how wicked and evil the foreign policy of the United States has been over the past three decades? Does he have any concept of the relationship between a nation and God Almighty, especially as it pertains to unjust war? I haven't a clue.

Judging by many of the people Trump has chosen to surround himself with in this new administration, I seriously doubt it. Judging by the way he wants to continue to aid and abet the murderous behavior of the State of Israel against the Palestinians (including thousands of Palestinian Christians), I seriously doubt it. Judging by his seeming intention to want to reignite a nuclear arms race with Russia (we already have over 7,000 nuclear weapons—more than enough to blow up the entire planet; how many more do we need?), I seriously doubt it.

Donald Trump is going to have but a short window of time to prove to the world (and to Heaven) that his presidency is going to reverse the calamitous course America has been on for far too long. We will see. We will see.

But 2016 ends and 2017 begins with the government in Washington, D.C., officially creating a brand new "Ministry of Truth" (or "Ministry of Propaganda," as I call it) in which any and all speech considered "propaganda" by the government can, and most assuredly will, be shut down. Strike the match of war, ladies and gentlemen, and watch First Amendment dissent go up in smoke. As of December 23, it is the law of the land.

Is all of this a precursor to war? It probably won't take long to find out.

P.S. I believe that one of the most important messages I have ever delivered as it pertains to our national acceptance or rejection by God is the message "The Crime Of Aggression: Condemned By The Law Of Nature And Nature's God."

The crime of aggression is the most serious crime a nation can commit. The condemnation of this crime is rooted in both

Natural and Biblical Law. The preparation for committing this crime almost cost David his kingdom. In judgment upon David for planning this crime, God destroyed seventy thousand men, and had David not repented, the nation of Israel itself would have been destroyed.

Sadly, almost no preacher even deals with this subject and almost no Christian has ever heard it explained. Yet it is one of the most important laws dealing with nations in the entire Bible. The committing of this crime constitutes much of the current crisis in America and the world today.

In this DVD, I explain this almost forgotten and extremely important doctrine. This is a message you will likely hear nowhere else.

Order the DVD "The Crime Of Aggression: Condemned By The Law Of Nature And Nature's God."

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Unto you is born a Savior

The birth of the Lord Jesus Christ as told in Saint Luke's Gospel:

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a

decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. (Luke 2:1-17 KJV)

Perhaps the Apostle Paul extolled Christ's birth best: "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift." (II Corinthians 9:15 KJV)

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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The birth of Christ and the birth of America are linked

As we approach the day in which we commemorate Christ's birth, I am reminded of a quote by John Quincy Adams. On July 4, 1837, he spoke these words:

"Why is it that, next to the birthday of the Savior of the world, your most joyous and most venerated festival returns on this day? . . . Is it not that, in the chain of human events, the birthday of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Savior? That it forms a leading event in the progress of the Gospel dispensation? Is it not that the Declaration of Independence first organized the social compact on the foundation of the Redeemer's mission upon earth? That it laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity, and gave to the world the first irrevocable pledge of the fulfillment of the prophecies, announced directly from Heaven at the birth of the Savior and predicted by the greatest of the Hebrew prophets six hundred years before?"

Adams was exactly right. The United States of America is the only nation in human history established by mostly Christian people, founded upon Biblical Natural Law principles, and dedicated to the purpose of religious and personal liberty and equal justice under the law for all men. This truth is easily observed within America's earliest history.

America's forebears first established a written covenant with God and each other as early as November 11, 1620, when they penned The Mayflower Compact. It states in part:

"In the name of God, Amen. . . . Having undertaken, for the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith, and Honour of our King and Country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia; do by these presents, solemnly and mutually in the Presence of God and one of another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body Politick, for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the Ends aforesaid; And by Virtue hereof to enact, constitute, and frame such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions and Offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the General good of the Colony; unto which we promise all due submission and obedience."

From the beginning, the sentiments and statements of America's founders make it clear that this country has enjoyed a love and appreciation for the rights and freedoms recognized in Natural Law that are unique in the annals of human history. No other nation has such a heritage.

The Declaration of Independence states, "[Men] are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." It also states that these rights are "self-evident" and that they constitute the "Laws of Nature." These principles are taken directly from the scriptures—and from Enlightenment fathers such as Locke and Montesquieu, who formed their writings from

the scriptures.

The Law of Nature is described in Romans 2:14-16. That our Creator is the Author of life is seen in Genesis 2:7. That God, not government, grants liberty is seen in Galatians 5:1. The "pursuit of happiness" is found in Ecclesiastes 3:13.

Beyond that, virtually every one of the ten articles contained in the Bill of Rights has scriptural foundation. The First Amendment recognizes the Natural right of freedom of speech, religion, and assembly. Our founding documents properly established a government designed to "secure these rights." Therefore, under the First Amendment, Christians (and others) are free to preach their faith and assemble for worship, as plainly instructed in Holy Writ.

Likewise, the Second Amendment has Biblical Natural Law foundation. Our Lord said in Luke 11:21, "When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace." In Luke 22:35, 36 He said, "He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one." The principle of armed self-defense is redundant throughout the scriptures in both testaments. Genesis 14, Esther 8 and 9, and Revelation 13:10 are good places to start. In fact, Revelation 13:10 is an extended commentary on the words of Jesus to Simon Peter in the Garden of Gethsemane when Christ told Peter to put up (not give up) his sword in Matthew 26:52. No passage of Scripture has been more egregiously misinterpreted (except Romans 13*) than this passage in Matthew.

It is truly incredible to me how many Christians do not understand the sacred duty of self-defense. Obviously, this is because America's pastors are not teaching the principles of Natural Law as found in the scriptures.

I realize that there are many pastors and Christians who try to impugn the necessity of owning a firearm. These people are famous for saying things such as "God will take care of you; no one needs a gun." Of course, these same people always condone police officers carrying guns and shooting people in self-defense—and if these pastors and Christians were in trouble, they would not hesitate to call a gun-toting policeman to come to their assistance (if they had time, of course). I never understood why it is that Christians who are not policemen are supposed to "trust God" to take care of them and, therefore, remain unarmed, but Christian police officers are somehow exempt from this same spiritual notion.

Beyond that, many pastors teach that Christians are obligated to obey civil authorities who demand that we surrender our firearms. They even quote Romans 13* and other scriptures in a lame attempt to prove this ludicrous assertion.

For these reasons, my attorney son and I collaborated on a book that takes the scriptures (Old and New Testaments—including the passages in Genesis 14, Esther 8, Matthew 26, and Revelation 13 referenced above) to prove that self-defense is not just a right under our Constitution, but it is a moral obligation given us by our Creator. In the book, we show that Christians who are unwilling to defend themselves and their families have actually denied the Christian faith. We show that the Bible nowhere teaches God's people to remain defenseless or to surrender their means of self-defense to ANY civil authority.

In the book, we look at the scriptures that the "no gun" preachers use to support their "no one needs a gun" lunacy and show how unbiblical these positions are. We go through both testaments and show that our Creator has given us the obligation to defend the life He has given us. We also put to rest many of the distortions of Scripture that anti-gun preachers use to turn Christian men and women—who are created to be providers and protectors—into sheepish slaves of the state.

Yes, keeping and bearing arms is a spiritual duty. Defending

oneself or family is as "spiritual" as praying or reading the Bible or any other "spiritual" exercise.

The title of our book is "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns."

It is not only important to be armed; it is even more important to understand the moral and spiritual underpinnings of WHY we should be armed. And that is exactly what our book attempts to do.

Other articles contained in the Bill of Rights also have scriptural basis. For example, the Fourth Amendment is found in Deuteronomy 24:10, 11. The Eighth Amendment originates in Deuteronomy 15:2, 3. Again, these principles are "self-evident" truths which come from "the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God." Even the pattern for America's constitutional form of government consisting of three distinct branches—legislative, executive, and judicial—is seen in Isaiah 33:22. America's founders held a healthy distrust of monarchies, and for very good reason. Sinful man can only be trusted with limited power and authority. Only the LORD can be trusted with kingship over our lives, as Isaiah notes in the above reference. Accordingly, our country's founders wisely separated the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government in our U.S. Constitution.

The signers of our Declaration of Independence could have never imagined that individual states and municipalities would deny their citizens the right to carry arms. They could have never dreamed that states would deny their citizens the right to be free from warrantless searches—a right that is violated every day throughout this country. They could have never imagined that the time would come when their posterity would be denied the basic freedoms to publicly express their reverence for God. Never could they have imagined that the day would come when citizens of the several sovereign states (each with a State constitution protecting religious liberty) would

be denied their right to pray in school, place Nativity scenes on public property, or hang copies of the Ten Commandments on courthouse walls.

I am also confident that America's founders would be completely repulsed by the way the United States has jumped headlong into corporatism, socialism, and globalism. At the national level, Democrats and Republicans alike have created a central government so large that it would be unrecognizable to any founding father—even Alexander Hamilton or John Adams. Big Business sucks feverishly at the teat of Big Government; the major media has become little more than a propaganda ministry of Big Government; corporate 501c3 churches view Big Government as a god to be worshipped; and America (including and especially Christians and churches) seems to be drunk on the perpetual wars and entangling alliances of Big Government. Surely, our Founding Fathers must be turning over in their graves.

Therefore, at this Christmas season, let us recommit ourselves to our nation's founding principles. Furthermore, let us renew with vigor the fight for freedom before our liberties and heritage disappear altogether.

Yes, John Quincy Adams was right. The birth of Christ and the birth of America are indissolubly linked.

* My attorney son and I also wrote and published a book entitled "Romans 13: The True Meaning of Submission." This book expounds with sound interpretation and reasoning the priority of God's commandments relative to citizens' submission to government. There is hardly a statement made in this book that does not have a direct reference to the scriptures and illustrative commentary.

This book is one of the strongest defenses of lawful submission—and one of the strongest attacks against the ubiquitous "obey-the-government-no-matter-what" claptrap being

taught in most U.S. churches. In short, this book is one of the best friends that liberty has right now.

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Neocons are the swamp

Donald Trump won the White House on the promise to "drain the swamp" in Washington, D.C. He rode the wave of outsider all the way inside 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. But does Donald Trump even

Is Jeb Bush picking Trump's key leadership picks?

Conservatives and Christians who supported Donald Trump need

to wake up to the reality that the election is over. The Wicked Witch of the West, Hillary Clinton, lost, and their guy won. What that amounts to is, campaign rhetoric means absolutely NOTHING now. Donald Trump is the President-Elect. From this moment on, we must stop judging Trump on his rhetoric and start judging him on his actions. And the man is busy right now putting his presidential administration together. These are the men and women that are going to be in control of trillions of taxpayer dollars and are going to have their own gigantic sphere of authority and influence over our lives. The kind of people Donald Trump selects for these key leadership posts speaks volumes about the kind administration he will have. And it is on this exact point that conservatives and Christians greatly contribute to the demise of our liberties: when a Republican is elected President, they tend to go to sleep and refuse to hold the President accountable for his unconstitutional, biggovernment, neocon decisions and policies.

And speaking of going to sleep, did I miss something? I thought Donald Trump, not Jeb Bush, won the election. But looking over the list of people that have been selected to serve in the new administration, I see mostly establishment insiders. The vast majority of people selected by Trump could easily have been (and probably would have been) selected by Jeb Bush. In fact, Trump's newly formed administration is shaping up to be an almost carbon copy of the ultimate neocon administrations of George Bush Sr. and Jr. In other words, the people Trump is appointing have track records that are completely contrary to what Trump told us he was going to do when he was elected President.

Let's review what we have so far:

• Attorney General: Senator Jeff Sessions

Sessions is good on immigration and other issues, but he is terrible on Fourth Amendment issues. From TechDirt.com: "He's a huge supporter of increased surveillance, and not a fan of civil liberties. Going back a decade ago, Sessions very publicly supported President George W. Bush's surveillance programs that included warrantless wiretapping of Americans. . . . Just this year, Sessions spoke out against encryption on mobile phones in discussing the legal fights between Apple and the FBI."

"He's also spoken out vehemently against NSA reform that limits surveillance, complaining about the very modest changes in the USA Freedom Act."

"On top of that, just recently, Sessions tried to massively expand the surveillance powers of the Justice Department, in an amendment he tried to attach to ECPA (Electronic Communications Privacy Act) Reform. We've been calling for ECPA Reform for many, many years, but to stop warrantless surveillance and data collection. But Sessions' plan was to make it even easier for law enforcement to get data, so long as they 'declared it was an emergency.'"

See the report: Trump's Picks For AG & CIA Happy To Undermine Civil Liberties, Increase Surveillance

• Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA): Congressman Mike Pompeo

This man is an absolute disaster! He is a major proponent of the surveillance society; he supports unlimited government spying on American citizens. He supports the indefinite detention sections of the NDAA that authorize federal agents or military troops to seize American citizens and hold them indefinitely without a warrant, without providing the person seized with an attorney, and without even the right of Habeas Corpus. He calls government whistleblower Edward Snowden a traitor who should be executed. The Police State has no better friend than Congressman Mike Pompeo. (See the TechDirt.com report above.)

• National Security Adviser: General Michael Flynn

Flynn is a rabid supporter of the global "war on terror." He will enthusiastically expand the global "war on terror" to levels never before seen. He has totally bought into the anti-Muslim hysteria that has swept through the conservative, Christian, and Republican worlds. It is anti-Muslim hysteria—created by our own CIA, the Israeli Mossad, British MI6, Wahhabi terrorists from Saudi Arabia (most of whom couldn't even find Mecca on a map), and professional agitators from Turkey—which the neocon establishment uses to foment all of these endless wars of aggression that Trump said he opposes on the campaign trail. If Mr. Trump truly wanted to put an end to the perpetual war doctrine created by the Bush family, he would never have chosen General Flynn.

Personal Adviser: Donald Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner

Jared is the son of Zionist billionaire Charles Kushner, who is a convicted criminal and, I suspect, an integral part of the Jewish mafia. The establishment media is now promoting the idea that it was Jared Kushner who masterminded Trump's election victory. This is a 35-year-old young man that nobody even heard of before election night. Now, Kushner is on the front cover and is the center of the featured article of the current edition of the very influential Forbes Magazine. Let me quote a little bit from this article in Forbes. The title of the article is "How Jared Kushner Won Trump The White House."

"Winners will emerge shortly. But today's focus is on the biggest loser: New Jersey governor Chris Christie, who has just been fired from his role leading the transition, along with most the people associated with him. The episode is being characterized as a 'knife fight' that ends in a 'Stalinesque purge.'

"The most compelling figure in this intrigue, however, wasn't

in Trump Tower. Jared Kushner was three blocks south, high up in his own skyscraper, at 666 Fifth Avenue, where he oversees his family's Kushner Companies real estate empire. . . ."

"The speculation was well-founded, given the story's Shakespearean twist: As a U.S. attorney in 2005, Christie jailed Kushner's father on tax evasion, election fraud and witness tampering charges. Revenge theories aside, the buzz around Kushner was directional and indicative. A year ago he had zero experience in politics and about as much interest in it. Suddenly he sits at its global center. Whether he plunged the dagger into Christie . . . is less important than the fact that he easily could have. And that power comes well-earned."

See the article: Exclusive Interview: How Jared Kushner Won Trump The White House

I suggest that anyone who thinks that the Kushner Empire's world headquarters' address is mere coincidence is truly not paying attention to how New World Order mystics operate. Numerology may not be a big deal to you, but it is a big deal to THEM.

Kushner is a major player in the Zionist/Neocon agenda. And in all likelihood, this young man will be the most influential adviser that Trump will have. NOT GOOD.

• Ambassador to The United Nations: South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley

Haley was a strong critic of Donald Trump throughout the campaign. She was an avid supporter of neocon globalist Marco Rubio. As governor of South Carolina, she has zero experience in international affairs. The only experience Haley has in international affairs is when she eats breakfast at the International House of Pancakes. Why, then, would Trump select her as Ambassador to the U.N.? The senior senator from South Carolina gave us the answer. High-level neocon globalist Lindsey Graham said that Haley is "a strong supporter of

Israel," adding that her presence at the U.N. "will be reassuring to all of those who are concerned about the increasing hostility of the United Nations toward Israel." (Egad! The United Nations was instrumental in creating the modern State of Israel.)

In other words, Nikki Haley is there to promote the interests of Israel—NOT the interests of the United States. I'm sure we can already thank Jared Kushner for this appointment.

Secretary of Education: Betsy DeVos

On the campaign trail, Donald Trump was emphatic in his opposition to the Department of Education curriculum known as "Common Core." Well, ladies and gentlemen, Betsy DeVos is a longstanding advocate of Common Core. Breitbart.com has the report:

"President-elect Donald Trump's transition team announces the choice of Common Core and charter school supporter Betsy DeVos as U.S. Secretary of Education.

"Anti-Common Core grassroots groups of parents and teachers urged Trump to abandon DeVos as his choice, citing her support for the education reform policies of pro-Common Core Jeb Bush and her influence through the Great Lakes Education Project (GLEP) in favor of Common Core."

"DeVos, whose family founded Amway, was an at-large delegate for pro-Common Core Ohio Gov. John Kasich. Kasich received a grade of "F" at The Pulse 2016 for his support of the controversial standards."

"Frank Cannon, president of American Principles Project, said in a statement prior to the announcement of DeVos' nomination:

'President-elect Trump rightly slammed Governor Jeb Bush for his support of Common Core on the campaign trail. Betsy DeVos would be a very Jeb-like pick, and the idea that Trump would appoint a Common Core apologist as Secretary of Education seems unlikely.'"

See the report: Donald Trump Announces Pro-Common Core Betsy DeVos As Education Secretary

Obviously, Frank Cannon thought he knew Donald Trump better than he does, because Trump did indeed select Betsy DeVos as Secretary of Education. All of her current backpedaling aside, she is a TERRIBLE appointee to be trusted with the anti-Common Core agenda promised by Trump on the campaign trail. Of course, Jeb Bush gave Trump high praise for selecting DeVos.

On November 22, I said this on my Facebook page:

"Folks, from this point onward, keep an eye out for how many CFR members Trump appoints. Over the past several decades, both Democrat and GOP administrations have been littered with CFR members. This is one of the BIGGEST reasons that nothing much changes regardless of which person is elected president."

See and "Like" my Facebook page.

Well, folks, it didn't take long for Donald Trump to join his presidential predecessors from both parties and start appointing members of the globalist agenda-driven Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) to his administration.

• Deputy National Security Adviser: K. T. McFarland

McFarland is CFR. AND THE CFR IS THE SWAMP!

Let me remind readers of what Rear Admiral Chester Ward warned about the CFR. Admiral Ward was the Judge Advocate General of the Navy from 1956-1960 and a former member of the CFR who pulled out after realizing what they were all about. He warned the American people about the dangers of this and similar organizations (such as the Trilateral Commission).

Admiral Ward said, "The most powerful clique in these elitist

groups have one objective in common—they want to bring about the surrender of the sovereignty and the national independence of the United States. A second clique of international members in the CFR . . . comprises the Wall Street international bankers and their key agents. Primarily, they want the world banking monopoly from whatever power ends up in the control of global government."

Admiral Ward also said, "The main purpose of the Council on Foreign Relations is promoting the disarmament of U.S. sovereignty and national independence and submergence into an all powerful, one world government."

Plus, the short list for Trump's selection to the office of Secretary of State are said to be Rudy Giuliani, John Bolton, Mitt Romney, and General David Petraeus. Each of these men is totally and thoroughly an establishment neocon. And if Trump picks Petraeus, it will be another CFR member picked by Trump.

Besides being a globalist CFR member, Petraeus is an anti-Second Amendment gun-grabber and convicted criminal.

Petraeus hates guns so much that he teamed up with anti-gun leader Mark Kelly and his wife, Gabrielle Giffords, to cofound the Veterans Coalition for Common Sense, an anti-gun organization devoted to "do[ing] more to prevent gun tragedies" by "urging lawmakers to toughen gun laws." (Source: Gun Owners of America)

Petraeus was convicted (and pled guilty) to sharing classified information with his lover, Paula Broadwell. He was fined \$100,000 and sentenced to two years on probation. On the campaign trail, Trump used Petraeus as an example of the kind of carelessness and criminality that Hillary Clinton was guilty of as Secretary of State. During the campaign, Trump said that Hillary "has to go to jail" for what she did. Is Trump really going to turn around and appoint a CFR globalist and a man who was convicted of the same kind of crimes that he

accused Hillary Clinton of committing to the very same office? God help us if he does. It's bad enough already.

Senator Rand Paul has hinted that he will oppose the nomination of David Petraeus should Trump appoint him. Good for Rand!

• Secretary of Transportation: Elaine Chao

Chao is another longstanding CFR member. She served in the cabinets of both G.H.W. Bush and G.W. Bush. She is a high-level neocon and globalist. She is a horrible pick! She is also the wife of the Senate Majority Leader, neocon Mitch McConnell. Gee! Why is that not surprising?

• Secretary of The Treasury: Steven Mnuchin

Talk about a globalist banking elite: no one personifies it more than Mnuchin. He was an Investment Professional with Soros Fund Management LLC and spent 17 years at Goldman Sachs. No single individual is more responsible for the attempted surrender of the United States to global government than George Soros. And no institution on the planet has done more to promote globalism than Goldman. When Mnuchin is confirmed as Treasury Secretary (and he will be), he will be the third Goldman alumnus to hold that position. The other two are Henry Paulson under President G.W. Bush and Robert Rubin under President Bill Clinton.

Goldman, JP Morgan, Rothschild, Warburg, Lehman Brothers, Lazard Brothers, Israel Moses Seif, Rockefeller, and Kuhn Loeb control the Federal Reserve; and no institution on the planet is more responsible for the surrender of U.S. sovereignty and independence than the Federal Reserve. Talk about a swamp: the Federal Reserve bankers are the ones who are most financially responsible for filling the swamp.

For Donald Trump to say he intends to drain the swamp and to then appoint a Goldman-Sachs partner as Secretary of the Treasury is the height of either simplicity or duplicity. Either way, it's BAD for America. If Trump truly wanted to drain the swamp, he would have appointed Ron Paul as Secretary of the Treasury.

• Secretary of Commerce: Wilbur Ross

Here we go again! Ross worked for Rothschild for twenty-four years. When Trump's three casinos in Atlantic City, New Jersey, were going bankrupt, it was Wilbur Ross who stepped in and fronted the monies needed to keep them afloat and rebuild his business. Ross also served under President Bill Clinton on the board of the U.S.-Russia Investment Fund.

As I said at the beginning of this column: conservatives and Christians who supported Donald Trump need to wake up to the reality that the election is over. Hillary Clinton lost, and their guy won. What that amounts to is, campaign rhetoric means absolutely NOTHING now. Donald Trump is the President-Elect. From this moment on, we must stop judging Trump on his rhetoric and start judging him on his actions. And the man is busy right now putting his presidential administration together. These are the men and women that are going to be in control of trillions of taxpayer dollars and are going to have their own gigantic sphere of authority and influence over our lives. The kind of people Donald Trump selects for these key leadership posts speaks volumes about the administration he will have. And it is on this exact point that conservatives and Christians greatly contribute to the demise of our liberties: when a Republican is elected President, they tend to go to sleep and refuse to hold the President accountable for his unconstitutional, biggovernment, neocon decisions and policies.

What I am seeing right now is another G.W. Bush administration developing. The vast majority of Trump's appointments so far could easily have been selected by either Bush, either Clinton, or Barack Obama. They are the same establishment

insiders that have been running the federal government for decades. Even perceived outsider Steve Bannon is a Goldman-Sachs alumnus, so I am very skeptical of exactly what he will bring to the table.

And the reason that Republican administrations generally do so much more damage to our liberties than Democratic ones is because once they are in office, they have no meaningful opposition. Christians and conservatives lie down and go to sleep. But if they go to sleep on Donald Trump, they may wake up in an enslaved country.

Accordingly, I call on Alex Jones to be honestly objective about Donald Trump. I call on Steve Quayle to be honestly objective about Donald Trump. I call on Bradlee Dean to be honestly objective about Donald Trump. I call on Joseph Farah to be honestly objective about Donald Trump. I call on Ann Coulter to be honestly objective about Donald Trump. I call on the writers on NewsWithViews.com (most of whom I hold in high regard) to be honestly objective about Donald Trump.

The fact is, we owe Donald Trump NOTHING. He owes us his fidelity to constitutional government. Therefore, as radio hosts, writers, and opinion makers in the alt-media, we owe it to our country to be as faithful to constitutional government as we expect our civil magistrates to be. When the day comes that we lose our honest objectivity, we also lose our credibility and integrity.

I like Trump's stated decision to ban former government office holders and employees from being lobbyists for five years. I like his stated position that America does not need any additional gun control laws and that Americans have an individual right to keep and bear arms. Obviously, he said many things on the campaign trail that sounded good, including investigating and prosecuting Hillary Clinton—a promise he has recanted since being elected.

I will happily give Donald Trump all due praise when he acts constitutionally and in the interest of the liberties protected in our Bill of Rights. I give him praise for convincing the Carrier company to keep their manufacturing plant in Indianapolis and not moving it to Mexico. But I will NOT give him a pass simply because he is a Republican or because he said a bunch of good things on the campaign trail. And giving him a pass by comparing him to Hillary Clinton is now moot. He's not candidate Donald Trump any longer; he is now President Donald Trump. As such, I find it SCARY that Trump would suggest that burning the American flag in protest should result in the loss of citizenship or a year in jail. That's Hitlerian kind of talk. The freedom to protest—even by burning the flag (as despicable as that is)—is what America is all about. For the government to punish peaceful protest is a huge step down the slippery slope to oppression. This is the kind of thing that has always bothered me about Donald Trump.

Again, Donald Trump's campaign rhetoric means nothing now. As President of The United States, he has one main responsibility: to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States. And to the people he convinced to vote for him on November 8, he has one major promise to fulfill: to drain the swamp! But he is not going to drain the swamp with the people he is choosing to help him thus far.

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Trump supporters must not go to sleep

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Now that Donald Trump has won the presidential election, most of the people who voted for him (along with most of the rest of the world) are breathing a huge sigh of relief. As I wrote earlier, a Hillary Clinton presidency was not only a threat to whatever liberties the American people have left, it was a threat to the peace and stability of the entire planet. Except for the radical protesters (most of whom did not even vote in the election and many of whom were paid to riot) who are making royal jackasses out of themselves in Portland, Oregon, and California, the perverts in Hollywood, and the

presstitutes in the mainstream media, most of the nation (and the world with maybe the exception of China and Saudi Arabia) is feeling REALLY GOOD about the election.

However, I want to caution Trump supporters that the last thing they can afford to do right now is what conservatives normally do after a Republican wins the White House: go into a deep state of complacency. With the exception of stopping another Clinton from obtaining the White House (yes, that is HUGE), a Trump election accomplishes nothing. It is not the candidate, Donald Trump, that is going to govern from 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. It is the president, Donald Trump, that will govern. And what kind of president Trump will make is yet to be seen.

I well remember when George W. Bush was elected President. The entire conservative, Christian, and Republican worlds fell into a state of extended hibernation. And G.W. Bush went on to trample more of our constitutional liberties than Bill Clinton and Barack Obama combined. This could only happen because he faced no resistance from the Republican Party or Christians and conservatives in general. They were sound asleep.

If the people who supported Donald Trump go to sleep now, there will be no going back. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to change the course of a nation. Frankly, if this opportunity is squandered, there likely will not be another one in most of our lifetimes.

Now, before getting to the meat of this column, let me digress and say this: as much as I despise the whole left-right, conservative-liberal paradigms, there is no question that the globalists are currently going all out to manipulate radical leftists into trying to undermine the will of the American people and institute their socialist, anti-freedom agenda by any means necessary.

For example, when Bill Clinton and Barack Obama were elected,

conservative, constitutionalist, "right wing" people did not riot in the streets, burn down buildings, attack police officers, and threaten to sabotage the Electoral College or call for Clinton or Obama's assassination. Yet that is exactly what the radical left (inspired by ultra-America haters such as George Soros, many university faculties, and many in the mainstream media) are now doing. The Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) is constantly telling the media and police agencies across the country that it is conservative, rightwing, Christian people who pose America's biggest threat. But in fact, the opposite is true. Look at how the radical left is behaving: Soros and the mainstream media are fueling the fires of prejudice, hatred, and violence—and the SPLC is saying ABSOLUTELY NOTHING.

The only thing I will say in response to all of these attempts at intimidation, coercion, and violence being perpetrated by these radical leftists is, if they truly want to see what would happen when conservative, God-fearing, patriotic Americans are brought to a state of righteous indignation, just let them attempt to stop the Electoral College from confirming Donald Trump as President on December 19.

At no time in American history has the Electoral College ever failed to confirm a presidential candidate who won the required electoral votes in the general election. These delegates take an oath to confirm the vote of the people of their states in the general election in the Electoral College. And if scumbags such as George Soros or the media elite are allowed to pull off a coup and somehow manipulate the delegates of the Electoral College into doing otherwise in 2016 (and thereby destroy our constitutional form of government), the people (along with citizens within law enforcement [federal and State], National Guard, etc.) of this country would be morally, spiritually, and ethically justified in demanding that the respective states whose electoral votes went to Trump count the unconstitutional vote of a faithless

Electoral College as null and void and enforce the results of the November 8 elections by any means necessary—including leaving the Union if this breach of constitutional government was allowed to stand. If liberals and socialists want to start another civil war, that's a good way to do it.

And while I'm on this subject, since Donald Trump was elected, many people in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington are proceeding with citizen initiatives to secede from the United States and become part of Canada. Imagine a country without California! Hallelujah! I always envisioned liberty-minded states seceding, but if the socialists in California, Portland, Las Vegas, and Seattle want to take the initiative, I AM ALL FOR THEM. And while they are at it, I wish they would take Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York City, Baltimore, and Chicago with them. Those places have been a thorn in the side of liberty long enough.

But back to my point: this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to change the course of a nation. And the people who turned the political and media establishments on their ear on November 8 just CANNOT afford to become lethargic and complacent because Trump won.

After my post-election column last week, a lady wrote to me and said, "I have confidence he [Trump] plans to do what is best for the country." With all due respect, I don't! I agree wholeheartedly with Thomas Jefferson. He said, "In questions of power, then, let no more be heard of confidence in man, but bind him down from mischief by the chains of the Constitution."

If Donald Trump is going to be anything more than just another say-anything-to-get-elected phony, he is going to have to put raw elbow grease to his rhetoric. His talk got him elected, but it is going to be his walk that is going to prove his worth.

And, as I wrote last week, the biggest indicator as to whether or not he is truly going to follow through with his rhetoric is who he selects for his cabinet and top-level government positions. So far, he has picked Reince Priebus as White House chief of staff and Stephen Bannon as White House chief strategist.

Reince Priebus is an establishment insider. He did NOTHING to help Trump get elected until toward the very end of the campaign. He is the current chairman of the Republican National Committee. If that doesn't tell you what he is, nothing will. Trump probably picked him because he is in so tight with House Speaker Paul Ryan (a globalist neocon of the highest order) and the GOP establishment, thinking Priebus will help him get his agenda through the GOP Congress. But ideologically, Priebus does NOT share Trump's antiestablishment agenda. So, this appointment is a risk at best and a sell-out at worst.

On the other hand, Stephen Bannon is probably a very good pick. He headed Breitbart.com, which is one of the premier "alt-right" media outlets that has consistently led the charge against the globalist, anti-freedom agenda of the political establishment in Washington, D.C. Albeit, Bannon is probably blind to the dangers of Zionism and is, therefore, probably naïve about the New World Order. I don't believe anyone can truly understand the New World Order without being aware of the role that Zionism plays in it.

To be honest, the possible appointments of Rudy Giuliani, Chris Christie, John Bolton and especially Newt Gingrich are MORE than troubling. Rudy Giuliani is "Mr. Police State," and if he is selected as the new attorney general, the burgeoning Police State in this country will go into hyperdrive. NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden is already warning us about this. Chris Christie is a typical New England liberal Republican. His appointment to any position bodes NOTHING good. And John Bolton is a Bush pro-war neocon. But Newt Gingrich is the

quintessential insider, globalist, and establishment hack.

There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that the globalist elite gave Newt Gingrich the assignment of cozying up to (and "supporting") Trump during his campaign with the sole intention of being in a position for Trump to think he owes Gingrich something so as to appoint him to a key cabinet post in the event that he won. Gingrich could then weave his evil magic during a Donald Trump presidential administration.

Newt Gingrich is a HIGH LEVEL globalist and longtime CFR member. He is the consummate neocon. And he has a brilliant mind (NO morals, but a brilliant mind—a deadly combination, for sure). If Donald Trump does not see through this man, and if he appoints him as a cabinet head in his administration, I will be forced to believe that Donald Trump is clueless about "draining the swamp." You cannot drain the swamp by putting the very people who filled the swamp back in charge. And that's exactly what Trump would be doing if he appoints Gingrich to any high-level position in his administration.

Trump is already softening his position on illegal immigration, on dismantling the EPA, on repealing Obamacare, on investigating and prosecuting Hillary Clinton, etc. Granted, he hasn't even been sworn in yet, and it's still way too early to make a true judgment of his presidency. But for a fact, his cabinet appointments and his first one hundred days in office will tell us most of what we need to know.

What we need to know right now is that WE CANNOT GO TO SLEEP. We cannot sit back in lethargy and complacency and just assume that Donald Trump is going to do what he said he would do. If we do that, we might as well have elected Hillary Clinton, because at least then we would be forever on guard against her forthcoming assaults against our liberties.

There is a reason we have lost more liberties under Republican administrations than Democratic ones over the past few

decades. And that reason is the conservative, constitutionalist, Christian, pro-freedom people who should be resisting government's assaults against our liberties are sound asleep because they trust a Republican President and Congress to do the right thing—and they give the GOP a pass as our liberties are expunged piece by piece. A pass they would NEVER give to a Democrat.

The difference in this election is that Donald Trump didn't run against the Democrats; he ran against the entire Washington establishment, including the Republican establishment. Hopefully that means that the people who supported and voted for Trump will NOT be inclined to go into political hibernation now that Trump is elected.

I tell you again: this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to change the course of a nation. Frankly, if this opportunity is squandered, there likely will not be another one in most of our lifetimes.

Stay awake! Pay attention! And hold Donald Trump's feet to the fire! Because at the end of the day—and after our liberties are demolished and our posterity is languishing in oppression and tyranny—no one will remember if it was a Democrat or a Republican that took our liberties from us. All we will remember is that WE LET IT HAPPEN.

- P.S. Here are two excellent articles that augment what I am saying in this column. I urge readers to look closely at both of them:
- Article 1: Why Trump Must Slay The Beast Of Neoconservatism
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The Trump victory: what we saw and what we need to see

What We Saw

Let's be honest: we saw a historic election Tuesday night. The only election coming close to the stunning proportions of this election was Ronald Reagan's first election in 1980. And even that one didn't match Trump's victory. Yes, it was a stunning victory for Donald Trump.

Let's be clear about what we witnessed. In one presidential election, we saw a man completely demolish the neocon and neolib establishments of both major parties; the media establishment; the globalist establishment; Wall Street; the political machine of an incumbent President; and the Clinton/Bush political/criminal empires. The odds of ANYONE being able to overcome the combined wealth and power of the leviathans above was absolutely zero. Each one of the listed cabals has enough power to destroy any would-be challenger. That Donald Trump was able to beat them all was truly

incredible—maybe even miraculous. And he not only beat them; he trounced them.

Over the years, Ross Perot, Pat Buchanan and Ron Paul had done the preliminary work of loading the bases for Trump. These men helped awaken the sleeping giant that roared to life Tuesday night. But it was Donald Trump who knocked the ball clean out of the park. And he did it as an outside slugger in the opposition's home park—a park in which the owners, officials, and gatekeepers had rigged the game to insure he would strike out. To their shock and dismay, he didn't.

Make no mistake about it: the globalists, neocons, neolibs, international bankers, national media, and power establishment in both major parties are scrambling now to figure out how they were beaten and what they must do to try to reclaim the sudden loss of their power and influence.

Donald Trump might have delayed the total destruction of our freedoms—at least for awhile. We'll see.

It would certainly appear that the Clinton/Bush Crime Family has been dealt a serious, if not fatal, blow. In one presidential campaign, Donald Trump sent Jeb Bush to the showers and sent Bill and Hillary packing (maybe for another country in order to try to stay out of a U.S. prison). I suggest that the Clintons consider Qatar. It is a country that successfully purchased much influence in Bill's presidential administration and Hillary's Secretary of State's office, and it is also a country that does not participate in U.S. extradition policy.

I tell you the truth, breaking up the Bush/Clinton Crime Family and perhaps ridding the United States of their death grip on U.S. politics might be the GREATEST success of Trump's victory Tuesday night. The swamp was drained a lot just by getting rid of the Clintons (forever)—and maybe the Bushes too (at least for quite a while).

And forgive me for gloating just a bit. Over a year and a half ago, on April 14, 2015, I made this bold prediction on my Facebook page: "You heard it here first: Hillary Clinton will NOT be our next President."

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As far as what's visible, the biggest loser Tuesday night was the mainstream media (MSM). Never in history had the MSM banded so tightly together with the single goal and aim in mind of completely destroying one man's political campaign. They were relentless and ruthless. They truly used every dastardly, duplicitous, and devilish trick in the book to defeat Trump. And, for once, the American people completely saw through it.

People in this country have been growing increasingly fed up with the overbearing, arrogant, holier-than-thou, rub-your-nose-in-the-dirt establishment. They are sick and tired of the political elite, such as the Clintons, getting away with corruption and criminality. They are sick and tired of corrupt presidents circumventing Congress and attempting to make law via unconstitutional executive orders. They are sick and tired of the media demeaning and lying to them day after day after day. They are sick and tired of all of these foreign wars of aggression that kill and maim their family members while enriching the political and corporate elite. They are sick and tired of immoral entertainers in music and Hollywood flaunting their corrupt and debauched lifestyles while telling them how evil they are for not supporting their corrupt and debauched buddies in politics.

Speaking of the corrupt Hollywood elite, here is another potential blessing of Trump's victory Tuesday night: several Hollywood super-smuts have said they would leave the country if Trump won. These include Barbra Streisand, Bryan Cranston, Miley Cyrus, Lena Dunham, Amy Schumer, Jon Stewart, Samuel

Jackson, Whoopi Goldberg, Neve Campbell, Keegan-Michael Key, George Lopez, Ne-Yo, and Al Sharpton. I hope they are all buying their one-way plane tickets as we speak. It would be worth a Trump victory watching these people's backsides disappearing over the horizon.

What We Need To See

We need to see Donald Trump follow through with what he said he would do (the good stuff that is). If he doesn't, it is all but certain that he will be a one-term President.

He needs to follow through with strict enforcement of our national borders. He needs to stop illegal immigration. He needs to deport the Middle Eastern refugees that Obama brought into the country. He needs to cut off financial aid to the illegal aliens that are already here. He needs to immediately lead the charge in a totally Republican Congress to rescind Obamacare. He needs to put an end to our endless wars of aggression in the Middle East. He needs to leave Syria alone and stop meddling in President Assad's internal affairs. He to pull NATO back from encroaching on Russia's territorial boundaries, waterways and airspace and let Vladimir Putin know that the United States will stop being a global bully. He needs to instruct our CIA (and find a director who will enthusiastically follow his instructions) to withdraw ALL covert U.S. support for Muslim terror groups such as ISIS—in which case, they would quickly dissolve.

Trump needs to lead the charge in Congress to reduce taxes and government regulation and spending across the board. If he would propose dismantling the EPA, BLM, OSHA, and the federal Department of Education (and throw in the Department of Commerce and a bunch more of these government bureaucracies whose only reason for existing is to harass the American people), we would know he means business. He needs to tell the ATF to get off the backs of law-abiding gun manufacturers, retailers, and gun owners. And he needs to fire FBI Director

James Comey.

Trump needs to follow through with his trade policies. He needs to lead the charge to expunge NAFTA, to kill TPP dead in its tracks, and to institute fair trade practices, including enacting competing tariffs and imposts and removing the egregious taxes and regulations that have forced businesses to relocate production plants overseas—and give them every financial incentive to bring them back to the United States.

Trump needs to appoint a Supreme Court justice that not only recognizes the constitutional rights of life and gun ownership and possession but one that is also determined to protect the Fourth Amendment. He also needs to follow through with his stated intention of urging Congress to remove the 1954 Johnson Amendment from the 501c3 tax code. In addition, he needs to sign an executive order rescinding most of the executive orders issued by former presidents Obama, Bush, and Clinton.

Trump needs to appoint a special prosecutor to thoroughly investigate and then prosecute Hillary and Bill Clinton along with many of their willing accomplices. If Trump truly wants to drain the swamp, he must begin by bringing these career criminals to justice.

These are the things that we need to see, and if Trump is as genuine and committed to liberty as he claims to be, many of these things we will see.

Now let me caution everyone. That Donald Trump was not controlled by the establishment was obvious. But that doesn't mean for one second that he cannot yet become controlled by the establishment. Being an outsider does not necessarily mean that Donald Trump truly understands the reach and tentacles of the globalist conspiracy. I truly hope he does; but only time will tell.

Plus, we need to be praying much for Trump's personal safety, because the power elite would not hesitate to assassinate this

man if they felt he was a genuine threat to their globalist agenda and that killing him was the only way they could stop him. I remind you that Mr. Reagan was shot just 70 days after assuming office. Remember that the establishment was absolutely convinced that Hillary would win the White House up to and even during the elections. Trump's victory came as a total shock to them. I hope everyone around him comprehends the threat level that Donald Trump is now living under and that they are doing everything possible to protect him.

In the meantime, don't expect House Speaker Paul Ryan and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to willingly support Trump, should he follow through with a smaller government domestic agenda and a non-interventionist foreign policy agenda. At their core, Ryan and McConnell are globalist neocons. In fact, if the Republican caucus in the House truly wants to work with Trump, they will elect a brand new Speaker, one that shares Trump's stated vision.

Speaking of which, here are some of the things that we do NOT need to see:

We do not need to see Trump putting a lot of neocons and globalists in his administration. This is what seriously compromised Ronald Reagan's presidency. Trump already chose a soft globalist, Mike Pence, as his Vice President. Reagan chose Granddaddy Globalist George H.W. Bush, which led to all of the assaults against our liberties that have taken place through the successive administrations of Bill Clinton, G.W. Bush, and Barack Obama.

We need to pay close attention to who Trump places in his administration. During his victory speech, he lauded neocon globalists Rudy Giuliani and Chris Christie. That was not a good sign. If Trump loads his cabinet with neocons, globalists, and CFR members (of which none is worse than Newt Gingrich), he dooms his presidency. These people are no friends of liberty or the Constitution and would use their

considerable influence to dilute Trump's less government, more freedom agenda.

We do not need to see Trump giving police agencies the green light to "stop and frisk" people. This has always been one of my greatest concerns about Trump. If he's not very careful, his strong "law and order" agenda can morph into a further burgeoning Police State.

We do not need to see Trump targeting religious houses of worship for unconstitutional searches and harassment. Freedom of religion is sacrosanct in this country, even for those people whose religion we dislike. Once you eviscerate First Amendment protections for one group of people, NO group of people is safe from government persecution. Germany's Martin Niemöller taught us that.

Trump's victory was truly stunning. It was the triumph of freedom-loving people who are fed up with an obnoxious, abrasive, overbearing, arrogant ruling class. Truly, it was the people's victory. But now those same people must be vigilant to make sure that the ruling class they defeated at the polls does not come back and corrupt the champion who led the revolt. It is okay for people to celebrate—as long as they don't then do what they have been known to do so often: go into a state of deep and protracted slumber. I remind you that most of the damage to our liberties over the past several decades has come from Republican administrations. Again, please remember that the GOP Congress Trump has inherited is led by staunch neocons.

"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," said Wendell Phillips. How right he was. Stay vigilant, folks! And let's pray that Mr. Trump will be the President that we need "for such a time as this." And let's do everything that we can as citizen watchmen to make sure he is.

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God help us — should Hillary be elected president!

I beg the indulgence of my many non-religious readers as I open my column with an analogy from Saint Matthew's Gospel narrative.

In His final words to the Jewish Pharisees, Jesus pronounced God's condemnation upon them, their sacred temple, their holy city, and their false religion in the plainest and most plaguing terms—all of which came to pass within their generation, less than forty years later. Toward the end of His public condemnation of them, Jesus said this to the Pharisees:

"That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation." (Matthew 23:35, 36 KJV)

Jesus declared that the Pharisees were the calamitous culmination of the evil and corruption of all of their pernicious predecessors. In other words, the Pharisees mimicked and even surpassed the evil and corruption of their murderous forebears going back to the world's first murderer, Cain, who killed his brother, Abel, and continuing to the murder of Zacharias son of Barachias. Abel was the first righteous man murdered (by Cain) and Zacharias was the last righteous man murdered by adherents of the Pharisees shortly before Jesus' prophecy came true in 70 A.D. In other words, the Pharisees were the living personification of all of the wicked and evil Jewish leaders before them, and God was going to pour out the divine judgment of Heaven for all of the

centuries of criminality and bloodshed upon THEM. And He did.

Ladies and gentlemen, for over one hundred and fifty years, evil and corrupt globalists have been spreading affliction, war, bloodshed, criminality and corruption upon righteous people in this country (and all over the earth) through their many satanic surrogates in the worlds of politics, business, and religion. And make no mistake about it: all of the evil and corruption of these wicked workmen of the past are now personified in one individual: Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Hillary Clinton represents ALL of the evil and corruption that's ever existed in this country. And if she is elected President (or handed the election through fraud), I am afraid that the divine judgment of Heaven will fall upon this country (and the world) in a way in which NO ONE can be prepared.

It is an absolute certainty that the globalist insiders who have been plotting the destruction of righteousness in this country (not to mention America's independence) have put all of their hellish hopes and devilish dreams into Clinton. She is their perfect puppet.

Hillary is the quintessential corrupt politician. Her entire political life is nothing but one act of corruption after another. She and her husband, Bill Clinton, sold the White House to foreign influence—especially Red China—for the eight years that Bill was President. She sold the U.S. State Department to any and all who were wealthy enough and willing to pay while she was Secretary of State. The blood of untold numbers of people—in and out of this country—is dripping from her dirty, shaking fingers.

Should Clinton be elected President, it is an absolute certainty that she would immediately remove any and all restriction on U.S. funded abortions at home and overseas. This will include late-term and partial-birth abortions through the third trimester. I would also expert her to

champion infanticide (the deliberate killing of babies AFTER being born).

Should Clinton be elected President, it is an absolute certainty that she would seek to expand the Warfare State to the very precipice of World War III. The war profiteers that Hillary works for would begin pushing Russia and China to the edge of nuclear war from almost the time she is inaugurated.

Should Clinton be elected President, it is an absolute certainty that America's traditional Christian heritage would be soon expunged. Pastors and churches that operate under the 501c3 tax code will be increasingly threatened and intimidated into complying with government-mandated political correctness. Government institutions of every sort—along with those private institutions receiving non-profit tax status—will be required to eviscerate any and all vestiges of Christian expression and symbol.

Should Clinton be elected President, it is an absolute certainty that the United States will have no national borders. Immigrants (including violent criminals) from third world countries will have unrestricted access to America; and Hillary will make sure that the federal government provides these people with all of the financial assistance they need to stay here. And these immigrants will bring with them diseases that have been long conquered in this country (such as chicken pox, diphtheria, malaria, typhoid fever, smallpox, and polio). In fact, this is already starting to happen. And the criminals among them will bring acts of savagery and barbarism into America's heartland. This, too, is already starting to happen.

Should Clinton be elected President, the economic instability of America will become increasingly dire. She will push Congress (not that they need much pushing) to dramatically increase deficit spending. She will further expand the Warfare State, Welfare State, and Police State with unprecedented spending and taxation. Plus, a Clinton presidency would

seriously undermine the confidence of other nations in our financial system and, therefore, threaten the dollar's status as the world's reserve currency, which would likely plunge America into its worst depression EVER.

Should Clinton be elected President, it is an absolute certainty that she will do everything in her power (which will be immense) to disarm the American citizenry. She will start by trying to outlaw all semi-automatic rifles, all large capacity magazines in rifles and pistols (magazines holding over ten rounds), and by attempting to create a national registry of all gun owners. She will attempt to outlaw the transfer of ANY firearm without governmental license—including a father passing down a family firearm to his children or grandchildren. She will do her best to close down gun shows. She will try to impose outlandish taxes upon anything and everything related to the gun industry. Prices of firearms will skyrocket to the point that most people will not be able to afford them, and availability of guns and ammo will shrink to the point that even those who could afford them will not be able to find them. She will also push the courts to prosecute gun manufacturers and retailers whenever a gun is used in a crime. In essence, Hillary Clinton will do everything she can to completely destroy America's gun industry and disarm the citizens of all fifty states.

One more time, let me urge readers to obtain the book that my attorney son and I wrote entitled "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns."

The title of the book refers directly to Christians, but it applies to absolutely everyone, Christian or not. Maintaining the means of self-defense is much more than a constitutional right (which it IS); it is a divine duty.

But since it is largely pastors and churches that are sheepishly going along with this "it's-Biblical-to-give-up-your-guns" claptrap, somehow the truth of Natural and Revealed

Law regarding the sacred duty of self-defense must be explained and disseminated. Truthfully, I don't know of another book like this one. There are plenty of books that deal with the right to keep and bear arms from a constitutional perspective but hardly any that deal with the subject from a scriptural perspective. If pastors and Christians do not awaken to this cardinal truth, our liberties are toast.

Please order as many of these as you can, and distribute them to as many people as you can, because it seems obvious that the power elite are going to put our allegiance to the sacred principles of self-defense to the ultimate test—perhaps sooner than you can imagine.

To order "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns."

Should Clinton be elected President, she will stack the Supreme Court with socialist/Marxist justices that will lunge America to the far left for the next fifty years and beyond. It would be VERY likely that America's highest court would never again recognize the federalist/republican form of government created by our U.S. Constitution—not to mention the rights and liberties protected in the Bill of Rights.

Should Clinton be elected President, every corrupt, criminal, political mobster in the world would be given access to the White House. Some of Clinton's most ardent supporters are already making jokes about her association with criminal conduct. For example, Michael Moore recently said that if Hillary murdered Vince Foster (former Deputy White House Counsel under Bill Clinton), it merely means she is a "Bad-A**." Bill Maher recently said that he didn't care if Hillary had JonBenét Ramsey (a murdered little girl whose killer has never been found) in her basement. Clinton will fill her administration with people who think like this.

Hillary Clinton's candidacy for President is the overt attempt of the world's most evil elite to put one of their very own in the most powerful political office on earth.

Hillary Clinton is a person without conscience. She is a cold-blooded, ruthless, corrupt international criminal. Hillary Clinton is to America what the Pharisees were to Israel. And I'm afraid that if she is given the White House, the crimes and corruption of this country will finally catch up to this generation, just as surely as the crimes and corruption of the Pharisees finally caught up to that generation.

A Hillary Clinton presidency could literally plunge America and the world into another Dark Ages. No one can be ready for the evil that will come upon the world if Hillary Clinton is elected President of the United States.

P.S. Again, to order our book "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns."

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Dates that destroyed America

It has been three years since I wrote on this subject. Readership of this column has grown substantially since then. Therefore, I am sure many people have not read my sentiments on this topic. So, here is my list of dates that I believe have helped, and are helping, to destroy our country and why.

April 9, 1865

This is the date when General Robert E. Lee surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia to Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House, Virginia. Regardless of where one comes down on

the subject of the War Between the States, one fact is undeniable: Abraham Lincoln seriously dismantled the Jeffersonian model of federalism in America.

Ever since Lincoln's presidency, virtually every battle that free men have fought for the principles of limited government, State sovereignty, personal liberty, etc., has stemmed directly from Lincoln's usurpation of power and subjugation and forced union of what used to be "Free and Independent States" (the Declaration of Independence). In fact, the philosophical battles being waged today regarding every encroachment upon liberty and State autonomy by our federal government have their roots in Lincoln's autocracy.

July 9, 1868

This is the date when the Fourteenth Amendment was ratified. This amendment codified into law what Lincoln had forced at bayonet point. Until then, people were deemed citizens of their respective states. The Constitution nowhere referred to people as "U.S. citizens." It only recognized "the Citizens of each State." Notice also that citizenship was only recognized among the "several States," not among people living in non-State territories. Until the Fourteenth Amendment, people were "Citizens of each State." (Article. IV. Section. 2. Paragraph. 1.) The Fourteenth Amendment created a whole new class of persons: "citizens of the United States." This false notion of "one nation" overturned the Jeffersonian principle that America was a confederated republic, a voluntary union of states.

February 3, 1913

This is the date when the Sixteenth Amendment was ratified and the personal income tax and IRS were instituted. This was a flagrant repudiation of freedom principles. What began as a temporary measure to support the War of Northern Aggression became a permanent income revenue stream for an unconstitutional—and ever-growing—central government.

April 8, 1913

This is the date when the Seventeenth Amendment was ratified. This amendment overturned the right of the State legislatures to elect their own senators and replaced it with a direct, popular vote. This was another serious blow against State sovereignty. The framers of the Constitution desired that the influence and power in Washington, D.C., be kept as close to the people and states as possible. For example, the number of representatives in the House of Representatives was to be decided by a limited number of voters. In the original Constitution, the ratio of "people of the several States" deciding their House member could not exceed "one for every thirty thousand." (Article. I. Section. 2. Paragraph. 3.) And when it came to the US Senate, the framers recognized the authority of each State legislature to select its own senators, thereby keeping power and influence from aggregating in Washington, D.C.

The Seventeenth Amendment seriously damaged the influence and power of the states by forcing them to elect their U.S. senators by popular vote. Senators who answered to State legislators, each answering to a limited number of voters, were much more accountable to the "citizens of the several States" than those who are elected by a large number (most states now numbering into the millions) of people. For all intents and purposes, U.S. senators are more like "minipresidents" than representatives of sovereign states.

December 23, 1913

This is the date when the Federal Reserve Act was passed. This Act placed oversight of America's financial matters into the hands of a cabal of private international bankers who have completely destroyed the constitutional principles of sound money and (for the most part) free enterprise. No longer would

the marketplace (private consumption, thrift, growth, etc.) be the determinant of the U.S. economy—which is what freedom is all about. But now a private, unaccountable, international banking cartel would have total power and authority to micromanage (for their own private, parochial purposes) America's financial sector. Virtually every recession, depression, and downturn this country has ever had (including the Great Depression) was the direct result of the Fed's manipulation of the financial markets.

1913 was not a good year for the United States or for freedom.

June 26, 1945

This is the date when the United Nations Charter was signed and America joined the push for global government. It is no accident that America has not fought a constitutionally declared war since we entered the UN—and neither have we won one.

Furthermore, it is America's involvement in the United Nations that has spawned this pathetic push for a New World Order that George H.W. Bush, Henry Kissinger, Tony Blair, Walter Cronkite, et al., have talked so much about.

The United Nations is an anti-America institution that works aggressively and constantly against the interests and principles of the United States. But it is an institution that is ensconced in the American political infrastructure. Like a cancer, the UN eats away at our liberties and values, and both major political parties in Washington, D.C., are equally culpable in allowing it to exert so much influence over our country.

May 14, 1948

This is the date that the Zionist State of Israel was created. Nothing has blinded America's pastors and Christians like the advent of the modern State of Israel. And I was just as

blinded as anyone about this subject for most of my life. And anyone who wants to better understand why I have taken the position on Israel that I have now should be sure to read my postscript at the end of this column.

Many—if not most—pastors and Christians believe that modern Israel is a fulfillment of Bible prophecy preceding the appearance of Christ (as I used to believe). But it is much more likely that this faux Israel is a devilish counterfeit preceding the appearance of antichrist.

Since the creation of the Zionist State of Israel in 1948, nothing has influenced and even dominated American politics, government, business (especially banking), the mainstream media, and the entertainment industry more—and all for the WORSE.

August 16, 1954

This is the date that the infamous Johnson Amendment to the 501c3 tax code was signed into law by President Dwight David Eisenhower. This review from Regent University accurately summarizes the Johnson Amendment:

"The Amendment appears to be nothing more than an attempt by a powerful senator [Lyndon Johnson, D-TX] to silence political opponents that he feared were hurting his chances for reelection. Johnson knew how to work the system and inserted his Amendment into a large tax overhaul bill. There was no referral to a committee for further study and hearings. There was no legislative analysis of the effect of the Amendment on tax-exempt organizations. And there was certainly no attempt to understand the effect that the Amendment might have on constitutional rights, especially those of churches and other religious organizations. The Johnson Amendment plainly targets speech because it prohibits statements that are published or distributed, yet Congress made no attempt to reconcile the Johnson Amendment with the First Amendment. There was

absolutely no discussion at all of the First Amendment, and Johnson's Amendment simply sailed through Congress as a small addition to a popular tax overhaul bill." (Regent University Law Review, Volume 24, 2011-2012, Number 2)

Nothing has done more to gag America's pulpits and churches like the repressive speech restrictions of the 501c3 non-profit tax status instituted under the Johnson Amendment. And nothing has done more to destroy America than these gagged and muted pulpits and churches.

June 25, 1962, and June 17, 1963

These are the dates when the U.S. Supreme Court removed prayer ('62) and Bible reading ('63) from public schools. Think of it: since the time that our forebears settled this continent, children had been free to pray and read the Scriptures in their various schools. We're talking about a period of more than 300 years.

Of course, the State legislatures—and the vast majority (if not all) of municipal and county governmental meetings—still open their sessions in prayer, as do the U.S. House and Senate and even the U.S. Supreme Court. But this same liberty is denied the students of America's public schools.

There is no question that America has not recovered from these two horrific Supreme Court decisions. And since the federal government expelled God from our public schools, it has been methodically expelling God from virtually all of our public life.

November 22, 1963

This is the date that President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas. As I wrote previously in this column:

For all intents and purposes, the American people lost control

of their government with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963. With the exception of Ronald Reagan, every President since Kennedy has been completely controlled by the establishment elite that ordered Kennedy's murder.

A retired Air Force Brigadier General friend of mine (who, before he retired, probably flew every jet the Air Force had and who had been assigned to both the White House and Pentagon during his illustrious career) told me in no uncertain terms that he was convinced that President Kennedy was assassinated by government insiders (with the help of the mob, of course) for two reasons: 1) he intended to disband the CIA, and 2) he intended to dismantle the Federal Reserve.

The assassination of President Kennedy and subsequent cover-up was much more than a killing; it was a coup.

October 22, 1968

This is the date when President Lyndon Baines Johnson signed the Gun Control Act of 1968. Before this Act, the Second Amendment was alive and well in the United States. The Gun Control Act of 1968 turned a right into a privilege and forever forced the American people to bow at the altar of government when seeking to exercise their God-ordained duty of self-defense. Interestingly enough, Johnson's Gun Control Act of 1968 borrowed heavily from Hitler's Gun Control Act of 1938.

Our Founding Fathers could have never imagined that the American people would ever allow their right to keep and bear arms be infringed as they are today. In fact, it was the attempted confiscation of firearms cached at Concord, Massachusetts, that triggered the War of Independence on April 19, 1775. Pastor Jonas Clark and his Lexington Minutemen must be turning over in their graves at the egregiously restrictive gun control laws imposed in their beloved State of Massachusetts today.

The hundreds and hundreds of draconian gun control laws that currently plague the American people—and that have cost thousands of American lives (including the 1993 Brady Bill)—have all come about as a result of Johnson's Gun Control Act of 1968.

January 22, 1973

This is the date when the U.S. Supreme Court issued the Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions, which, in effect, legalized abortion-on-demand and has resulted in the legal murders of nearly 60 million innocent, unborn babies. Imagine: since these two Supreme Court decisions, more innocent human beings have been killed in the United States than were killed in the holocaust of Nazi Germany or in the great purges of Stalin's Russia or in the communist revolution of Mao's China.

The Roe and Doe decisions expunged the Jeffersonian principle that all men are endowed by their Creator with the unalienable right to life (Declaration). These decisions opened the door to a host of big-government programs and policies that have resulted in the wanton destruction of human life both in the United States and overseas. It has created an entire industry whose express purpose for existing is the destruction of human life. It has desensitized the conscience and soul of America. Furthermore, it has forced men of decency and good will to finance—with their tax dollars—the unconscionable act of killing unborn children.

And, once again, another Jeffersonian principle was eviscerated. He said, "To compel a man to furnish contributions of money for the propagation of ideas which he disbelieves and abhors is sinful and tyrannical." The Roe and Doe decisions violate this principle in the most egregious manner possible.

December 8, 1993

This is the date that President Bill Clinton signed the job-

killing, manufacturing industry-gutting, anything-but-free-trade bill, The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), into law. NAFTA had been ceremonially signed by President George H.W. Bush on December 17, 1992. The U.S. House of Representatives passed it on November 17, 1993, and the U.S. Senate passed it on November 20, 1993.

According to the Economic Policy Institute, "The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) was the door through which American workers were shoved into the neoliberal global labor market.

"By establishing the principle that U.S. corporations could relocate production elsewhere and sell back into the United States, NAFTA undercut the bargaining power of American workers, which had driven the expansion of the middle class since the end of World War II. The result has been 20 years of stagnant wages and the upward redistribution of income, wealth and political power."

"Second, NAFTA strengthened the ability of U.S. employers to force workers to accept lower wages and benefits."

"Third, the destructive effect of NAFTA on the Mexican agricultural and small business sectors dislocated several million Mexican workers and their families, and was a major cause in the dramatic increase in undocumented workers flowing into the U.S. labor market."

"Fourth, and ultimately most important, NAFTA was the template for rules of the emerging global economy, in which the benefits would flow to capital and the costs to labor. The U.S. governing class—in alliance with the financial elites of its trading partners—applied NAFTA's principles to the World Trade Organization, to the policies of the World Bank and IMF, and to the deal under which employers of China's huge supply of low-wage workers were allowed access to U.S. markets in exchange for allowing American multinational corporations the

right to invest there."

September 11, 2001

This is the date that the Twin Towers in New York City and Pentagon in Washington, D.C., were attacked. It is very difficult to not notice the Orwellian reaction by the federal government in Washington, D.C., to the 9/11 attacks—whoever was responsible—including:

- The creation of the Department of Homeland Security
- The passage of the USA Patriot Act
- The passage of the Military Commissions Act
- The invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan
- The exponential escalation of the global (and endless) "war on terror"
- The rise of burgeoning Police State within the United States

But many people (including experts) are firmly convinced that the attacks on 9/11 were carried out or at least facilitated by elements within our own government. Which, if that is the case, would constitute the greatest conspiratorial hoax against the American people since Kennedy's assassination.

October 26, 2001

This is the date when President George W. Bush signed the USA Patriot Act and the federal government's war against individual liberty began in earnest. This is the exact same bill that Bill Clinton and Al Gore tried to push through a Republican Congress during the 1990s but were unable to do, because Republicans said the bill was "unconstitutional." But it was those same Republicans who passed this same bill in 2001, because it was now being proposed by a Republican administration. That's how these pathetic politicians from both parties play this game, folks.

Most of the unconstitutional eavesdropping, snooping, wiretapping, phone-call-intercepting, email-reading, prying,

financial-records-tracking, travel-watching, ad infinitum, ad nauseam by federal police agencies began with the implementation of the Patriot Act.

The Department of Homeland Security, the "war on terror," and the usurpation of local and State power at home have all come about as an outgrowth of the Patriot Act. The Patriot Act forever shifted the focus of American law and jurisprudence away from constitutional government and individual liberty and toward a police-state mentality.

March 20, 2003

This was the date that President George W. Bush launched his moronic invasion of Iraq—a nation that had absolutely NOTHING to do with the attack on the Twin Towers and Pentagon on September 11, 2001. In fact, the invasion of Iraq had been planned since Bush first became President. The events of 9/11 were merely the excuse George Bush and Dick Cheney needed to launch their preconceived invasion.

The invasion of Iraq led to the destabilization of the entire Middle East, the rise of ISIS, America's phony war on terror, and unprecedented Muslim immigration in Europe and the U.S—not to mention the deaths of hundreds of thousands of innocent victims.

October 17, 2006, and October 9, 2009

These are the dates when President G.W. Bush signed and President Barack Obama re-signed the Military Commissions Act. This Act is another outgrowth of the Patriot Act and has, in effect, terminated the fundamental protections of individual liberty, which are found in the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. For all intents and purposes, the Patriot Act and Military Commissions Act (along with the indefinite detention sections of the NDAA) eviscerated the Fourth and Fifth Amendments to the U.S. Constitution and do serious injury to several others. The Military Commissions Act also expunged the

constitutional right of Habeas Corpus.

March 21 and 23, 2010

These are the dates when Congress passed and President Obama signed into law the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act," the so-called "health care reform" bill—aka Obamacare. While Social Security and various Welfare programs have toyed with socialism in the United States, this bill is the largest and most expansive endorsement of socialism in American history. By socializing the healthcare industry in America, some 18% of the U.S. economy has been socialized. The fallout and ramifications of this bill are going to be horrific. Costs of this medical monstrosity are already skyrocketing and care is already suffering. Left standing, Obamacare will destroy the finest medical system the world has ever known.

June 26, 2015

This is the date that the U.S. Supreme Court attempted to officially redefine marriage as being between same-sex couples via their hideous Obergefell v. Hodges decision. This decision forces states nationwide to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples. Not only is this dreadful decision an assault against State sovereignty, it is an assault against the sanctity of marriage itself.

Of course, in reality, it doesn't matter to a tinker's dam what the Supreme Court said; God is the creator of marriage, and, therefore, He is the only One Who can define it—and He already determined that marriage can only exist between a man and a woman. But what this decision does is open the doors of criminal and civil prosecution against any person of faith (such as Alabama Supreme Court Chief Justice Roy Moore) who refuses to recognize this immoral, unconstitutional, and blasphemous ruling.

As I have written before, marriage is much more than a civil contract; it is a spiritual union and, therefore, is outside

the boundary of civil government. In other words, the government should never have been in the marriage licensing business to begin with. However, this does not excuse or justify the Supreme Court's effort to give Almighty God the middle finger and attempt to desecrate this most holy of all institutions.

There is no historical record of a nation long surviving after having legitimized and normalized the unnatural act of sodomite behavior. And an unrepentant America will NOT be the first exception.

November 8, 2016

This is the date that the final nail might be put in the coffin of America should Hillary Clinton be elected President.

When future historians review the demise of our once great republic, they will observe that the above dates were the dates that destroyed America.

P.S. I delivered seven messages that are recorded on two DVDs explaining what I believe is the true scriptural teaching regarding Israel. The message series in entitled "The Church And Israel." Anyone who has the slightest question about the true Biblical teaching of Israel or who has a friend or loved one that still misapplies modern Israel with Biblical or prophetic Israel, I urge you to order these DVDs.

I had believed and taught that modern Israel is the prophetic fulfillment of Biblical Israel for most of my adult life. But in all candor, the more I taught it, the more uncomfortable I was with it. Finally, I made a truthful and thorough search of the Scriptures for myself and have come to the conviction that modern Israel is anything EXCEPT the fulfillment of prophetic Israel. The seven messages contained in these two DVDs will explain why I say that.

To learn more or to order "The Church And Israel" seven-

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2016: The year the coup is complete?

For all intents and purposes, the American people lost control of their government with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963. With the exception of Ronald Reagan, every President since Kennedy has been completely controlled by the establishment elite that ordered Kennedy's murder.

A retired Air Force Brigadier General friend of mine (who, before he retired, probably flew every jet the Air Force had and who had been assigned to both the White House and Pentagon during his illustrious career) told me in no uncertain terms that he was convinced that President Kennedy was assassinated by government insiders (with the help of the mob, of course) for two reasons: 1) he intended to disband the CIA, and 2) he intended to dismantle the Federal Reserve.

The assassination of President Kennedy and subsequent cover-up was much more than a killing; it was a coup.

Every President since President Kennedy was selected by the power elite, not elected by the people. Oh, the people went to the polls and voted, but the election was already decided. The power elite completely controlled the mainstream media, and for the most part, the mainstream media rigged the election in favor of the desired candidate. Again, the only exception was Ronald Reagan.

Reagan was such a tremendous orator and communicator (his dashing good looks and professional acting experience didn't hurt either) that he was singularly able to thwart the coercive power of the media elite. However, thanks to the so-called Religious Right, the elite were able to convince Reagan to pick the globalist Neocon G.H.W. Bush as his Vice President instead of the staunch anti-establishment senatorial icon Jesse Helms of North Carolina.

I say thanks to the Religious Right because as the executive director of the Moral Majority of Florida from 1979 through 1989, I WAS THERE. I witnessed the despicable sellout firsthand. In my opinion, the leaders of the Religious Right sold their proverbial souls to the devil when they made the conscious decision to support George H.W. Bush as Reagan's running mate. I seriously doubt that Reagan would have selected establishment insider G.H.W. Bush had Bush not obtained the support of the Religious Right. I'll say it outright: deep inside of me, I blame the Religious Right for all of the mess that has resulted from Reagan's decision to pick Bush as his Vice President.

Reagan was so popular, he could have picked Humpty Dumpty as his running mate, and he would have won. He didn't need Bush. But the establishment needed Bush. And with pressure from the power elite and with the surrender of the Religious Right, Reagan acquiesced. And Bush spent his entire eight years in the Reagan White House doing everything he could to undermine Reagan's efforts. And, sadly, he often succeeded.

Mark it down: ALL of the problems we have had since Reagan have stemmed directly from George H.W. Bush. Bush I gave us Bill Clinton, Bush II, Barack Obama, and now Hillary Clinton. It all goes back to Bush I. And Bush I goes back to the power elite surrounding the Kennedy assassination. (A CIA operative, what business did Bush have even being in Dallas the day Kennedy was killed?)

Since the 1990s, I have tried to warn the American people that the Clintons and Bushes are ONE GIANT CRIME FAMILY. Why in the world do you think the entire Bush family is supporting Hillary Clinton's bid for the White House today? Wake up, folks!

When the power elite got away with killing President Kennedy, the American people lost their autonomy over their country. America has been largely in the hands of the power elite ever since. I truly believe that Reagan was the only President since Kennedy that was not controlled by the power elite. But put Bush in his White House and add the assassination attempt on Reagan soon after his election, and Reagan's independence was sorely compromised.

And please understand this: the way the power elite normally rigs the presidential election is by making sure that only their candidates make it to the general election. That's why in most elections the bias and animus of the establishment was not as obvious as it is this year: because they owned both the Democrat and Republican presidential candidates. Therefore, it really didn't matter to a tinker's dam which one of them was elected. The globalist establishment agenda of the power elite would continue regardless of which one was elected.

Enter 2016.

Regular readers of this column know that I have not been timid in saying I believe that Donald Trump is a very flawed candidate. But I also believe that just as John Kennedy and Ronald Reagan were not controlled by the establishment elite, neither is Donald Trump. I truly believe Trump is outside the reins of the power elite—and, therefore, is a huge threat to the establishment. And the reaction of the establishment elite to Trump's nomination is further evidence that this is true.

In my entire life—and I've lived for more than a half-century and have been involved in national politics since 1979, as a

Moral Majority director, as a successful national radio talk show host, as an independent candidate for President in 2008, and of course, as a nationally published columnist—I have NEVER seen anything like this presidential campaign.

The national media and virtually everyone in the establishment elite have stripped off their masks and have cast aside their phony façade of fairness and objectivity and have swarmed on Trump like sharks in a feeding frenzy. Everyone in the country has now seen the political, media, and business establishments for who and what they are. The pretenses are gone. The establishment elite is determined to destroy Trump's candidacy and make sure that Hillary Clinton is put in the White House—even if they must rig the elections to do it.

Can one imagine how the national media would have reacted had Wikileaks released all of that damning information on Trump? Yet, since the information indicts Clinton, the media has a total blackout on the story.

There is no doubt it my mind that the ONLY way Hillary Clinton could win this election is if the elections are rigged in her favor. There is NO OTHER WAY.

While Donald Trump's supporters are filling up the largest stadiums in city after city, Hillary Clinton's supporters are barely filling up phone booths. Heck! Hillary is BARELY campaigning at all. There is no doubt the woman is physically ill, but there's much more to it than that. I'm certain Hillary has been told by the establishment elite that she doesn't need to campaign, because they are going to make sure she wins by hook or by crook.

And please understand this: I am not talking about the candidacy of one evil person, Hillary Clinton. I think it is very sophomoric to make this election all about Hillary. Lyndon Johnson was evil; Richard Nixon was evil; the two Bushes are evil; Bill Clinton and Barack Obama are evil. I'm

talking about a giant cabal of evil people who are using these political puppets for their own nefarious purposes. And, yes, Hillary and the rest are WILLING to be used for evil; so in my opinion, the cabal and the individual are equally culpable. To use a scriptural analogy: it was Satan who manipulated Judas Iscariot to betray Christ, but that does not excuse Judas' eager complicity one iota. And Jesus plainly said so.

Plus, always remember that the conspiracy takes its time and is intelligent enough to work within the political winds of the country and natural machinations of their chosen servants to accomplish their diabolical purposes. Their work is almost always incremental, not spontaneous.

My point is, it seems clear to me that what began with the assassination of President Kennedy in 1963 may now be coming to fruition in 2016: the completion of the coup. What the cabal accomplished under cover of darkness in 1963, it is now doing in broad daylight: it is stealing a government from the American people in full view of the entire world.

If my observation is remotely accurate, it means the establishment elite is finally prepared to bring down the curtain of their agenda to destroy the independence and liberty of the United States. And Hillary Clinton is the one (she has ALL of the character traits and skills they need) to finish what so many others have started and worked toward.

If the elite succeed in putting Hillary Clinton in the White House, it is doubtful that America will survive intact. America will have no more national borders. In no time, the United States will look like a Third World country (in many communities, it already does). Barring divine intervention, we will never have real elections again; the Christian faith will be forced underground; the Constitution will be thoroughly expunged; and no principled adherent of the Constitution will be able to work as an employee of the government.

Clinton's very FIRST appointment to the Supreme Court will give anti-gun, anti-borders, anti-Christian globalists a majority on the U.S. Supreme Court. In short, the American experiment will be over. And this is not to mention the very real possibility of impending nuclear war with Russia (that Vladimir Putin has said is almost inevitable if Hillary becomes President) that a Hillary Clinton presidency poses.

See this column I wrote previously: "A Threat To All Humanity"

And the VERY FIRST evidence of this new totalitarian America will be Hillary's attack against the Second Amendment. She will use unconstitutional executive orders to ban semiautomatic rifles and large capacity magazines. And she will illegally institute a national database of gun owners.

Come on, folks, get real! Even if the Republicans remain in control of Congress, do you REALLY think Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and House Speaker Paul Ryan are going to mount ANY meaningful resistance to the globalist agenda? McConnell and Ryan are globalists themselves. They WANT Hillary to win. Even FBI Director James Comey is in on the conspiracy to protect Hillary. Of course, it is reported that Comey has also been on the receiving end of financial payments from the Clinton Foundation. Is it any surprise, therefore, why he refused to recommend charges be brought against Hillary for criminal acts that had any of the rest of us committed, we would surely be in prison?

In the strongest terms, I urge readers to understand that if you want a firearm—especially a semi-automatic rifle or Glock-type pistol—you had better get one now. I mean NOW! And that goes for the large capacity magazines to fit those firearms also. The DAY after Hillary is selected (not elected) President, the price of all things gun will skyrocket, and availability will plummet. If you thought the rout on guns and ammo back in 2013 was rough, you ain't seen nothin' yet!

Back on August 10 of this year, I wrote this on my Facebook page:

Humanly speaking, the ONLY thing standing between us and tyranny is an armed U.S. citizenry. And when I say armed, I am referring mostly to the ownership of semi-automatic rifles. No other instrument is capable of defending the liberties of the American people. I'll say it plainly: people who do not possess a semi-automatic rifle are incapable of defending liberty. Should the American citizenry ever surrender their semi-automatic rifles, the entire Western world would be plunged into a new Dark Ages—lasting perhaps a thousand years. I repeat: the ONLY thing standing between freedom and oppression is an American citizenry armed with semi-automatic rifles.

If Hillary Clinton is elected in November, the government attack on our semi-automatic rifles will be UNPRECEDENTED in U.S. history. In all likelihood, possession of semi-automatic rifles will be banned. Even if the Republicans hold onto the House and Senate, Paul Ryan and Mitch McConnell will sell out our Second Amendment liberties to a Clinton White House faster than you can Rumpelstiltskin.

Right now, semi-automatic rifles are flying off the shelves and manufacturers are not able to keep up production to meet the demand. If you plan to purchase a semi-automatic rifle, the clock is ticking on how long you will have the opportunity to obtain one. And this brings up another very important point.

If you plan on obtaining a semi-automatic rifle, you MUST be prepared to be an outlaw when that rifle is banned. There is NO reason to buy one only to then turn around and allow your government to take it away from you. So, if you are NOT prepared to be a lawbreaker in order to KEEP your semi-automatic rifle, don't even bother to buy one. It is of NO USE to you or to liberty.

But you can believe this: there are millions of Americans (including yours truly) who are NEVER going to willingly surrender our semi-automatic rifles—LAWS OR NO LAWS. Every month sets a new record for the sale of "Black Guns" (AR-type semi-automatic rifles). And you can bet that most of these people are well aware of our government's intention to ban these rifles down the road and are completely prepared to defy any law that would attempt to do so. In fact, that is the very reason they are buying them.

The clarion call "Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country" was never truer. And the best way you can currently do that is to go out and buy a semiautomatic rifle (and as much ammunition as you can), practice with it, and determine to not let ANYONE take it away from you.

And if you live in a State or community that denies your right to own a semi-automatic rifle, why in the name of liberty are you still there?

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From a spiritual perspective, I believe all of this is divine judgment upon a careless, indifferent, prosperity-driven, statist, Zionist Israel-worshipping American Church. Modern Zionism and Talmudic Judaism are nothing more than the Phariseeism of the New Testament. And it is just as evil now as it was then; and never forget that Neoconism is mostly owned and operated by Zionism and Talmudic Judaism. By worshipping Zionist Israel, the modern Church is actually worshipping in the "synagogue of Satan." (Rev. 2:9; 3:9)

It is no coincidence that the Church's indifference to the assault against religious liberty in 1962 and '63 happened simultaneous to its indifference to President Kennedy's assassination. The Church has been mostly indifferent and cowardly ever since. Had the pulpits of America come alive

with righteous resistance at any point since 1963, there would not even be a Hillary Clinton or an establishment elite to contend with today. I say again, the failure of America is the failure of America's pulpits.

And speaking of states, a Hillary Clinton presidency will doubtless demand that the only peaceful remedy to the assault against our liberties by this gaggle of grotesque and ghoulish gestapo will be SECESSION (yes, I believe it could be a peaceful separation). It's long overdue.

Secession would mean that the states and the citizens within those states would no longer pay taxes to Washington, D.C. It would mean the National Guard in those states would become a State Guard. It would mean the citizen militia within the states would be reactivated (they should never have been deactivated). And it would mean that the political bands connecting the states to Washington, D.C., would be TOTALLY DISSOLVED.

Secession is the one act that the globalists and establishment elite are counting on to NOT happen. They believe the Spirit of '76 is DEAD in America. They are convinced that Americans will do what the citizens of Australia, Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand, etc., have done: peacefully surrender their weapons to the central government when ordered to do so.

I am convinced that as soon as the first State declares independence from Washington, D.C., a domino effect will immediately ensue, and MANY states will do likewise. I am further convinced that when states begin seceding, an influx of freedom-loving American citizens into those states will take place like nothing this country has ever seen.

All of this has been a LONG TIME in the making. From the establishment elite's assassination of John F. Kennedy to Lyndon Johnson's Gun Control Act to G.H.W. Bush's installment of modern Neoconism to G.W. Bush's unconstitutional invasion

of Iraq to Barack Obama's open invitation to illegal aliens to the overt rigging of a presidential election in favor of Hillary Clinton: the coup seems just about complete.

P.S. Again, I strongly urge readers to obtain the book my attorney son and I wrote entitled "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns." The title of the book refers directly to Christians, but it applies to absolutely EVERYONE, Christian or not. Maintaining the means of self-defense is much more than a constitutional right (which it IS); it is a DIVINE DUTY.

But since it is largely pastors and churches that are sheepishly going along with this "it's-Biblical-to-give-up-your-guns" claptrap, somehow the truth of Natural and Revealed Law regarding the sacred duty of self-defense must be explained and disseminated. Truthfully, I don't know of another book like this one. There are plenty of books that deal with the right to keep and bear arms from a constitutional perspective but hardly any that deal with the subject from a scriptural perspective. If pastors and Christians do not awaken to this cardinal truth, our liberties are toast.

Please order as many of these as you can and distribute them to as many people as you can, because it seems obvious that the power elite are going to put our allegiance to the sacred principles of self-defense to the ultimate test—perhaps sooner than you can imagine.

To order "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns" here.

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Donald Trump trounced Hillary Clinton in second debate, but...

As debates go, it was a thrashing: Donald Trump totally dominated the second presidential debate, as Hillary Clinton was reeling on the ropes from the very beginning. Trump did very poorly in the first debate, as I noted in this column. But he was obviously much better prepared for this second debate, and it showed. Hillary was beaten so badly, a majority of the major news media actually STOPPED polling shortly after Hillary's embarrassing performance because respondents were giving Trump a landslide victory, and they didn't want to be forced to report it.

Trump finally brought up Benghazi and did a much better job of talking about Hillary's criminality in destroying emails after she had been subpoenaed by Congress to produce them. He also courageously made a commitment to appoint a special prosecutor to investigate Hillary's obvious criminal conduct if he is elected President. That was a bold move and must have sent shock waves throughout the political establishments of both major parties. I hope it also put a little bit of the fear of God in FBI Director James Comey, as he has become party to the Clinton cover-up with his refusal to press charges against her.

Trump boldly stated his support for the Second Amendment, which forced Hillary to publicly defend her support for more gun control. He reiterated his support for the right to life of unborn babies, which forced Hillary to defend her proabortion position. And for the first time, I heard Donald Trump actually make a statement in support of the U.S. Constitution. And, of course, he continued pushing his economic positions of reduced taxes and less government

regulation. He also continued hammering the so-called free trade deals like NAFTA and TPP.

Donald also did a great job of pointing out that Russia, Syria, and Iran are the ones that are truly fighting ISIS and that we should acknowledge it and support them in it. I don't know that any other presidential candidate, Republican or Democrat, has or would ever admit that (except for Ron Paul and Pat Buchanan, of course). I give Trump big kudos for that one.

But the thing that sent Hillary reeling against the ropes was Trump's courageous statement regarding Bill Clinton's long history of abuse against women (including several alleged rapes) and Hillary's culpability in providing cover for her husband's abuse. Along with pressing the criminal cover-up in her deleted emails—and her culpability in the deaths of American soldiers and the American ambassador in Benghazi—the subject of both Clintons' long history of abuse of women knocked Hillary for a loop. She never recovered.

The thing I continue to dislike about Trump, however, is his emphatic and continual support for what, in essence, is a burgeoning Police State in this country. His "stop and frisk" proposals and his repeated calls for religious profiling and increased police intrusions into privacy are a direct violation of the Fourth Amendment and portends further police abuse under a Trump administration. Unfortunately, this plays WELL to most conservatives and Christians.

People on the "right" have a HUGE blind spot when it comes to Fourth Amendment issues and all things "law and order." On this issue, the Republican nominee could have been ANY of the contenders (excepting Rand Paul), and it would not have changed a thing. Republicans are notoriously anemic on the Fourth Amendment. If Republicans understood the Fourth amendment like they do the Second Amendment, America wouldn't be staring a Police State in the face the way we are. And

while the late Supreme Court justice, Antonin Scalia (the man Trump uses as the model for his future Supreme Court picks), was terrific on the Second Amendment and life issues, he was very inconsistent (sometimes even terrible) on Fourth Amendment issues.

Without a doubt, however, this was Donald Trump's finest public showing.

BUT...

There is a much larger issue that I am compelled to address. And, unfortunately, it is an issue that hardly anyone else is willing to talk about. So, what I say from this point on is probably going to make me very unpopular in many circles. So be it. It MUST be said.

What Donald Trump was recorded as saying eleven years ago is disgustingly repulsive to anyone who has a moral compass. And there should be NO defending it. Yes, Trump was willing to publicly apologize for what he said; and I give him credit for that. None of us is perfect. Certainly not me, and not you either. Regardless, that does nothing to change the seriousness of the situation. (And, no, I'm not overlooking the fact that the release of this recording was timed by the establishment to do optimum damage to Trump's campaign; and it is also a fact that the establishment has damaging evidence against a variety of politicians—including the Clintons—that it withholds from the public. The hypocrisy of the establishment class is massive.)

And the seriousness of the situation completely transcends this election and even what Trump was recorded saying. Sadly, the ONLY thing people can focus on or talk about is the election. What Donald Trump's behavior implies is never brought up—except by people who merely want to use it as a political ploy to help Hillary get elected.

Please bear with me, and let me explain.

Both sides of the political aisle are equally culpable in the destruction of our national character. Even "Christians" are caught up with political partisanship and are unwilling to address the underlying principles that are being sacrificed on the altar of an election.

I constantly hear conservative and Christian personalities excusing Donald Trump's immoral lifestyle with a flippant comparison to Bill and Hillary Clinton's immoral lifestyles. To be sure, it would be difficult for anyone to get any lower in the moral sewer than the Clintons. But is that our standard?

Let's face the truth: Donald Trump has lived most of his adult life indulging in rampant narcissistic behavior. It is no wonder Donald has had so many marriages and divorces. In fact, if Trump is elected, he will be the first President in U.S. history who has had multiple failed marriages. The only other President to have had a divorce (one) was Ronald Reagan. Obviously, Trump would not be the only President to have bedded other women: including the obvious Bill Clinton, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon Baines Johnson, Woodrow Wilson, James Garfield, Grover Cleveland, Warren G. Harding, and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

But, to me, the current crisis is NOT Trump's admitted immoralities; it is the lack of a moral conscience by society itself—including and especially by our "Christian" society.

I'll say it straight out: our culture is in the toilet.

Granted, people are frail creatures: ALL OF US. We often come up short. The Bible itself is replete with examples of how even some of God's finest men and women fell short. And pride, arrogance, and judgmentalism are things that surely sicken God. The Pharisees prided themselves in being moral puritans, but Jesus condemned them FAR WORSE than those who had been guilty of fleshly sins. So, God forbid that what I am saying

here be taken in such a light.

That being said, the glaring problem uncovered by the serial adulteries of both Donald Trump and Bill Clinton is the way our culture has come to promote and accept the sexual objectification of women. Our society is eaten up with it.

Hugh Hefner's playboy revolution of the sixties and forward has caused women to be seen as little more than sex objects. Everywhere one looks, women are treated as sex objects by our culture. Television commercials, television programs, billboards, sporting events, magazines, Hollywood movies, and even many "churches" are guilty of promoting such a culture. FOX News has turned news casting into the flaunting exploitation of women. I dare say that the modern feminist movement would never have come into existence without the flagrant and repeated sexual exploitation of women by narcissistic men. No, what Donald Trump did was not "just talk." It was part of an entire culture dominated by the sexual exploitation of women.

What Donald Trump and Bill Clinton have done is bad enough. But what is worse is the way people make excuses for them. People on the left (including the media) completely ignore Bill's exploitation of women, and people on the right (including Christians) completely ignore Donald's exploitation of women. (Yes, I understand the difference between forced sex and complicit sex, and in this regard, the sins of Bill Clinton are far greater.) The only thing either side is concerned about is winning an election. Neither side is the least bit concerned about what the sexual objectification of women has done to women and to our country as a whole.

Neither does either side seem to be concerned about what this continual sexual exploitation of women is doing to the young women and girls of our country. These young women and girls see the constant promotion of nudity or semi-nudity of women and grow up with the impression that the only way for them to

be popular or liked is to join in. Other young women and girls wrongly compare themselves to what they see being flaunted before them, which causes them to develop deep inferiority complexes—all being predicated on a phony, manufactured and degraded cultural standard of what "beauty" should look like. The damage being caused our young women and girls by our culture's sexual objectification of women is incalculable.

And let me hasten to add: I see a BIG difference in the playboy lifestyle of a Trump or Clinton and the way others have had to endure separation for reasons known and understood only by God. No matter what the Pharisees among us say, not every divorce is created equal. Some people have a tendency to judgmentally lump every act of divorce into the same category; and that is very unfair. The Scriptures make a big distinction between those who fall into an act of immorality or those who must make decisions about love and marriage due to uncontrollable circumstances (I Corinthians 7) and those who are sexual predators. For example, there is a big difference in Holy Writ between the woman taken in adultery in Jesus' time and the sexual predator sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, or the blessings of God upon Job with a second wife and family.

In reality, Donald Trump and the Clintons are mostly a reflection of what our society has become.

All of that said, however, if Donald Trump should be elected President (and at this point I think he will be unless the powers that be are able to somehow rig the elections, which is certainly possible), I pray that early on in his administration he will use the Bully Pulpit of his office to recall his past debauchery and use it as an example (and he has done this for other things such as the bankruptcy laws and tax laws that allow the wealthy to evade taxes) of how degraded our culture has become and then subsequently launch a national campaign to lead the men of America to stop the sexual exploitation of our women and give them back lives that

are free of a societal condition that, in effect, has made them unwitting slaves to a double standard that no one should be forced to live under. If he would do that, he could possibly become the greatest President since Thomas Jefferson—providing he also casts off his seeming infatuation with a Police State, of course.

P.S. Sometime ago, I brought a message entitled "The Biblical Standard For Government." And believe me, the Biblical standard for government is NOT what most Christians think it is. The principles contained in this message were commonly taught from the colonial pulpits at the time of our country's founding. Sadly, they are seldom mentioned from America's pulpits today.

In this message, I delve into the Biblical requirements for civil magistrates. I truly believe if these principles were being taught in America's churches today, we would NOT be dealing with many of the problems currently confronting our country. Truly, the failure of America is a failure of America's pulpits.

I believe this message would be beneficial to anyone who is concerned about good government—and how to obtain it.

Order the DVD message "The Biblical Standard For Government."

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Police abuse and racebaiting: the perfect storm

Faithful readers of this column know that I am not timid about

reporting on the exponential increase of police abuse currently taking place in our country. This tragic phenomenon is a clear and present danger to the overall health and wellbeing of our society. And it is not a fabrication of "leftists." The abuse of power by many police officers is very real. And as I have attempted to point out previously, the reason for this sad state of affairs is largely due to the recruitment and training of police officers today.

More and more frequently, the ranks of civilian law enforcement are being filled with former military personnel. This is not necessarily wrong in and of itself, but the purpose of law enforcement is entirely different from that of the military. Policemen are not soldiers. And American citizens are not enemy combatants.

For example, back in 2012, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), an office of the Department of Justice, offered 220 U.S. cities \$114.6 million in incentive grants to hire post-9/11 veterans to fill 800 law enforcement positions.

But soldiers cannot bring their military training into police work without inflicting horrific consequences upon society. And this does not even take into account how many veterans who suffer from PTSD will be filling the ranks of law enforcement. Add the stress of police work to the trauma of war and the results could be devastating on America's streets where the line between American citizens and enemy soldiers could easily be blurred in the minds of these warriors-turned-cops.

Plus, more and more often, police officers are being trained by military personnel (including foreign military personnel), and the equipment provided to law enforcement is increasingly military in nature. Look at the average police officer today: his equipment, dress, and mannerisms more resemble a special ops military soldier than a peace officer. And it is the military training of police officers that is precipitating the avalanche of unnecessary and unjust police shootings of American citizens.

Previously, I reported on the police shooting and killing of an unarmed man in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Fortunately, the district attorney in Tulsa rightfully charged the officer with manslaughter in the first degree. Within days, police released video footage of a similar incident that happened in Marksville, Louisiana. This time, the victim included a little boy.

Six-year-old Jeremy Mardis (an autistic child) was shot and killed with five bullets to his head and chest by two police officers in Marksville, and his father was seriously wounded. The father was unarmed, yet the two officers fired a total of 18 rounds into his vehicle. The little boy was killed instantly, and the father was seriously wounded. There were no warrants out for the father.

A third police officer who recorded the incident on his body cam said that the father was not acting aggressively toward the officers, and Colonel Mike Edmonson, head of the Louisiana State Police, who saw the videotape, said, "That video was incredible. I mean, as a father, much less head of the state police, I looked at that tape, I said this is incredibly disturbing."

The two police officers have been rightly charged with second degree murder in the death of the little boy and attempted second degree murder in the shooting of the boy's father.

See the report here: Community To Say Goodbye To 6-Year-Old Killed By Police

And here is the video tape of the shooting that was recently released by police:

Body Camera Footage Released In Marksville Police Shooting That Killed 6-Year-Old

In this case, the police officers were black and the shooting victims were white. That's probably why you haven't heard about it. If the police officers had been white and the shooting victims were black, the mainstream media and "Black Lives Matter" would have made it national Page One news. Which leads me to the second part of the problem.

President Barack Obama's White House, the national news media, and the leaders of "Black Lives Matter" have made these police shootings a racial issue. Along with Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton, et al., they are experts at race-baiting.

BUT THIS IS NOT A RACIAL ISSUE.

If the poor, suffering souls within America's inner cities who have too long endured the injustices of police abuse (and many of them have—people of every color) would stay focused on their legitimate complaints and stop letting the Al Sharptons of the world turn it into a racial issue, they would be much further ahead in gaining the sympathy of the general public to their plight. But by letting the race-baiters turn it into a racial issue, too many white people mistakenly see this as a "good cop versus black thug" issue.

Are there black thugs? Yes! Are there white thugs? Yes! Are there Hispanic thugs? Yes! Are there Asian thugs? Yes! Crime is crime no matter what the race of the person is who commits it. Law and order is NOT a racial issue. But the media has allowed the race-baiters, such as Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson, to turn it into a racial issue.

I say again: the problem is NOT race; the problem is the increasing militarization of police.

The other problem in America's inner cities is that most of these cities are managed by rabid anti-Second Amendment liberals. Cities such as Chicago, Boston, Newark, N.J., Washington, D.C., etc., are heavily gun-controlled: meaning, the only people who have guns are the bad guys—and the bad

guys know it.

For example, last month (September 2016) alone, there were 358 shootings in the heavily gun-controlled city of Chicago, Illinois. There have been over 3,200 shootings so far this year in The Windy City.

See the report: Gun-Controlled Chicago: '358 Shooting Victims' In September Alone

Thanks to the gun-control laws of the city of Chicago, citizens there are little more than fodder for the violent criminal element of that town. Instead of promoting "stop and frisk" laws, Donald Trump should be promoting the fact that the law-abiding residents in Chicago (and everywhere else) should be allowed to lawfully arm and defend themselves against the violent criminals of their communities.

What race-baiters Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson fail to acknowledge is that most of the violent crimes committed against black people are perpetrated by black people—just as most of the violent crimes committed against white people are perpetrated by white people. Again, law and order is NOT a racial issue.

And police abuse is not a racial issue; as I've said, it is a training issue. Ever since the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) was invented by President G.W. Bush, our local and State police departments and sheriff's offices have been increasingly militarized.

Police officers are not attorneys. They are not trained in constitutional law. Not only do most police officers demonstrate a serious lack of constitutional acumen, some police officers even demonstrate a serious animus AGAINST the Constitution. These same officers consider people who believe in the Constitution to be "anti-police." Such an attitude does nothing but insure increasing abusive behavior against the very people police officers are sworn to protect: the American

citizenry.

One won't read this in a DHS police training manual, but for all intents and purposes, police training procedures teach officers to shoot first and let the courts work out the details. Police officers know that seldom will they be held accountable for a bad shooting (thankfully, that is currently not the case in Tulsa, Oklahoma and Marksville, Louisiana). They often carry "throw down" guns to use after a bad shooting in case the victim was unarmed, to make it appear as though the victim was armed; they know that most of their fellow officers will not "rat" on them even when they are clearly quilty of police abuse; and they know that the local prosecutors and judges are on "their" side. It is mostly a one-sided judicial system for sure, and police officers know it. And the fact that more and more policemen are ex-military means that their military training runs much deeper than their law enforcement training. In fact, many times they are hired as police officers BECAUSE they are former military, as noted above.

Since I have been writing on this subject, many retired and active duty police officers have written me to confirm what I'm saying and to thank me for saying it. I'm sure the percentages are with the "good" cops, but as the DHS-sponsored militarization of local and State police agencies continues to intensify—and as the "good" cops continue to retire—the "bad" cop problem is only going to get worse.

Here are the facts: police abuse is very real, and race-baiting is, likewise, very real. It is the perfect storm. In the political arena, conservatives blame "Black Lives Matter" and liberals blame "white cops." In truth, constitutionally illiterate, "us-versus-them," trigger-happy policemen AND race-baiting, opportunistic charlatans like Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson are equally to blame.

This problem will not be resolved until the American people

begin looking at and dealing with this issue without the obfuscation of race or political partisanship. Little Jeremy Mardis was not a Democrat or a Republican; he was not a liberal or a conservative; he was a little, six-year-old, innocent, autistic boy who was brutally murdered and violently taken from the home of a loving father by poorly trained police officers.

Black folks in America's inner cities need to stop shouting at white folks and instead start demanding that their crooked, self-absorbed politicians (both black and white) start honoring their oaths of office to the Constitution and eviscerate the gun-control laws that make residents easy prey for the criminal element within their own neighborhoods so that people can start lawfully defending themselves. And "conservative" white folks need to get their heads out of the sand and realize that there is a REAL problem with police abuse in this country and start demanding that their local judges and prosecutors start holding these lawless lawmen accountable to the same laws that the rest of us are held to.

Again, the issue is not black or white—or even black or blue. The issue is justice and constitutional government. Lady Justice is supposed to be color blind. She should also be blind to whatever uniform a person is or isn't wearing and whatever political label one has or doesn't have. As I have said repeatedly, we either have justice for all or we have justice for none. You will remember that when you are on the receiving end of police injustice.

P.S. I again strongly urge readers to order the expert presentation that my constitutional attorney son delivered, entitled "Police Contact: How To Respond."

In this DVD, attorney Tim Baldwin focuses directly on the "Dos and Don'ts" of dealing with police contacts. Tim discusses how to—and how not to—react to police traffic stops and other contacts. He clearly and simply shows citizens their rights

and duties under the Constitution and why it is so important that citizens understand these rights. This material will help citizens preserve liberty in their communities, and it will help policemen be better peace officers. This is an excellent presentation. And what you do NOT know about this presentation can, and very likely will, hurt you. I urge readers to order one for themselves and one for a loved one.

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My analysis of the first presidential debate

MY ANALYSIS OF THE FIRST PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE

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I am one of these libertarian/constitutionalists who is still undecided as to who I will vote for for President this November. Obviously, I would NEVER vote for Hillary Clinton. She is a career criminal politician of the highest order. Putting another Clinton in the White House just might put the final nail in the coffin of America. She is a disgusting, despicable, deplorable degenerate. Hillary and Bill are no better than Bonnie and Clyde. Let me take that back. They are FAR WORSE than Bonnie and Clyde.

Hillary is a Neocon's Neocon; she is a globalist's globalist; she is rabidly anti-Second Amendment; she is a radical prohomosexual, pro-abortion, pro-transgender, pro-war, corporatist crony. Hillary represents ALL OF THE WORST in

Washington, D.C.

That being said, it is my personal conviction to never vote for the "lesser of two evils" if both candidates are guilty of violating the core principles that I have determined to never compromise.

I haven't voted for a major party presidential candidate in the general election since Ronald Reagan. I did cast enthusiastic votes in the GOP primaries for Pat Buchanan and Ron Paul. Normally, the GOP nominates big-government Neocons like Bush I, Bush II, McCain, and Romney—and I refuse to vote for such candidates. Absent a principled Republican presidential candidate to vote for in the general election, I usually vote for the Constitution Party candidate. This year's CP candidate is Darrell Castle: a very good man and a committed constitutionalist—a man I could easily vote for.

The confusion this year is that the GOP presidential candidate, Donald Trump, does not have a legislative track record. His personal rhetoric and contributions in the political arena are all over the board. One could just as easily put him in either the Democrat or the Republican camp (not that there is normally that much difference between the two major parties in Washington, D.C., anyway). At times, he has talked and acted like a liberal, while at other times he has talked and acted like a conservative. However, without a definitive voting record, the REAL Donald Trump is extremely difficult to nail down.

Trump is campaigning as a nationalist/populist conservative. He claims to be pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, pro-less taxes, pro-less government regulation, anti-illegal immigration, anti-globalism, anti-establishment, pro-law and order, and pro-freedom. If that was all there was to it, I could easily support him. But that is NOT all there is to it.

There have always been several things about Donald Trump that

I've been uneasy with. I have said that repeatedly, as faithful readers of this column know. I've said I think Trump might be a really good President or a really bad President. And, quite frankly, it appears to me as if it could just as easily be one as the other.

Therefore, I watched the first presidential debate this week between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton with much interest. Truthfully, I was looking for Donald Trump to assuage my reservations about him. He didn't. He only exacerbated them.

Let me begin with an objective and critical analysis of the debate: on the whole, I thought Donald Trump did poorly. He seemed ill-prepared and was not very good at thinking on his feet, albeit he did amazingly better in the polls afterward than I expected he would. This is a VERY BAD omen for Hillary Clinton. Trump's performance was less than spectacular, yet the American people (a record 84 million watched the debate) gave him the post-debate nod. Hopefully, all of the scandals and criminality of the Clintons are finally starting to catch up with them in this election. Because of Hillary's poor poll results following what was probably her best on-camera performance ever, it might even be safe to predict a Trump landslide victory in November. But I digress.

As Trump and Clinton went into the debate, Trump had all of the momentum. If he had had a strong performance Monday evening, he might have been able to seal a victory in November that night. Democrats were holding their collective breath hoping and praying that Hillary would not fall down during the 90-minute debate. Two-thirds of the American people now believe that Hillary is not physically capable of being President (another bad omen for her). That she stayed on her feet made it seem like a good night for her (and indeed it was). Trump entered the ring against a very weak and very unpopular opponent. But his mediocre showing allows Hillary's candidacy to remain competitive. It could have been a knockout night for Trump; instead, he left his opponent standing to

fight another day.

Donald scored well when he talked about Hillary's email scandal, but he didn't drive it home. He let her slip out of it. He scored well when he talked about NATO countries not paying up for their own defense. He scored well when he said America is not the policeman of the world. He scored well when he said we should have never invaded Iraq. He scored well when he talked about stopping the hemorrhage of America's manufacturing jobs going overseas. He scored well when he forced Hillary to defend NAFTA. He scored well when he talked about reducing taxes and government regulation. He almost scored well when he tried to talk about Hillary and the career politicians in D.C. helping to create ISIS, but, again, he didn't know how to drive it home. That had to be due to either a lack of preparation or a lack of understanding about the nuts and bolts of it all.

With the help of her debate assistant, moderator NBC news anchor Lester Holt, Hillary had Donald on the ropes much of the debate talking about his lack of paying taxes and his several bankruptcies. Trump's lack of debating experience showed up when he fell into the trap of letting them put him on the defensive with those accusations.

Hillary Clinton is the quintessential corrupt politician. The way she sold access to foreign donors (especially the Chinese) via her crooked Clinton Foundation when she was Secretary of State and when Bill was President is infamous. Trump could have easily turned the tables on her by shifting the spotlight to the obvious financial improprieties of her criminal foundation, but he didn't even bring it up.

The financial corruption of the Clinton Foundation makes Trump's legal wrangling that allowed him to pay no taxes and business bankruptcies look like child's play in comparison. But Trump let himself stay on the ropes by trying to defend himself instead of attacking the political bribes associated

with the Clinton Foundation. That alone might have been a knockout punch for Trump. But he never threw it. That could be because he is reported to have donated to the Clinton Foundation in the past. If so, that sadly left him vulnerable on what would otherwise be a winning issue for him.

Trump also missed a huge opportunity to drive home Hillary's corruption when the subject of cyber security came up. Clinton's email scandal is the perfect example of how she willingly compromised our national cyber security as our Secretary of State.

Then there is Benghazi. Trump never broached it. Maybe he is waiting for later debates. But this is an issue he simply cannot ignore in prime time debates. He can bet that the pro-Clinton media moderators will never broach the subject, so he will have to.

But I thought the worst mistake of the night was Trump's failure to highlight Hillary's radical anti-Second Amendment agenda. He had a wide-open door, a golden opportunity to drive home the point that he was truly the only pro-Second Amendment candidate on the stage, and he blew it. BIG TIME.

The only thing Trump did to separate himself from Clinton's radical gun-control agenda was to tout his endorsement by the NRA. How lame!

Not only did Trump NOT drive home his support for the Second Amendment, he spent quite a bit of time AGREEING with Clinton about "getting guns away from criminals." At this point, Donald Trump sounded downright scary.

Trump went on and on talking about all of the shootings in Chicago. But he said NOTHING about the fact that Chicago is one of the most gun-controlled cities in the country. He could have used the shootings in Chicago as an example of how gun-control laws do not work and how gun-control laws make life more dangerous for law-abiding people. He had a golden

opportunity to drive home the fact that gun-control laws do NOT keep criminals from having guns, that they will ALWAYS have guns (because they don't care about obeying the law), and that it is the law-abiding folks who are at risk because they are disarmed and, hence, unable to defend themselves. But, again, he said nothing of the sort.

That's when Trump got scary.

Instead of promoting lawful self-defense, Donald starting promoting Police-State-style "stop and frisk" laws. This was exactly what I DIDN'T want to hear from Donald Trump. It was very obvious at this point that Trump is quite ignorant of the Constitution. When he started talking about "stop and frisk," he made Hillary look GOOD when she retorted that such laws are unconstitutional. THEY ARE INDEED UNCONSTITUTIONAL. Geez! Did we have to have Hillary Clinton tell us that? UGH!

Police have NO authority to stop and frisk people without cause. America is not a Police State (at least not completely). This is one of my nagging questions about Trump: Does he even realize the constitutional constraints on government—including the executive branch of government? Should his "stop and frisk" policies become law, America will have pretty much officially crossed the Rubicon into a Police State. I have to tell you, this one scares me silly, because it portends MUCH MORE in the way of police abuse—and we already have WAY TOO MUCH of that.

And I don't know if Trump was trying to draw in the Ted Cruz supporters (Ted having just recently endorsed Donald) or what, but he seemed to go out of his way to talk about his friendship with Israel's Zionist Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. That didn't set well with me either.

Zionist Israel is NOT America's friend and is certainly no friend to world peace. For all intents and purposes, the Zionist agenda in Tel Aviv and the Neocon agenda in Washington D.C., and New York City are one and the same: war and the financial profits that come from war.

One of the attractions to Trump's campaign is his "outsider" status. The people of America are mostly fed up with the status quo in Washington. They are tired of endless wars of aggression; they are tired of war for profit; they are tired of American globalism; they are tired of our State Department and CIA meddling in the private affairs of foreign nations; and they are tired of America's coercive, bullying foreign policies—including nation building and forced regime changes.

Donald Trump is 2016's anti-establishment, anti-Neocon, anti-globalist candidate. But by identifying himself with the Zionist Netanyahu, Trump lumped himself in with the whole Neocon, Warfare State machine. I guess the question is: Does he realize it, or is he truly ignorant of who these people really are and merely trying to entice the Ted Cruz Israel-First Christians into voting for him? That's another unanswered, nagging question I have about Trump. And all he did Monday night was, again, exacerbate my reservations.

And though it didn't come up in this first debate, I am truly not certain where Donald Trump comes down on the whole wars of aggression issue. When he talks about it being wrong to have invaded Iraq, he sounds really good. But he has also talked before about nuking nations in the Middle East. Then he turns around and says in this first debate that nuclear weapons are the biggest problem in the world. So, again, which Donald Trump would occupy the White House if he were elected? More nagging questions.

The good news for Trump is, again, post-debate polls indicate that despite a mediocre performance, he still seemed to come out ahead of Hillary in the minds of the general public. However, I'm sure there are many libertarian/constitutionalists like me who came away with more questions than answers about Trump. And just to go on record,

I will follow Ron Paul's example and NOT endorse Gary Johnson, who is more liberal than he is libertarian—and his running mate even more so.

The other good news for Trump is that there are yet two more debates in which he will have an opportunity to try and assuage my reservations about him. Like the Zen master said, "We'll see."

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Another unarmed American citizen shop and killed by police

Another unarmed American citizen has been shot and killed by police—this time in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The frequency of these kinds of shootings is escalating exponentially—and every American citizen should be very concerned about it.

I watched the video, and neither the helicopter video nor the cruiser cam showed definitively what the victim was doing at the moment he was shot and killed. By walking away from the officers, he obviously was not obeying them (since when are police allowed to execute someone for simple, nonviolent disobedience?), but he was clearly unarmed, and his hands were in the air as he slowly walked toward an empty vehicle with his back to the officers. Was he trying to reach into the car? The video is not clear. He was not the subject of a criminal stop. The police were not acting on any arrest warrants. In fact, it seems he wasn't stopped at all but was approached by police after his vehicle had stalled.

If the officers are judged to be truly justified in this shooting, meaning the officers had to have believed their lives were in imminent danger by virtue of the fact that the victim had the means to inflict harm (such as a gun) and demonstrated aggression in a manner that would cause any reasonable person to believe his or her life was in jeopardy, I will gladly accept that decision (albeit it is extremely difficult to justify killing an unarmed citizen, especially one who is not charging or acting aggressively toward the officers—and police spokesmen in Tulsa readily admit that the victim was unarmed). And if this was an unjustified killing, those officers should be prosecuted as aggressively as any other American citizen would be—even more so as police officers are entrusted with the duty of PROTECTING society, not endangering it.

I'm confident that most shootings by police officers are justified, but, clearly, many of them are NOT. And ONE such shooting is too many. Unfortunately, there are many more than that.

The cold, hard truth is that the number of Americans killed by police officers is at a record high level. For example, in 2013, 773 people were shot and killed by police. In 2014, the number rose to 1,111. In 2015, the number spiked again to 1,207. And so far, police have killed (as of September 20) 842 in 2016, which is on a pace to almost equal 2015 numbers.

Here is the report: Killed By Police

Just how many of these killings were not justified we will never know because the vast majority of unjustified shootings are swept under the carpet by the powers that be, leaving victims' families to suffer without resolution and with intense resentment against our government and its representatives in law enforcement.

Even more disturbing is the fact that police shootings are

largely underreported. Mind you, these statistics do not include police-inflicted deaths by means other than police bullets, such as stun guns and people in police custody.

A Washington Post report published last year states, "'These [police] shootings are grossly underreported,' said Jim Bueermann, a former police chief and president of the Washington-based Police Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving law enforcement. 'We are never going to reduce the number of police shootings if we don't begin to accurately track this information.'"

Police are only authorized to use deadly force when they fear for their lives or the lives of others and there is an imminent threat to life. This is the same principle of law that governs the conduct of American citizens in general. However, nowadays, running away (or in the Tulsa case, walking away) from a police officer could easily get one shot.

"Running is such a provocative act that police experts say there is a name for the injury officers inflict on suspects afterward: a 'foot tax.'"

According to FBI statistics, over the past several years, police have killed around 400 people each year. But this stat was achieved in just the first five months of both this year and last. To be sure, many of these killings were completely justified—and even heroic.

The problem is, far too many chiefs of police, sheriffs, county prosecutors, judges, etc., are willing to either 1) not properly and thoroughly investigate police killings or 2) completely look the other way at questionable killings or 3) actually cover up wrongful deaths committed by police. Regardless, all of the above leads to a breakdown of justice and true law and order—and serious distrust on the part of the American citizenry regarding law enforcement agencies and the court system itself.

The Post report notes that for most police departments and sheriff's offices, a fatal shooting is a rare event (as it should be). However, 19 State and local police agencies seem to have much higher numbers than average of these incidents, including the police departments in Los Angeles, California; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and Bakersfield, California.

See the Washington Post report here: Fatal Police Shootings In 2015 Approaching 400 Nationwide

Over 5,000 American citizens have been shot and killed by police since 09/11/01. This is approximately the same number of U.S. soldiers killed in the line of duty in Iraq. Based on actual statistical data, you and I are 58 times more likely to be killed by a police officer than we are by a Muslim terrorist. Please let that figure sink in.

See the report here: A U.S. Citizen Is 58 Times More Likely To Be Killed By A Police Officer Than A Terrorist

"Despite far fewer officers dying in the line of duty compared with American citizens, police departments are not only increasing their use of protective and highly volatile gear, but are increasingly setting aside a portion of their budget to invest in new technology such as drones, night vision goggles, remote robots, surveillance cameras, license plate readers and armored vehicles that amount to unarmed tanks."

See this report here: US Police Have Killed Over 5,000 Civilians Since 9/11

By contrast to the thousands of people killed by police, in 2013, 33 police officers were shot and killed; in 2014, 49 police officers were shot and killed; and in 2015, 41 police officers were shot and killed. (Source: National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund)

One of the reasons why so many of our police officers and sheriff's deputies have become so abusive and trigger-happy is

due to the training they are receiving. The "us versus them" mentality is much the result of training indoctrination. And, since 9/11 and the advent of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the federal government is mostly responsible for training policies, procedures, philosophies, etc., within State and local police agencies. In fact, most of our local police SWAT teams are trained by U.S. military Special Forces troops. DHS has turned our State and local police agencies into quasi-military units. And it has turned the U.S. citizenry into enemy combatants. I argue that the problems we are having with our police agencies today are the result of the ubiquitous and draconian influence from Washington, D.C.

Plus, think about the manner in which the federal government "bribes" State and local police agencies with all kinds of funding for everything from personnel to tanks and armored carriers, to sophisticated eavesdropping equipment, to military arms and ammunition, to helicopters, ad infinitum. If anything, the American people should be demanding that their local police departments and sheriff's offices STOP accepting federal funding OF ANY KIND for their agencies. The way it is now, our State and local law enforcement agencies are more beholden to Uncle Sam than they are to the people whom they are supposed to serve. To ask the federal Justice Department to become more involved in local policing is like asking the proverbial fox to guard the proverbial hen house. Do you really want to turn your local police department over to the people who massacred the Branch Davidians?

In addition, in many communities (especially smaller ones) billionaires are allowed to donate unlimited amounts of money—amounting to millions of dollars—to local police departments and sheriff's offices that, for all intents and purposes, turn local law enforcement agencies into little more than private mercenaries for the mega-rich. This, too, should STOP.

Plus, another major component of this problem is that our

local and State police agencies and sheriff's offices are being militarized. Look at Boston after the marathon bombing. The city was turned instantly into a Nazi-style Police State. People's homes were invaded without warrant; people were manhandled; police dogs were turned loose on people without cause; guns by the hundreds were pointed at the people of Boston by police. No occupying military force in the world was any more efficient at locking down a large city as were the police agencies of the city of Boston and the State of Massachusetts.

The Department of Homeland Security and the Defense Department are all but forcing local and State police agencies to accept military equipment, tanks, attack helicopters, machine guns, and more. Of course, most local police agencies are ALL TOO HAPPY to receive this military hardware. In 2013 alone, the Pentagon gave half a billion dollars of military gear to local police agencies. They are supplying suggested training procedures, complete with lists of the people whom they (Washington, D.C.) consider "dangerous." And more and more often, the people listed are people just like you and me: you know, people who believe in the Constitution; people who are pro-life; people who voted for Ron Paul, Chuck Baldwin, et al.

Most of the intelligence that police agencies receive comes from the DHS Fusion centers. Reading these memos is like reading the propaganda being spewed out by the radical, ultraleft wing Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC). And in truth, much of the information that the Fusion centers distribute are carbon copies of SPLC propaganda.

Policemen training their weapons on the public has become commonplace nowadays. Even many minor incidents will often result in SWAT teams being deployed. In fact, Eastern Kentucky University professor Peter Kraska documents research showing, "There has been more than a 1,400% increase in the total number of police paramilitary deployments, or callouts, between 1980 and 2000. Today, an estimated 45,000 SWAT-team

deployments are conducted yearly among those departments surveyed; in the early 1980s there was an average of about 3,000."

See Kraska's report here: Militarization And Policing—Its Relevance To 21st Century

Has violent crime increased 1,400 percent during that time? Not at all. In fact, for the last several years, violent crime has been decreasing to the point that currently it is at record lows. So, how can the need for SWAT teams increase by 1,400 percent? It is the result of Washington, D.C., deliberately militarizing our police agencies. Give them military equipment, weapons, training, etc., and they will start acting like soldiers, not policemen.

A recent example of excessive use of force and the policestate mentality was prominently displayed in Boynton Beach, Florida. After questioning why the officers were ordering them around and starting to video record the officers during a traffic stop, the policemen became enraged, began physically assaulting the young men, and one officer pointed his pistol at them threatening to immediately shoot them. Granted, the young men acted rudely and disrespectfully. But since when in America are cockiness and rudeness a potential death sentence?

But the worst part of the story came afterward when the chief of police issued a statement defending the conduct of the officers. Chief Jeffrey Katz viewed the videotape (recorded by a passenger in the car) and said the following: "When I watch this video, I don't see a car full of young men who are behaving in a manner consistent with FEAR OF THE POLICE." (Emphasis added)

See the report here:

'I'll Put A Round In Your A** So Quick': Florida Police Chief Defends Cop Who Threatened To Shoot Young Black Man Because He Filmed His Partner Throwing Him On The Ground Ladies and gentlemen, that is not the statement of an American peace officer; that is the statement of a Nazi Brown Shirt. This is what happens when Washington, D.C., turns our local and State law enforcement officers into quasi-military units from a national police force. The police chief and his officers were angry that the young men didn't FEAR them enough.

So, that's it? We are supposed to FEAR the police? Really? Then, pray tell, whom are the police supposed to fear? My father didn't teach me to fear the police. He taught me to respect the police. And he taught me that the police were my friends. He did not teach me that I had to fear for my life every time I'm pulled over for a traffic stop. And that's not the way that Sheriff Cliff Arnold's deputies in La Porte County, Indiana, behaved while I was growing up.

This escalation of aggressive police behavior prompted me to ask my constitutional attorney son to give a lecture on "Police Contact: How To respond." We have that lecture on DVD. This presentation deals directly with the "Dos and Don'ts" when contacted by a police officer. Tim discusses how to—and how not to—react to police traffic stops and other contacts. He clearly and thoroughly shows citizens their rights and duties under the Constitution and why it is so important that citizens understand and USE these rights. It is an EXCELLENT presentation. And what you do NOT know about this presentation can, and very likely will, hurt you.

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Here's another true story: here in Montana, a small town police officer who is assigned to the traffic division was asked to speak to a local church group. Mostly he gives out traffic citations for minor violations. As he began his remarks, he said, "I am a cop; I work every day among the dregs of society." Really? People who get parking tickets and speeding tickets are the "dregs" of society? That, my friends,

is the mark of an unfolding police-state mentality. And, remember, this is from the heart and lips of a professing Christian.

It all begins with philosophy. Again, the philosophy being drilled into police officers today is that of an "us versus them" mentality. In the eyes of a Police State, we are not citizens to be protected; we are enemy targets who are guilty until proven innocent. Plus, the phrase that we hear constantly repeated today by law enforcement personnel and spokesmen is "the safety of the officer."

Wait a minute! The sworn duty of a police officer is to obey the Constitution (including the Bill of Rights), which is designed to protect the rights, liberties, and peace of the American people. The role of the police officer is to protect the safety of the public. Any man or woman who volunteers to put on a badge should be consciously willing to put his or her life on the line to protect the public. That's what their job is all about. And no one forces them to take this risk; they take it of their own volition. Of course the men and women of law enforcement want to go home at the end of their shifts. But so do the people of our communities. The lives of police officers are no more or no less valuable than the lives of the rest of the people who live in their communities. Simply donning a police uniform gives no more worth to the wearer than putting on a nurse's uniform, janitor's uniform, waitress's uniform, delivery man's uniform, or any other person's clothing-uniformed or not.

Another remedy is the citizens of our respective counties should demand that the State legislatures and/or county commissions establish an independent Citizen Review Committee charged with the task of investigating EVERY incident of alleged police abuse and especially EVERY incident involving a police shooting.

Quite frankly, we can no longer trust the internal affairs

division of our respective police agencies to adequately police their own. This Citizen Review Committee should have hire independent financial ability to investigators to examine these incidents. And the committee should be given teeth. It should be mandatory that the prosecutor's office prosecute an officer if the committee investigation finds probable cause—in much the same way that a grand jury's indictment is binding. It would be even better if an independent prosecutor was assigned to these type cases. In many counties, blatant cronyism between the prosecutor's office and the city police departments and county sheriff's office is way too common. The money should be taken from the annual budget appropriated for the actual police agencies. After all, providing accountability to the public is as much a part of a police department's responsibility as providing a squad car or K-9 unit to police personnel. Without accountability and the respect of the public, all of the police personnel and equipment in the world is not sufficient to keep the peace.

Sadly, police agencies and county attorney's offices have a dismal record of thoroughly investigating police shootings (or even police brutality charges). Mostly the word of the officer is accepted almost without question. Plus, it is common knowledge that many officers carry "throw down" weapons to circumvent incrimination. Furthermore, police officers are seldom willing to testify against a fellow officer—even when they know the officer has committed a crime.

In addition, the American people should demand that appropriate tax dollars be allotted for the Office of Public Defender (OPD). In most states and districts, the OPD is one of the most underfunded entities of all. And the OPD is the one office at the courthouse that is constitutionally mandated. Yet most "law and order" conservatives look at the OPD with disdain—but somehow they still refer to themselves as "constitutionalists." Too many people have the attitude that

someone is guilty simply because he or she was arrested and, therefore, must PROVE THEMSELVES INNOCENT.

Yet one of the bedrock principles of American law and justice is that a person is INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY in a court of law. Tragically, this principle has been all but lost in the thinking of many of our citizens today. It demonstrates a serious lack of understanding and appreciation for liberty itself.

A civil government—any civil government—should NEVER be allowed to take away an individual's liberty without the strictest requirements. The old adage is still true: "It is better that ten guilty persons escape, than that one innocent man suffer." (William Blackstone) Americans need to start defaulting to liberty in their thinking once again. This was the Spirit of '76. For so-called conservatives and Christians to demonstrate a "prove your innocence" mentality reveals that they have lost all appreciation and respect for individual liberty and the due process of law.

The county prosecutor's office has virtually unlimited monies to prosecute people. In fact, the prosecution and imprisonment of the American people has become a HUGELY PROFITABLE BUSINESS. The confiscation of properties and assets of accused (sometimes accusation is all that is required to confiscate a person's wealth and property) and convicted persons often serves as a significant revenue stream for many cities and counties—as do traffic citations.

Anyone who thinks speed laws are mostly for "safety" is seriously naïve. It's mostly about generating revenue for the various State and local police agencies, prosecutor's offices, courts, etc. Most police agencies and prosecutor's offices directly benefit from speeding tickets and from people being arrested and sent to jail. Not to mention the incentives that come from Washington, D.C.

A properly constituted and funded OPD is the second to the last line of peaceful defense against government overreach and abuse. The last line of peaceful defense against government overreach and abuse is the citizen jury. There is no doubt in my mind whatsoever that a sizeable percentage of people serving time behind bars today are there unjustly. They were convicted by overzealous prosecutors trying to make a name for themselves (not to mention career advancement) by circumstantial evidence and by the lack of an adequate defense.

Public defenders are pressured to "go along with the system" and not backlog the court by rendering a thorough and vigorous defense of their clients. The weight of city hall often threatens to come down hard on honest public defenders that won't roll over for the prosecutor's office. Judges, likewise, pressure public defenders to "hurry up" with their defense procedures as all of these myriad laws (especially drug laws) enacted over the years have resulted in most courts being seriously backlogged with cases. And in the minds of most of these "public servants" the answer is for the public defenders to not bog down the system by being too detailed and thorough in the defense of their clients.

It's a rigged system, folks! And it's not rigged in favor of you and me; it's rigged in favor of the police and prosecutors. This reality makes it far too easy for police to literally "get away with murder." Fully authorized and functional citizen review committees and adequately funded (and appreciated) Office of Public Defender and police departments and sheriff's offices that are NOT beholden to the federal government (or billionaire donors) could make a tremendous difference in restoring accountability to our police agencies and public trust in our police departments and prosecutor's offices.

As police killings rise—and as public distrust and anger rise along with it—a rational and reasoned response becomes

obligatory. It begins with people, especially our conservative, Christian, Republican friends, recognizing the current holes in our justice system and returning to common sense, constitutional principles. If this doesn't happen soon, political agitators will create a climate of violence and lawlessness that will only produce more of the abuse and misuse of law that is already taking place. And this accomplishes nothing, except making it easier for biggovernment usurpers to justify themselves in their attempt to encroach upon more and more of our liberties.

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What is wrong with Hillary?

What in the world is wrong with Hillary Clinton? Besides her criminal activities and her warmongering, socialist, gungrabbing politics, I mean. She collapses; has fainting spells; refuses to do press conferences; bobbles her head back and forth like a plastic, well, bobblehead; goes into weird, wideeyed, out-of-control facial contortions; has constant coughing fits; and is escorted by physicians everywhere she goes. What gives?

After her blackout last Sunday, her campaign office said Hillary is suffering from pneumonia. The problem is that pneumonia does not come close to explaining all of the disturbing symptoms that the American people have been watching Hillary exhibit. And this is not to mention the fact that it is hard to imagine anyone in politics more unlikely to tell the truth than Hillary Clinton—except for maybe Bill Clinton, G.W. Bush, Barack Obama, John McCain, Al Gore, Lindsey Graham, Dick Cheney, Nancy Pelosi, Paul Ryan, Mitch

McConnell, Newt Gingrich, Ted Cruz-oh well, skip that point.

According to confirmed reports, here is what we know about Hillary's health so far (this column being written before Hillary's campaign released more of her health information on Wednesday, September 14):

- * Hillary Clinton suffered her first blood clot in 1998 while she was First Lady and experienced a second incident in 2009.
- * In 2012, she was given blood thinners for a venous thrombosis of her right transverse sinus, which drains blood from the brain. This occurred some two weeks after falling and suffering a concussion. (By her own admission, Hillary could not remember security briefings, etc., regarding her email leaks. She attributed this memory loss to her concussion.) Her venous thrombosis was found on a CT brain scan. Typical symptoms of a venous thrombosis of the transverse sinus include headaches, strokes, and seizures. (Several reports have noted Hilary has suffered from blinding headaches for years, which tends to explain her often wearing dark glasses.)
- * She has been diagnosed with hypothyroidism.
- * She broke her elbow from a fall.
- * She collapsed when she left a 9/11 ceremony this past Sunday. Her office said she has pneumonia.

A diagnosis of venous thrombosis of her right transverse sinus might help explain the blackouts, severe head-bobbling, wild-eyed facial contortions, coughing spells, etc. On the other hand, if she has completely recovered from the 2012 diagnosis (about 57% of such patients do), her current symptoms stem from something else altogether.

I've heard some physicians speculate that Hillary might also be suffering from Parkinson's Disease. Medications prescribed for Parkinson's Disease could also cause some of the symptoms we are seeing with Hillary.

The BIG question is: Are Hillary's health problems serious enough to disqualify her from being President of the United States?

And I suppose the next biggest question is: If her health problems ARE serious enough to disqualify her from holding the office of President, would anyone bother to tell the American people?

For all intents and purposes, the mainstream media has been running Hillary's presidential campaign from Day One. They have been talking for her, apologizing for her, promoting her, downplaying her physical liabilities—even covering up those liabilities. Mainstream journalists, news anchors, reporters, etc., are more than Clinton lackeys; they function as her campaign team. So, unless Hillary's health deteriorates to the point that it absolutely cannot be disguised any longer, the media will NEVER reveal just how sick Hillary might be.

Obviously, the DNC and Democratic leadership in Washington, D.C., will never tell the American people the truth about Clinton's health—unless, again, it becomes impossible to hide it any longer. So, unless her condition worsens to the point that she loses motor skills, verbal skills, or cannot stand upright, Hillary Clinton will be portrayed as being in "perfect health."

But obviously something seems VERY WRONG with Hillary Clinton. And the American people are starting to notice.

Hillary's poll numbers have plummeted from having a double-digit lead to now actually trailing Donald Trump. And the Clinton campaign knows that whichever candidate has the most momentum going into the election will win. And right now, Trump has ALL of the momentum.

It is no hyperbole to say that the DNC is worried. And for

good reason. They have a candidate that is soiled from so many scandals it would be impossible to even name them all. She is disliked—even by people who plan to vote for her. Special interest groups favorable to the Democrat Party, such as radical feminists, are also down on Hillary, rightly blaming her for facilitating her husband Bill's flagrant and perpetual abuse of women. She is speaking to crowds so small they could fit into a phone booth—remember those?

The only people who are publicly promoting Hillary right now are Party partisans, the sycophantic mainstream media, and the deviant-oriented Hollywood and entertainment crowds. Add a coughing, head-bobbling, stumbling, fainting, wild-eyed, face-contorting cartoon character to the mix, and Democrats have a VERY GOOD REASON to be worried.

I guess the next big question, then, is: What are they going to do about it? The options seem pretty simple:

1) They continue to do what they've been doing and keep Hillary out of the public eye as much as possible and let the media keep campaigning for her.

The problem with that strategy is the American people now notice Hillary's health issues. The more the campaign tries to keep Hillary isolated and insulated, the more the American people will suspect that Hillary's health is too problematic for her to be elected, and her poll numbers will plummet even further. But if Hillary's health is as bad as some are suggesting, it will be impossible for her to function normally in the super-stress environment of a presidential campaign.

Then there are the presidential debates looming on the horizon. The campaign will not be able to shield Hillary from those appearances. And she will have no one standing next to her if she starts to fall down—and no doctor right beside her with a syringe in his hand containing whatever drug he's using to quickly poke into her body in order to keep her lucid.

If Hillary's health is truly not a serious issue, she should be able to continue her campaign normally. She will speak at all the rallies, hold press conferences, deal with the flashing lights from photographers, remain steady in the face of protesters and agitators, work with little sleep, take tough questions, etc.

But if Hillary's health truly IS a serious issue, then the campaign will be forced to continue the current plan: keep Hillary out of the public eye as much as possible (except in VERY controlled environments) or risk letting Hillary try to fake her way through her illness (whatever it really is) and hope she doesn't come apart.

Or, the other option would be:

2) They pull the plug and replace Hillary Clinton as the Democrat Party's candidate for President.

If they choose this option, they must do so rather quickly. A couple more weeks or so, and it will be too late. And if they do choose this option, the question becomes: Who would they pick to replace Hillary?

Conventional wisdom would say that the mantle automatically falls to Tim Kaine. After all, he is the Party's current nominee for Vice President. But that's taking quite a risk.

Kaine is a liberal's liberal. He is probably further to the left than Hillary (if that's possible). Furthermore, he is a committed globalist, a total lackey for people like George Soros. A sizeable percentage of the Bernie Sanders supporters are already determined to not vote for Hillary due to her overt cronyism with the globalist and corporate elite. And these people would recognize Kaine to be even deeper in the globalists' pockets than Clinton. Kaine would be a fresh face to the general population, but his political appeal is only to the extreme left. Hillary's choice of Kaine was similar to John McCain's choice of Sarah Palin. Both Clinton and McCain

chose a VP to try to bolster their respective bases. But to try to sell Kaine to the general public is quite a gamble.

Then there is Joe Biden.

Many months ago, I predicted that the Democrats would dump Hillary for Biden. But, of course, my predictions don't always materialize. However, this one might.

Don't let Joe Biden fool you. He comes across as a kind of country bumpkin, but that is just a front. He is one of the smartest politicians in Washington. He has the charm and charisma of a Bill Clinton, the wit and humor of a Ronald Reagan, and the intelligence of a John Kennedy—ok, that might be going too far. But if you think Joe Biden would not square off formidably against Donald Trump, you are very mistaken. And from a strictly entertainment point of view, a Trump/Biden debate would be a hoot.

In my opinion, if the Democrats were smart, they would dump Hillary soon and pick Biden. As the sitting Vice President, he should easily be able to solidify the Party—including the Sanders people—and his disarming, whimsical manner would be a quick sell to a mostly distracted and shallow American public.

But make no mistake about it: should the Democrat candidate—be it Hillary Clinton, Tim Kaine, or Joe Biden—be elected President, it will be little more than Barack Obama's third term. Then again, Barack Obama's terms were little more than G.W. Bush's, and Bush's terms were little more than Bill Clinton's, and Clinton's terms were little more than G.H.W. Bush's—especially in matters pertaining to foreign policy. Each of these presidents was a toady for the globalist elite. Nothing more!

Right now, however, something seems mighty wrong with Hillary's health. But the Trump campaign should be hoping that the Democrats stick with her, because I think whatever is wrong with Hillary will continue to negatively impact her

campaign, and all that does is help Donald Trump win the election.

What a Donald Trump victory would bring to the table is the subject for another column. In the meantime, what in the world is wrong with Hillary? Even if nobody honestly tells us, the remaining weeks of this presidential campaign will tell us all we need to know.

P.S. The great philosopher John Locke is regarded as "The Father Of America's Founding Fathers." All of our country's founders were fully educated in the principles of Natural Law. It was upon the principles of Natural Law that our entire form of government in America was founded and framed. Locke's "Second Treatise of Government" is, in my estimation, the most succinct and precise explanation of Natural Law ever written. Thomas Jefferson borrowed heavily from Locke's "Second Treatise" when he wrote our Declaration of Independence.

Locke's "Second Treatise of Government" is just one of the many great books that I carry in my online store.

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America lost a great patriot

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Phyllis Schlafly passed away this week at the age of 92. She was the matriarch of the pro-life movement. It might be safe to say that the national Republican Party would not even have

a pro-life plank in its platform without the influence of Phyllis Schlafly. Founder of Eagle Forum, Phyllis was possibly the most influential woman of her era. She was a modern-day Abigail Adams. Our paths crossed several times. I never knew her to be anything but the perfect lady. She was a wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, scholar, freedom fighter, and role model.

Sadly, the last few months of her life were enmeshed in betrayal and attack—not from her enemies, but from her so-called friends and even from a family member. They were angry with Phyllis because she publicly supported Donald Trump for President and not Ted Cruz. They were so vindictive and hateful that they attempted to wrestle control of Eagle Forum away from her over it—even to the point of taking Phyllis to court.

In my way of thinking, the attacks against Phyllis from her so-called friends—especially at her age—may have directly contributed to her sudden demise. No one but God will ever really know.

It is my personal (and I do mean personal) experience that Christian-Zionists—which is what Ted Cruz's campaign mostly attracted—can be among the most mean-spirited, hateful, and vindictive people on the planet. They swarmed on Phyllis like sharks in a feeding frenzy.

Of all of Phyllis Schlafly's bravest and most courageous acts (which were very many—including the way she recently urged Wisconsin voters to reject Neocon House Speaker Paul Ryan in his primary election), her decision to NOT support the Christian-Zionist, Ted Cruz, may have been her most heroic. And she may have paid for that decision with her life.

Back in April of this year, I wrote this about Phyllis and the attacks against her:

The matriarch of the pro-life, pro-family, Christian Right

movement is the elegant stateswoman Phyllis Schlafly. She has no peer; there is no close second. At age 91, she remains the icon of America's pro-life community.

Phyllis received her B.A. from Washington University, her J.D. from Washington University Law School, and her Master's in Government from Harvard University. She worked her way through college on the night shift at the St. Louis Ordnance Plant testing .30 and .50 caliber ammunition by firing rifles and machine guns and as a laboratory technician investigating misfires and photographing tracer bullets in flight.

Mrs. Schlafly is an attorney admitted to the practice of law in Illinois, Missouri, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Supreme Court. She and her late husband are the parents of 6 children and the grandparents of 14 grandchildren.

Phyllis personally taught all of her children to read before they started school.

It is no exaggeration to say that Phyllis is the single person most responsible for defeating the Equal Rights Amendment and has been one of the most influential personalities in politics over the last half-century. She founded her Eagle Forum organization in 1972, and today over 80,000 people claim membership.

See this Breitbart report on Phyllis: Conservative Legend Phyllis Schlafly Dies At 92

One would think that the pedigree, accomplishments, and lifetime efforts of Mrs. Schlafly would speak so loudly and clearly that no one—not even her political adversaries—could question her sterling character and steadfast convictions. At age 91, and after all of her hard work, Phyllis should be enjoying the most happy fruits of her labor and the most heartfelt appreciation and respect of everyone who knows her—and especially of the Christian conservative community throughout this country.

Guess again.

As we speak, Phyllis Schlafly is the target of a hostile takeover by people within her own organization. They want Phyllis OUT. After all of these years, after all she has done, after a lifetime of Herculean effort, they want Phyllis Schlafly GONE.

What, you ask, could be the awful sin, the horrific iniquity, the egregious act of malfeasance Phyllis could have committed to warrant such an attack? Answer: she endorsed Donald Trump for president.

Mind you, these attacks are not coming from the political left. They are coming from Christian conservatives within Eagle Forum. And from a political perspective, the people who mostly want to destroy Mrs. Schlafly are, guess who: the Ted Cruz supporters, that's who.

See this report: Phyllis Schlafly's Eagle Forum Torn Apart By Cruz Supporters

Ted Cruz's base of support is comprised mostly of Israel-First evangelical Christians. Prophecy preachers from all over America have declared Ted to be God's "anointed" presidential candidate. These end-time evangelicals see Ted Cruz as their Elijah or John the Baptist to usher in the Millennial Kingdom. However, the fact that Cruz's supporters are attacking Mrs. Schlafly in such a vile and vicious manner, shows that hell, not heaven, is in their hearts.

I am reminded of the words of King David: "I am for peace: but when I speak, they are for war." (Psalms 120:7 KJV)
Whether people agree with Schlafly's decision to endorse Donald Trump is NOT the issue. To target Phyllis as an enemy because of her endorsement is the grossest and most vile attempt at character assassination that I can possibly imagine. Agree with her or not, Phyllis Schlafly is a paragon of integrity.

This leads to a very serious and all-too-common current reality: a sizeable percentage of our so-called "Christian" community is filled with a heart of hatred and war. They like to talk about peace and love, but what they are really about is war and hate.

I can't keep from saying "I told you so" at this point. When G.W. Bush and Dick Cheney began their propaganda war against Iraq and Afghanistan, I told my radio audience, "Because G.W. Bush professes to be a Christian, and because he has so much support from within the Christian community, Bush is going to change the definition and character of the word 'Christian' in this country forever." And that is EXACTLY what has happened. And Ted Cruz is picking up right where G.W. Bush left off.

are the The Christian standard used to be "Blessed peacemakers." Today the standard is "Blessed are the warmongers." These Bush/Cruz, Israel-First cultists prepared to not only blow up the entire Arab world, they are prepared to blow up Eagle Forum or any other organization or personality that does not subscribe to their brand of Israel-First obsession. Believe me, if these divisive, hate-filled "Christians" could get away with it, they would be as bloodthirsty and violent as any Muslim terrorist. But since they are unable to behead people such as Phyllis Schlafly or Chuck Baldwin (so far), they set out with all malice to destroy our work and reputations. Yes, I am dealing with many of these same hate-filled "Christians" too.

And I know that many of my brethren will recoil when they hear me say what I'm going to say, but I have analyzed and studied this phenomenon for many years now, and there is a definite common denominator. I'm talking about decades of church splits; pastors being savagely and mercilessly attacked from inside the church; pastors' families being destroyed by members of their own congregations; and the most bitter, divisive, backstabbing, meddlesome, tale-bearing, discordant,

mean-spirited actions and attitudes on the planet.

What is the common denominator? Almost without exception these haters and destroyers are Israel-First, end-time prophecy zealots.

I cannot imagine another presidential candidate's supporters attacking someone such as Phyllis Schlafly like the Cruz supporters are now doing. It is Ted Cruz's supporters who are engaging in this attempted destruction of America's First Lady Of The Pro-Life Movement, Phyllis Schlafly. And again, Ted Cruz is Mr. Christian-Zionist. Cruz is to politics what John Hagee is to religion.

Ted Cruz claims to be pro-life, but he is allowing his supporters to crucify the most influential pro-life American of the last half-century, Phyllis Schlafly.

After over 40 years of labor and leadership in the liberty and Christian movements, and having personally witnessed the massive amount of death and destruction inflicted upon untold thousands of good and honorable men and women at the hands of these calloused and calculating beasts of prey, it is now apparent to me what is behind all of this devastation. It is the same enemy that is trying to destroy Phyllis Schlafly: Israel-First "Christian"-Zionists.

And the thing about it is Phyllis was never "Anti-Israel." But she wasn't Israel-First either; she was America-First. For Christian-Zionists, that warrants death. Their loyalty is to the modern Zionist State of Israel, NOT the United States of America. So, Phyllis had to go.

Well, now Phyllis is gone. Her epitaph should read:

Here Lies Phyllis Schlafly

Devoted Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Great-grandmother

Courageous Defender Of Unborn Babies, Champion Of Liberty,

Scholar, And Patriot

Killed By Christian-Zionists Because She Believed In America-First

P.S. I invite readers to obtain my seven-message series on two DVDs entitled "The Church And Israel." Titles include:

- The Presentation And Rejection of The King
- "An High Priest For Ever After The Order of Melchisedec"
- Jesus: The Seed of David, The Seed of Abraham
- Christ's Last Words To Israel
- "Not Of Works"
- "Is He The God Of The Jews Only?"
- "The Children Of Promise"

This series of messages will help people understand why the modern Zionist State of Israel can hold no claim to the promise given to Abraham in Genesis 12:3 and why the "Israel-First" theology of John Hagee, Ted Cruz, and so many others is egregious Biblical error. And readers should also understand that I came to these conclusions after being trained in "Israel-First" theology and believing and preaching it for most of my life. But the longer I preached it, the more dissatisfied I became with it. I knew something wasn't right. And the more I studied the matter, the more I came to repudiate what I now know is patently false doctrine.

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My list of the ten worst U.S.

Presidents

A few days ago, I posted my list of the top ten worst U.S. presidents on my Facebook page. See (and hopefully "Like") my Facebook page here: Chuck Baldwin's Facebook Page

People who are familiar with my writings should not be surprised at my list, although many people who read my Facebook post did act surprised. Of course, these could have been people who aren't that familiar with my writings after all.

At any rate, with my Facebook post I made my list without explanation. I will use this column to share a little bit of the reasoning behind my selections. So here goes: my top ten worst presidents in U.S. history:

Abraham Lincoln (Republican)

Without an ounce of doubt in my mind, Abraham Lincoln is America's absolute worst President. He did not free a single slave; but what he did do was begin the process of enslaving free men. It is no hyperbole to say that Lincoln truly governed as a dictator, not as a President.

Virtually every single problem we are having today (and have had ever since Lincoln's presidency) with an overbearing, encroaching, authoritarian federal government in Washington, D.C., came as a direct result of Abraham Lincoln's presidency. EVERY SINGLE ONE!

Abraham Lincoln destroyed the Washington/Jeffersonian model of American government and replaced it with an imperial White House. His own statements prove that he cared absolutely nothing for the black race and was indeed himself a racist—unlike many leaders of the Confederacy, such as Robert E. Lee, T.J. "Stonewall" Jackson, et al., who publicly and adamantly spoke in support of ending slavery and NEVER said

anything remotely derogatory or racist against the black people.

Beyond that, in his first inaugural address, Lincoln actually SUPPORTED an amendment to the U.S. Constitution (which would have been the 13th Amendment) proposed by Ohio Congressman Thomas Corwin that said, "No amendment shall be made to the Constitution which will authorize or give to Congress the power to abolish or interfere, within any State, with the domestic institutions thereof, including that of persons held to labor or service by the laws of said State." In other words, the amendment would have forever guaranteed the right of people to own slaves.

Lincoln violated every constitutional restraint on the office of the President possible. He used the Union army to invade independent sovereign states, and he invaded the State legislature in Maryland, kidnapping and incarcerating the legislators to prevent them from voting on secession. He used force to bully and intimidate other State legislatures in the North to keep them from supporting southern independence. He authorized Union forces to hunt down and imprison "Copperheads" (individuals in the North who supported southern independence).

While Lincoln drafted black men from the North to serve in the Union army in segregated units, southern blacks were fighting voluntarily side-by-side with the white men—in the same units as the white men. And what most history books fail to mention is that there were reportedly over 300,000 slave owners fighting in Lincoln's Union army during the Civil War. (Mildred Lewis Rutherford, "Jefferson Davis, the President of the Confederate States, and Abraham Lincoln, the President of the United States," 1861-1865, p. 35)

Lincoln's so-called Emancipation Proclamation was an attempt to give the North moral justification for continuing his unconstitutional and immoral war of aggression against the South (and which the North was miserably losing after two years into the war) by issuing an edict to a nation that had already seceded (the Confederacy) and in which he had NO AUTHORITY, while leaving the institution of slavery completely intact among the states in which he did have authority (the Union). Lincoln was also hoping that his proclamation would incite southern blacks to insurrect against the southern states. However, this goal was never remotely accomplished.

England's William Wilberforce had already shown how slavery could be peacefully ended. The institution of slavery was already dying in the United States. There was absolutely NO REASON why over 600,000 Americans had to die in Lincoln's War of Aggression. Abraham Lincoln cared nothing about freeing slaves; what he cared about was enslaving free and independent states to an all-powerful, dictatorial federal government.

There really wasn't a "bad" President before Lincoln. But with Lincoln as a model and with the constitutional restraints against an imperial presidency left torn in shreds, we haven't had an abundance of "good" presidents since him. In fact, without Abraham Lincoln the nine "worst" presidents below would probably have never been President.

(I highly encourage readers to read the excellent book "The Real Lincoln" by Thomas DiLorenzo.)

Woodrow Wilson (Democrat)

Woodrow Wilson took Lincoln's vision of subjugated states to a global level. In one year, Wilson did more to destroy whatever vestiges of a free republic that were left after Lincoln than any President since. That year was 1913. It was a year that should live in infamy. Woodrow Wilson shackled the American people with the following:

February 3, 1913

This is the date when the 16th Amendment was ratified and the

direct income tax and IRS were instituted. This was a flagrant repudiation of freedom principles. What began as a temporary measure to support the War of Northern Aggression became a permanent income revenue stream for an unconstitutional—and ever growing—central government.

April 8, 1913

This is the date when the 17th Amendment was ratified. This amendment overturned the power of the State legislatures to elect their own senators and replaced it with a direct popular vote. This was another serious blow against State sovereignty. The framers of the Constitution desired that the influence and power in Washington, D.C., be kept as close to the people and states as possible. For example, the number of representatives in the House of Representatives was to be decided by a limited number of voters. In the original Constitution, the ratio of "people of the several States" deciding their House member could not exceed "one for every thirty thousand." (Article. I. Section. 2. Paragraph. 3.) And when it came to the US Senate, the framers also recognized the authority of each State legislature to select its own senators, thereby keeping power and influence from aggregating in Washington, D.C.

The 17th Amendment seriously damaged the influence and power of the states by forcing them to elect their US senators by popular vote. Senators who answered to State legislators, each answering to a limited number of voters, were much more accountable to the "citizens of the several States" than those who were elected by a large number (many times numbering into the millions) of people. For all intents and purposes (at least in the larger states), US Senators are more like "mini-Presidents" than representatives of sovereign states.

December 23, 1913

This is the date when the Federal Reserve Act was passed. This Act placed oversight of America's financial matters into the

hands of a cabal of private international bankers who have completely destroyed the constitutional principles of sound money and (for the most part) free enterprise. No longer would the marketplace (private consumption, thrift, growth, etc.) be the determinant of the US economy (which is what freedom is all about), but now a private, unaccountable international banking cartel would have total power and authority to micromanage (for their own private, parochial purposes) America's financial sector. Virtually every recession, depression, and downturn has been the direct result of the Fed's manipulation of the market.

1913 was not a good year for the United States. And Woodrow Wilson was our second worst President.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt (Democrat)

F.D.R. was America's first socialist President. His "New Deal" was actually a "Raw Deal." Roosevelt forever engrained into the psyche of the American public the idea that government spending and involvement is the answer to ALL of our nation's problems. He convinced people that the only way they could be delivered from "The Great Depression" was for them to accept government jobs and handouts. This was in spite of the fact that "The Great Depression" was actually caused by the Feds vastly expanding credit and Washington, D.C., vastly increasing taxes—among other dismal government actions. In other words, "The Great Depression" was typical of the way big-government toadies routinely operate: first government creates the problem, and then it claims to be the solution to the problem that it has created. And let's not forget, F.D.R. also illegally confiscated the personal gold holdings from the American people.

Roosevelt was also the President that did the yeoman's share of work in preparing the United States to reject American independence and embrace globalism. What Woodrow Wilson had failed to accomplish with the attempted League of Nations,

Roosevelt accomplished by laying the framework for the United Nations, which came into fruition under his successor Harry Truman.

Roosevelt was also the man responsible for aiding and abetting communism in Eastern Europe and elsewhere. I think it is also accurate to say that F.D.R. purposely goaded Japan into war and surreptitiously stalled Japan's Declaration of War until after Pearl Harbor was bombed in order to further incite the American people. I believe he also made sure that the defenses that should have seen the Japanese attack coming were not operational. Not to mention his unconscionable internment of Japanese Americans during the war.

Abraham Lincoln gave America an imperial presidency. Woodrow Wilson gave America globalism. F.D.R. gave America socialism.

4. Lyndon Baines Johnson (Democrat)

L.B.J. was an F.D.R. on steroids. He took American socialism to heights Roosevelt could have only dreamed of. Johnson's "Great Society" permanently ensconced a welfare society into the fabric of America, which has resulted in the destruction of both our economic system and the family unit—especially in the black community.

Before Johnson's "Great Society," black families were largely intact and out-of-wedlock births were an exception to the rule. Not anymore! Now, over 70% of births in the black community are out of wedlock. For all intents and purposes, Johnson's "Great Society" replaced black husbands and fathers with Uncle Sam and took away the black man's self-respect and dignity. No wonder today's black males comprise such a large percentage of the prison population.

Lyndon Johnson is also responsible for the Gun Control Act of 1968, which is the grandfather of ALL of our modern gun control laws. As a U.S. Senator from Texas, Johnson is also the man that successfully gagged and muzzled America's pastors

and churches with the passage of his amendment to the 501c3 section of the Internal Revenue Code in 1954. Of course, Johnson also took America into the unconstitutional war in Vietnam. And I personally believe that L.B.J. was a conspirator to John F. Kennedy's assassination. Lyndon Johnson was a terrible President and an awful man.

5. George W. Bush (Republican)

Lincoln gave us the imperial presidency; Wilson gave us globalism; F.D.R. gave us socialism; L.B.J. gave us welfarism, gun control, and cowardly churches; and G.W. Bush gave us a burgeoning Police State, perpetual war, and Neocons.

What Bill Clinton and Al Gore could not do, G.W. Bush did with ease: shackle the United States with the hugely misnamed and tyrannical USA PATRIOT Act. He also gave us the Department of Homeland Security and the Military Commissions Act. Bush also illegally seized and held two American citizens in indefinite detention without a trial, which led Barack Obama to add the indefinite detention sections into the NDAA in order to justify what Bush had done and in order to give future presidents the same authority. Bush also expunded Posse Comitatus in America. He illegally invaded two sovereign nations, Iraq and Afghanistan. He created the "preemptive war" doctrine that still guides America's foreign policy today. His policies and actions directly contributed to the rise of Islamic terror groups such as ISIS and the invasion of illegal immigrants in Europe and the United States. The phony "war on terror" is G. W. Bush's war.

G.W. Bush and his presidential successors have killed more people in their various and sundry wars of aggression than Abraham Lincoln. And these ongoing wars of aggression that started under Bush—and that continue to the present day—have completely destabilized the entire Middle East and much of Europe and, if allowed to continue, will doubtless take America into World War III.

Plus, G.W. Bush's failure on 9/11 is of seismic proportions. Either his administration was totally inept in preventing and/or responding to 9/11 (especially Saudi Arabia's potential involvement), or, if one accepts the conspiracy theories, elements within his administration actually conspired to facilitate the attacks on 9/11. Either way, Bush's performance on 9/11 was dismal at best or traitorous at worst.

Virtually every unconstitutional tool that Barack Obama has used in his disastrous presidency was handed to him on a silver platter by G.W. Bush.

6. Barack Obama (Democrat)

Barack Obama set many firsts for America. He is America's first Muslim President; America's first Marxist President; and the first President not born to an American citizen or in the United States as required by the U.S. Constitution. I think anyone who believes Obama was born in Hawaii is intellectually challenged. Obama's single greatest administrative disaster is his socialized health care plan, known as Obamacare. Without a doubt, this leviathan is a death sentence to America's future medical system. Generations of Americans yet to come will curse the day Barack Obama and the members of Congress that assisted him were allowed to create this medical monstrosity.

Obama is also the laziest President in history. He has taken more vacations, played more rounds of golf, and spent more taxpayers' dollars on pleasure trips than any President before him. But, to me, it's a good thing he is so lazy. Think of the damage he could have done if he wasn't.

7. William Jefferson Blythe Clinton (Democrat)

Bill Clinton is the only President to be impeached besides Andrew Johnson. Perjury is a serious crime, and if the Republicans in the Senate had had any man-stuff, they would have removed him from office. But perjury was not all Clinton was guilty of.

Clinton's cozy deals with the Communist Chinese and the bribes paid to him by foreign governments are well-documented. Bill Clinton was probably the most corrupt President since U.S. Grant. And that corruption continues with Hillary Clinton. Should Hillary be elected President in November (God forbid!), she will doubtless join this ignoble list of horrific presidents.

Another major stain on the Clinton record is the way his government murdered nearly one hundred innocent men (most of them elderly), women, and children outside Waco, Texas. Then again, the Clinton body count is probably much higher than that. The people who ran afoul of Clinton's good graces and ended up mysteriously dead number in the scores.

8. George Herbert Walker Bush (Republican)

G.H.W. Bush is the granddaddy of the modern Neocons. He is the first U.S. President to publicly call for a global "New World Order." And I personally believe that, along with L.B.J., G.H.W. Bush was also a conspirator in John Kennedy's murder.

In reality, the administrations of Bush I, Clinton, Bush II, and Obama are nothing more than one long, continuous administration. There really has not been any policy change of substance in the White House since G.H.W. Bush.

Bush I is also responsible for the government murders of Vicki and Sammy Weaver at Ruby Ridge, Idaho. Along with the Clinton administration's murder of the Branch Davidians near Waco, Texas, the Bush-sponsored murders of the Weavers has done more to make Americans distrust and despise their central government than anything since the Boston Massacre in 1770.

9. Ulysses S. Grant (Republican)

Suffice it to say that Grant's presidency can probably be regarded as the most corrupt in U.S. history—rivaled only by Bill Clinton's. Grant was quite the loathsome creature. He was

also probably America's first (and only?) alcoholic President.

10. Richard Nixon (Republican)

Watergate was the tip of the iceberg for Nixon. He would have been impeached had he not resigned, for sure. Without a doubt, his imperial presidency was modeled after Lincoln's. Nixon makes my list because of his coziness with Communist China's Butcher of Beijing (Mao Tse-tung) and for forever taking America off of the gold standard. Nixon could probably be identified as a Neocon, if we had known what they were back then. For example, Nixon gave us the likes of Henry Kissinger.

There you have it: my list of the top ten worst presidents in U.S. history. Granted, there are several other presidents that rival my list. I could have easily substituted any of them for Grant and Nixon. At that point, the differences in "badness" between them were getting miniscule. But the first eight are definite in my thinking.

Again, I invite readers to go "Like" my Facebook page.

I supplement this column with regular posts on my Facebook page.

Have fun making your own list.

P.S. Since I spent time discussing our worst presidents, including and especially Abraham Lincoln, let me remind readers that I have a message that deals specifically with the right (and wrong) of revolution. This message is the quintessential analytical explanation of Revealed and Natural Law relating to the right of revolution. I don't know of another message like this today. I borrow from the Sacred Text and notable scholars such as John Locke to clearly and unmistakably show the right course as to when resistance to authority is justified—and when it is NOT justified. This is essential truth that all freedom-loving patriots must familiarize themselves with. I urge you to get this DVD and

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Castrated churches

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Christian filmmaker Jason Charles recently wrote a powerfully astute column entitled "The Neutered American Pastors." He began his column saying:

"The Apostle Paul in Galatians 5:12 wished castration upon the doctrine perverting Judaized preachers of his day.

"'I would they were even cut off which trouble you' Galatians 5:12 (KJV)

"'As for those agitators, I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves!' Galatians 5:12 (NIV)

"Neuter: A general term used to describe the castration of a male animal.

"Can you imagine? An Apostle of Jesus Christ using this phraseology at all? But he did when addressing the usurping teachers that came in among the congregations of churches that he planted, especially in the Church of Galatia. To get the whole back-story read through Acts Chapter 5, and also read the entire book of Galatians. You will quickly realize he is

talking about the Judaizers.

"The reason why the Apostle Paul was vehemently opposed to these Judaizers was because in an ultimate sense, it was false doctrine that taught the superiority of the Mosaic Law over Christ. That meant it immediately became a salvation issue for Paul. Therefore he brought it to the wisdom and counsel of the other Apostles in Jerusalem, as seen in Galatians 5. At that counsel the Holy Spirit affirmed the total forsaking of the Judaizers among all congregations in no uncertain terms.

"We learn by reading in these chapters that the Judaized 'Christians' were really agents of the Pharisees. They were highly trained orators that worked to convince gentile Christians to take on the religion of Judaism as being superior to the resurrection of Jesus Christ, even teaching the need to circumcise their grown boys and men. So the Apostle Paul stated he wished they wouldn't stop at circumcision, but instead emasculate themselves in entirety. That is the spiritual illustration he thought most appropriate when speaking of his arch-enemies, these Pharisee agitators. Christian teachers who pander to power, fame, and money have emasculated themselves as well. They get up every Sunday and preach absolute drivel. Simply because they lack the man-stuff that is required, to unabashedly preach the Truth and the Word of God.

"The Pharisees were the ultimate political panderers. Instead of preaching against the paganism and corruption of the Roman government, or the unjustness of the occupation of Rome, they jumped in bed with the power elite. They did it for the money, fame, power, and spiritual authority. How many pastors out there would rather neuter themselves preferring large platforms, power and money over the satisfaction of uncompromisingly preaching the entirety of God's Word in the Truth and Power of the Holy Spirit? Judging by the state of our country currently, we have a lot of emasculated 'preachers' out there, shepherding a lot of emasculated

Christians. This is the direct result of the Judafication of the American churches."

See the column: The Neutered American Pastors

I believe Jason's trenchant and timely treatise is spot-on. For the most part, America's pastors and churches have been spiritually castrated.

And, as Jason notes in his column, the 501c3 non-profit organization classification of churches plays a big part. All the government needs to do to silence today's pulpits is to politicize anything contained in the Bible, and, ABRACADABRA, pastors are prohibited from publicly preaching about it without jeopardizing their precious tax-exempt status. And try to name the spiritual sin or criminal conduct condemned in Holy Writ that ISN'T politicized these days! So, in effect, to stay on the smiley side of the Internal Revenue Code, pastors and churches are pretty much prohibited from saying anything about anything. So they don't.

Why do you think the Pied Piper of Prosperity Preachers, Joel Osteen, has tens of thousands of pastors all over the country mimicking him? He says absolutely nothing that could be remotely considered "political" or "controversial" by the powers that be, and people by the millions across the country love it—and so does the government in Washington, D.C.

From the days of Israel's Old Testament prophets, to the we-must-obey-God-rather-than-men New Testament apostles, to the Anabaptists living under the Roman-controlled governments of the Dark Ages, to the Reformation leaders in Germany and Switzerland, to the Black Robed Regiment pastors in Colonial America, dictatorial governments have hated courageous, truth-telling preachers. And nothing shuts up a potential courageous, truth-telling pastor these days like the promise of government-sanctioned prosperity.

Jason is also correct when he rightly highlights the way

America's pastors and churches have allowed themselves to be Judaized. In truth, today's Zionists are nothing more than the Judaizers of Jesus and the disciples' day. One cannot find a single social or cultural industry of any magnitude that is not heavily influenced by Zionists, including the entertainment industry, the mainstream media, the pornography industry, the LGBT movement, the Neocon political establishment, the Warfare State, political correctness, the burgeoning Police State, the anti-Second Amendment caucuses, the anti-Christian organizations, ad infinitum. And currently, Zionists are pulling out all of the stops and calling in all of the favors to make sure Hillary Clinton is elected President.

Sadly, a majority of Christian pastors and churches willingly and enthusiastically identify with these modern-day Judaizers. As such, they are blind to the root of America's real problems. In other words, they are spiritually castrated.

John the Baptist, Jesus, and the apostles clearly had no stomach or patience for these Judaizers or the Pharisees that controlled them. Yet, all over America, today's pastors and Christians sympathize with them, support them, and shill for them. If you want to get a taste of how viciously vengeful these people can be, just say something unfavorable (in any notable public forum) about the modern state of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu, or Zionists in general, and see what happens.

Yet, here are a few examples of what Christ and the apostles said to and about these Judaizers and the Zionist Pharisees that led them:

"Hypocrites"

"The child of hell"

"Blind guides"

"Ye fools and blind"

"Whited sepulchres"

"Are within full of dead men's bones"

"Full of uncleanness"

"Full of hypocrisy and iniquity"

"The children of them which killed the prophets"

"Ye serpents"

"Ye generation of vipers"

"Whose mouths must be stopped"

"Who subvert whole houses"

"Such are false apostles"

"Deceitful workers"

"His [Satan's] ministers"

"Of the synagogue of Satan"

When is the last time you were in a church where the pastor quoted these scriptural passages or, if he did, made them relevant to anything today?

For this reason, I urge readers to watch my series of messages (on two DVDs) entitled "The Church And Israel." Forget what you've been taught all of your life. Look at the Scriptures honestly and objectively for yourself. You might be shocked at what you will discover. I know I was. These two DVDs have helped thousands of people to better understand the scriptural teaching of Biblical Israel.

Find them here: The Church And Israel Combo

You might also enjoy my message series (on one DVD) entitled "Christ And The Pharisees." This was the message series that birthed "The Church And Israel" series.

Find it here: Christ And The Pharisees

Fear of losing tax-exempt status; fear of being controversial; fear of losing tithing members; fear of being politically incorrect; fear of the Judaizers. It all adds up to the same thing: castrated churches.

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Obsession with bible prophecy: devil loves it

Christians of all stripes and persuasions believe in the return of Christ, nuances of prophetic interpretation notwithstanding. Furthermore, personal interpretations of prophecy are NOT fundamental to our salvation or our service to God. One will find faithful and unfaithful believers at every point along the prophecy spectrum.

That said, after more than four decades of pastoring, it is my firm conviction that the obsession with Bible prophecy demonstrated by a host of professing Christians today is one of our country's BIGGEST problems. On the whole, obsession with prophecy either takes those obsessed completely out of the freedom fight or it actually puts them on the side of those who are trying to usurp our liberties.

For some (especially those who believe in a "pre-tribulation Rapture"), prophecy has mostly turned them into indifferent, apathetic facilitators of tyranny. They say things like "This is all predicted in the Bible, so there's nothing we can do about it" or "Jesus is coming soon, and I won't be around to see it, so I'm not worrying about it" or "Since this is all part of prophecy, we should not even try to resist, because to resist is to interfere with God" and similar nonsensical, asinine statements.

Others see all kinds of self-interpreted "signs" proving whatever they WANT to believe in order to convince people that their prophetic predilections are superior to everyone else's for the purpose of exalting their own hyperinflated, superspiritual egos. In other words, these particular folks are

living in their own self-created fantasy world that renders them absolutely worthless—or even detrimental—to the freedom fight.

Still others are so jaded in their prophetic infatuation with the modern state of Israel that they interpret everything through the dark lenses of misguided obfuscation to the point that they are unable to see events clearly and accurately, which makes them prone to the manipulations of Neocons and other enemies of freedom.

People have been interpreting Bible prophecy to suit their own fancies for over 2,000 years. The fact is, no one knows exactly how and when the events surrounding Christ's return will take place. NO ONE. I don't care how "smart" and "knowledgeable" they think they are on the subject. THEY DON'T KNOW.

But in the meantime, their inflated opinions of their own brilliance mostly serve to make them totally indifferent to the loss of liberty or even actively supportive of the forces that are trying to usurp our God-given liberties. Either way, freedom loses.

The first question the disciples asked our Lord after His resurrection from the dead concerned prophecy: "When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" (Acts 1:6)

Look carefully at Christ's response to them: "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power." (Acts 1:7)

Did you get that? "IT IS NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW."

Students of the scriptures have been studying "end time" prophecies since the completion of the canon of Scripture. And the interpretations have been, and still are, as varied as the

people proffering them.

We could assemble the most brilliant apologists in the world for the various interpretations of Bible prophecy and let them present the reasons for their interpretations and each of them would be able to present a very coherent and convincing scriptural case for their position. And the fact is, the best any of them would be doing would be making a studied, educated GUESS at how it all MIGHT happen.

Come on! Get real, folks! Some of the smartest men of history have been making educated guesses regarding the return of Christ since the Apostle John finished writing the Book of The Revelation. Date setters have come and gone—along with the dates they set—for 2,000 years. And the educated guessers of today are no smarter than they were then.

Jesus wasn't kidding around when He told the disciples (and us), "IT IS NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW." The one thing that He did want us to know is that it is our duty to "Occupy till I come." (Luke 19:13) Therefore, until Christ comes (whenever that is), we are to "occupy" or "take care of business."

Regardless of one's private interpretation of prophecy, our duty as Christians is the same: we are to take care of business. We are to tend to our family business, our vocational business, our spiritual business, our community business, our national business, etc. Until He comes, we have a divine mandate to "take care of business."

Premillennial. Postmillennial. Amillennial. Pre-tribulation. Mid-tribulation. Post-tribulation. Complete Rapture. Partial Rapture. No Rapture. Dispensationalist. Preterist. When it comes to our duty to "take care of business," IT DOESN'T MATTER. We all have the same duty.

Unfortunately, the preoccupation and obsession with Bible prophecy has diverted people's attention away from the business at hand. So many, many Christians have become so

heavenly minded that they are no earthly good. And pastors and preachers are mostly to blame. They spiritualize everything to the point that they have rendered the scriptures of NO practical relevance whatsoever.

Talk to the average Christian about his or her duty to their country, and they immediately zone out into a trance and start regurgitating hackneyed clichés about how "God is in control" and we are not supposed to be concerned about it because it's not a "spiritual" issue or how they are going to be "raptured" to heaven and escape all of the bad stuff, etc. Furthermore, to the average pastor, duty to country amounts to nothing more than some nonsensical drivel about mindless submission to government. It seems to most pastors (well, American pastors anyway) government is GOD. Romans 13 is the only Scripture they know to cite—and they grossly misinterpret it to boot. To most pastors, the stories of Daniel, the three Hebrew children, the judges of Israel, David and Saul, Christ and the Pharisees, the early church and the Judaizers, etc., are of NO practical consequence to life today.

It was for this reason that my constitutional attorney son and I wrote our book, "Romans 13: The True Meaning Of Submission." The fallacious interpretation of Romans 13 is turning once courageous, freedom-loving Christian men and women into sheepish slaves of the state. Without a doubt, Romans 13 is one of the most misinterpreted passages of Scripture in the Bible. I urge readers to order our book.

Order "Romans 13: The True Meaning Of Submission."

I challenge you to press your pastor with this question: "Were America's Founding Fathers scripturally justified in rebelling against the British Crown?" Come on! I dare you to press your pastor for an answer to that question. You might be shocked at just how many pastors actually believe our Founding Fathers sinned by rebelling against the government of Great Britain.

Yet in pulpits all over America, pastors lead their churches in celebrating Independence Day on or around each July 4th. They wave the flag, sing patriotic songs, and get up and talk about how thankful they are to live in a free nation. But wait a minute! This country they are celebrating is a nation birthed in rebellion. If these pastors believe our founders were unjustified before God in fighting that war for independence, how dare they turn around and celebrate the victory of an act that they claim to find sinful? Talk about hypocrisy!

It is little wonder why Christians are among the highest percentage of people in the country who don't vote; why Christians are among the biggest cheerleaders for America's incessant wars of aggression overseas; why Christians are among the largest percentage of viewers of the mainstream propaganda media (especially FOX News); and why Christians (at least Christians in the United States) are among the most gullible and easily duped people by Neocons and Zionists on the planet. (Can anyone say G. W. Bush, Lindsey Graham, John McCain, and Ted Cruz?)

And guess what the most consistent common denominator is for all of the above? You guessed it: Bible prophecy. It is no hyperbole to suggest that the more people obsess over Bible prophecy, the more the devil likes it. Why? Because for the most part the obsession and preoccupation with Bible prophecy takes a majority of Christians completely out of the freedom fight. On the whole, churches stopped being the "salt of the earth" decades ago. If you want a freedom fighter in the foxhole with you, you will largely need to look somewhere besides the average pastor and church.

I would dare say that the subject of prophecy takes up the greater percentage of all of the sermons, Bible conferences, books, videos, seminars, television and radio broadcasts, etc., in modern Christendom. And what has it done for us? What has it done for the church? What has it done for America? What

has it done for the suffering saints across the globe? What has it done for a lost and dying world that desperately needs spiritual direction, leadership, and purpose in this life? NOTHING. Not a dad-blasted thing (as my father used to say). All it has done is rendered the church completely ineffective, indifferent, and impotent. Oh, yes, and conceited, arrogant, and proud.

Study prophecy all you want, but if doing so puts you on the wrong side of liberty, it only fulfills the purposes of Satan, not God.

- P.S. Again, order our book "Romans 13: The True Meaning Of Submission."
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The war party is nonpartisan

It is imperative that people understand that Neocons are politically neutral; they are neither Democrat nor Republican. The only party to which they belong is the War Party. They use Democrats and Republicans, liberals and conservatives, and Christians and Muslims to promote their radical pro-war agenda. Political labels mean absolutely nothing to these people.

Neocons care nothing about social and domestic issues either, except as they assist the war agenda. For example, if liberals want to promote the LGBT agenda, Neocons don't interfere. If conservatives want to promote pro-family legislation, Neocons don't interfere. Neocons are one-issue driven; and that issue is perpetual war. For the most part, the only domestic issues that Neocons care about are a mushrooming Police State, so-

called free trade deals, and maintaining open borders, because a burgeoning Police State, Neocon-controlled trade deals, and open borders directly enhance and promote the Warfare State.

Make no mistake about it: Hillary Clinton is the War Party's perfect candidate, which is why Neocons in both major parties are flocking to her candidacy. If Adolf Hitler's rise to power made World War II inevitable, the election of Hillary Clinton will make World War III inevitable (not to mention the war for our right to keep and bear arms).

Over the past several days, news sources from the left, right, and center are warning the American people that a Hillary presidency portends global disaster. Anyone with half a brain (from any political point of view) should be able to see what Hillary Clinton really is: a war monster.

Here are three expert evaluations of what I'm talking about: one from the right, one from the left, and one from the center.

From the Right:

"In the top echelons of political power, there is only one major party in American politics, and that is the globalist war party. In case Americans needed more evidence that party labels are largely meaningless to the bipartisan ruling establishment, influential members of the establishment wing of the GOP—neocons, warmongers, globalists, and so on—are abandoning the Republican Party and in many cases jumping on board the Democrat Hillary Clinton campaign. From Bush-era war hawks who misled Americans into war to pseudo-conservative operatives of the globalist-minded Council on Foreign Relations, Republicans In Name Only (RINOs) are showing their true colors and allegiances. Blasting Donald Trump, more than a few of the globalist RINOs and neocon warmongers are now proudly on the Hillary Train."

"Consider: At the top of the list of prominent alleged

Republicans pushing Clinton is globalist bankster Henry 'Hank' Paulson. Among other supposed accomplishments, the Goldman Sachs CEO and George W. Bush Treasury secretary helped oversee the redistribution of trillions of dollars in public money from middle class and poor Americans to billionaire Wall Street insiders. According to lawmakers, they were threatened by Paulson and his cronies with a declaration of martial law if Congress refused to approve the "banker bailout" heist. Now, Paulson spends much of his time pushing the discredited man-made global-warming theory hoping to profit from the radical policy schemes.

"Also featuring prominently on the list are many of the neocons responsible for squandering trillions of tax dollars and hundreds of thousands of lives—if not millions—on undeclared, illegal wars based on lies. Chief among them is neocon Robert Kagan, a senior fellow at the far-left globalist 'think tank' Brookings Institution and a co-founder of the fringe Project for the New American Century that helped lead America into Iraq under Bush. Aside from his own non-stop warmongering seeking to send your children off to die in undeclared wars, Kagan is married to senior Obama official and fellow warmonger Victoria Nuland. Naturally, Kagan is on Team Hillary.

"Another senior neocon globalist on the Hillary Train is Max Boot, a left-wing Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) operative who claims to have been a 'lifelong Republican' despite his love for Big Government. '[Hillary Clinton] would be vastly preferable to Trump,' Boot was quoted as saying, adding that he hopes the GOP will split. 'What she basically espouses is a pretty mainstream view.' Of course, what Clinton espouses is so far from mainstream, it's hard to believe anyone, including fringe neocons, actually believes something so ridiculous. Just a few days ago, a poll showed eight in 10 voters want more restrictions on abortion, while Clinton wants even less restrictions and more tax funding for it. Almost no Americans

except Hillary Clinton, the DNC, and fringe abortion activists support any tax funding for abortions. And that is just the start.

"Others on the list of disgraced 'Republican' neocons, globalists, and establishment insiders who are pushing a Clinton presidency include Bush globalist and leading Iraq war booster Richard Armitage; Ken Adelman, assistant to Iraq warmonger Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and later a senior disarmament bureaucrat; Tony Fratto, deputy propagandist for George W. Bush; former 'regional EPA administrator' Alan Steinberg, also from the second Bush administration; Mark Salter, a 'former speechwriter' for embattled neocon globalist Senator John McCain of Arizona; and more. Also listed are people with politically toxic titles like 'Republican lobbyist,' 'Republican strategist,' and a handful of megadonors and crony capitalists."

See the report: Neocons, Warmongers, And Globalists Abandon GOP For Hillary

From the Left:

"A new low in presidential politics was reached with a candidate representing Washington's lunatic fringe, a neocon war goddess drooling for endless conflicts.

"If elected, Hillary risks committing greater high crimes of state than her predecessors, including possible nuclear war—why it's crucial to defeat her in November. Humanity's fate hangs in the balance.

"Her Thursday night acceptance speech was what you'd expect—featuring rambling lofty rhetoric, dreary and dull pontificating, empty promises, an unprincipled display of dishonesty.

"Claiming 'economic and social justice issues (are) front and center where they belong' on her agenda belies her record as a corrupt lawyer, first lady, US senator, secretary of state and influence-peddler to the highest bidders through the Clinton Foundation, for self-aggrandizement and wealth enrichment.

"Hillary represents a new low in US politics, featuring unrestrained imperial lawlessness, endless wars of aggression, risking WW III by confronting nonexistent Sino/Russian threats, serving monied and warmongering interests exclusively, along with ignoring the welfare and concerns of ordinary people.

"Defeating her presidential ambitions tops all other priorities for people everywhere."

See this report: A New Low In US Presidential Politics: The Anointment Of Hillary, The Neocon "War Goddess"

From the Center:

"There is a good reason why so many neocons and retired military brass are opting to support Hillary Clinton for president. It is Clinton's support for continued American military intervention in battle zones abroad and her brinkmanship with Russia that has so many former supporters of George W. Bush opting to rally to Mrs. Clinton's presidential candidacy.

"For the neocons, Clinton is a natural candidate. The older generation of neocons were originally found nested in the Lyndon Johnson administration as pro-Vietnam War Democrats. When Richard Nixon became president, a few neocons migrated over to support the Republican president, but a vast majority, including Richard Perle, Paul Wolfowitz, and Scooter Libby, found a leader in the war hawk Democratic senator from Washington, Henry 'Scoop' Jackson. Jackson's support for confrontation with the Soviet Union and his lavish sycophantic support for Israel provided the neocons with a senatorial base from which to operate, especially during the Carter administration. The neocons disdained Carter and his human

rights advocacy.

"When Ronald Reagan ran for president in 1980, challenging Carter, the neocons saw their chance to become, once again, part of a pro-war administration. Perle, Wolfowitz, Douglas Feith, and other neocons avidly supported Reagan and were rewarded with key administration positions as a result. The neocon support continued for both George H. W. and George W. Bush. With the isolationalist-oriented Donald Trump winning the Republican nomination, the neocons have returned to their original roots in the Democratic Party. The party's platform on issues of war and an interventionist foreign policy were not affected in the least way by Bernie Sanders's supporters. The Third Way, formerly the Democratic Leadership Council, has praised the Democratic platform for its likeness to past Republican planks on foreign policy and defense."

"As far as Republicans supporting Clinton is concerned, it should be noted that most of them look forward to Clinton's war hawkish policies to benefit their own political and financial interests. Richard Armitage and Brent Scowcroft, past members of Bush administrations, are totally involved in the military-industrial complex and see Mrs. Clinton as an insurance policy for their continued lucrative paydays. Hewlett-Packard CEO and GOP candidate for governor of California Meg Whitman has financial interests in the hightech industry that will do well when Clinton sinks more taxpayers' money into the bloated Pentagon budget. The same goes for her fellow California high-tech entrepreneur colleague Marc Andreessen, the co-founder of Netscape. Individuals like Whitman, Andreessen, and other wealthy hightech executives who endorse Clinton see only dollar signs from four to eight years of American wars abroad.

"As for Representative Richard Hanna, the first Republican member of the House of Representatives to endorse Clinton over Trump, the Lebanese-American's Mohawk Valley district, which includes Rome, Utica, and Binghamton, has a number of Pentagon contractors, including BAE Systems, ITT Corporation, and Rome's Information Directorate of the Air Force Research Lab. For Hanna, Clinton means wars and wars are good for his congressional district.

"A Hillary Clinton administration, from a defense and foreign policy viewpoint, will look very much like that of George W. Bush."

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While I will reserve a more detailed analysis of Donald Trump's candidacy for another column, I do not believe Trump belongs to the War Party. But while the War Party is going ALL OUT for Clinton, they are still trying to infiltrate Trump's staff with Neocons, including successfully convincing Trump to select Neocon Mike Pence as his running mate. How much more they succeed with Trump will depend on how aware Trump is to the whole Neocon agenda and how truly opposed to it he is. These are big unknowns, but his selection of Pence is not encouraging.

What is NOT unknown is how corrupt and committed to the war agenda Hillary Clinton is. And the War Party machine, including its propagandists in the mainstream media, has called for a full-court press to put Hillary in the White House.

Joel Skousen has this part of the story:

"In prior months I have documented the establishment's attempt to co-opt and control Donald Trump by surrounding him with globalist advisors and 'friends' like Newt Gingrich, Chris Christie, Rudolph Giuliani and Paul Manafort. That worked partially, as Trump has absorbed all of the neocon propaganda about ISIS and the war on terror, but they haven't been able to dissuade him from opposing globalist trade agreements and being a roadblock for illegal immigration. . . . It appears that the establishment has given up even trying to control

Trump, and has opted instead to create a landslide defeat for the business mogul, with negative attack ads (featuring his own words), articles highlighting his business and personal mistakes and even election fraud, if necessary. In contrast, the criminal sins of Hillary Clinton, which are legion, will continue to receive no coverage or excused as partisan attacks."

"As long as the media continues to hide the mountains of dirt and corruption on Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump is going to be the target of the day—every single day!"

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Plus, you know that the Bush machine, along with the GOP establishment (including Paul Ryan and Mitch McConnell), are working feverishly behind the scenes to elect Clinton.

What this presidential election is proving beyond all doubt is how totally nonpartisan the Neocons are, how committed they are to promoting global war, and how deep the mainstream media is in their hip pocket.

P.S. From a spiritual/scriptural perspective, the greatest crime any nation can commit is the Crime of Aggression. This truth is rooted in both Natural and Revealed Law. God destroys nations (or allows them to destroy themselves) who stubbornly ignore and violate this universal law. America has been routinely ignoring and violating this divine law since the end of World War II. I am afraid God's patience with America may be running out. When it comes to our national sins, this is the one that pastors and Christians should be focused on—but on the whole, they seem to be totally oblivious to it.

Not long ago, I brought a message on this important subject. The Message is called "The Crime Of Aggression: Condemned By The Law Of Nature And Nature's God." I urge readers to obtain this DVD and share it with as many people as they can—including and especially their pastors and church leaders.

We will continue to ignore this Natural law to our own destruction.

Order the DVD of my message "The Crime Of Aggression: Condemned By The Law Of Nature And Nature's God"

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More government bureaucrats with guns than U.S. Marines

Writing for FreeBeacon.com, Elizabeth Harrington summarized a comprehensive report by a taxpayer watchdog group that chronicles the exponential increase in the militarization of police agencies in the United States during the past several years.

Harrington writes, "There are now more non-military government employees who carry guns than there are U.S. Marines, according to a new report.

"Open the Books, a taxpayer watchdog group, released a study Wednesday [June 22, 2016] that finds domestic government agencies continue to grow their stockpiles of military-style weapons, as Democrats sat on the House floor calling for more restrictions on what guns American citizens can buy.

"The 'Militarization of America' report found civilian agencies spent \$1.48 billion on guns, ammunition, and military-style equipment between 2006 and 2014. Examples include IRS agents with AR-15s, and EPA bureaucrats wearing camouflage.

"'Regulatory enforcement within administrative agencies now

carries the might of military-style equipment and weapons,' Open the Books said. 'For example, the Food and Drug Administration includes 183 armed "special agents," a 50 percent increase over the ten years from 1998-2008. At Health and Human Services (HHS), "Special Office of Inspector General Agents" are now trained with sophisticated weaponry by the same contractors who train our military special forces troops.'

"Open the Books found there are now over 200,000 non-military federal officers with arrest and firearm authority, surpassing the 182,100 personnel who are actively serving in the U.S. Marine Corps.

"The IRS spent nearly \$11 million on guns, ammunition, and military-style equipment for its 2,316 special agents. The tax collecting agency has billed taxpayers for pump-action and semi-automatic shotguns, semi-automatic Smith & Wesson M&P15s, and Heckler & Koch H&K 416 rifles, which can be loaded with 30-round magazines.

"The EPA spent \$3.1 million on guns, ammo, and equipment, including drones, night vision, 'camouflage and other deceptive equipment,' and body armor."

Harrington continues, "Open the Books appealed to both liberals like Bernie Sanders—who has called for demilitarizing local police departments—and conservatives in its report.

"'Conservatives argue that it is hypocritical for political leaders to undermine the Second Amendment while simultaneously equipping non-military agencies with hollow-point bullets and military style equipment,' Open the Books said. 'One could argue the federal government itself has become a gun show that never adjourns with dozens of agencies continually shopping for new firearms.'"

See the report: There Are Now More Bureaucrats With Guns Than U.S. Marines

Most Americans would be shocked if they knew how many millions of rounds of ammunition their local and State police agencies are amassing. And don't let anybody tell you all of this ammunition is for "practice." We are talking about hollow-point pistol rounds and military rifle rounds such as 5.56 and .308 calibers. I would take an educated guess (based on my conversations with both ammunition and arms suppliers and police officers themselves) that your local police agencies have enough ammunition stockpiled to kill the entire population of your community four or five times. But these numbers pale in comparison to the numbers of guns and ammunition being amassed by federal agencies—including agencies that nowhere come close to being categorized as "police" agencies, such as those mentioned in the above report.

To realize that the alphabet agencies of the federal government have more armed agents (assigned to domestic duties) than our premier combat branch of the U.S. military (the U.S. Marines), whose job is to engage America's enemies in direct combat, is a staggering thought. Tell me again exactly who it is that our federal government deems to be the enemy. And they wonder why more and more Americans are arming themselves?

Couple the militarization of our domestic police (and non-police) agencies with the increased call from many in Washington, D.C., to strip the American people of their right to keep and bear arms—especially their right to keep and bear semi-automatic rifles—and one can understand why so many of the American people are "on edge" and have lost all trust in their federal government.

Understanding and acknowledging the Providence of God notwithstanding, the ONLY thing standing between us and abject tyranny is a massively armed citizenry. America is the last nation in the free world that instilled the right to keep and bear arms not only in its Constitution but also in the very heart and soul of its citizens. Should the American citizenry ever cease to be an armed citizenry (and I mean armed with semi-automatic rifles with high-capacity magazines), the entire free world would collapse into the Dark Ages.

I'm saying it straight out: the only reason that Canada, Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, etc., have the modicum of freedom that they do is because the American citizenry is an armed citizenry. It is NOT the U.S. armed forces that are keeping this country and the rest of Western Civilization free; it is the armed citizenry of America that is protecting whatever vestiges of liberty Western Civilization has left. Disarm the American people and the entire free world falls into the abyss of tyranny and oppression—maybe for a thousand years.

Listen to Daniel Webster: "Hold on, my friends, to the Constitution and to the Republic for which it stands. Miracles do not cluster, and what has happened once in 6000 years, may not happen again. Hold on to the Constitution, for if the American Constitution should fail, there will be anarchy throughout the world."

When Webster talked about holding onto the Constitution, he was including the Second Amendment to the Constitution. And Daniel Webster was not alone in his veneration for the Second Amendment. To a man, America's Founding Fathers equated the preservation of liberty with the freedom to keep and bear arms.

Listen to our founders:

"What country can preserve its liberties if their rulers are not warned from time to time that their people preserve the spirit of resistance? Let them take arms." (Thomas Jefferson, letter to James Madison, December 20, 1787)

"Besides the advantage of being armed, which the Americans possess over the people of almost every other nation, the

existence of subordinate governments, to which the people are attached, and by which the militia officers are appointed, forms a barrier against the enterprises of ambition, more insurmountable than any which a simple government of any form can admit of." (James Madison, "Federalist No. 46", January 29, 1788)

"To disarm the people…[i]s the most effectual way to enslave them." (George Mason, referencing advice given to the British Parliament by Pennsylvania governor Sir William Keith, "The Debates in the Several State Conventions on the Adoption of the Federal Constitution." June 14, 1788)

"Before a standing army can rule, the people must be disarmed; as they are in almost every country in Europe. The supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword; because the whole body of the people are armed, and constitute a force superior to any band of regular troops that can be, on any pretense, raised in the United States. A military force, at the command of Congress, can execute no laws, but such as the people perceive to be just and constitutional; for they will possess the power, and jealousy will instantly inspire the inclination, to resist the execution of a law which appears to them unjust and oppressive." (Noah Webster, "An Examination of the Leading Principles of the Federal Constitution," October 10, 1787)

"Guard with jealous attention the public liberty. Suspect everyone who approaches that jewel. Unfortunately, nothing will preserve it but downright force. Whenever you give up that force, you are ruined." (Patrick Henry, 3 J. Elliot, Debates in the Several State Conventions 45, 2d ed. Philadelphia, 1836)

"The great object is that every man be armed. . . . Everyone who is able might have a gun." (Patrick Henry, Debate in Virginia Ratifying Convention, Elliot 3:380–95, 400–402, June 14, 1788)

"The supposed quietude of a good man allures the ruffian; while on the other hand, arms like laws discourage and keep the invader and the plunderer in awe, and preserve order in the world as well as property. The balance of power is the scale of peace. The same balance would be preserved were all the world destitute of arms, for all would be alike; but since some will not, others dare not lay them aside. And while a single nation refuses to lay them down, it is proper that all should keep them up. Horrid mischief would ensue were one-half the world deprived of the use of them; for while avarice and ambition have a place in the heart of man, the weak will become a prey to the strong. The history of every age and nation establishes these truths, and facts need but little arguments when they prove themselves." (Thomas Paine, "Thoughts on Defensive War" in Pennsylvania Magazine, July 1775)

"[I]f circumstances should at any time oblige the government to form an army of any magnitude that army can never be formidable to the liberties of the people while there is a large body of citizens, little, if at all, inferior to them in discipline and the use of arms, who stand ready to defend their own rights and those of their fellow-citizens. This appears to me the only substitute that can be devised for a standing army, and the best possible security against it, if it should exist." (Alexander Hamilton, Federalist No. 29, January 9, 1788)

What could be plainer? Our Founding Fathers did not engrave the right to keep and bear arms in our Constitution for the purpose of hunting or target shooting or even simply as a deterrent to domestic criminals (as necessary as those things are). No. The purpose of the Second Amendment was to keep the American people FREE, including if our own government was the enemy trying to enslave us.

For the most part, utopian globalists have successfully disarmed the citizens of Western Civilization. All over the

"free world" only governments are armed; citizens have been stripped of their right to keep and bear arms. Even the people of Switzerland are extremely regulated in this regard.

Again, I'll say it plainly: if citizens are not able to freely keep and bear semi-automatic rifles, they are effectively DISARMED.

The semi-automatic rifle is to us what the Roman sword was to the people in Jesus' day. It is the preeminent self-defense tool. It is no coincidence that Jesus commanded His disciples to buy a Roman sword, even if they had to sell their clothes to do so. (Luke 22:36) And by the way, it was against the law for Jews to own a Roman sword at that time. That's right: when Jesus told His disciples to buy a sword, He was telling them to break the law. Tell this to your pastor and see what he says. His response will give you a little hint as to 1) his honest understanding of scriptures and 2) his honest commitment to liberty.

I submit that we would not even be having a discussion of this issue if the pastors of America were doing their jobs from the pulpit. Instead of trying to mimic Joel Osteen and Rick Warren, they should be following the example of America's patriot pastors and equipping their people with the Biblical Natural Law principles they need to protect and defend their homes, communities, and country. And that requires teaching them the God-ordained duty of self-defense.

When Barack Obama and Dianne Feinstein tried to make it illegal to possess semi-automatic rifles back in 2013, the vast majority of America's pastors either said absolutely NOTHING or they actually told their churches, "If the government outlaws your guns, Romans 13 tells us to turn them in." NO! Romans 13 teaches NO SUCH THING.

When I realized the dearth of pastoral leadership regarding the Christian duty to keep and bear arms, my attorney son and I wrote a book to teach believers (and anyone else) the scriptural truth regarding their responsibility of self-defense. The book is called "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns." We show from the scriptures—all of them, including Romans 13—that self-defense is much more than a constitutional right: it is a God-ordained DUTY. We show that to surrender our means of self-defense (and that especially includes the semi-automatic rifle) is to DENY the Christian faith.

If readers have not been taught this truth and are in any way uncertain or confused about it, I strongly urge you to get the book. And if you have a pastor or Sunday School teacher that doesn't understand and courageously teach this truth, buy a copy for them.

To order "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns," click here.

Thankfully, Obama and Feinstein failed to outlaw our semiautomatic rifles back in 2013 (no thanks to most of America's pastors), but you can rest assured if Hillary Clinton is elected the confiscation of our semi-automatic rifles will be NUMBER ONE on the agenda. And even if she isn't elected, Mitch McConnell and Paul Ryan are standing in the wings to compromise away every liberty we have—including the right to keep and bear arms.

So, while federal agencies in Washington, D.C., are being increasingly militarized, the American people are being told they need to surrender their means of self-defense. It is no hyperbole to say that the fate of the civilized world rests with the American people—not with the U.S. armed forces, but with a free and resolute armed citizenry.

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A threat to all humanity

When it comes to constitutional government, the whole left-right, conservative-liberal, Republican-Democrat, even Christian-secular paradigms are, for the most part, an illusion. Over most of the last century, conservatives and liberals, Republicans and Democrats, and Christians and secularists have collectively jettisoned constitutional government in favor of a Welfare State, a Warfare State, a Nanny State, and a Police State.

So-called conservative Republicans like to talk about "limited government," but in reality Republican presidential administrations and Congresses have equaled or sometimes even surpassed Democrats in exploding the size and scope of government. Likewise, liberal Democrats like to talk about ending foreign wars and so-called free-trade deals that favor international corporations, but in reality Democrat presidential administrations and Congresses have done nothing to bring the troops home or dismantle job-killing "free-trade" deals. After all of the campaign rhetoric, both major parties in Washington, D.C., have become nothing more than water boys for the 1 percent donor class.

Over the past several decades, Republicans and Democrats, conservatives and liberals, Christians and secularists have, for the most part, supported the creation of the Patriot Act, the Military Commissions Act, the indefinite detention sections of the NDAA, the militarization of our local and State law enforcement agencies, the draconian, liberty-killing, blatantly unconstitutional Department of Homeland Security (DHS), ubiquitous government spying of the American people, endless wars of aggression overseas, "the war on terror" at home, ad infinitum.

It seems that the vast majority of liberals and conservatives, Democrats and Republicans, secularists and Christians want bigger, more intrusive government. It is not just inner city blacks (who often vote Democrat) who are taking advantage of America's monstrous welfare system, so are a huge percentage of whites (who often vote Republican) from suburbia. I will make an educated guess that one will find as many so-called Christians living on the government dole as those who profess no faith. Plus, if you think that only liberals and secularists are getting abortions, think again. Some studies indicate that over half of the people asking for abortions are professing Christians. The paradigms mentioned above are all but useless.

Look at how Democrat and Republican presidential candidates feel they must go kiss the rings of the Zionists in Tel Aviv; look at how they grovel and pander to the globalist elite at the Council of Foreign Relations (CFR), Trilateral Commission (TC), and Bilderbergs; and look at how quick they all are to go to war—and STAY at war.

When the Patriot Act was being rushed through Congress by G.W. Bush, I was living in a rather large metropolitan area in the southeast. There were over 100 Southern Baptist churches in my area. That's JUST Southern Baptist churches. That doesn't count all of the other brands of Baptist churches and all of the other denominations in town. Hundreds and hundreds of churches. Guess how many pastors joined together to oppose the Patriot Act. You're looking at him, pal. In my town, it was me and the ACLU that stood in opposition to the passage of the Patriot Act. You read it right: the "conservative" Chuck Baldwin and the "liberal" ACLU. So much for labels. In fact, when it comes to Big Brother and the Warfare State, labels mean absolutely nothing.

This is what most people just don't understand: the Constitution is neither a "conservative" nor "liberal" document. The Natural rights of man are neither "conservative"

nor "liberal," neither "Christian" nor "secular." Our Declaration, Constitution, and Bill of Rights were meant to protect the Natural rights of ALL men. And when it comes to opposing America's burgeoning Police State and endless wars of aggression, throw political and ideological labels away: they mean absolutely nothing.

I have often said that when it comes to voting for candidates for federal office, we should focus much more on whether one is a globalist or nationalist than whether they are conservative or liberal. And I hesitate to use the word "nationalist," because too many people associate that word with the phony "American exceptionalism" philosophy that is used to foment most of these endless international wars that the U.S. engages in. I actually prefer to say one is either a globalist or an AMERICAN, because historic American ideology (until the Twentieth Century at least) considered foreign entanglements anathema.

However, since World War II, globalists have controlled every presidential administration of both parties (with the possible exceptions of John F. Kennedy's and Ronald Reagan's) and most of the U.S. Congresses. This reality has brought America to the brink of a Police State and World War III. And, again, neither Republican nor Democrat, conservative nor liberal, Christian nor secularist means diddlysquat when it comes to stopping this juggernaut.

Preventing the complete implementation of a Police State and the advent of World War III is going to take a consortium of strange bedfellows—such as what happened when Bob Barr (representing the ACLU) and I teamed up to oppose the Patriot Act.

For example, I find it incredible that the only people I've heard who are trying to warn the world of how close we are to global nuclear war are "progressives" (aka "liberals"). And they are warning that if Hillary Clinton (a "liberal") is

elected, World War III is almost inevitable. I remind you the following report is produced by progressives, NOT conservatives. Plus, at least some of the people who report for this organization would identify themselves as atheists or agnostics. And THEY are warning us about the liberal, Hillary Clinton.

Listen to what THEY say in this video report:

"The leading likes of the so-called progressive movement argue that it is the left's duty to vote for this neocon warmonger. But the consequences of this strategy may well lead directly to nuclear war.

"Hillary Rodham Clinton is a Wall Street-backed warmonger whose potential election as President of the United States this November poses an existential threat, not just to Americans, but to all of humanity.

"As First Lady and then as Senator, she actively supported the US's illegal wars of aggression abroad."

"She not only admitted the US's role in creating Al Qaeda:

"[Hillary Clinton speaking] 'When the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan, we had this brilliant idea that we were gonna come to Pakistan and create a force of Mujahideen, equip them with stinger missiles and everything else to go after the Soviets inside Afghanistan.'

"But then, despite this admission, as Secretary of State, her support of the war on Libya and the jihadis in Syria directly led to the rise of ISIS and the migrant crisis in Europe."

"She was the one who announced the US's so-called Asia Pacific Pivot that has seen more US military forces being placed in the Asia Pacific as a direct military threat to China."

"And she has stated in no uncertain terms that Russia and Iran will be militarily targeted in a Clinton Presidency and that

the nuclear option is as always 'on the table.'"

"Hillary Clinton is a neocon, a war hawk, a liar, and unindicted criminal and a Wall Street puppet. Why is it then, that those on the so-called progressive left, who would be warning against her if she had an 'R' next to her name, are instead lecturing other leftists that it is now their duty to fall in line and help her get elected?"

"[Michel Chossudovsky speaking] 'In so many words, Hillary Clinton's foreign policy stance is to "blow up the planet." She has made statements to the effect that a first-strike nuclear attack against Russia or Iran is on the table, so that if she is in the White House she could in fact unleash the unspoken which is World War III. I think this is something we have to address, both in terms of analysis, but in terms of political choice. So that anybody who wants to blow up the planet is not progressive. Secondly, she has a criminal record. Not only in regards to the email scandal but also in relation to the Clinton Foundation which is involved in fraud, money laundering, political cronyism, etc. It is amply documented. So that, in effect, the choice of the American people is to elect a war criminal."

"It is no hyperbole to say that the election of Hillary Clinton as President this November would be one of the greatest tragedies in the history of the United States and perhaps the world. It is incumbent on people of all stripes, American and non-American, Republican and Democrat, progressive and libertarian, anarchists and those who have never thought about politics a day in their life to protest her nomination at the Democratic National Convention, work against her campaign for President, and divert the nightmare that is now coming into view."

Watch the video: Hillary Clinton: A Threat To All Humanity

I have been trying to warn people for decades about the threat

that the Clinton and Bush families pose to the future of the United States. In reality, the Clinton and Bush families are ONE CRIME FAMILY. They represent corruption, criminality, corporatism, cronyism, and global cannibalism to the nth degree. For twenty out of the last twenty-eight years, America has had either a Bush or a Clinton in the White House. And to the chagrin of Democrats who thought they were getting "change" with Barack Obama, for the past eight years, he has simply treaded water for the Bush/Clinton regime. And with Hillary winning the Democrat nomination, they are back. And as Ted and Heidi Cruz are ardent GW Bush disciples, had Ted won the GOP nomination, globalists would have had the presidency locked up. (Despite the allegations of some, I am still unconvinced that Donald Trump is a globalist; I tend to think he is not. However, I suspect Mike Pence might be a closet globalist. If Pence is a globalist, we could be looking at another Reagan/Bush scenario—and we all know what happened to Reagan, don't we? But I will leave that subject for another column.)

Hillary (along with Bill, and GHW, and GW—and never forget to include Newt Gingrich among the globalist elite) is the globalists' globalist. She is EVERYTHING the CFR, TC, and Bilderbergs want. And there is nothing that enriches globalists like war. The Bushes and Clintons have kept America at war for over two decades (and Obama did nothing to change it; in fact, he escalated it), but World War III is what the global gamemakers long for.

Let me pause here to encourage readers to purchase the book "War Is A Racket" by Major General Smedley Butler (USMC). Read this short book, and you will understand how the top 1 percent is enriched by war. Nothing enriches the elite like war. Nothing. And the bigger the war, the bigger the riches.

Find General Butler's book in my online store here: War Is A Racket

A Hillary victory puts the Bush/Clinton Crime Family back in the White House. And let's be clear: the two main goals of Hillary's administration would be the full implementation of a Police State in America (including gun confiscation) and the advent of World War III. And right now, it seems that some progressives understand the danger more than many Christians and conservatives.

Again, throw the labels and the paradigms away. Hillary Clinton is a threat to all humanity.

P.S. As the DHS continues to escalate Police State training tactics throughout America's law enforcement agencies, it means the chances of citizens being subjected to all kinds of bullying by police officers also escalates—not to mention the "shoot first, ask questions later" mentality that is growing exponentially among law enforcement personnel. It is very incumbent on citizens to have a good grasp of their constitutional rights when confronted by a policeman. In these days and times, knowing what to say and what not to say and what to do and what not to do can literally save your life.

My constitutional attorney son, who was a prosecutor before becoming a defense attorney, has put together an outstanding video that teaches people the do's and don'ts when contacted by police, whether it be a traffic stop or something else. What Tim teaches will help citizens better protect liberty in their communities and will help policemen to be better peace officers. Yes, I recommend this video for honest lawmen as well.

The video is called "Police Contact: How To Respond." I highly recommend this video to everyone.

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Dead pulpits are greatly facilitating a dying nation

Upon hearing about the deaths of King Saul and his son (and David's best friend) Jonathan, David lamented, "How are the mighty fallen!" (II Samuel 1:19) It is my opinion that David's lamentation could be spoken regarding the death of the American pulpit.

For all intents and purposes, and for the most part, the American pulpit IS dead. It has been replaced with corporate CEOs, carnival barkers, entertainers, motivational speakers, denominational hacks, and groveling statists. The Holy Scripture identifies them another way: as hirelings, earticklers, and wolves in sheep's clothing.

Where once the American pulpit was noted as being "ablaze with righteousness" (Alexis De Tocqueville), it is now most famous for being awash in rigor mortis. America's colonial pastors must be turning over in their graves.

America's colonial pastors were the fire and inspiration for America's break from the tyranny of the British Crown. Patriot preachers such as John Witherspoon, John Leland, Jonathan Mayhew, Isaac Backus, Samuel Cooper, Ebenezer Baldwin, James Caldwell, John Peter Muhlenberg, and Jonas Clark were as important to the success of the American Revolution as were the patriots Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Sam Adams, Dr. Joseph Warren, John Hancock, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, and Richard Henry Lee.

Listen to how John Adams delineated the duty of America's pastors: "It is the duty of the clergy to accommodate their discourses to the times, to preach against such sins as are most prevalent, and recommend such virtues as are most wanted. For example, if exorbitant ambition and venality are

predominant, ought they not to warn their hearers against those vices? If public spirit is much wanted, should they not inculcate this great virtue? If the rights and duties of Christian magistrates and subjects are disputed, should they not explain them, show their nature, ends, limitations, and restrictions, how much soever it may move the gall of Massachusettensis?"

Note again: "If the rights and duties of Christian magistrates and subjects are disputed, should they not explain them, show their nature, ends, limitations, and restrictions . . . ?"

It is the DUTY of pastors to "explain," "show their nature, ends, limitations and restrictions" regarding civil government, all the while paying no attention to the anger it may create it the hearts of some.

The vast majority of pastors today will shirk their duty by saying something like, "I'm only called to preach the Gospel." That is pure POPPYCOCK, and they know it. While the Gospel is the cornerstone of the Bible, if you take away all of the scriptures that do not specifically refer to the Gospel, you will have a VERY SMALL Bible.

The Bible is a book of science; a book of history; a book of mathematics; a workbook for families; a book of business and economics; a book of geography; a book of archeology; a book of soldiering; and a book of GOVERNMENT. To ignore what the Bible teaches on all of these subjects is to make the vast majority of the scriptures completely irrelevant. And that is exactly what the modern pulpit is doing: it is making the Bible completely irrelevant—especially to the affairs of government.

And while many secularists will accuse politically involved pastors ("conservative" pastors, of course—they don't mind "liberal" clergymen getting involved in politics whatsoever) of trying to create a "theocracy," they need to be reminded

that the religious and secularist communities of colonial America fought side-by-side for America's independence. The reason they could do this was because, for the most part, both groups understood the Natural Law principles of liberty that are common to ALL men.

Listen to John Adams again. This time to what he said on the floor of the Continental Congress as he passionately appealed to his fellow delegates to approve a Declaration of Independence from Great Britain. This is the same speech in which he famously said, "Sir, before God, I believe the hour is come. My judgement approves this measure, and my whole heart is in it. All that I have, and all that I am, and all that I hope, in this life, I am now ready here to stake upon it; and I leave off as I begun, that live or die, survive or perish, I am for the declaration. It is my living sentiment, and by the blessing of God it shall be my dying sentiment, independence now and independence forever."

Adams' speech, perhaps more than any other, convinced delegates to vote in support of our Declaration of Independence. Without a doubt, it is one of the most important speeches in American history—perhaps second only to Patrick Henry's immortal "Give Me Liberty, Or Give Me Death" speech. Here is one paragraph from that speech by John Adams:

"If we fail, it can be no worse for us. But we shall not fail. The cause will raise up armies; the cause will create navies. The people—the people, if we are true to them, will carry us, and will carry themselves, gloriously, through this struggle. I care not how fickle other people have been found. I know the people of these colonies, and I know that resistance to British aggression is deep and settled in their hearts, and cannot be eradicated. Every colony, indeed, has expressed its willingness to follow, if we but take the lead. Sir, the declaration will inspire the people with increased courage. Instead of a long and bloody war for the restoration of privileges, for redress of grievances, for chartered

immunities, held under a British King, set before them the glorious object of entire independence, and it will breathe into them anew the breath of life.

Read this declaration at the head of the army; every sword will be drawn from its scabbard, and the solemn vow uttered, to maintain it, or to perish on the bed of honor. Publish it from the pulpit; religion will approve it, and the love of religious liberty will cling round it, resolved to stand with it, or fall with it. Send it to the public halls; proclaim it there; let them hear it who heard the first roar of the enemy's cannon, let them see it who saw their brothers and their sons fall on the field of Bunker Hill, and in the streets of Lexington and Concord, and the very walls will cry out in its support."

Notice he said, "Publish it from the pulpit; religion will approve it, and the love of religious liberty will cling round it, resolved to stand with it, or fall with it."

And for the "love of religious liberty" and possessing the "resolve to stand with it, or fall with it," the preachers of colonial America sounded forth the clarion call of liberty from pulpits throughout New England just as Adams said they would.

For example, listen to the message that Jonas Clark (who was the pastor of the men who stood on Lexington Green and fired the shot heard round the world that began America's War for Independence) delivered on April 19, 1776, the first anniversary of that epic day. I delivered that famous message word-for-word to my folks at Liberty Fellowship in Kalispell, Montana. Listen to how this courageous pastor applied the Biblical and Natural Law principles to the events on Lexington Green and to America's war for separation from the British Crown. (As far as I know, this video presentation is one of a kind. I know of no other such word-for-word reenactment of Pastor Clark's thrilling message to be in existence.)

Order my verbatim reenactment of that message — Jonas Clark's Message

It was these kinds of sermons with which the colonial pastors of New England filled their churches. Compare these messages to the fluff and ear-tickling claptrap that fills our churches today.

The Biblical Natural Law principles of liberty and government have not been explained, expounded or extrapolated to any significant degree since the dawn of the 20th Century. If one wants to study the teachings of church leaders relative to these issues, one would have to read the scholars and commentators who lived during the Nineteenth Century or earlier. The study of Natural Law is as dead to modern pastors as the study of Guli Guli.

But Natural Law is taught throughout the scriptures. In truth, if one does not have at least a rudimentary knowledge of Natural Law, he or she cannot really comprehend Revealed Law (the Holy Scriptures). Natural Law is nothing more than God's creative revelation of Himself to man. These principles not only make for good government, but also make for a sane, civilized society. The rejection and repudiation of the Creator's Natural Laws by America's pulpits paved the way for the rejection and repudiation of the Redeemer's Revealed Law. Pastors have no one to blame but themselves for America's descent into unbelief and lawlessness.

The Natural Law principles endowed us at creation UNITE us around fundamental governing principles that are as immutable as the laws of physics, biogenesis, thermodynamics, etc. It matters not that we are believers or unbelievers, black or white, rich or poor, conservative or liberal, Democrat or Republican. Natural Law teaches all of us the principles of good government, lawful authority, justifiable resistance, individual liberty, etc. Take away our Creator's Natural Laws and we are left with every man doing what is right in his own

eyes, which is exactly what America—including Christian America—is doing today. When men have no understanding of Natural Law and, therefore, feel no obligation to obey the Natural Law written in their hearts, they are less likely to understand, much less obey, the Revealed Law written on paper.

Readers should know that I have a DVD containing four messages on the subject of Natural Law. Of course, these four messages only serve to provide a most basic understanding of Natural Law principles, but at least it is a beginning. I dare say that most Christians have sat in churches all of their lives and NEVER heard a message remotely resembling the truths and principles contained in these messages.

The titles of the messages contained on this DVD are:

- 1- Biblical Evidence For Natural Law
- 2- Christ's Law Of The Sword
- 3- The Law Of Necessity
- 4- Liberty In Law

The name of the DVD is "Natural Law And Liberty" and may be ordered here.

I thoroughly believe that these messages will help pulpit and pew alike to awaken to an entirely new vista of Biblical understanding. Once a person is aware of Natural Law, the Bible will literally come alive with fresh understanding and insight, especially in the areas of liberty, government, and law. These messages will also help unbelievers to comprehend the Natural Law principles of liberty that unite all of us, regardless of our faith or lack thereof.

As David lamented the deaths of King Saul and Jonathan, so should we lament the death of the American pulpit. But we should do more than that. If we cannot successfully awaken our pastors to their duty, we should find and support pastors who properly understand their duty and who are willing to faithfully discharge it, because dead pulpits are greatly

facilitating a dying nation.

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First religious wars, now race wars

The killings of five police officers in Dallas, Texas, by a Black Lives Matter (BLM) militant protester is the latest consequence of manufactured terrorism by out-of-control government elitists hell-bent on destroying the United States as a free and independent nation. A lot more is on the way.

This all started in earnest under the presidential administration of George H.W. Bush and has continued unabated through the two administrations of Barack Obama. For nearly three decades (perhaps three decades plus two years, if one includes a G.H.W. Bush-dominated second term of Ronald Reagan), Neocon and Neolib globalists have controlled the domestic and foreign policies of the federal government. And with the advent of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Patriot Act under George W. Bush, the federal government was given virtually all of the tools it needs to try to implement its New World Order globalist agenda.

The first step was to create a global religious war between the so-called Christian West and Islam. This mandated the collapse of the Saddam Hussein regime in Iraq in order to create chaos and terrorism throughout the Middle East. Along with Syria's Bashar al-Assad's mostly secular government, the secular regime of Saddam Hussein in Iraq had to be disrupted or overthrown in order for Neocon globalists in the West (which includes its allies in Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and

Israel) to achieve their goal of creating instability throughout the region.

Like them or not, Hussein and Assad were the two most stabilizing forces in the Middle East. For the most part, they kept religious radicals in the region pretty much at bay. The thousand-year conflict between Sunni and Shia Muslims was mostly localized. That all changed with the U.S. overthrow of Saddam Hussein and the complete destabilization of Assad's Syria.

In addition, perpetual attacks against Syria and its allies in the region by U.S. bombers and drones (which have killed tens of thousands) have successfully infuriated an entire generation of Middle Eastern Muslims. Add to this covert operations by America's CIA, British MI6, the Israeli Mossad—along with clandestine support from Saudi Arabia and Turkey—and the Neocon globalist elite have created a global religious war that has resulted in the current escalation of mass migration into Europe, militant Islamic terrorism, and never-ending wars of aggression by the United States. But the bigger goal of the globalists was about using the instability of the Middle East as a vehicle by which to create instability in the United States.

America is the last bastion of freedom in the world. It is the only remaining nation of Western Civilization that still recognizes man's Natural rights, including and especially the right to keep and bear arms. As long as America remains an armed society, it is impossible for the globalists to achieve their ultimate goal of subjugating the West. Nations such as Great Britain, Australia, Canada, New Zealand—and even Switzerland—that once reverenced the fundamental right of free men to keep and bear arms have been mostly subjected to the tyranny of the gun-grabbing global elite. America is the last domino to fall.

The advent of the global "war on terror" was the perfect

excuse to create the DHS-including its aggressive program of militarizing U.S. domestic law enforcement.

It is not even controversial any longer to note how increasingly militarized local and State law enforcement agencies have become since the DHS was formed. But that includes more than equipment; it also includes police training and tactics. More and more, local police are brainwashed with an "us versus them" mentality and are given extreme latitude by department chiefs, county sheriffs, and judges to "shoot first and ask questions later."

Former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Dr. Paul Craig Roberts writes, "First, we know that the police have been, or are being, militarized. They are armed with weapons of war that hitherto have been used only on battlefields. We don't know why police are armed in this way, as such weapons are not necessary for policing the American public and are not used in police work anywhere except in Israeli-occupied Palestine.

"There is an undeclared agenda behind these weapons, and neither Congress nor the presstitute media have any apparent interest in discovering the hidden agenda.

"Nevertheless, the militarization of the police fits in with what we know about police training."

Roberts continues, "The American police are being taught at public expense that only their lives are valuable, not our lives. Therefore, in any encounter with a citizen, the automatic assumption is that the citizen intends harm to the police and must be immediately forcefully subdued and handcuffed or, alternatively, shot dead. The police are trained that the safest thing for the police to do is to terminate the suspect even if it is a soccer mom who forgot to signal a turn while driving her kids to a practice.

"In other words, the American police have no more obligation to respect the lives and rights of US citizens than the Israeli occupying forces have to respect the lives and rights of Palestinians.

"This does appear to be an accurate description of the situation. Even the New York Times has blown the whistle on William J. Lewinski, who trains US police to shoot first and he will answer the questions for them in court, on the rare occasion that the wanton murder they committed lands them there."

See Dr. Roberts' column: Police Murder Because They Are Trained To Murder

Dr. Roberts' column is well taken. The result of this police indoctrination is an ever-burgeoning number of police shootings and killings.

For example, in 2013, 773 people were shot and killed by police. In 2014, the number rose to 1,111. In 2015, the number spiked again to 1,208. And so far, police have killed (as of July 12) 619 in 2016, which is on a pace to equal or surpass 2015 numbers.

See the report: Killed By Police

I am giving police the benefit of the doubt and assuming that most of these killings were justified. But not all of them were. Just how many were not we will never know because the vast majority of unjustified shootings are swept under the carpet by the powers that be, leaving victims' families to suffer without resolution and with intense resentment against our government and its representatives in law enforcement.

By contrast to the thousands of people killed by police, in 2013, 33 police officers were shot and killed; in 2014, 49 police officers were shot and killed; and in 2015, 42 police officers were shot and killed. (Source: National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund)

And just as Middle Eastern Muslims have been the most obvious target of America's international "war on terror," so, too, the black community has been the most obvious target of the government's domestic "war on terror." Neither is a coincidence. Again, the goal is to provoke instability so as to justify disarmament and police militarization.

For years, the DHS media relations front group, the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), has done its best to create "war" between the federal government and conservatives and Christians, people they call "radical right-wing extremists." The DHS and SPLC have done their dead-level best to incite conservatives and patriots into physical confrontation with federal agencies. For the most part—and with only a few rare exceptions—these efforts have failed miserably. So, what the Neocons who control Washington, D.C., could not do against conservative patriot groups, they are now doing against the black community.

It is no coincidence that ultra-globalists such as George Soros are funding BLM to the tune of millions of dollars. And there is absolutely no doubt that the same globalists who were able to create radical Muslim terror groups such as ISIS have also been able to create radical groups such as BLM.

And no, not everyone in the BLM protest group is an anti-America, violence-prone terrorist. Many of them are simply angry people (some of them justifiably) who are being manipulated by anti-America radicals in much the same way that young, bitter Muslims (some of them justifiably) are being manipulated by radical globalists.

BLM no more represents the black community than ISIS represents Islam. Both are cunningly created contrivances of Neocons and Neolibs in Washington, D.C., who are attempting to incite terror, instability, and chaos inside the United States for the express purpose of manipulating the U.S. Congress into authorizing the disarmament of the American citizenry and into

utilizing a DHS-trained militarized police apparatus to squelch any resistance to their soon-to-follow Police State.

It is no accident that both Barack Obama and the Dallas, Texas, police chief are calling for more gun control in the wake of the Dallas shootings. And make no mistake about it: their ultimate goal is the confiscation of semi-automatic rifles because the semi-automatic rifle is the ONLY effective deterrent to authoritarianism. I will say it straight out: if you do not own a semi-automatic rifle, you are DEFENSELESS against tyranny. Your Glock pistol, Smith & Wesson revolver, bolt-action hunting rifle, and pump shotgun are NOT going to defend your community or our nation against the forces of a tyrant. I will even be bolder and say: unless your age or health prohibits you from operating a semi-automatic rifle, to not own a semi-automatic rifle is tantamount to abandoning the defense of liberty. By not possessing a semi-automatic rifle, you are aiding and abetting the usurpers. AR-type rifles are lightweight, have negligible recoil, and are so simple to operate (with proper instruction, of course) that the smallest framed man or woman can proficiently use them. There is NO EXCUSE for any freedom-loving American to NOT own a semiautomatic rifle. As Jesus said, "He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one." (Luke 22:36)

I highly encourage readers to obtain the book written by my attorney son and me entitled "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns." This book explains the Natural Law philosophy and Biblical theology of why Christians (and everyone else) need to be armed. And we also explain in the book why the confiscation of semi-automatic rifles is the same as TOTAL disarmament.

Find the book here: To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns

If you don't understand anything else, please understand this: the goal of all of this violence and unrest is the disarmament

of the American citizenry. Sadly, this means that you folks who live in big cities are about to see a whole lot more (and worse) of what happened in Dallas, Texas.

The New Black Panther Party is already talking about forming their own country out of the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. And if you think this is an idle threat, think again. Residents of big cities within these states should start preparing for the worst NOW.

This country is fast turning into a boiling cauldron. But the ones who are cooking up this hellish feast are not the ones you see on your television screen. Like the chef at your local eatery, they are "behind the curtain."

On a positive note, the more these gun-grabbing, totalitarian-loving, big-government toadies succeed in tearing the nation apart through their manufactured religious and race wars, the more incentive Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington State, and Alaska have to do a little breaking away of their own. Or better yet, get these states together and call it "New Columbia." Call it whatever you will, but somehow I don't see Montanans or Texans giving up their semi-automatic rifles anytime soon—all of the fabrications, manipulations, and provocations of the globalist elite notwithstanding.

So, if the goal of all of this mayhem and madness is to take away our semi-automatic rifles (and it is), all I can say is MOLON LABE.

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An open letter to FBI director James Comey

FBI Director James Comey on Tuesday reported that his office recommends that no charges be filed against Hillary Clinton despite saying that he found "evidence" that she "might" have violated the law pertaining to classified information when she was Secretary of State. Here is the way Breitbart.com covered the story:

"Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) director James Comey said Tuesday at a press conference that he will not recommend an indictment against Hillary Clinton, though he found 'evidence' that she might have violated laws pertaining to the handling of classified information.

"Comey announced a number of conclusions that support the findings of Breitbart News' coverage of the Clinton private email scandal, including that she sent and received information on her private server that was classified. Comey said that 110 of Clinton's emails were classified at the time they were sent.

"Comey said that 'although there is evidence of potential violations,' no reasonable prosecutor would take on the case.

"Comey at least shared details about that damning evidence.

"He also said that seven of Clinton's email chains contained 'Top Secret' information.

"'That is excluding any later up-classified emails... None of these emails should have been on any unclassified system, but the presence of these emails is especially concerning,' Comey said.

"'There is evidence to support a conclusion that any

reasonable person in Secretary Clinton's position... should have known that an unclassified system was no place for that information,' Comey continued.

"'There is evidence that they were extremely careless,' he said, referring to Clinton and her aides.

"Comey also noted that individuals in a similar situation would not necessarily be let off the hook with no charges, but would probably face penalties. 'But that's not what we're deciding now,' Comey said. 'We are expressing to Justice our view that no charges be made in this case.'

"Comey said that 'no outside influence of any kind was brought to bear' on the investigation, even though Attorney General Loretta Lynch recently held a secret meeting with President Bill Clinton.

"Comey said the investigation was conducted in an 'apolitical and professional way... I couldn't be prouder to be part of this organization.'

"Then he walked off."

See the report: FBI Director James Comey: We Will Not Indict Hillary Clinton Even Though There Is 'Evidence' Of Violations

As a result of Director Comey's reprehensible decision, here is my open letter to him:

Dear Mr. Comey,

Do you not realize that public distrust and disgust with the U.S. federal government is at its highest level since this nation was founded? And are you not willing to admit that there are very good reasons why so many Americans feel the way they do about their federal government?

We have watched the federal government cover up fiasco after fiasco. We have watched as our public servants in Washington,

D.C., have allowed the privileged class (mostly those in the employ of the federal government) to walk away scot-free from crime after crime—crimes that had any of us ordinary people committed, there would have been absolutely no mercy shown us.

Sir, I believe you have attempted to conduct yourself honestly and admirably throughout your long and celebrated career. You have the respect and admiration of the vast majority (if not all) of the agents who serve under you. Many of us very much respected the way you stood on the Constitution and rule of law when President G.W. Bush tried to bully you into executing warrantless searches and seizures and you courageously refused to do so. And we were depending on you to once again speak truth to power and stand upon your oath to the Constitution as you examined the misdeeds of Secretary Clinton.

But you let us down. You failed the agency, the American people, the Constitution, the rule of law, and even yourself. You are better than that, and you know it. I'm really not sure how you are going to live with yourself after all of the years of priding yourself as being a man of character, honesty, and integrity. The Clinton crime machine has claimed another victim: James Comey.

You said, "No outside influence of any kind was brought to bear." You must know that almost no one outside the Clinton political machine believes that. And even they don't believe it; they just don't care. You have provided more reason for many Americans to say what they have been saying since Ruby Ridge and Waco: "The rule of law no longer applies to the power elite inside the Beltway."

As you know, in 2015 General David Petraeus "was sentenced to serve two years on probation and to pay an \$100,000 fine . . . for sharing classified information with his biographer and lover, Paula Broadwell."

"Petraeus, who resigned as director of the Central

Intelligence Agency in November 2012 after the relationship became public, avoided jail time as part of a plea deal. Prosecutors agreed to not send Petraeus to jail because the classified information was never released to the public or published in the biography of him that Broadwell wrote." (Source: CNN)

Yet everyone knows that the classified material that Hillary Clinton carelessly left unprotected (at the very least) did indeed make its way not only into the public but also into the hands of our enemies. And there is no doubt in any objective mind that Hillary's crimes resulted in the deaths of Americans overseas, including Benghazi. And this is not to mention the fact that the evidence to which you alluded proves Ms. Clinton committed perjury. And, as you know, there are thousands of Americans in prison today who are there for that same crime.

Plus, every single day across this great nation, prosecutors at every level prosecute people with evidentiary material that is far more circumstantial than the evidence you found against Ms. Clinton. You know this to be true. With the utmost respect, to suggest that no reasonable prosecutor would take on the case is downright laughable. The only reason that a prosecutor would not take on a case like this would be because of the fear of political and even vocational retaliation.

In your public statement you acknowledge that individuals in a similar situation would not necessarily be let off the hook with no charges but would probably face penalties. Sir, by your own admission, you have acknowledged that you have provided special treatment for Ms. Clinton.

From the creation of our Declaration of Independence, which we celebrated the 240th anniversary of this past Monday, our country was dedicated to being "a nation of laws, not men." Granting special favors to officers of the Crown was one of the many reasons that our thirteen colonies fought a bloody revolutionary war to break free from Great Britain. But you

know all of this.

You were given a position (by God and the American people) that has the authority (and responsibility) to show the world that America is still a nation of laws and not men, that the U.S. Constitution and rule of law is still held sacred in this country. But you brought disgrace to that position and made a mockery out of that uniquely American doctrine held sacrosanct from the days of our Founding Fathers.

Do you realize how difficult you have made it for patriotic Americans throughout the country? Whether you realize it or not, there are hundreds of thousands (probably millions) of American people from all walks of life who daily put their lives on the line for liberty and truth as much as any of your agents do. In fact, we help make America safer for your agents. We stand behind the rule of law. We oppose the militant hotheads who would use any misstep or misdeed by your agency (and other federal agencies) as an excuse to inflict bodily harm against the representatives of the federal government. We believe in the divine principles of Natural and Revealed Law. We are men and women of peace. We are willing to stand beside your agents as they serve the people in defense of our constitutional liberties. We believe in law and order. Whether you understand it or not, people like us are the last line of defense between your agents and those who believe that they are a law unto themselves and who refuse to acknowledge the laws of Nature and Nature's God. And now you have slapped all of us in the face and made our jobs so much more difficult. Plus, you have made it much more difficult for your own agents and given fodder to those who are bent on lawlessness.

A majority of the American people (from both ends of the political spectrum) feel betrayed by their own government. And now you, Sir, have joined the seemingly ever-burgeoning cabal of betrayers.

I realize had you chosen the valiant and honorable course and rightly recommended that criminal charges be brought against Ms. Clinton that the Attorney General—the partisan lackey that she is—would have in all likelihood ignored your recommendation. You may have even experienced political and vocational retaliation yourself. But at least yours would have been the honorable part. Plus, know that many of your fellow Americans have suffered (and still suffer) such retaliation for being true to their convictions. So, you would have been in good company.

History will one day reveal the corruption of the Clintons. And as history has revealed the honesty and integrity of those brave men in Colonial America who were willing to stand courageously against corruption within their own government, so you, too, had the opportunity to have had your name forever inscribed among the august body of patriots who were willing to show the world that America is still "a nation of laws, not men."

Mr. Comey, count me deeply saddened by your betrayal. I expected more from you.

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The contest is on

As everyone knows, the people of Great Britain voted to secede from the European Union (EU). This was a stunning repudiation of the globalists' agenda and a very bad omen for Hillary Clinton.

However, globalists, including the Neocons and Neolibs in Washington, D.C., will NOT take this lying down. Leaders in

France and Germany are already talking about EU member states surrendering their economies, their armies, and their borders to the EU. International bankers immediately manipulated the financial markets downward (over two trillion dollars were lost) as a threat to any other country thinking about following England's example.

BUT FINALLY, THE CONTEST IS ON!

The modern push toward globalism has been actively taking place since the creation of the United Nations back in 1945. For the first few decades following the advent of the UN, globalists mostly hid and denied their efforts. Political and economic leaders seldom mentioned it in public. George H.W. Bush was the first Western leader to talk openly about a burgeoning New World Order. Since then, leaders around the world have been very open about their desire to create global government. Today, only ignoramuses or bald-faced liars deny the existence of the globalist agenda.

GHW Bush said, "We have before us the opportunity to forge for ourselves and for future generations a new world order When we are successful, and we will be, we have a real chance at this new world order, an order in which a credible United Nations can use its peacekeeping role to fulfill the promise and vision of the U.N.'s founders."

Bush, Sr. also said, "What is at stake is more than one small country, it is a big idea—a new world order . . ." He further said, "The world can, therefore, seize the opportunity to fulfill the long-held promise of a new world order . . ." And he went on to say, "It is the sacred principles enshrined in the United Nations charter to which the American people will henceforth pledge their allegiance."

England's former Prime Minister, Tony Blair, said, "We are all internationalists now, whether we like it or not." He continued saying, "On the eve of a new Millennium we are now

in a new world. We need new rules for international cooperation and new ways of organizing our international institutions." He also said, "Today the impulse towards interdependence is immeasurably greater. We are witnessing the beginnings of a new doctrine of international community."

In 1999, Tony Blair said, "Globalization has transformed our economies and our working practices. But globalism is not just economic. It is also a political and security phenomenon."

Likewise, former President GW Bush penned his signature to the Declaration of Quebec City back on April 22, 2001, in which he gave a "commitment to hemispheric integration and national and collective responsibility for improving the economic wellbeing and security of our people."

By "our people" Bush meant the people of the Western Hemisphere, not the people of the United States. Phyllis Schlafly rightly reminded us that G.W. Bush "pledged that the United States will 'build a hemispheric family on the basis of a more just and democratic international order.'"

The public statements of notable world leaders regarding an emerging New World Order are ubiquitous. Consider the statements of former CBS newsman, Walter Cronkite.

In his book, "A Reporter's Life," Walter Cronkite said, "A system of world order—preferably a system of world government—is mandatory. The proud nations someday will see the light and, for the common good and their own survival, yield up their precious sovereignty . . ." Cronkite told BBC newsman Tim Sebastian, "I think we are realizing that we are going to have to have an international rule of law." He added, "We need not only an executive to make international law, but we need the military forces to enforce that law." Cronkite also said, "American people are going to begin to realize that perhaps they are going to have to yield some sovereignty to an international body to enforce world law."

The United Nations has been on the forefront of promoting the New World Order agenda since its very inception. In 1995, the UN released a manual entitled "Our Global Neighborhood." It states, "Population, consumption, technology, development, and the environment are linked in complex relationships that bear closely on human welfare in the global neighborhood. Their effective and equitable management calls for a systematic, long-term, global approach guided by the principle of sustainable development, which has been the central lesson from the mounting ecological dangers of recent times. Its universal application is a priority among the tasks of global governance."

If there is no emerging New World Order, what is "global governance" all about?

"Who are the movers and shakers promoting global government?" you ask. Obviously, it is the international bankers who are the heavyweights behind the push for global government. Remember, one cannot create a "global economy" without a global government to manage, oversee, and control it.

In a letter written to Colonel E. Mandell House, President Franklin D. Roosevelt said, "The real truth of the matter is, as you and I know, that a financial element in the large centers has owned the government of the U.S. since the days of Andrew Jackson."

"Old Hickory" did his best to rid the United States from the death grip that the international bankers were beginning to exert on this country. He may have been the last President to actually oppose the bankers (except for John F. Kennedy who wanted to disband the Federal Reserve and for which he was probably killed). In discussing the Bank Renewal Bill with a delegation of bankers in 1832, Jackson said, "Gentlemen! I have had men watching you for a long time, and am convinced that you have used the funds of the bank to speculate in the breadstuffs of the country. When you won, you divided the

profits amongst you, and when you lost, you charged it to the bank. You tell me that if I take the deposits from the bank and annul its charter I shall ruin ten thousand families. That may be true, gentlemen, but that is your sin! Should I let you go on, you will ruin fifty thousand families, and that would be my sin! You are a den of vipers and thieves. I have determined to rout you out, and by the Eternal, I will rout you out!"

Unfortunately, the international bankers proved themselves to be too formidable for President Jackson. And in 1913, with the collaboration of President Woodrow Wilson, the bankers were given charge over America's financial system by the creation of the Federal Reserve.

In addition, the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) was created as a means by which to infiltrate the media and political elite with New World Order lackeys. Remember, the CFR was incorporated in 1921 and is currently comprised of only about 5,000 members. Yet, CFR members are found in staggering numbers among the political and media elite.

The CFR was co-founded by Edward Mandell House and John D. Rockefeller. Colonel (an honorary title—he was not a military colonel) House had been the chief advisor of President Woodrow Wilson. Historians often call House "Wilson's alter ego" due to the powerful influence he held over the President. House was a rabid Marxist whose goal was to socialize the United States. In his book, "Philip Dru: Administrator," House said he was working for "socialism as dreamed of by Karl Marx."

House's stated goals were to incorporate a gradual income tax upon the backs of the American people for the purpose of establishing a state-controlled central bank. Both of these goals were accomplished in 1913, the very first year of the House-dominated Wilson administration.

House's blueprint became the foundation for the CFR. What was

not accomplished by the proposed League of Nations at the end of World War I was realized with the formation of the United Nations at the end of World War II. Not by accident, much of the original funding for the CFR came from Rockefeller and J. P. Morgan. President Franklin D. Roosevelt gave CFR members much authority in his administration, and they have pretty much dominated the foreign and financial policies of the United States ever since.

In the April 1974 edition of the CFR publication "Foreign Affairs," Columbia University Professor and CFR member Richard Gardner wrote a column entitled "The Hard Road to World Order." In it, he called for "an end run around national sovereignty, eroding it piece by piece." He named the following organizations that would help fulfill that objective: the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), the Law of the Sea Conference, the World Food Conference, the World Population Conference, and of course, the United Nations. I would also include NAFTA, the World Trade Organization (WTO), the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP), CAFTA, TPP, etc.

The CFR has a sister organization called the Trilateral Commission (TC). This group was co-founded by the Marxist Zbigniew Brzezinski and David Rockefeller. Like Gardner, Brzezinski calls for a piecemeal "movement toward a larger community of the developed nations . . . through a variety of indirect ties and already developing limitations on national sovereignty." (Source: Brzezinski, Between Two Ages, p. 296)

In his book "With No Apologies," former Republican Presidential nominee Barry Goldwater wrote, "The Trilateral Commission is intended to be the vehicle for multinational consolidation of the commercial and banking interests by seizing control of the political government of the United States. The Trilateral Commission represents a skillful, coordinated effort to seize control and consolidate the four

centers of power political, monetary, intellectual and ecclesiastical. What the Trilateral Commission intends is to create a worldwide economic power superior to the political governments of the nationstates involved. As managers and creators of the system, they will rule the future." Was Goldwater a prophet or what?

In his book "Memoirs," on page 405, David Rockefeller says, "Some even believe we [the Rockefeller family] are part of a secret cabal working against the best interests of the United States, characterizing my family and me as 'internationalists' and of conspiring with others around the world to build a more integrated global political and economic structure—one world, if you will. If that's the charge, I stand guilty, and I am proud of it."

Back in 1991, French publications quoted David Rockefeller as saying in a Bilderberg meeting in Baden-Baden, Germany, "We are grateful to the Washington Post, The New York Times, Time Magazine and other great publications whose directors have attended our meetings and respected their promises of discretion for almost forty years. . . . It would have been impossible for us to develop our plan for the world if we had been subjected to the lights of publicity during those years. But, the world is now more sophisticated and prepared to march towards a world government. The supranational sovereignty of an intellectual elite and world bankers is surely preferable to the national auto-determination practiced in past centuries."

How could Rockefeller be any plainer? He acknowledged the willful assistance of the major media in helping to keep the elitists' agenda of global government from the American people. To this day, the major media has not deviated from that collaboration. And this includes the talking heads at FOX News. They know if they want to keep their jobs, they dare not unmask the New World Order.

But New World Order spokesmen themselves could not be clearer. For example, CFR member, Walt Rostow, said, "It is, therefore, an American interest to see an end to nationhood"

The American people need to wake up to the fact that the international banking interests that dominate our political and financial entities are working tirelessly to "see an end to nationhood." I am talking about the Rothschilds and Warburgs of Europe, and the houses of J.P. Morgan, Kuhn, Loeb, Schiff, Lehman, and Rockefeller.

Rear Admiral Chester Ward, who was the Judge Advocate General of the Navy from 1956-1960 and a former member of the CFR who pulled out after realizing what they were all about, warned the American people about the dangers of this and similar organizations (such as the TC). He said, "The most powerful clique in these elitist groups have one objective in common—they want to bring about the surrender of the sovereignty and the national independence of the United States. A second clique of international members in the CFR comprises the Wall Street international bankers and their key agents. Primarily, they want the world banking monopoly from whatever power ends up in the control of global government."

Admiral Ward also said, "The main purpose of the Council on Foreign Relations is promoting the disarmament of U.S. sovereignty and national independence and submergence into an all powerful, one world government."

Check it out. Virtually every recent presidential administration—Republican and Democrat—is littered with CFR and TC members. Here is a sample list of notables in and out of government who hold (or held) membership in the CFR or TC (and sometimes both):

George Herbert Walker Bush. Bill Clinton. Sandra Day O'Connor. Dick Cheney. Les Aspin. Colin Powell. Robert Gates. Brent Scowcroft. Jesse Jackson, Sr. Mario Cuomo. Dan Rather. Tom

Brokaw. David Brinkley. John Chancellor. Marvin Kalb. Diane Sawyer. Barbara Walters. Cyrus Vance. Paul Volcker. Henry Kissinger. George Shultz. Alan Greenspan. Madeleine Albright. Roger Altman. Bruce Babbitt. Howard Baker. Samuel Berger. Elaine Chao. Dianne Feinstein. Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Chuck Hagel. Gary Hart. John McCain. George Mitchell. Bill Moyers. Jay Rockefeller. Donna Shalala. Strobe Talbott. Fred Thompson. Robert Zoellick. Richard Nixon. Hubert H. Humphrey. George McGovern. Gerald Ford. Jimmy Carter. John Anderson. Walter Mondale. Michael Dukakis. Al Gore. John Kerry. Susan Rice. Anthony Lake. Zbigniew Brzezinski. Richard Clarke. Daalder. Dennis Ross. Lawrence Korb. Bruce Riedel. Stephen Flynn. Tim Geithner. Gen. James Jones. Thomas Donilon. Dennis Blair. Kurt Campbell. James Steinberg. Richard Haass. Richard Holbrooke, Joe Biden, Bill Richardson, Tom Daschle, Janet Napolitano. Hillary Clinton.

It is absolutely essential that we stop looking at potential leaders as either Democrats or Republicans or as conservatives or liberals. Those monikers mean very little today. We must start identifying people as either Americans or globalists. Either they believe in an independent, sovereign, self-governing United States of America or they believe in supranational government and internationalism. Either they believe in devotion to the U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights, and Declaration of Independence or they believe in the goals and objectives of the United Nations.

We must rid ourselves of the propensity to support candidates simply because they classify themselves as "conservatives," and we must stop blindly supporting the GOP because it claims to be a "conservative" party. If candidates and political office-holders do not understand and oppose the New World Order, they do not deserve our support or our vote.

George W. Bush, Bill Clinton, and George H.W. Bush laid the foundation for everything that Barack Obama has done to facilitate the New World Order. That two of these Presidents are Democrats and two are Republicans only proves my point: both the Democratic and Republican parties have succumbed to New World Order ideology.

Just yesterday, Barack Obama, meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Mexican President Enrique Pena Neito at the North American Leaders' Summit in Canada, said, "We're going to keep on pushing hard to shape an international order"

The EU is the prototype of global government. The Treaty of Rome in 1958 was the precursor to what became the EU as we know it today with the Treaty of Maastricht in 1992. Bill Clinton and G.W. Bush tried their best to push through a North American Union but were stymied by the independent-minded spirit of the American people and State legislators—especially the legislators in Texas and Oklahoma.

In reality, anti-globalist fervor has been brewing for many years on both sides of the Atlantic. Pat Buchanan and Ron Paul are the ones who most recently ignited the anti-globalist movement in this country. Furthermore, it has been the anti-globalist movement that has fueled the political campaigns of both Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump. Now, Great Britain has voted to leave the EU. And the anti-EU movement is growing in several other European countries as well, so I doubt that England will be the last country to secede from the EU.

Britain's secession from the EU is the first national act of defiance to the globalist agenda since the globalist elite created the United Nations. But as I said, globalists will not take this lying down. The fight has only begun. The big apple has always been the United States. And, sadly, globalists control the Federal Reserve, the DOD, the CIA, the State Department, the Department of Homeland Security, and the congressional leadership on both sides of the aisle.

But, again, at least now THE CONTEST IS ON.

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How to spot a false flag event

A missionary friend of mine in Eastern Europe recently gave me a heads up regarding an excellent article written by Sebastian Swift entitled "5 Confirmed False Flag Operations And How To Spot Them In The Future."

Swift writes, "The false flag phenomenon is distinctively modern and used as an ideological weapon to control populations with the fear of a manufactured enemy. They are used in ostensibly democratic systems where people believe they have inalienable rights. Such democratic systems—primarily the United States, Israel, and Great Britain—must shock people into sociopolitical and geopolitical consent and, as such, require sophisticated modern propaganda systems and advanced covert operations teams with highly proficient skills."

Here are his telltale signs of a false flag operation:

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~There is an immediate comprehensive narrative, including a

convenient culprit. Law enforcement, government agencies, and the mainstream media immediately proffer a narrative that completely explains the event and encourages citizens to tie their intellectual understanding of the tragedy to the emotions they experience. In his lecture at Contact in the Desert, [author and researcher] Richard Dolan noted that a distinguishing characteristic of a false flag operation is that the official narrative IS NOT questioned by the media. There are often legislative, ideological and sociopolitical power plays waiting in the wings, which the government can immediately implement.

~The official narrative has obvious domestic and geopolitical advantages for the governing body. The Bush administration used 9/11 to usher in the War on Terror, which has served as a lynchpin for countless civil liberty infringements by the national security state, including ubiquitous domestic surveillance and indefinite detention.

~The narrative behind the attack serves to leverage emotions like fear, as well as patriotism, in order to manufacture consent around a previously controversial issue. For example, many of the recent domestic terror attacks, including the Aurora [and Orlando] shooting[s], have exacerbated and reinforced advocacy of gun control legislation.

~Military training drills and police drills occur on the day of and very near the attack itself, causing confusion to obscure eye witness testimony and allowing orchestrators to plant both patsies, disinformation and backup operatives. This is no small point. An incredible percentage of major domestic or international terror attacks have involved simultaneous "training drills." This list includes, but is not limited to, the infamous NORAD drills of 9/11, the 7/7 London Bombings, the 2011 Norway shooting, the Aurora shooting, Sandy Hook, and the Boston Marathon. Though none of the aforementioned events can be confirmed or denied without a doubt, they bear a striking resemblance to previous false flag attacks and should

be looked at with an investigative eye.

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See the article here.

It's time for those of us who have been reluctant to consider the possibility that our own government (and the governments of Israel and Great Britain) could actually be complicit in domestic terrorism in order to further a nefarious agenda to at least stop accepting the government and media's version of these tragedies at face value. For the most part, the mainstream media is little more than a propaganda ministry for the federal government. We haven't seen true objective investigative journalism since before the death of John F. Kennedy.

Granted, not every national tragedy is part of a government conspiracy—and there is a plethora of "conspiracy nuts" out there to whom EVERYTHING is a conspiracy and through which we must wade to try to ascertain the truth. These people make it difficult for all of us. The Internet has provided the Chicken Littles of the world with an opportunity to play journalist. And their "everything's-a-conspiracy" rants only serve to mask the true conspiracies and turn the average John Doe away from the truth. That's why I believe that many of these "conspiracy-everywhere" Internet bloggers are actually PART OF THE CONSPIRACY. Their job is to make genuine whistleblowers and researchers look like conspiracy "kooks." Then, of course, there are genuine kooks out there, too.

Regardless, the similarities and "coincidences" of many of these national tragedies are just too numerous for rational people to ignore. I believe Mr. Swift's analysis is very intelligent, coherent, and plausible.

Our Founding Fathers believed their government (the British Crown) was deliberately conspiring against them. Thomas Jefferson said as much in our Declaration of Independence:

"Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security."

Read it again: "But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a DESIGN to reduce them under absolute Despotism . . . " Jefferson and the rest of America's founders believed that there was a "design" (i.e., "plot," "scheme," or "conspiracy," if you please) to "reduce them under absolute Despotism." So, if you believe that government conspiracy is only for kooks, you must include America's Founding Fathers in that group.

Patrick Henry may have said it best: "We are apt to shut our eyes against a painful truth, and listen to the song of that siren, till she transforms us into beasts. Is this the part of wise men, engaged in a great and arduous struggle for liberty? Are we disposed to be of the number of those who, having eyes, see not, and having ears, hear not, the things which so nearly concern their temporal salvation?

"For my part, whatever anguish of spirit it may cost, I am willing to know the whole truth—to know the worst and to provide for it."

I submit if we deliberately "shut our eyes against a painful truth," liberty is not long for this country. And there is plenty of blame to go around.

Obviously, the "no conspiracy" group is contributing greatly to the demise of liberty by their unwillingness to even

examine the evidence suggesting government conspiracies. Truly, they are shutting their eyes "against a painful truth." And, unfortunately, this group is most prevalent among pastors, Christians, and churches.

I find it incredible that people who supposedly study their Bibles are so completely blind to government conspiracies. The Old and New Testaments are replete with examples of government conspiracies. Jewish governments, especially, were notorious for conspiring against God's prophets in the Old Testament and against Jesus and the Apostles in the New Testament. Plus, the New Testament plainly pictures the master conspirator, Satan, as being the "god of this world" and "the prince of the power of the air." His offer to Christ on the Mount of Temptation to give Jesus the "kingdoms of the world" was NOT challenged by the Lord. In other words, Jesus didn't dispute the fact that Satan controls many, if not most, of the world's governments. The Book of Ephesians warns against the conspiracy of "principalities," "powers," "rulers of the darkness of this world," and "spiritual wickedness in high places." Every Bible commentator that I respect includes wicked civil magistrates within these personages. Yet when one brings up the possibility of government conspiracies to the average church member, he or she is treated as if they have the palsy.

Nowhere is this attitude of the denial of conspiracies more evident than in the whole Muslim versus America façade. Almost no Christian leader seems to be able to see the "man behind the curtain" in this whole affair. They have absolutely NO concept of what the governments of the U.S., Great Britain, Israel, Turkey, and Saudi Arabia are surreptitiously doing to instigate and foment this "war with Islam." (Of course, there is no war against the Islamic states of Saudi Arabia and Turkey; they are our "allies.") Christians aren't even willing to study the matter. Therefore, the devil—along with the evil miscreants inside Western governments that he controls—is able to go about his diabolical work completely undetected.

But, in all fairness, the "everything's-a-conspiracy" group must also share culpability in our country's demise. There are too many professing "patriots" who seem to have no honesty or objectivity whatsoever. To them, everything government does is bad whether it is or isn't. And, of course, they, the so-called "patriots," can do NOTHING wrong.

For example, if a black kid in an inner city is unjustly killed by a police officer, these "patriots" say absolutely NOTHING. But if one of their "own" is justly killed by police, they scream "tyranny" and shout about the need for revolution. Such people seem to have no reasoning ability and no understanding of Natural Law. They are agenda driven as surely as are big-government toadies. In fact, some of these "patriot" Internet bloggers and radio broadcasters are no better than the mainstream media: they twist the truth in order to pander to the people who are supporting them financially. It's not about principle; it's not about truth; it's not about the rule of law. It's all about their financial success.

When we only condemn injustice committed by government, while overlooking and condoning injustice committed by so-called "patriots," we lose all credibility and integrity. Everything is not a conspiracy. Every policeman or federal agent is not a Jackboot. Sometimes there are real acts of violence committed by real deranged criminals with no help whatsoever from anyone—including anyone in government. And sometimes there are so-called "patriots" who are themselves evil, using the freedom movement for their own ulterior purposes. And, of course, there are well-intentioned people who sometimes do very foolish and unwise things. And only foolish and unwise people would condone and support foolish and unwise actions, even if they are well-intentioned.

I totally agree with Sebastian Swift's article that there are indeed false flag operations being perpetrated by rogue elements within government—including the governments of the

United States, Great Britain, and Israel. I further agree that people need to honestly and objectively be alert for the identifying characteristics of these false flag operations. More than that, the American people need to begin holding our civil magistrates accountable for these operations, as they could not continue without the tacit support of our elected representatives and President.

But what we do NOT need are phony "patriots" who do nothing but distract, confuse, and incite by calling everything a conspiracy and who themselves are guilty of unlawful conduct—unlawful conduct as defined by God and Natural Law. (This is why the ignorance and silence of America's pulpits is such an egregious crime: people do not even know how to discern lawful and unlawful conduct because pastors are not teaching them these Biblical Natural Law principles.) Plus, I am personally convinced that many of these hot-headed so-called "patriots" are in reality government agent provocateurs who are deliberately trying to incite real patriots into doing something stupid.

Again, I submit if we deliberately "shut our eyes against a painful truth," liberty is not long for this country. And that includes admitting when a tragedy is NOT a conspiracy. But it also means admitting when evidence suggests that it IS.

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The crime that will destroy

America

Are the U.S. and NATO inciting Russia into war? To thousands of objective experts, it does appear so. BALTOPS 16, a NATO military exercise, is now taking place in the Baltic Sea in very close proximity to Russia.

"Over the next three weeks BALTOPS 16 will draw together some 6,000 personnel, 45 warships, and 60 aircraft from 17 nations, including the United States, Germany, the U.K., the Netherlands, along with the littoral states of the Baltic States who are NATO members (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Denmark) or NATO partners (Sweden and Finland)."

"Washington's move to place a new ground-based missile defense system in Romania with Poland's recruitment drive and the BALTOPS 16 exercise will surely raise tensions with Russia which are at an all time high since the Cold War. Russia views this move as a threat to its security with NATO's encirclement of Russia is as reckless and as dangerous as you can get in terms of escalating the possibility of a disastrous war."

Imagine how the American people would react if Russia or China began putting missile systems on our northern and southern borders.

The report continues, "Russia is more than prepared to fight a war against NATO which would not last more than three days at best according to the Rand Corporation, a think tank based in Santa Monica, California. The Rand corporation employed well-known players in the political arena including war criminal Henry Kissinger as an advisor and George W. Bush-era Neocons such as Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld (former Chairman of the board 1981-1986 and again in 1995-1996) and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice who was a former intern and trustee. The RAND corporation report admitted that a NATO war against Russia would last between 36 and 60 hours . . . "

"If NATO were that foolish to start a war against Russia, European countries across Western Europe would be open to Russian missile strikes crippling Europe's already fragile social and economic fabric. An attack on Russia would be the end of NATO, literally. Russia has capabilities that are far more advanced than what the U.S. and NATO forces have in their arsenal"

"The U.S. and its allies including Israel, Turkey and Saudi Arabia and other Gulf puppet states were all involved in creating the civil war in Syria in 2011 through a proxy opposition group to oust President Bashar al-Assad. The 'protests' were orchestrated by a covert operation led by US-NATO-Israeli intelligence agencies to create chaos in order to fault the Syrian government through propaganda. Washington and Israel want to destabilize Syria as a Nation State and break-up Syria into several small nation-states easier for the governments of the U.S. and Israel to control. Israel's interest in destabilizing Syria goes back decades, perhaps as far back when the State of Israel was declared a new independent state in 1948."

"For now, Washington . . . will continue to target smaller, weaker nations with their terrorists who they fund, train and manage in the Middle East and Africa. They will continue to destabilize governments through 'regime change' in Latin America as they recently did in Brazil and are in the process of targeting Venezuela, Ecuador and Bolivia through their Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) or controlled 'opposition groups' allied with Washington and Wall Street."

"As for NATO forces on Russia's borders, they would be destroyed in less than three days if they were foolish enough to follow Washington's orders, then again Vassal states have no say in their own foreign or domestic affairs in the first place. NATO is a willing participant waiting for its annihilation as they sacrifice their lives and their nations in a war against Russia not for Europe, but for the American

Empire."

See the report here.

Former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury under Ronald Reagan, Paul Craig Roberts, was absolutely right when he said, "The crazed filth that controls US foreign policy is capable of defending US hegemony with nuclear weapons. The neoconservatives must be removed from power, arrested, and put on international trial for their horrendous war crimes before they defend their hegemony with Armageddon.

"Neoconservatives and their allies in the military/security complex make audacious use of false flag attacks. These evil people are capable of orchestrating a false flag attack that propels the US and Russia to war."

See the report here.

Both major political parties in Washington, D.C., have brought the United States to the precipice of economic ruin. They have shredded the U.S. Constitution to the point that, for all intents and purposes, it does not even exist. Far too often, our court systems have failed to provide justice for the American people. Federal agencies such as the EPA and BLM have brought the American citizenry to a boiling point. The only thing that keeps the power establishment intact is their lying propaganda ministers in the mainstream media. But people by the millions (from both the left and the right) are seeing through the façade.

At some point, the only way the Neocons in Washington, D.C., and their crony monopolists (they are NOT capitalists) in New York City can keep their charade afloat is via a major war. War is the ultimate tool of globalists to enslave free societies. People will accept usurpations of their liberties during a time of war that they would NEVER accept otherwise. Plus, global war would provide the power establishment with the opportunity to create a new currency (no doubt a cashless

system), wipe out national debt, and suspend constitutional law.

Is this what D.C. has planned for our near future: WAR? Think of the "national emergency" orders that could be executed by the President; think of the abridgments of the Bill of Rights; think of the entire American nation under "lockdown." Not to mention the loss of multiplied thousands of innocent American lives in the process.

The United States has not tasted real war on its homeland since The War Between The States. For the most part, the American people have no idea what war is like. War is something that is fought "over there." On the other hand, Russia has recent memories of the horrors of war and, in my mind, is showing great restraint against NATO's encroachments and incitements. But Mr. Putin will only tolerate so much.

What the U.S. and NATO are doing in Eastern Europe is insane. To goad Vladimir Putin into war is the mark of desperate and despicably evil men. Then again, insanity and evil tend to go together.

Come to think about it, what the U.S. is doing in the Middle East and Western Europe is insane. Make no mistake about it: U.S. foreign policy has created the massive immigration problem in Western Europe. It's time to admit it: U.S. foreign policy has brought both Europe and America to the precipice of economic disaster and nuclear war.

And for those of us who still believe in the importance of "Just War," please remember that the greatest international crime that nations can commit is the Crime of Aggression. Nothing equals its condemnation under Natural Law. And right now it seems crystal clear that the U.S. and NATO are the aggressors, and therefore, if forced into war, Russia would be fighting a defensive, and thus, "Just War," while the United States and NATO would be fighting an unjust war of aggression.

In the past, Germany, Japan, and Italy found themselves on the wrong side of history. Right now, it seems obvious that it is the United States and NATO—along with Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and Israel—that are on the wrong side of history.

The American people had better turn off the sports channels long enough to pay attention to what is happening RIGHT NOW in Eastern Europe. It will be too late when nuclear missiles start landing in your backyard, folks.

And as is the case with every major failure within a nation, it is the pulpits that are the most culpable. For at least a half century or more, pastors have taught the American people almost NOTHING in regards to the fundamental principles of liberty, nations, and Natural Law. Think of it: in the State of South Carolina in which there are probably more professing Christians (and churches) per square mile than in any other State in the country, a reprobate Neocon warmonger such as Lindsey Graham (a 2016 Bilderberg participant, by the way) is the State's senior senator.

Thanks to pastors and Christians who vote for people such as Lindsey Graham, the United States has been involved in myriad crimes of aggression all over the world for decades. That's not an unpatriotic statement; that's a factual statement.

Many people like to quote Missouri Senator Carl Schurz' (1829-1906) statement, "My country, right or wrong." But they seldom finish the quote. What Senator Schurz said was, "My country, right or wrong; if right, to be kept right; and if wrong, to be set right."

When we turn a blind eye as our nation commits crimes against humanity in violation of both international law and Natural Law, we are NOT being patriotic. If that's not the case, we owe the people of Nazi Germany a huge apology.

The leaders and people of Old Testament Israel thought God's prophets were "unpatriotic" too. But they weren't. Who loves

their nation more: the ones who say nothing and let their country slide into human oppression and divine judgment or the ones who try to call their nation back to the side of human dignity and divine approbation?

Again, there is no worse crime for a nation to commit than the Crime of Aggression.

About a year ago, I delivered a scriptural analysis of the seriousness of the Crime of Aggression. I showed how Jehovah God treats this crime so seriously that He almost ended David's kingdom over it and in the process destroyed thousands of David's men. Had David not repented of the Crime of Aggression that he was about to commit, God would have destroyed the entire nation. And, folks, God is no respecter of persons (or nations), and if America does not repent of this egregious Crime of Aggression, He will destroy us.

I can honestly say that in my entire life of being in church, I have NEVER heard a single pastor or minister say a word from the pulpit about the Crime of Aggression. Not one. Yet it is one of the most significant events in the life of King David. The only sin we ever hear about David committing is his adultery with Bathsheba. That was horrible, yes. And David paid a terrible personal price for that sin. But in terms of national impact, David's intended Crime of Aggression was astronomically more jeopardous to Israel's survival than his adultery. But I doubt that most Christians have ever even heard about it.

I tell you the truth: there is NOTHING more pertinent and relevant to America's current crisis than the Crime of Aggression. Yet this is the crime that America seems to be the most addicted to, and this is the crime that pastors and Christians seem to be the least concerned about.

I urge readers to watch my message DVD: "The Crime Of Aggression: Condemned By The Law Of Nature And Nature's God."

America has taken its crimes of aggression to weak and impotent nations that are mostly helpless to resist. But now America is taking its crimes of aggression to the doorstep of Russia—and is even beginning to do the same in China. If the American people do not soon rein in these rogue out-of-control Neocons and Neolibs running U.S. foreign policy, we will tragically discover that a nuclear Armageddon will soon be at our doorstep. And these Christians who think they are going to escape it are in for a rude awakening. Their indifference is helping to create this nuclear apocalypse, and their false prophecy theology will not save them from it.

But if we all understood the divine principles of Natural Law that govern nations and began holding our civil magistrates accountable to these principles—and to our Constitution—we could indeed prevent what seems now to be inevitable.

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To keep and bear arms: what and why

As an author, columnist, radio talk show host, and pastor who is outspoken in my support of the Second Amendment, I often receive inquiries from people asking for my personal preferences regarding firearms. This column will be devoted to sharing my thoughts on the various types of firearms in an attempt to help readers who may be new or even foreign to the use of firearms. I trust that some of these remarks will inspire people to become more familiar with the different types of firearms that are available and, hopefully, motivate people to take a closer look at those firearms that might be

beneficial to them personally.

I'm sure this column will not provide anything new for the firearms aficionados out there. But we are living in a violence-prone society, and more and more people (especially ladies) who never paid much attention to guns before are sensing the need to arm themselves but don't really know where to start. This column is designed to help those people.

Plus, there are many Christians reading this column who have been brainwashed by pastors who promote the idea that, on Biblical grounds, they don't need to own a gun and even might be sinning if they did. I trust this column will give these folks some food for thought that will cause them to at least study the issue for themselves.

First, let me emphasize that I am NOT a firearms expert. And I strongly urge you to receive as much instruction and training from a firearms professional as possible. It is also critical that, no matter which firearm you decide to purchase, you practice with it. The firearm you purchase is no better or worse than your ability to handle it.

Second, when it comes to a discussion of which firearms are preferable, the suggestions are as varied as the people who proffer them. These are my suggestions:

I believe every man and woman should be proficient with the following firearms: a handgun in .38 caliber or above, a .22 rifle, a centerfire, bolt-action hunting rifle, a semi-automatic rifle, and a shotgun. But don't think you have to know everything about all of these firearms at once, of course. Start simple, and go from there. You don't have to be an "expert" to be able to protect yourself and your family. But a basic working knowledge of these firearms is extremely valuable and will give you much confidence.

My personal preference for a self-defense handgun is a Glock pistol in .40 Smith & Wesson (Model 22 or 23), .45 ACP (Model

21 or 30), or 10mm Auto (Model 20). Of course, the 1911 .45 ACP (I prefer Colt or Springfield Armory) has been proven to be an extremely effective self-defense sidearm for over a century. But I don't recommend the 1911 for beginners.

And as much as I love to shoot the 1911 (NOTHING "feels" like a 1911), I hardly ever carry one for self-protection. Not because there is anything wrong with the gun. There isn't. But not being an "expert," I just don't trust myself to be able to proficiently handle the 1911 in a high-stress situation.

In addition to the aforementioned pistols, I will also admit to sometimes carrying a 9mm Glock (Model 19 or 17) or a Smith & Wesson .357 Magnum revolver. My two favorites in this caliber are the Model 66 with a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch barrel and the Model 586 with a 4-inch barrel. My wife prefers to carry a Smith & Wesson .38 Special revolver in the snub-nose, J-frame configuration. But this is primarily due to the reduced weight of these weapons for carry purposes. If needed, she could make a good accounting of herself with the Glock 19. And, yes, I also carry a J-frame .38 Special sometimes—either as a backup or when deep concealment is necessary.

I prefer the .38 Special to the .380 ACP, although the modern .380s are very concealable—and for that reason, I sometimes carry a .380 in a Glock 42. My main complaint with the Glock 42 is it has a stiff trigger pull—around 9 pounds, whereas, most Glock pistols have a standard 5.5 pound trigger pull. (I have found that a lighter trigger pull makes accuracy easier.) When I do carry a J-Frame revolver, it's usually a S&W 340 M&P, which is built for the .357 Magnum, but, of course, the .357 can also fire the .38 Special, which I prefer when using such a small, lightweight revolver. The .38 Special and 9mm Luger are comparable in power. For deep concealment, I also like the Glock 43 in 9mm (although, it's not as concealable as the Glock 42). But most of the time, I'm carrying a Glock 23 in .40 caliber.

As you can tell, I'm quite the Glock fan. I believe the Glock pistol is the best place to start for people who are new to handguns. Plus, Glocks are the preferred handgun for many of the most experienced shooters as well. I would guess that more police officers carry Glocks than any other handgun. And in much of Europe, Glock pistols are the handgun of choice for many military personnel. Glock pistols are as simple as revolvers to operate, reliable, and almost indestructible. Plus, they provide increased magazine capacity and are safe. They are also very easy to disassemble and clean. And they go "bang" when you pull the trigger.

But, yes, for some people a revolver might still be the preferred handgun. It has no external magazine to worry about losing; it is very dependable and reliable; it is easy to clean; and it is simple to operate. And, in reality, most self-defense shootings are resolved in less than three seconds, and the good guy normally fires three shots or less; so in most real-life situations, the increased firepower of a high capacity pistol magazine doesn't even come into play—unless, perhaps, when one is confronted by a crazed, would-be mass-killer or multiple assailants. (That's where a Glock would shine—and I confess that in today's environment, I WANT the increased capacity of a Glock or similar pistol, which is why I'm usually carrying one.) But in a revolver, my suggestion would be either Smith & Wesson or Ruger.

Of course, in dangerous game territory, you will need the power of a .44 Special, .44 Magnum, .45 Long Colt, or even a .454 Casull (these four calibers are all chambered in revolvers). These calibers are not for the limp-wristed, but when one is facing a brown bear, it is what one will need to survive. Plus, when your life is on the line, you'll never feel the recoil. But, truthfully, I would hate to face a Brown Bear (includes the Grizzly and Kodiak) with a handgun of any caliber. These creatures are the fiercest and most formidable animals on the North American Continent (along with the Polar

Bear, of course). Against a Brown Bear, I would hope I had a big game rifle or 12-gauge shotgun.

I live in bear country, of course, and when I'm in the woods, I'm either carrying a Glock 20 in 10mm or a Smith & Wesson Model 629 with a 3" barrel in .44 Magnum. To be honest, the .44 Magnum gets heavy after several hours in the woods, which is why I usually carry the Glock 20. Plus, I feel better with 15 rounds of 10mm than 6 rounds of .44 Magnum. But I hope and pray I never have to test my theory for real. In a real encounter, you can bet that my rifle will be the first line of defense and my handgun (whichever one it is) will be the very LAST.

For a .22 rifle (which is great for hunting small game), I really like the Ruger 10/22. A Marlin tube-fed .22 is also very effective. The CZ bolt-action .22 just might be the most accurate factory .22 on the market. My all-time favorite .22 rifle is a Remington Nylon 66 in Mohawk Brown (which hasn't been manufactured in a long time). But that's because of sentimentality. It was my very first rifle. My dad gave one to me for my 12th birthday, and over the next many, many years I probably fired over 50,000 rounds through it. I finally sold it (which I have regretted to this very day). But I found one in EXCELLENT condition at a Montana gun show last year, and the joy it brings me is indescribable. But truly, from a practical standpoint, the Ruger 10/22 stands alone at the top of the heap.

For a big game hunting rifle, my suggestion is either a .270 or .30-06 bolt-action rifle, a .30-30 Winchester or a .45-70 Government lever action rifle. I like the Marlin Guide Gun in .45-70. (Here in Montana, the .300 Winchester Magnum is also very popular.) I usually hunt with either a .270 or .30-06. I prefer the Remington Model 700 BDL (in .270) or Browning X-Bolt (in .30-06), but there are several fine rifles in this configuration by numerous manufacturers. Some ladies may find that a .243 Winchester rifle is much more pleasant to shoot.

It's a great first hunting rifle for young people, too. And on deer-size game, it has plenty of power. Most major gun manufacturers make rifles that come in .243.

For a semiautomatic rifle, I suggest an AR-15-style firearm in 5.56 caliber or a Springfield M1A in .308 caliber. As I've gotten older, I've come to appreciate lighter weight rifles. Hence, my personal choice here is the AR-15. Plus, the versatility of the AR-15 platform is virtually without limit.

However, the rifle I almost always keep in my truck is the venerable .30-30 Winchester in a Marlin 336. Yes, everybody needs a "truck" gun.

For a shotgun, a 12-gauge in any configuration is the premier close-range weapon. Nothing equals it. In a pump shotgun, I prefer a Winchester Model 1300, which is not made anymore. So, you'll probably have to choose between Mossberg and Remington. In the semi-auto configuration, Mossberg is currently making some fine shotguns. For smaller ladies, however, a 20-gauge shotgun is probably a better choice, and at "bad breath" range (where a shotgun shines, anyway), it is just as lethal as a 12-gauge (against two-legged predators, of course). And for home defense, do NOT overlook the double barrel shotgun. And while I often use a .410 shotgun for small game, I do NOT recommend it for self-defense.

Again, whatever you choose, practice with it to the point that you are able to use it proficiently. And be sure to get as much professional firearms instruction and training as you can. And stock up on ammunition (good luck finding .22 ammo). A gun without ammo is reduced to being either an expensive club or a cumbersome paperweight.

Go to your local independent sporting goods or gun store (I don't recommend the large national chain stores to do your firearms shopping), and get to know your hometown firearms dealer. Most of these people are kind and helpful folks who

will be more than happy to assist you in finding exactly what type of firearm is suitable for you and your family.

I hope some of these suggestions are helpful. And always be sure to follow all of the safety rules for your firearm. The last thing any of us wants is an accidental discharge of a firearm that results in the injury or death of a loved one or friend. So, always remember that safety is job one.

I realize that there are many pastors and Christians who try to impugn the necessity—much less desire—to own a firearm. These people are famous for saying things such as "God will take care of you; NO ONE needs a gun." Of course, these same people always condone police officers carrying guns and shooting people in self-defense. I never understood why it is that Christians who are not policemen are supposed to "trust God" to take care of them and, therefore, not bear a gun, but Christian police officers are somehow exempt from this same spiritual notion. I guess they think policemen don't need to trust God.

I also want readers to know that there have been FOUR instances in my personal family where the presence of a firearm in the hands of someone who knew how to use it potentially or directly saved the lives of my family members. So, yes, God took care of us, and He used a firearm to do it.

Beyond that, many pastors teach that Christians are obligated to obey civil authorities who demand that we surrender our firearms. They even try to quote Scriptures to prove this ludicrous position.

For these reasons, my attorney son and I collaborated on a book that takes the Scriptures (Old Testament and New) to prove that self-defense is not just a right under our Constitution, but it is a moral obligation given us by our Creator. In the book, we show that Christians who are unwilling to defend themselves and their families have

actually denied the faith. We show that nowhere does the Bible teach God's people to remain defenseless or to surrender their means of self-defense to ANY civil authority.

In the book, we look at the Scriptures that the "no gun" preachers use to support their "no one needs a gun" lunacy and show how unbiblical these positions are. We go through both testaments and show that our Creator has given us the obligation to defend the life He has given us. We also put to rest many of the distortions of Scripture that anti-gun preachers use to turn Christian men and women—who are created to be providers and protectors—into sheepish slaves of the state.

Yes, keeping and bearing arms is a spiritual DUTY. Defending oneself or family is as "spiritual" as praying or reading the Bible or any other "spiritual" exercise.

The title of our book is "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns." To order the book, click here.

It is not only important to be armed; it is even more important to understand the moral and spiritual underpinnings of WHY we should be armed. And that is exactly what our book attempts to do.

If you are challenged by this column, I encourage you to highlight what resonates with you, and then take these suggestions to your local independent firearms dealer (again, not a national chain store) who can further explain the various nuances of what to look for in a gun for your unique and individual needs and can also direct you to the services of a professional firearms instructor. When you do, you might find that the preferences of these men differ from mine, but the basics are the basics, and at least you have my suggestions as a starting point.

And if you are one of those people who just don't "like" guns,

when you actually become familiar with firearms and begin shooting under the supervision of a knowledgeable instructor, you might find yourself REALLY enjoying it. But even if you don't, there are many things we adults do that we don't enjoy but that we know are necessary. I would put the proficient use of a firearm in that category.

Good shooting!

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Hillary Clinton admits U.S. created Al-Qaeda, isis

Why isn't the Mainstream Media (MSM) in America reporting the fact that Hillary Clinton admitted in public that the U.S. government created Al Qaeda, ISIS, Al Nusra, etc.? Why does the MSM refuse to tell the American people that the United States has not ever actually fought ISIS but instead has surreptitiously and very actively supported ISIS and the other radical Muslim terrorists in the Middle East? Why has the media refused to reveal the fact that ever since Russia started to fight a true offensive war against ISIS the terrorist organization has been reduced to almost half?

I'll tell you why: the MSM is nothing more than a propaganda machine for the U.S. government—no matter which party is in power. The MSM doesn't work for the U.S. citizenry. It doesn't even work for its corporate sponsors. It works for the Washington Power Elite permanently ensconced in D.C. (and yes, those same Power Elite control most of those media corporate sponsors).

It is a sad reality that if one wants to get accurate news reporting, one must mostly bypass the U.S. propaganda media and look to sources outside the U.S. Here is a Canadian publication that covered the Hillary admission:

"The following video features Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton acknowledging that America created and funded Al Qaeda as a terrorist organization in the heyday of the Soviet-Afghan war:

"'Let's remember here... the people we are fighting today we funded them twenty years ago.

"'Let's go recruit these mujahideen.

"'And great, let them come from Saudi Arabia and other countries, importing their Wahabi brand of Islam so that we can go beat the Soviet Union.'"

"What she does not mention is that at no time in the course of the last 35 years has the US ceased to support and finance Al Qaeda as a means to destabilizing sovereign countries. It was 'a pretty good idea', says Hillary, and it remains a good idea today:

"Amply documented, the ISIS and Al Nusrah Mujahideen are recruited by NATO and the Turkish High command, with the support of Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Israel.

"The more fundamental question:

"Should a presidential candidate who candidly acknowledges that 'We created Al Qaeda' without a word of caution or regret become president of the US, not to mention Hillary's commitment to waging nuclear war on Russia if and when she becomes president of the United States of America."

The report continues:

"The Global War on Terror (GWOT) is led by the United States.

It is not directed against Al Qaeda.

"Quite the opposite: The 'Global War on Terrorism' uses Al Qaeda terrorist operatives as their foot soldiers.

"'Political Islam' and the imposition of an 'Islamic State' (modeled on Qatar or Saudi Arabia) is an integral part of US foreign policy."

The report further states:

"It is a means to destabilizing sovereign countries and imposing 'regime change'.

"Clinton's successor at the State Department, John Kerry is in direct liaison with Al Nusra, an Al Qaeda affiliated organization in Syria, integrated by terrorists and funded by the US and its allies.

"In a bitter irony, John Kerry is not only complicit in the killings committed by Al Nusra, he is also in blatant violation of US anti-terrorist legislation. If the latter were to be applied to politicians in high office, John Kerry would be considered as a 'Terror Suspect'".

See the report here.

Think it through, folks: the U.S. government creates the radical Islamic terror networks that justify America's "Global War On Terror" which directly results in millions of refugees (and no doubt plants terrorists among them) flooding Europe. At the same time, it purposely refuses to protect our own borders and even forces states and local communities to accept hundreds of thousands of Muslim refugees (but the government is not sending any Christian refugees to America, even though a sizable percentage of the refugees include Christians also) and pushes NATO to the doorstep of Russia, which to any objective observer could only be regarded as an overt incitement to war.

Furthermore, why doesn't the MSM report the words of Hillary saying that the "best way to help Israel" is to destroy Syria? Why doesn't the media acknowledge that official U.S. foreign policy is to foment perpetual war, not in the name of the safety and security of the United States, but in the name of "helping" Israel?

Here is how the same Canadian publication covers this part of the story:

"A newly-released Hillary Clinton email confirmed that the Obama administration has deliberately provoked the civil war in Syria as the 'best way to help Israel.'

"In an indication of her murderous and psychopathic nature, Clinton also wrote that it was the 'right thing' to personally threaten Bashar Assad's family with death.

"In the email, released by Wikileaks, then Secretary of State Clinton says that the 'best way to help Israel' is to 'use force' in Syria to overthrow the government."

It continues:

"Even though all US intelligence reports had long dismissed Iran's 'atomic bomb' program as a hoax, (a conclusion supported by the International Atomic Energy Agency), Clinton continues to use these lies to 'justify' destroying Syria in the name of Israel."

And again:

"The email proves—as if any more proof was needed—that the US government has been the main sponsor of the growth of terrorism in the Middle East, and all in order to 'protect' Israel.

"It is also a sobering thought to consider that the 'refugee' crisis which currently threatens to destroy Europe, was directly sparked off by this US government action as well,

insofar as there are any genuine refugees fleeing the civil war in Syria.

"In addition, over 250,000 people have been killed in the Syrian conflict, which has spread to Iraq—all thanks to Clinton and the Obama administration backing the 'rebels' and stoking the fires of war in Syria."

See the report here.

If destroying Syria is the way we "help" Israel, how many other nations must the U.S. destroy to "help" Israel? And before John Hagee's braindead disciples start shouting "Destroy them all!" I remind you that Syria and other parts of the Middle East is the historic home of millions of Christians going back to the time of the Apostle Paul.

The truth is, Hillary (and the rest of the grubby gaggle of Neocons) doesn't give a tinker's dam about Israel. Neocons such as Hillary Clinton simply use Israel (and the misguided passions of Christians and conservatives who blindly support Israel) as cover to accomplish their real agenda: manipulating world governments to the enrichment and empowerment of themselves.

Donald Trump is untested. But if Hillary should be elected, I'm confident she would not make it through her first term without taking us into another G.W. Bush-type war (or worse)—except she will also add the attempted disarmament of the American people to her nefarious agenda.

That's what Neocons do: they foment war. To their very soul, they are warmongers. And never forget that Hillary Clinton is a true-blue Neocon. Or if the word "Neoliberal" sounds better to you in describing Hillary, so be it. They both mean the same thing: WAR.

Here is a good explanation of how both Neocons and Neolibs are working from the same script.

On the whole, Neocons and Neolibs are people without conscience. At their core, they have no allegiance to the United States or any other country. They are globalists. The only god they serve is the god of power and wealth, and they don't care how many people—including Americans—they kill to achieve it. The blood of millions of dead victims around the world is already dripping from their murderous hands.

And if you think my indictment against the Neocons is an exaggeration, Paul Craig Roberts (Assistant Secretary of the Treasury under President Ronald Reagan) was even more scathing in his condemnation of them:

"The remaining danger is the crazed American neoconservatives. I know many of them. They are completely insane ideologues. This inhuman filth has controlled the foreign policy of every US government since Clinton's second term. They are a danger to all life on earth. Look at the destruction they have wreaked in the former Yugoslavia, in Ukraine, in Georgia and South Ossetia, in Africa, in Afghanistan and the Middle East.

The American people were too brainwashed by lies and by political impotence to do anything about it, and Washington's vassals in Europe, UK, Canada, Australia, and Japan had to pretend that this policy of international murder was 'bringing freedom and democracy.'

"The crazed filth that controls US foreign policy is capable of defending US hegemony with nuclear weapons. The neoconservatives must be removed from power, arrested, and put on international trial for their horrendous war crimes before they defend their hegemony with Armageddon.

"Neoconservatives and their allies in the military/security complex make audacious use of false flag attacks. These evil people are capable of orchestrating a false flag attack that propels the US and Russia to war."

See Roberts' column here.

And make no mistake about it: the national news media is a deliberate and willing facilitator of these international crimes against humanity.

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Has America lost the will to survive?

The Barack Obama Justice and Education departments have declared that all public schools be required to institute gender-neutral bathrooms where boys can freely enter girls' bathrooms and vice versa. Failure to comply threatens federal funding. But putting boys in girls' bathrooms is NOT where the proclamation stops.

Writing for National Review, David French reports, "You may not have realized it yet, but the Obama administration just destroyed the traditional American public school. Without an act of Congress, without a ruling from the Supreme Court, and without even going through the motions of the regulatory rule-making process, the administration issued a letter drafting every single public educational institution in the country to implement the extreme edge of the sexual revolution.

"The Department of Justice and the Department of Education have declared that they now 'interpret' federal law to not only support the fantastical notion that boys can become girls but also to impose new legal requirements that impact every aspect of school life. The administration's letter sweeps far beyond bathrooms—imposing a new speech code on school employees and even students, opening girls' showers to boys, requiring schools to allow boys to sleep in girls' rooms on

overnight field trips, requiring boys to room with girls even in single-sex dorms, and putting boys on girls' sports teams."

See the report here.

Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant called the directive "outrageous" and directed his State's education department to disregard the order. Texas Lt. Governor Dan Patrick called the order "blackmail" and also said, "This will be the end of public education. People will pull their kids out, homeschooling will explode, private schools will increase." Both he and Texas Governor Greg Abbott have denounced the proclamation and have promised to fight it. Also saying they would fight the order are governors Asa Hutchinson (Arkansas) and Gary Herbert (Utah).

But for the most part, Republicans have been totally silent. In typical fashion, the GOP is too busy trying to not offend the media. And are we to take it that Democrats really want their sons and daughters going to the bathroom and taking showers with the opposite sex? Of course, Obama's two daughters attend private schools that will not be affected by this perverse proclamation.

But even more disgusting is the fact that the vast majority of pastors and churches have said absolutely nothing. They are too busy trying to not offend the IRS and trying to figure out how to out-Hollywood Hollywood in order to draw bigger and bigger crowds.

The big question is: are the moms and dads of America's public school children going to stand for this perversity that is going to directly affect their children? Are they really going to sit back and give their sons and daughters over to the government-mandated corruption of the innocence and moral purity of our nation's schoolchildren? Lt. Gov. Patrick predicts the implementation of this order will be the "end of public education." But will it? Will the parents of America

actually resist this blatant attempt to invade not only the bathrooms and showers but also the moral conscience of their children? Or will they passively allow their children to be subjected to this grotesque and overt attempt to destroy their moral conscience?

If this order is allowed to be fully implemented, this nation is toast. In the entire history of the world, no nation has ever survived once it has given itself—and especially its children—over to universal moral corruption. Ever. And giving our children over to moral corruption is exactly what Obama's proclamation does.

David French also correctly wrote, "First, the very act of teaching biology and human physiology will be hate speech unless it's modified to conform to the new transgender 'facts.' Teachers will have to take great pains to note that chromosomes, reproductive organs, hormonal systems, and any other physical marker of sex is irrelevant to this thing called 'gender,' which, 'factually,' is a mere state of mind.

"Second, any statements of dissent-from teachers or students-will be treated as both 'anti-science' and 'discriminatory,' contributing to a 'hostile environment' that schools are legally bound to prohibit. This prohibition will go well beyond the use of pronouns and into discussions of what it means to be male and female. The argument that a 'girl' with a penis remains a boy will be treated exactly the same as an argument that blacks are inferior to whites or Arabs inferior to Jews.

"Third, public schools will now be even further opposed, doctrinally and legally, to orthodox Christianity. Christian parents who send their children to public schools need to be aware of the new 'facts.' They will be taught not only that their churches are factually wrong in their assessments of sex and gender but that they are actually bigoted and hateful—comparable to white supremacists.

"Fourth, the administration's actions set a key political precedent. Federal funding—long seen as a boon to local schools—is now clearly and unmistakably an instrument of national control. The federal education bureaucracy is stocked with energetic and creative progressives, and last week's letter represents just one more step in an ongoing effort to turn money into mandates."

See the report here.

"Turn[ing] money into mandates" seems to be the crux of the issue. In the same way that the federal government threatens to withhold funding from schools that refuse to implement this act of corrupting the morals of our nation's schoolchildren, it threatens (through the IRS-created 501c3 tax-exempt status for churches) to withhold tax exemption from churches that dare to speak out on this or any other "political" issue.

Truly, for the sake of waking our pastors and churches out of their coma and getting them involved again in the fight to preserve the liberties and way of life of our nation, it would be better if churches were NOT tax-exempt at all. Let them start paying taxes and see how quickly and aggressively they would again engage the salient issues of our day. Again, in the same way that the federal government threatens to withhold funding for schools that will not comply, it threatens to withhold tax exemption from churches that speak out against compliance. Which is worse? School leaders and church leaders alike are groveling before the federal government for the scraps from the king's table.

In addition to the immorality of Obama's proclamation, constitutional attorneys Bill Olson and Herb Titus filed an amicus brief on May 10 in a Gloucester, Virginia, case that now falls under the Obama proclamation dated three days later. Here is a summary written by Olson and Titus:

"The Obama Administration has done it again. In an effort to

strip school children of their modesty and morals, Obama has issued new instructions governing use of rest rooms, locker rooms, and showers in every government-funded school in the country. And, in predictably lawless fashion, Obama has violated not one, but two federal laws. First, he took a 1972 law, Title IX, which was designed to prevent sex discrimination in education, and says that as of today, the word 'sex' in the statute does not mean the 'sex' you were born with. It means whatever 'gender' you feel like on a given day. And, if that was not bad enough, the manner in which the Obama Administration acted was to legislate by letter, not just usurping legislative power, but Obama violating another federal law—the Administrative Procedures Act.

"Purporting to act according to what are known as official 'good guidance' practices, the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and the Office of Civil Rights of the U.S. Department of Education issued a transgender 'good guidance' letter, dated May 13, 2016. Such a 'good guidance' letter can only be issued if it does not add requirements to applicable law, but provides information and examples to inform recipients about how the Departments evaluate whether covered agencies are complying with their legal obligations.

"However, like a newly enacted statute or promulgation of a new regulation, the May 13 good guidance letter includes list of new terms, never previously adopted by Congress or the Administration. Not only that, but the letter contains rules governing the interpretation of those new legal terms. For example, the letter defines 'gender identity' to be 'an individual's internal sense of gender,' but then forbids the use of any objective standard—such as 'medical diagnosis or treatment'—to verify any individual claim. One's gender identity is, thus, established solely by a person's subjective claim. And that claim can change from day to day.

"Additionally, the good guidance letter indicates that the rules governing 'sex segregated activities and facilities' are

not the same. As for restroom and locker use, 'transgender students must have access to such facilities consistent with their gender identity,' but with respect to 'athletics,' gender identity is not the sole determinant of access. That is, for athletics, a boy who feels he should be a 'transgender girl' could be excluded from the girls' basketball team, but not put out of the girls' locker room.

"None of these examples merely 'provides information and examples' of existing regulations—which is all that guidance letters may do lawfully. This letter presents brand new interpretations of the word 'sex' and new applications of new terms. And, they are binding."

See the report here.

I repeat what I said earlier: if this order is allowed to be fully implemented, this nation is toast. In the entire history of the world, no nation has ever survived once it has given itself—and especially its children—over to universal moral corruption. And giving our children over to moral corruption is exactly what Obama's proclamation does.

William Wilberforce, the famed British statesman who was primarily responsible for ending the slave trade in Great Britain, astutely observed, "It is a truth attested by the history of all ages and countries, and established on the authority of the ablest writers, both ancient and modern . . . that the religion and morality of a country, especially of every free community, are inseparably connected with its preservation and welfare; that their flourishing or declining state is the sure indication of its tending to prosperity or decay. It has even been expressly laid down, that a people grossly corrupt are incapable of liberty."

Sam Adams, The Father of The American Revolution, rightly said, "Public liberty will not long survive the total extinction of morals."

This is not a conservative or liberal issue. And at its core, it is not even a religious issue. This is an issue about the most fundamental duty that responsible adults have in a civilized society: the responsibility to safeguard their posterity. Failure at this level would mean that this country no longer has the will or reason to survive.

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Christians and conservatives to support a third party?

For as long as I can remember, Christians and conservatives, for the most part, have NEVER been willing to support a third-party candidate—especially for the office of President of the United States. All we usually hear from these people is: "You are wasting your vote. A vote for the third party is a vote for the Democrat. We must support the Republican Party." And it doesn't matter how liberal or phony or big-government the GOP candidate is, either.

George H.W. Bush. Bob Dole. John McCain. Mitt Romney. You can't scrape them from the bottom any lower than these guys. Name the salient freedom issue: these guys were on the wrong side. They no more represented Christian or conservative values than your neighborhood skunk. Yet, the Christian and conservative communities rallied behind them all: in the name of protecting America from the Democrat.

Suddenly, in 2016, all of that has changed. An "outsider," Donald Trump, is the presumptive Republican presidential nominee. Trump bypassed the political protocols. He didn't run for Congress, the Senate, or a governorship first. He didn't

come to the international bankers begging for money. He didn't meet with Henry Kissinger (that I am aware of). He didn't kiss the rings of the Republican establishment elite—and the establishment hates him. I'm talking ALL of the mainstream establishments: the political establishment, the media establishment, the business establishment, the international establishment, and yes, the religious establishment.

The establishment hates Trump so much that they are threatening to leave the Republican Party and run one of their establishment toadies as a third-party candidate. And guess what? A sizeable percentage of pastors, Christians, and conservatives are right in there with them.

Notable Neocons from the Republican Party have openly discussed running a Neocon Republican against Trump as a third-party candidate should Trump win the GOP nomination (which he will). I'm talking about such notables as Bill Kristol, Max Boot, George Will, the publishers of National Review and The Weekly Standard, Condoleezza Rice, Tom Coburn, Rick Wilson, Joel Searby, G.W. and Jeb Bush, Mitt Romney, Lindsey Graham, Christine Todd Whitman, et al.

Think of it: Christians and conservatives would not support the third-party candidacy of Pat Buchanan or Ron Paul or Howard Phillips or Michael Peroutka or Chuck Baldwin. Instead, they chose to support Dole and Bush and McCain and Romney. Obviously, the "he can't win" charge levied against the abovementioned third-party candidates sure looks anemic, because Bush and Dole and McCain and Romney couldn't win either. Yet, each third-party candidate listed was in almost total agreement with the values and principles held by most evangelical Christians and so-called "conservatives," while the establishment GOP candidates were NOT. No matter. If he wasn't a Republican, he wouldn't (and didn't) get their support.

Now, we have the consummate liberal Democrat Hillary Clinton

as that party's most likely presidential nominee. But instead of Christians and conservatives coalescing around the Republican nominee, Donald Trump, they are using phrases normally reserved for Democrats.

How many times did I hear people touting the candidacies of John McCain and Mitt Romney say, "Anyone but Barack Obama"? How many times did I hear people touting the candidacies of H.W. Bush and Bob Dole say, "Anyone but Bill Clinton"? But now these same people are saying, "Anyone but Donald Trump." Really? Are these Christians and conservatives really willing to give the election to Hillary? It appears so.

It has become obvious that all of the talk over these past several decades about electing the lesser evil Republicans to keep the greater evil Democrats from winning the White House was just so much balderdash and poppycock.

Conventional wisdom says, if the Neocons run a third-party candidate against Trump, Hillary would win. (Maybe that's what the Neocons want. After all, Hillary herself is a Neocon.) But what Kristol and company say in response is they think they can siphon enough votes from both Trump and Clinton to throw the race into the House of Representatives—where Neocon House Speaker Paul Ryan could shove an establishment candidate (maybe himself) through the House. It's only happened twice in U.S. history: in 1800, when the House elected Thomas Jefferson after he and Aaron Burr received an equal number of electoral votes, and in 1824, when Andrew Jackson won the election in a four-man race but failed to win the number of required electoral votes, and subsequently the House elected John Quincy Adams. Ostensibly, that's what the Neocons would be hoping for with an establishment third-party run in 2016.

And I do not buy all the pious talk from Christians who say they are not supporting Trump because of his morals (or lack thereof). Really? Christians have supported Republican candidates who have had more than their share of questionable character issues for as long as I can remember. The illicit businesses of the Bush family make Trump's casinos look like Sunday School classrooms in comparison.

And I suppose I need to keep repeating myself, because so many people seem unable to separate objective analysis (which this is) from personal preference (which this is not): I am NOT endorsing Donald Trump. But it has nothing to do with his casinos or divorces or other so-called "moral" issues. Many of the politicians that Christians help elect year after year are moral and spiritual reprobates. Why are "morals" only an issue with Donald Trump?

Jimmy Carter was one of the most moral men to occupy the Oval Office, but in my opinion, he was one of our worst presidents. Jack Kennedy had the morals of an alley cat, but I would rate his presidency higher than Carter's—and higher than several Republican presidents. And, yes, I realize that Kennedy was not one of our BEST presidents either—although he might have been the last president we had with the guts to resist the globalists, which is probably what got him killed. (This is probably also what got Reagan shot and what ensconced the Bush Neocons in power—power they are still wielding today and power that Trump threatens.)

My concerns about Donald Trump have to do with my perception of how he would faithfully discharge his duties under the Constitution. I think we are dealing with a HUGE unknown with Trump. I honestly think Trump could become one of our country's best presidents or he could become one of the worst. He says things that make me think he would be a great president. Then he says things that make me think he would be a horrible president. I TRULY DON'T KNOW. But that's NOT what this column is all about.

I'm merely trying to point out the hypocrisy of the so-called "Christians" and "conservatives" who are unwilling to support the man who is the presumptive Republican nominee for

president after decades and decades of voting for pathetic Republican candidates strictly on the basis of stopping the Democrat. And there could be no worse candidate for president than Hillary Clinton. Yet, these "Christians" and "conservatives" are willing to do what they have NEVER been willing to do before: support a third-party candidate and perhaps help elect a Democrat.

I scratch my head. Why? Why are they willing to support a third-party candidate NOW? Why are they willing to abandon the Republican Party NOW? I think I have the answer.

The people who are supporting Donald Trump are people who are not necessarily party people. In fact, they are sick and tired of both major parties. They are sick of the establishment. They are sick of business as usual. They are sick of elitism. They are sick of the Neocons in politics and the media manipulating their choices for president. They are sick of illegal immigration. They are sick of our jobs going overseas. They are sick of the Warfare State. They are sick of the Welfare State. They are sick of the way the Federal Reserve manipulates our economy for the benefit of the 1%.

Whatever else Donald Trump is or isn't, he isn't controlled by the establishment. He isn't controlled by Wall Street or the military-industrial complex. He isn't beholden to Jewish bankers or the Neocon war machine. But this isn't true of the Republicans who are saying, "Never Trump."

When push comes to shove, which is exactly what is happening RIGHT NOW, the Cruz-Republicans (who are the ones leading the "Never Trump" crusade) would rather support an establishment candidate than they would an anti-establishment candidate. All their rhetoric about Cruz being anti-establishment is just talk. Now that it comes down to it, they are willing to support an establishment candidate to keep the quintessential anti-establishment candidate, Donald Trump, from winning. This proves that these people are in reality establishment

themselves.

I will say it straight out: it appears that many of our so-called "Christians" and "conservatives" are in truth ESTABLISHMENT NEOCONS THEMSELVES.

How many of our so-called "Christians" and "conservatives" are themselves living off of the public dole? How many of them are cheerleaders for our endless wars of aggression in the Middle East? How many of them are looking to Washington, D.C., instead of our states and local communities, to solve our problems? How many of them will shun the anti-establishment, non-501c3 fellowships and give their undying support to the establishment 501c3 churches and religious institutions? The answer: MOST of them.

In the final analysis, many of these "Never Trump" Christians and conservatives are simply proving that they are proestablishment Neocons masquerading as Christians and conservatives.

Again, I am NOT talking about people who aren't supporting Donald Trump out of genuine conviction. These people have been voting third party FOREVER. I am talking about the millions of Christians and conservatives out there who have held their proverbial noses for the last umpteen years and voted for all kinds of despicable Republican candidates, but who now feign self-righteousness in their refusal to vote for Trump. And not only that, but who are willing to support an establishment third-party Neocon candidate—even if it means electing Hillary Clinton.

And I'll say this again, too: when it comes to foreign policy, Ted Cruz is as much of a Neocon as Jeb Bush or Marco Rubio. And I suspect that so are the vast majority of Ted's supporters. In fact, if we really knew the foundational reason why so many Christians and conservatives love Ted (and hate The Donald), we might find that it could be summarized in one

word: ISRAEL. It's not about abortion, or the U.S. economy, or constitutional government, or future Supreme Court appointments (think who Hillary will appoint), or jobs, or the Second Amendment, or illegal immigration, or homosexual marriage, or anything of the sort. These people are all about ONE ISSUE, and the issue is ISRAEL. Ted Cruz is a toady for the state of Israel, and Donald Trump is NOT (at least he doesn't appear to be at this point). And THAT, my friends, is why many of the Cruz people are shouting, "Never Trump." (Come to think about it, NONE of the aforementioned third-party candidates were toadies for Israel, either. Are you not starting to see a pattern here, folks?)

Whether the Neocon establishment actually follows through with the effort to launch a third-party movement against Trump in November is yet to be seen, of course. More likely, they will try to do to him what they did to Ronald Reagan: convince him that he needs a Neocon vice president in order to win the general election. But Reagan needed George Bush as much as a 747 jet needs helium. Reagan could have picked Humpty Dumpty and would have won the general election. He was that popular. And Donald Trump has exceeded Reagan's primary totals. In fact, Trump is on track to break all previous Republican primary records.

But an even higher likelihood is that the Bill Kristols of the world will probably wind up doing what Ron Paul predicts: simply supporting Hillary Clinton. (So, would these establishment Christians and conservatives join Kristol in voting for Hillary? Some of them probably would.) See the report here.

But Trump has been beating the establishment all season long, and there is no reason to think that he cannot continue to beat them. The only thing Trump could do to hurt himself is listen to the Neocons and pick an establishment vice president. That would cast doubt in the minds of his supporters as to just how dedicated he is about his anti-

establishment campaign rhetoric.

And, seriously, if all of these professing Christians and conservatives really want to vote for a third-party candidate that truly shares the vast majority of the principles and values that they profess to believe, they would vote for the Constitution Party nominee Darrell Castle. But to say they are willing to support an establishment Neocon third-party candidate only proves that, at their core, THEY are more establishment Neocon than they are Christian or conservative.

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Me in a nutshell

[NOTE: The opinion in this article is the opinion of the author and is not necessarily the opinion of NewsWithViews.com, it's employees, representatives, or other contributing writers.]

Tuesday, May 3, was my 64th birthday. Accordingly, it is time for my annual "Personal" column. I think it only fair that readers should have an opportunity to learn a little something about the person who writes the words they read. Today's column is designed with that goal in mind. And since Charley Reese (one of my favorite columnists) stopped writing, I am the only national columnist that does this, as far as I know. So, here goes.

I was born and raised in a small town in northern Indiana. My father and mother were dedicated Christians. Dad was a welder by trade and a member of the Teamsters Union (I still have his pin). He was also a lay jailhouse preacher and prison chaplain. The Lord delivered him from a terrible life of

alcoholism, and the story of his deliverance is nothing short of miraculous.

Readers should know that I will send a CD of my father's life story, free of charge, to anyone who requests it. If you or someone you know struggles with alcohol or drug addiction, I urge you to obtain a copy of this remarkable story. Click here.

I am the husband of one (for almost 43 years), the father of three, and the grandfather of nine. I have been a pastor for almost 41 years, and for over five years now, I have been the pastor of Liberty Fellowship in Kalispell, Montana, which is an independent, unorganized, unaffiliated, non-501c3 fellowship. I am also an author, radio talk show host, and writer of this national column.

As far as I know, I am in good health. And, somehow, I've been able to keep my hair. Not that that means a whole lot. I had a college professor that often quoted this little rhyme:

"To every man God is fair. To some He gave brains. To others He gave hair."

After all of these years, I forgot most of what that professor taught, but I still remember that little limerick.

I campaigned for Congressman Ron Paul in the 2008 Republican presidential primaries. After it was obvious that he would not be the Republican nominee, Constitution Party (CP) leaders and many Ron Paul supporters strongly encouraged me to seek the CP's presidential nomination. They believed that someone was needed to keep the liberty message alive in the 2008 general election, because it was clear that neither Barack Obama nor John McCain would do so. After defeating former UN Ambassador Alan Keyes in the CP nominating convention, I became the party's nominee for President. And I was very honored to have received Ron Paul's endorsement during that campaign.

Regarding the condition of the Church in America, it is my studied opinion that both the 501c3 tax-exempt status and State nonprofit corporation status have, in effect, castrated America's pastors and churches to the point that most churches are spiritually impotent and irrelevant to the preservation of liberty in our country. Instead of preaching the liberating Gospel of Christ and the empowering message of Christian non-conformity, they are preaching an enslaving message of bondage to the state via their preoccupation with the misinterpretation of Romans 13.

My constitutional attorney son and I co-authored a book on this subject that I encourage everyone to read. The book is entitled "Romans 13: The True Meaning of Submission." This book shows the teaching of the entire Bible (including Romans 13) regarding proper submission to authority—including when submission to authority is actually sinful and wrong.

To order our book on Romans 13, click here.

My personal philosophy regarding sociopolitical issues is quite simple: I believe abortion is America's national holocaust. If the blood of murdered Abel cried out to God from the ground, imagine how the blood of over 50 million innocent unborn babies is crying out to God.

I believe marriage is, by definition, only between a man and a woman. I further believe that the State has absolutely no business sanctioning or licensing marriage. All of the civil court rulings in the country cannot redefine marriage. The current civil corruption of marriage should serve notice to all pastors, churches, and Christian people to divorce their marriage ceremonies from State licensure.

I believe the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights to be the greatest documents of freedom ever produced by man. I believe the federal government is bound to submit to the limited duties prescribed to it by the U.S. Constitution. (The fact that it doesn't is a major source of our problems.) I believe America's Founding Fathers and the patriots of their generation were the greatest champions of liberty to ever live.

I believe in the right of the people to keep and bear arms. I further believe this is a God-ordained duty and should not be subject to State licensure. The Second Amendment does not grant us the right to keep and bear arms; it merely protects the duty to keep and bear arms that was given to us by our Creator.

My son and I also co-authored a book on the Biblical teaching of self-defense and the right to keep and bear arms. The book is entitled "To Keep or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns." This book looks at the entire body of Scripture and shows that nowhere in God's Word are believers instructed to surrender their arms—no matter what the laws of civil government might dictate. We show in the book that self-defense is a Natural right and a Biblical duty.

To order our book on why Christians should never surrender their arms, click here.

I believe there is a conspiracy (Dr. Alan Keyes often said that It's not a conspiracy if they really are trying to get you) of powerful elitists to surrender America's independence and national sovereignty to a globalist New World Order. I believe the Council on Foreign Relations, Trilateral Commission, and Bilderbergs are especially culpable in this evil subterfuge of our liberties.

I believe that the national news media purposely keeps the American people in the dark about the truth of what is really going on. I believe the media deliberately helped the government cover up the events of 9/11, Waco, Ruby Ridge, TWA Flight 800, the Oklahoma City bombing, the Sandy Hook school shootings, etc., ad infinitum. Heck, I believe the media

helped the government cover up what really happened in Dallas, Texas, on November 22, 1963, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated. For all intents and purposes, the national news media is little more than a propaganda ministry of the federal government. No wonder Barack Obama thanked the major media for working "side by side" with him for the last eight years at the White House Correspondents' Dinner earlier this week.

I further believe that the conscious and determined effort by both Republican and Democrat presidential administrations to not enforce our immigration laws and to provide amnesty (not to mention billions in federal tax dollars) to millions of illegal aliens is nothing more than an attempt to pave the way for the creation of an EU-type regional government in North America (among other things).

I am also convinced that there is a deliberate and calculated plan in progress to turn the United States into a police-state-style surveillance society, to which personal freedoms and liberties are being quickly and egregiously sacrificed. Passage of the USA Patriot Act, The Military Commissions Act, and the Indefinite Detention clauses of the National Defense Authorization acts (since 2012 the NDAA has been reauthorized each year with the Indefinite Detention sections included) are examples of this flagrant betrayal of freedom.

I opposed the preemptive invasion of Iraq and Afghanistan, the bombings of Libya, along with the current bombings and drone attacks going on in countries throughout the Middle East. It should be obvious to everyone that the Obama administration did nothing to change the perpetual war/preemptive war doctrine introduced by George W. Bush.

I am personally convinced that ISIS, Al Nusra, etc., are contrivances of Dark (illegal) Operations of America's CIA, British Intelligence, and Israel's Mossad. Saudi Arabia and Turkey are also partners in this nefarious activity. I'll say

it flat out: the "war on terror" is totally the creation of the West to keep America in a state of perpetual war and to keep the people of America in a state of perpetual fear and anger.

I further believe the international "war on terror" is a ruse to assist the goals of the central banks to create global government. All of the talk about Iran and Syria being a threat to the world is a bunch of hysterical propaganda. And FOX News (along with many pastors and churches) is at the heart of the pro-war propaganda machine. Neocons and globalists are using the Muslim people as the proverbial Straw Man to give the American people an enemy to hate, so that they will accept perpetual war abroad and police-state measures here at home.

I opposed the bailouts for Wall Street. I regard the Federal Reserve as a corrupt cabal of international banksters whose actions are nothing short of criminal. I wholeheartedly support the abolition of the Federal Reserve and a return to sound money.

Regarding Biblical error, I believe the doctrine of the Rapture is being used by too many pastors and Christians as an excuse to not resist the many attacks against our liberties. I further believe that too many pastors and churches have become passive, timid, and politically correct and are, therefore, "good for nothing" (Matthew 5:13) when it comes to preserving liberty.

And, as faithful readers know, I have had an about-face when it comes to my understanding of the Scriptures relating to the modern state of Israel. I have come to the studied opinion that the current state of Israel—the one created on May 14, 1948, by the United Nations—has NOTHING to do with Biblical Israel or prophetic Israel.

I have a DVD containing four messages which explain what I

believe is the scriptural truth regarding Israel. The DVD is entitled "The Church And Israel." Find it here.

I believe that ultimately it will take courageous patriot pastors and State governors and legislatures to turn the ship of state around. I wish they would hurry up and get to it.

I am a life member of Gun Owners of America (GOA) and am the National Chaplain for Oath Keepers. These are the only organizations to which I belong.

When I'm not working, I enjoy big game (or even small game) hunting and hiking. I love to hike these beautiful mountains here in Montana. The problem is, I am a workaholic and rarely take time off.

Well, there it is. That is me in a nutshell. At least now you know a little more about who I am. If you want to read more, here is where you can find my complete online bio.

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Half of 2015 murder increases came from three cities

A recent study by the Brennan Center for Justice shows that more than half of all of the murder increases in the United States were centered in just three cities: Baltimore, Maryland; Chicago, Illinois; and Washington, D.C. That's an incredible statistic when you stop and think about it. Over half of U.S. murder increases came from just three cities.

During 2015, there were 344 homicides in Baltimore, 465 in Chicago, and 162 in D.C.

Of course, the Brennan Center report mostly blames "economic factors" for the increase in murders in these cities: "These serious increases seem to be localized, rather than part of a national pandemic, suggesting that community conditions remain the major factor. Notably, these three cities all seem to have falling populations, higher poverty rates, and higher unemployment than the national average. This implies that economic deterioration of these cities could be a contributor to murder increases."

The report confirms that "crime rates remain at historic lows nationally, despite recent upticks in a handful of cities."

See the report.

In other words, take out the huge spike in crime in America's major cities, especially Baltimore, Chicago, and D.C., and the national crime rate would barely be a proverbial "blip" on the radar screen.

Besides falling populations, higher poverty rates, and higher unemployment, what else do these three cities have in common? You know the answer: STRICT GUN CONTROL.

Baltimore has an "assault weapons" ban, as does the entire State of Maryland. Chicago and the District of Columbia do too.

Writing for Breitbart.com, AWR Hawkins notes, "Chicago has a 'violence tax' that raises the price of every gun sold at retail in the city, and DC has a registration program which is broken down into six steps and requires more than a full page

of explanation from the Metropolitan Police Department. The steps include multiple paragraph explanations for satisfying gun safety requirements, certifying that you are not legally blind, and paying a total of \$94 to the DC Treasurer, none of which will impact or hinder criminals in the least.

"So the gun control in all three cities continue, even though the extra murders there were so high in 2015 that they represent more than half the overall increase in murders in the U.S."

Overall, the gun-control laws in these three cities are among the strictest in the nation. Obviously, the criminals in those cities paid those laws no heed. DUH!

The unreported part of this story is the fact that nationwide (with the exception of a handful of radical anti-gun states such as Maryland, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, California, etc.) more and more states are recognizing a citizen's right to keep AND BEAR arms, which is the primary reason why the national crime rate is falling like a rock.

More Americans are armed in their everyday lives today than at any time in modern memory. And that trend is increasing exponentially. 2015 set an all-time record (previous record being set in 2014, and the record before that being set in 2013, etc.) in gun sales nationwide. Gun ownership in America is skyrocketing. And more importantly, the numbers of Americans BEARING arms is skyrocketing.

On April 15 of this year, Mississippi became the tenth State to enact a "Constitutional-Carry" law enabling citizens to carry a concealed handgun without having to obtain a permit. The other nine states allowing for "Constitutional Carry" are Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Idaho, Kansas, Maine, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

See the report here.

The editors of the above report add: "Over 99% of Montana also enjoys Constitutional Carry." That's because 99% of the State of Montana is rural, in which case State law allows for Constitutional Carry. CCW permits are only required for incorporated cities in Montana. (The Montana House and Senate passed a Statewide Constitutional Carry bill during the last legislative session, but it was vetoed by Democratic Governor Steve Bullock. We aim to correct that problem at the polls this November.)

Readers might be surprised to learn that one in twenty adults have a CCW permit in this country. And, again, there is no question whatsoever that this fact is directly proportional to the decrease in crime nationally.

See the report.

The Gun Owners of America has also documented the fact that "Law-abiding citizens use guns to defend themselves against criminals as many as 2.5 million times every year—or about 6,850 times a day. This means that each year, firearms are used more than 60 times more often to protect the lives of honest citizens than to take lives.

"Of the 2.5 million self-defense cases, as many as 200,000 are by women defending themselves against sexual abuse."

See the report here.

The surge in both gun purchases and Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) applications can be largely attributed to women arming themselves. Pistol-packers are no longer just males. More women in America are armed today than at any time in our nation's history. And as a warning to would-be attackers of women, ladies seem to be more naturally accurate with a handgun than most men. And if you think for a second that a mother would hesitate to defend herself or her children with a deadly weapon, you are dumber than a box of rocks.

Sadly, one of the biggest pro-gun-control blocs across the country is America's pastors and churches. Not all, thankfully, but far, far too many pastors and churches across America have bought into the gun-control agenda hook, line, and sinker. This is especially true among the country's megachurches, most of which are located in major cities, of course.

Back in 2013, when President Obama and Senator Dianne Feinstein introduced their nationwide "assault weapons" ban, a host of pastors were telling their parishioners that they had no need to own an "assault weapon" (or any other firearm, for that matter) and that the Bible instructed them to disarm if civil law required it. These pastors repeatedly used verses such as "Thou shalt not kill," "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword," etc., to push the gun-control agenda to their congregations. And the vast majority of pastors who were not vocally supporting Obama's gun-control agenda were absolutely SILENT on the subject.

Thankfully, pro-Second Amendment Republicans AND Democrats rallied against Obama and Feinstein's bill and it didn't even make it out of the then Democrat-controlled U.S. Senate. No thanks, however, to a host of pastors and churches.

It was at that point that my constitutional attorney son and I wrote what I believe is a classic treatise on the Biblical Natural Law right and DUTY of men and women to be willing and able to defend themselves. I say it plainly: the right of self-defense is not just a right (as in the Second Amendment); it is a God-ordained DUTY. We have a God-ordained duty to defend ourselves with or without the Second Amendment. The Second Amendment merely recognizes the duty given to us by our Creator.

The title of our book is "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns."

As the title suggests, the book is written primarily to people who call themselves Christians. It is not so much of a constitutional analysis (which, thankfully, has already been accomplished with countless research) but of a Biblical analysis. Frankly, I am sick and tired of hearing my fellow pastors use the Scriptures (such as the ones referenced above) as justification for gun control or even disarmament. The Bible teaches nothing of the sort.

Therefore, our book is a SCRIPTURAL refutation of gun control and a theological affirmation of man's Natural and divine right of self-defense. In the book, we take the combined body of scriptural evidence and categorically prove that self-defense is a Natural right given mankind at Creation and a moral duty given mankind by Revealed Law.

For any Christian who is confused about the scriptural teaching on the subject of lawful self-defense or who goes to a church where this issue is not addressed and clarified or who has Christian friends who do not understand the Scripture's approbation of armed self-defense, this book is MUST-READING (if I do say so myself).

To order our book, "To Keep Or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns," click here.

Nationwide, America's crime rate is at historic lows because so many more people (including ladies) are arming themselves. Crime rates in America's major cities are still much higher than in average-sized or smaller communities. And in virtual "gun-free" cities such as Baltimore, Chicago, and Washington, D.C., the increase of crime (especially homicide) is at historic highs. Again, HALF of the nation's homicide rate increase in 2015 came from THESE THREE CITIES.

If anything, these three cities prove the lunacy of gun control and the wisdom of America's Founding Fathers to encapsulate our Creator's Natural Law principle of selfdefense into our Bill of Rights.

P.S. People who are relatively new to firearms often ask for my personal preferences regarding which firearms I like and why. I have put these preferences on a distinct web link, which can be viewed here.

Mind you, I am not a firearms expert, and these are merely my personal preferences and suggestions in order to help people get a head start in understanding the distinctions and nuances of the wide assortment of firearms that are available to the American people today. If anything I suggest is helpful, great. If not, that's great too. There really is no "best" or "right" choice. Like beauty, the right or best firearm is in the eyes of the beholder. And please remember: no matter what choice you make, you must practice. Whatever firearm you choose is no better or worse than your ability to handle it. I also STRONGLY suggest that people receive training from a professional firearms instructor.

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They are for war

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The Matriarch of the pro-life, pro-family, Christian Right movement is the elegant stateswoman Phyllis Schlafly. She has no peer; there is no close second. At age 91, she remains the icon of America's pro-life community.

Phyllis received her B.A. from Washington University, her J.D. from Washington University Law School, and she received her Master's in Government from Harvard University. She worked her way through college on the night shift at the St. Louis Ordnance Plant testing .30 and .50 caliber ammunition by firing rifles and machine guns and as a laboratory technician investigating misfires and photographing tracer bullets in flight.

Mrs. Schlafly is an attorney admitted to the practice of law in Illinois, Missouri, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Supreme Court. She and her late husband are the parents of 6 children and the grandparents of 14 grandchildren. Phyllis personally taught all of her children to read before they started school.

It is no exaggeration to say that Phyllis is the single person most responsible for defeating the Equal Rights Amendment and has been one of the most influential personalities in politics over the last half-century. She founded her Eagle Forum organization in 1972, and today over 80,000 people claim membership.

One would think that the pedigree, accomplishments, and lifetime efforts of Mrs. Schlafly would speak so loudly and clearly that no one—not even her political adversaries—could question her sterling character and steadfast convictions. At age 91, and after all of her hard work, Phyllis should be enjoying the most happy fruits of her labor and the most heartfelt appreciation and respect of everyone who knows her—and especially of the Christian conservative community throughout this country.

Guess again.

As we speak, Phyllis Schlafly is the target of a hostile takeover by people within her own organization, including by her own daughter. They want Phyllis OUT. They want to throw

her into the garbage bag like an old dishrag. After all of these years, after all she has done, after a lifetime of Herculean effort, they want Phyllis Schlafly GONE.

What, you ask, could be the awful sin, the horrific iniquity, the egregious act of malfeasance Phyllis could have committed to warrant such an attack? Answer: she endorsed Donald Trump for president.

Mind you, these attacks are not coming from the ACLU or the SPLC. They are coming from Christian conservatives within Eagle Forum. And from a political perspective, the people who want to destroy Mrs. Schlafly are, guess who: the Ted Cruz supporters, that's who.

See this report here.

Ted Cruz's base of support is comprised mostly of Israel-First evangelical Christians. Prophecy preachers from all over America have declared Ted to be God's "anointed" presidential candidate. These end-time evangelicals see Ted Cruz as their Elijah or John the Baptist to usher in the Millennial Kingdom. However, the fact that Cruz's supporters are attacking Mrs. Schlafly in such a vile and vicious manner, shows that hell, not heaven, is in their hearts.

I am reminded of the words of King David: "I am for peace: but when I speak, they are for war." (Psalms 120:7 KJV)

Whether people agree with Schlafly's decision to endorse Donald Trump is NOT the issue. To target Phyllis as an "enemy" because of her endorsement is the grossest and most vile attempt at character assassination that I can possibly imagine. Agree with her or not, Phyllis Schlafly is a paragon of integrity.

This leads to a very serious and all-too-common current reality: a sizeable percentage of our so-called "Christian" community is filled with a heart of hatred and war. They like to talk about peace and love, but what they are really about is war and hate.

I can't keep from saying "I told you so" at this point.

When G.W. Bush and Dick Cheney began their propaganda war against Iraq and Afghanistan, I told my radio audience, "Because G.W. Bush professes to be a Christian, and because he has so much support from within the Christian community, Bush is going to change the definition and character of the word 'Christian' in this country forever." And that is EXACTLY what has happened. Ted Cruz is picking up right where G.W. Bush left off.

The Christian standard used to be "Blessed are the peacemakers." Today the standard is "Blessed are the warmongers." These Bush/Cruz, Israel-First cultists are prepared to not only blow up the Arab world, they are prepared to blow up Eagle Forum or any other organization or personality that does not subscribe to their brand of Israel-First obsession. Believe me, if these divisive, hate-filled "Christians" could get away with it, they would be as bloodthirsty and violent as any Muslim terrorist. But since they are unable to behead people such as Phyllis Schlafly or Chuck Baldwin, however, they set out with all malice to destroy our work and reputations. Yes, I am dealing with many of these same hate-filled "Christians," too.

And I know that many of my brethren will recoil when they hear me say what I'm going to say, but I have analyzed and studied this phenomenon for many years now, and there is a DEFINITE common denominator.

I'm talking about decades of church splits; pastors being savagely and mercilessly attacked from inside the church; pastors' families being destroyed by members of their own congregations; and the most bitter, divisive, backstabbing, meddlesome, tale-bearing, discordant, mean-spirited actions

and attitudes on the planet. All in the name of Christianity. All in the name of love. All in the name of Bible doctrine. All in the name of Jesus Christ. All in the name of truth.

What is the common denominator? Almost without exception these haters and destroyers are Israel-First, end-time prophecy zealots.

I cannot imagine another presidential candidate's supporters attacking someone such as Phyllis Schlafly like the Cruz supporters are now doing. It is Ted Cruz's supporters who are engaging in this attempted destruction of America's First Lady of The Pro-Life Movement, Phyllis Schlafly. And again, Ted Cruz is Mr. Christian Zionist. Cruz is to politics what John Hagee is to religion.

Ted Cruz claims to be pro-life, but he is allowing his supporters to crucify the most influential pro-life American of the last half-century, Phyllis Schlafly.

Remember, Ted Cruz is the one who is promising to "make the sand glow" in the Arab states—except not in Saudi Arabia, of course. Meaning he wants the United States to launch nuclear missiles against millions of innocent men, women, and children throughout the Middle East. Again, all in the name of Christian love. No, that's not exactly true: all in the name of ISRAEL and all in the name of Bible prophecy. And if he's elected president, I'm sure he would make good on his promise.

After over 40 years of labor and leadership in the liberty and Christian movements, and having personally witnessed the massive amount of death and destruction inflicted upon untold thousands of good and honorable men and women at the hands of these calloused and calculating beasts of prey, it is now (finally) becoming apparent what is behind all of this devastation. It is the same enemy that is trying to destroy Phyllis Schlafly.

When the spirit of hatred and war take over the heart, no one

is safe. Not even friends.

Please pray for Phyllis Schlafly.

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Washington D.C. Neocons are the greatest threat to wold

freedom

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Let me begin with a cold, hard (albeit unpopular) fact:

1. The Neocons in Washington, D.C., are not only America's greatest threat; they are the world's greatest threat.

Compared to the threat that Neocons pose to world peace and the sheer numbers of people killed by Neocon-generated wars (numbering into the millions of people), militant Muslims are like children playing with squirt guns in a sand box. And forget the left-right, conservative-liberal paradigm you've always been taught. All of that is only for electioneering. The real battle is between Americanism and Globalism, and Neocons are ALL about Globalism.

Please read my column "What is A Neocon?"

Of course, Neocons can count success all the way back to the days of Richard Nixon and even back to Woodrow Wilson. But it was George H.W. Bush who snuck in the Neocon Trojan Horse while the American people were sound asleep. And his successors Bill Clinton, G.W. Bush, and Barack Obama have given Neocons almost total run of the place ever since. The political parties these men represent mean nothing. The real people they represent are the Neocons.

The reason we have been at war ever since Bush I invaded Kuwait and Bush II invaded Afghanistan and Iraq has nothing to do with those countries posing any imminent threat to the United States or anything of the kind. The reason we have been at war—and will stay at war—is because the Neocons want us at

war. They enrich and empower themselves through war, and they fulfill their economic/political/cultural/tribal agendas through war. And this is the same reason the Neocons have set up ISIS, Al Nusra, et al. as proxy armies to take the war into Syria and eventually Iran.

I encourage readers to watch this excellent explanation of the whole Neocon/Muslim War issue in this video presentation by former congressman Ron Paul.

Recently, Paul Craig Roberts (Assistant Secretary of the Treasury under President Ronald Reagan) bluntly wrote, "The remaining danger is the crazed American neoconservatives. I know many of them. They are completely insane ideologues. This inhuman filth has controlled the foreign policy of every US government since Clinton's second term. They are a danger to all life on earth. Look at the destruction they have wreaked in the former Yugoslavia, in Ukraine, in Georgia and South Ossetia, in Africa, in Afghanistan and the Middle East. The American people were too brainwashed by lies and by political impotence to do anything about it, and Washington's vassals in Europe, UK, Canada, Australia, and Japan had to pretend that this policy of international murder was 'bringing freedom and democracy.'

"The crazed filth that controls US foreign policy is capable of defending US hegemony with nuclear weapons. The neoconservatives must be removed from power, arrested, and put on international trial for their horrendous war crimes before they defend their hegemony with Armageddon.

"Neoconservatives and their allies in the military/security complex make audacious use of false flag attacks. These evil people are capable of orchestrating a false flag attack that propels the US and Russia to war."

See Roberts' column here.

Make no mistake about it: the Neocons control both major

political parties in D.C. We have heard Ted Cruz promise if he's elected to make "the sand glow" in the Arab nations. Meaning, he wants to launch nuclear missiles against Syria and Iran (but not Saudi Arabia, of course). And the rest of the Republican field has made similar promises. But Democrat Hillary Clinton has said much the same thing.

In a speech last year at Dartmouth College, Hillary said, "I want the Iranians to know that if I'm president, we will attack Iran...we would be able to totally obliterate them."

See the report here.

Did Hillary make such a promise because Iran poses an imminent danger to the safety and security of the United States? No, but because in her mind, Iran poses an "existential threat to Israel." That is exactly the same thing that Ted Cruz and the other Neocons in the Republican Party are saying. "War for Israel" is the cry of the Neocons.

This leads me to the second cold, hard (and VERY unpopular) fact:

2. The agenda of the Neocons and the agenda of the Zionists are one and the same.

It might be even safe to say that the Zionists are the ones pushing most, if not all, of the Neocon agenda. But the saddest part of this whole sordid affair is that it is America's pastors and Christians that are most responsible for facilitating it all.

All over America, pastors such as John Hagee are egregiously misinterpreting God's promise to Abraham in Genesis 12:3 that says, "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed" (KJV), and applying it to the modern Zionist state of Israel. They completely ignore Galatians 3 that clearly and emphatically explains that the promise to Abraham was

fulfilled in Jesus Christ and in those who have faith in Him. The promise to Abraham has absolutely nothing to do with the modern Zionist state of Israel. ABSOLUTELY NOTHING.

So, what has happened to the United States since 1948, when the United Nations created modern Israel? Has America been "blessed" by becoming little more than a vassal state of and war machine for Israel? What has been the result of allowing the Zionist/Neocons to assume control over so much of America? What have the John Hagees of the Christian world accomplished by brainwashing millions of America's Christians with their "Israel-First" heresy?

Are our families better off since 1948? What about education? How are we doing in that department since 1948? What about U.S. jobs? What about our public and private debt? What about our social mores? What about crime? What about substance addiction? What about child molestation? What about aberrant sexual behavior? What about teen suicides and even veteran suicides? What about general honesty and integrity? How do all of these compare to 1948? Is the United States of America more blessed now than it was in 1948? Answer that in your own heart.

Take Hollywood

I love a good movie as much as anyone. I really do. But it is not even controversial to say that Hollywood has become the biggest polluter of our culture to ever exist. The lewdness, vulgarity, indecency, and blasphemy that emanates out of Hollywood has turned American culture upside down. Hollywood has made the perverse, the profane, and the vulgar vogue in our country. And network television is doing its best to keep up.

It is not uncommon today to hear small children (even children that go to church) using the "f" word and the Lord's name in vain. Many church "services" more closely resemble movie

productions, complete with scantily dressed women parading and dancing onstage. Hollywood has turned our society (and many of our churches) into a garbage dump.

So, who runs Hollywood?

My friend, movie producer James Jaeger, recently said, "Some of us remember when Marlon Brando was on LARRY KING and said the following: 'Hollywood is run by Jews. It's owned by Jews and they should have a greater sensitivity about the issue of people who are suffering.'"

Jaeger went on to confirm and update extensive research done by author and entertainment-securities attorney, John W. Cones, by stating that:

"As much as 60% of the top executive positions—especially the current CEOs of the MPAA studio/distributors, TV networks and their parent conglomerates—are held by individuals that happen to be Jewish."

To further substantiate the research, Jaeger reports that, "Ben Stein said in EOnline magazine, 'First, it is extremely clear to anyone in Hollywood that Jews are, so to speak, "in charge" in Hollywood in a way that is not duplicated in any other large business ... Hollywood, in many ways the most successful cultural enterprise of all time and the most potent messenger of American values of all time, is changing, but it is still largely Jewish.'"

Jaeger further reports that, "Michael Medved said in Moment magazine: 'It makes no sense at all to try to deny the reality of Jewish power and prominence in popular culture. Any list of the most influential production executives at each of the major movie studios will produce a heavy majority of recognizably Jewish names.'"

And lastly, Jaeger confirms that, "Joel Stein said in the LA Times 'As a proud Jew, I want America to know about our

accomplishment. Yes, we control Hollywood. Without us, you'd be flipping between The 700 Club and Davey and Goliath on TV all day.'"

Take the Warfare State

Think of this: the United States has not fought a single constitutional war since 1948. And it has not won a single war since, either. But in waging all of these unconstitutional wars, the American war machine has taken the lives of millions of innocent men, women, and children—especially in the Middle East.

Why is the United States killing so many people? Ted Cruz and Hillary have plainly told us. We are killing them on behalf of Israel. And Christians all over America are cheering it all on.

The following is taken from The UNZ Review:

From the Clinton era through the George W. Bush and Obama regimes, the US engaged in a series of wars against predominantly secular governments in Muslim countries, which had been opposed to Israel's brutal occupation of Palestine.

Key policymakers in the design and execution of US war policy were prominent Jews bristling with diplomas from the most prestigious universities.

These 'scholars', the 'cream' of US academe, blatantly falsified the pretexts for the US' disastrous thirteen-year war (and counting) in Iraq, the lost (15-plus year) war in Afghanistan, the invasion and destruction of Libya and Syria. Their brilliant plans have led directly to the rise of ISIS throughout the region and the displacement of tens of millions of civilians in the Middle East, West Asia and North Africa. Standing out among the principal architects of these foreign policy disasters is [Zionist] Elliott Abrams, BA and Doctor of Jurisprudence, Harvard University. Abrams had been officially

censored for lying directly to the US Congress about his role in the Iran-Contra scandal under President Ronald Reagan in the 1980s. The new millennium wiped clean his tawdry slate of crimes against humanity and he was appointed a leading National Security Advisor under President George W. Bush 2002-2009. In this role, he fabricated 'evidence' linking the secular government of Iraq to the fundamentalist Al Qaeda and he served as a transmission belt channeling false Israeli 'intelligence' that Iraq possessed banned weapons of mass destruction. No weapons were ever found—a 'mere detail of history', according to his partner, [Zionist] Paul Wolfowitz. These blatant lies pushed to Bush Administration to invade and destroy Iraq.

While Elliot Abrams was strategically placed in the Bush/Cheney White House, his partners in deception, Paul Wolfowitz and [Zionist] Douglas Feith controlled Middle East policy at the Pentagon.

This dream team of Abrams, Wolfowitz and Feith formed the powerful Israel-First Troika responsible for the military policies which systematically destroyed Iraq's state apparatus, decimating its civil society, fragmenting the country and precipitating gruesome ethno-religious wars and the rise of ISIS. This 'Troika' has never been held responsible for the deaths of over one million Iraqis.

Dr. Paul Wolfowitz received his BA from Cornell and PhD from the University of Chicago. In the 1980's, early in his government career he temporarily lost security clearance for having passed confidential documents to Israeli agents. Despite this 'youthful indiscretion' (or act of treason), Wolfowitz became Deputy Defense Secretary under President George W. Bush (2001-2005). In this position, he was one of the earliest and most forceful advocates for military interventions against Iraq, Syria, Iran, Lebanon and Libya. He persuaded the American Congress and the Bush Administration that the invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq would be short and

self-financing. He glowingly predicted that the wars would 'pay for themselves' in terms of looted natural resources and 're-construction' contracts. In fact, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have cost tens of thousands of US military casualties, over a trillion dollars in military expenditures and they continue over 13 years (Iraq), and 15 years (Afghanistan) with no end in sight but completely devastated societies spewing millions of refugees and thousands of terrorists.

Equally luminous in academic credentials, the third of the 'Israel-First Troika', Douglas Feith received his BA from Harvard (magna cum laude), and JD (magna cum laude). He worked closely with Israeli intelligence officials fabricating out of whole cloth the myth of Saddam's quest for 'yellow cake' uranium to construct Iraqi nuclear weapons of mass destruction pushing the US into war against Iraq.

Take the Supreme Court

Most of us are deeply chagrined at the constant anti-Christian, anti-freedom, anti-family U.S. Supreme Court decisions. As much as Hollywood or Congress or the White House or any other entity, the Supreme Court has all but eviscerated whatever vestiges of Washington and Jefferson's America that were left.

If President Obama's appointment of Merrick Garland is confirmed to the Supreme Court, it will mean that Jews will comprise 45% of the Court, even though they comprise but approximately 2% of the country's population. And you can be sure that the Jewish members of the Court will vote as one in trying to outlaw our right to keep and bear arms. The other 55% are Roman Catholics, which comprise about 30% of the population. Protestants (historically the authors and signers of America's founding documents) will be totally absent from the U.S. Supreme Court.

Take the Federal Reserve and Treasury Departments (Bush I-

Obama)

Again, from The UNZ Review:

The Federal Reserve chairman, [Zionist] Alan Greenspan's, and his deregulatory policies, led to the greatest financial crash since the Great Depression and his successor, [Zionist] Benjamin Bernanke, who presided over the trillion-dollar bailout of Wall Street banks while millions of Americans lost their homes.

[Zionist] Stuart Levey was the first Undersecretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence within the US Treasury Department (a position created by AIPAC and tailored specifically for Levey). While Stu Levey was racing around the US and the rest of the world enforcing the economic sanctions against Iran (which he authored in line with Israeli directives), narco-terrorists from Mexico, Central America, Colombia and Peru were freely washing hundreds of billions of dollars a year in US banks. Meanwhile, Saudi Arabian officials who funded jihadi terrorists were never prosecuted or sanctioned—even after attacks within the US.

Levey's successor, [Zionist] David Cohen (who else!) followed the same policy. Multinational banks and corporations, which had corrupted officials, swindled investors, evaded taxes and laundered illicit funds were never investigated, let alone charged. Cohen devoted his time and effort, at Israel's behest, enforcing sanctions against Iran and endeavoring to sabotage any US-Iran nuclear negotiations.

Take Israeli operations within the U.S. government

Again, I borrow from The UNZ Review:

Feith set up a cozy nest at the Pentagon, the 'Office of Special Plans' (OSP), which served as a base of operations for Israeli operatives.

Hovering on the periphery of the 'Troika' was the

'mysterious', veteran manipulator, [Zionist] Richard Perle. With his BA from the University of Southern California and MA from Princeton (and no military experience), Perle was qualified to push for serial US wars on Israel's behalf, starting with Iraq and moving on to all other countries which had traditionally supported the rights of the Palestinian people.

He was a key member of the US Defense Policy Board under the Bush Administration and the front ideologue for invading Iraq. His second 'job' was strategic adviser to Israeli Prime Ministers Ariel Sharon and Benjamin Netanyahu. Perle pushed for US military intervention to effect 'regime change' in Syria and Iran as well as Libya.

Take Israel Political Action Committees

From The UNZ Review again:

Beyond the warrior 'troika' and shadowy Mr. Perle, there is [Zionist] Dr. Dennis Ross who received his BA and PhD from UCLA and taught at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. Ross and fellow uber-Zionist, Martin Indyk, founded the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) the most influential lobby on Middle East policy and a virtual 'kingmaker' in Washington. He was President Bill Clinton's 'Middle East Coordinator', ensuring that Israel's land grabs in the occupied territories were unimpeded, and indeed justified and funded by the US taxpayer. His notoriety in promoting the brutal and illegal confiscation of Palestinian property earned him the title as 'Israel's lawyer' even among his most pro-Israel colleagues.

Ross made sure that Israel would not be bound to the Camp David agreements even as President Clinton claimed the negotiations as his landmark achievement in diplomacy. AIPAC, under Ross and Indyk, lobbied long and hard for the US invasion of Iraq; it backed Israel's invasion of Lebanon and justified the expansion of apartheid style 'Jews only'

colonial settlements in the occupied Palestinian West Bank.

During the Obama Presidency, Ross served as Special Adviser for the Persian Gulf and Southwest Asia to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. In this capacity, he actively opposed diplomatic negotiations with the government of Iran or the Taliban in Afghanistan.

Take U.S. economic policies and "free trade" agreements

Yes, taking from The UNZ Review again:

[Zionist] Jack Lew, Secretary of the Treasury (2013-2016) heads an ethno-Chauvinist quintet dictating US foreign and domestic economic policy (with [Zionist] Michael Froman, Chief Trade Negotiator; [Zionist] 'Penny' Pritzer, Secretary of Commerce; [Zionist] Lawrence Summers, Director of National Economic Council and [Zionist] Janet Yellen, head of the Federal Reserve Bank). Lew pushed policies favoring the wealthiest 1% along with his co-religionist Michael Froman, while millions of Americans were plunged into poverty and stagnation. Their policies include Free Trade Agreements in Europe, Asia and Latin America which have led to the relocation of US MNC overseas, massive job losses at home, further deepening inequalities and degrading work conditions and wages.

Recently, in his stellar public career, Jack Lew was investigated for lying to the US Congress about the national debt, the size and growth of which he deliberately understated. Thanks to his 'backers,' he was never charged . . . Of course.

The UNZ Review summarizes:

After examining the performance of top officials in foreign policy, we find that their 'assumptions' (often blatant manipulations and misrepresentations) about Iraq were completely wrong; their pursuit of war was disastrous and criminal; their 'occupation blueprint' led to prolonged

conflict and the rise of terrorism; their pretext for war was a fabrication derived from their close ties to Israeli intelligence in opposition to the findings US intelligence. Their sanctions policy toward Iran has cost the US economy many billions while their pro-Israel policy cost the US Treasury (and taxpayers) over \$110 billion over the last 30 years. Their one-sided 'Israel-First' policy has sabotaged any a 'two-state' resolution of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict and has left millions of Palestinians in abject misery. Meanwhile, the disproportionate number of high officials who have been accused of giving secret US documents to Israel (Wolfowitz, Feith, Indyke and Polland etc.) exposes what really constitutes the badge of "merit" in this critical area of US security policy.

The gulf between academic credentials and actual performance extends to economic policy. Neo-liberal policies favoring Wall Street speculators were adopted by such strategic policymakers as Alan Greenspan, Ben Bernanke and Lawrence Summers.

Their 'leadership' rendered the country vulnerable to the biggest economic crash since the Great Depression with millions of Americans losing employment and homes. Despite their role in creating the conditions for the crisis, their 'solution' compounded the disaster by transferring over a trillion dollars from the US Treasury to the investment banks, as a taxpayer-funded bailout of Wall Street. Under their economic leadership, class inequalities have deepened; the financial elite has grown many times richer.

Meanwhile, wars in the Middle East have drained the US Treasury of funds, which should have been used to serve the social needs of Americans and finance an economic recovery program through massive domestic investments and repair of our collapsing infrastructure.

The trade policies under the leadership of this 'meritocratic' elite-formerly called the 'Chosen People'-have been an unmitigated disaster for the majority of industrial workers,

resulting in huge trade deficits and the deskilling of low paid service employment—with profound implications for future generations of American workers. It is no longer a secret that an entire generation of working class Americans has descended into poverty with no prospects of escape—except through narcotics and other degradation. On the 'flip side' of the 'winners and losers', US finance capital has expanded overseas with acquisition and merger fees enriching the 0.1% and the meritocratic officials happily rotating from their Washington offices to Wall Street and back again.

See The UNZ Review report here

Clearly, the Neocons are the political creation of Christian and Jewish Zionists. Until true Christians, conservatives, and patriots come to grips with the fact that Zionists and their political patsies, the Neocons, are the mortal enemies of liberty, our beloved country, America, and even the Christian faith, we will have no success in stopping their pernicious attempts to create a global, socialist "meritocratic" state. You cannot win a war without knowing who the real enemy is.

While the John Hagees and Ted Cruzes of the world might believe that their "Israel-First" theology is taking America and the whole earth into The Millennium, what it's really doing is taking America and the whole earth into Armageddon.

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Where do we go from here?

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Several friends and supporters around the country have recently asked me the question, "Where do we go from here?" These are people who love and fear God, who love their country, who love freedom, who see the burgeoning abridgments of our liberties by an overbearing and ever-intrusive federal government, and who, frankly, see little reason to believe that either political party will do much of anything to change things—regardless of who is elected. And, frankly, I share their frustration.

For the most part, the two major parties are controlled by the same big-government, Police State-loving, war-mongering, power-hungry, egotistical elitist clubmen whose only aim is to satisfy their insatiable appetite for personal gain. Anyone, and I mean anyone, who isn't willing to lick the boots and

kiss the rings of the establishment elite will unleash the wrath of the fire-breathing dragons in both parties—not to mention their toadies in the propaganda media.

Normally, there will be but one anti-establishment candidate capable of upsetting the establishment applecart in a given presidential race. During the last half-century or so, that means men such as Barry Goldwater, George Wallace, John Anderson, Ross Perot, Pat Buchanan, and Ron Paul. These men are summarily run over by the combined force of the political and media establishments—or in the case of Wallace, shot—thus ensuring that no matter which major party candidate wins, the establishment wins.

This is why no matter which party controls the White House and Congress, the beat goes on for the establishment elite: more and more government growth and spending; more and more intrusions into our personal lives; more and more jobs shipped overseas; more and more illegal immigration; more and more foreign wars; more and more federal usurpation of State sovereignty; more and more power to overbearing federal agencies such as the BLM and EPA; and more and more economic hardship on the middle class.

The problem for the establishment this year is that there is not one, but two anti-establishment candidates in the hunt: one in each party. The combined candidacies of Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump are making life a veritable hell for the establishment elite. The fact that so many millions of people from both the left and the right are supporting these two men is definite cause for the establishment to be concerned. The anger and frustration of the American people with the establishment are VERY real.

In addition, millions of people have completely given up on the ballot box. The testimonies of computer hackers claiming to have rigged voting machines or to being eyewitnesses to vote fraud, the overt manipulation of party delegates, rules and procedures, and the track record of nothing changing no matter who is elected (as referenced above) have caused millions of people to give up voting altogether. There are more people who believe that voting is a complete waste of time today than at any time in our nation's history. This does not bode well for our future. Feelings of hopelessness and desperation are usually the things that revolutions are made of.

So, where do we go from here?

Let's begin here: it is absolutely certain that, while Washington, D.C., is a major part of our problem, it is NOT our solution. As the comic strip character Pogo said, "We have found the enemy, and it is us." And the "us" in this equation is mostly those who profess to be "Christians" and those who profess to be "Patriots."

"Christians"

Most Christians are familiar with the Scripture that says "judgment must begin at the house of God." (I Peter 4:17) The problem with Old Testament Israel was NOT the Canaanites or the Moabites or the Girgashites or the Ammonites or the Midianites, ad infinitum. The problem with Old Testament Israel was Old Testament Israel. God's people brought judgment upon themselves. So it is today.

Christians love to curse the sins (mostly the sins of the flesh) of actors, entertainers, celebrities, and even one another. But the greater and more predominate sins of the church are totally and completely ignored. And in the pulpit, the most notable sin is the sin of silence.

Christians are content to sit in front of pulpits that are totally silent on the salient issues facing our country. Oh, some may complain about their pastors not speaking out on the issues, but they continue to support these pastors with their attendance and offerings nonetheless. As long as Christians

continue to give aid and comfort to these pandering pulpits, NOTHING will change in this country—no matter who is elected to public office.

Beyond that, the church itself is filled with the things that God hates. When naming the particular sins that He hates, God included:

- Pride
- Lying
- Hands that shed innocent blood
- A heart that devises wicked imaginations
- Feet that are swift to run into mischief
- A false witness that speaks lies
- People that sow discord among brethren (See Proverbs 6:16-19)

I submit that our churches are literally immersed in the sins listed above. Pride, arrogance, stubbornness, rebelliousness, deceit, backbiting, gossip, slander, character assassination, selfish ambition, insubordination, lying, false testimony, discord, discontent, malcontent, and troublemaking fill our churches. People such as these don't want God's men in the pulpit to be prophets; they want them to be glorified babysitters: coddling and pampering spoiled spiritual babies.

God said he HATES this kind of stuff. Until these kinds of sins (amounting to nothing more than spiritual idolatry or the idolization of self) are judged in the church, God will continue to give us over to our enemies as surely as He did to Old Testament Israel for their idolatry.

"Patriots"

A sizeable percentage of the professing patriot community today is doing more to cause their own enslavement than they are to prevent it. They create self-fulfilling prophecies and then refuse to take any responsibility for it. The Internet is awash in half-truths, rumors, hearsay, baseless accusations, and downright lies. In the name of God, so-called prophecy "experts" repeatedly predict divine pronouncements that never come true. And without retraction or apology, they continue to spew forth more and ever-exaggerated predictions. False reports are regurgitated ubiquitously. And even worse, there is an element within the patriot community that has NO desire to be objective and honest; there is no room in their minds for critical thinking. If the truth doesn't fit their preconceived agenda, they make up a lie that will.

If we are going to make any progress toward the restoration and reclamation of constitutional government in this country, the patriot community must start being honest with itself. Hyperbole, sensationalism, self-aggrandizement, and pandering only serve to accommodate oppression. They do nothing to further the cause of liberty.

Many patriot Internet bloggers and radio talk show hosts seem to pander as much to their audience as politicians in Washington, D.C., do to theirs. Rather than facing issues objectively and honestly, they slant or spin the story to fit what the audience wants to hear. It's the same thing the SPLC and the politically correct establishment do—only in reverse.

The dark side of government and the media spin stories to fit their agendas. Many patriots do the exact same thing.

Big Government toadies love to lump all patriots (those could include Ron Paul supporters, Donald Trump supporters, pro-life people, conservative Christians, military veterans, people who believe in the Constitution, creationists, Second Amendment advocates, ad infinitum) into one big "anti-government" group. And many self-serving patriots love to lump all policemen, federal agents, and public servants into one big "tyrant" group.

And please remember, many of these so-called "patriots" who are continually promoting their own particular brand of hatred for government are in reality agent provocateurs who are attempting to incite people with strong emotions and weak minds into doing something criminal so as to further categorize all of us as "anti-government extremists." And far, far too many of us are far, far too easily manipulated.

The problem in the patriot community, as I see it, is the same as it is in the big-government community: a herd mentality. It seems that almost no one is willing to distance him or herself from the crowd. Whatever my peers expect me to be, I will be. Whatever they expect me to do, I will do. Whatever they expect me to say, I will say. This is a problem on both sides of the aisle.

Too many good people in government are not willing to stand against the tide of popular opinion among their peers. Even when they recognize that the popular opinion of their peers is wrong, they sheepishly surrender to it. Many professing patriots do the exact same thing. They are unwilling to stand against the tide of popular opinion among their own peers. Even when they recognize that the popular opinion of their peers is wrong, they sheepishly surrender to it. So, who is worse?

Until we who call ourselves patriots are willing to be honest and objective with ourselves and have the personal courage and integrity to truthfully follow that honesty and objectivity wherever it leads us, and until we stop sheepishly acquiescing to the tide of popular opinion of our peers for the purpose of self-aggrandizement and personal profit, we only contribute to the advancement of our own enslavement.

We also need to become much smarter in the way we present ourselves to our uninformed neighbors and fellow citizens in our local communities. Hot-headed, knee-jerk, overly emotional outbursts and tantrums are NOT helping the cause. In the world of marketing and salesmanship, for example, bad breath and body order are NOT assets. A lot of what goes on in the name of the patriot community is tantamount to bad breath and body order. IT STINKS!

Our Founding Fathers convinced the Body Politic of Colonial America (in great part because of the preaching of the Colonial pastors) as to the legitimacy and righteousness of independence from Great Britain. When those delegates voted for the Declaration of Independence, they acted as duly elected representatives of the Body Politic within the thirteen colonies. They were not a mob leading an insurrection; they were statesmen representing the will of "We the People." That could not have happened without decades of intelligent and indefatigable reasoning that ultimately convinced enough of the citizenry to support the cause of independence.

Of course, King George and the British Crown regarded our secession from England as treasonous, but that was irrelevant. Our founders were on the right side of the higher law of Nature and Heaven. And it was to the laws of Nature and Nature's God to which they appealed their cause. So must we.

I recently delivered a lengthy message outlining the principles of Natural Law. I quickly found that those principles are as distasteful to many so-called "patriots" today as the Gospel is to many unrepentant sinners. We will reject the principles that Heaven has enshrined in Natural Law to our own political destruction as surely as men who reject the Gospel message will do to the destruction of their own souls.

The message is entitled "The Right of Revolution As Justified In Natural And Revealed Law." Find it here.

As with most of America's founders, Thomas Jefferson thoroughly understood the principles of Natural Law. He and

the other founders were disciples of men such as Baron Charles de Montesquieu, Sir William Blackstone, and John Locke. In fact, Jefferson borrowed heavily from John Locke's "Second Treatise of Government" when he penned the Declaration of Independence.

I personally believe Locke's "Second Treatise of Government" to be the most succinct explanation of Natural Law ever written. Find it here.

I further believe that God will always preserve to Himself a remnant that He will protect, bless, and prosper. That was true when the entire idolatrous nations of Israel and Judah went into captivity and bondage. Even then, God revived a remnant. And amazingly, this revived remnant owed their liberty to a good-hearted, pagan Persian king named Cyrus. The leaders of Israel were so corrupt, God used a Persian king to restore liberty and peace to His remnant. Throughout history, in the worst of times, God always preserved a remnant.

Last Sunday, I delivered a message on this very subject taken from the Book of Ezra. Watch it here.

So, where do we go from here?

- We need to recognize the importance of America's patriot pulpit and start supporting it wherever and however we can.
- We need to recognize the importance of repenting of the sins that God hates within the church and for which He will judge His people.
- We need to recognize the importance of being honest and objective in the way we analyze and judge the actions of people and stop pandering our opinions to the herd—including OUR herd.
- We need to recognize the importance of Natural Law: learn these principles and do our best to teach them to as many

people as we can-including our local and State representatives.

- We need to stop gullibly buying into the half-truths, wild accusations, innuendos, exaggerations, duplicity, and downright falsehoods that are regurgitated on the Internet, on many talk shows, and in many periodicals—remembering that many of these falsehoods and hysterical overreactions are actually the work of our enemies posing as our friends.
- We need to recognize the importance of convincing the Body Politic within our states and local communities of the principles of liberty and independence in a reasoned, rational, and righteous manner that well represents the honor and majesty of the principles themselves.
- We need to recognize that God always preserves a remnant to Himself, and we should seek to be part of that remnant.
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My latest suggested reading list

I am often asked to recommend reading material. I have published my suggested reading lists before, but it's been several years. Therefore, today's column will be devoted to this subject.

First, here are a couple of maxims about reading in general. "Leaders are readers." And, "A man is the sum total of the people he associates with and the books he reads."

Accordingly, here are a few of the books that I have recently

read, that I am currently reading, or that are on my short list of books soon to read (in no particular order).

Life Of Washington

A rare, faith-filled, historic biography of America's first President, George Washington.

Originally published in 1842.

By Anna C. Reed

George Washington, Frontiersman By Zane Grey

A History Of The American People By Paul Johnson

A History Of Christianity In The United States And Canada By Mark A. Noll

By The Hand Of Providence: How Faith Shaped The American Revolution By Rod Gragg

The Essential Thomas Jefferson Edited by John Gabriel Hunt

A Commitment To Valor
A Unique Portrait Of Robert E. Lee In His Own Words
Compiled and Edited by Rod Gragg

Call Of Duty
The Sterling Nobility Of Robert E. Lee
By J. Steven Wilkins

Stonewall Jackson
The Man, The Soldier, The Legend
By James I. Robertson, Jr.

A View Of The Constitution: Secession As Taught At West Point By William Rawle (1825)

Edited and Annotated by Walter D. Kennedy and James R. Kennedy

The Real Lincoln

A New Look At Abraham Lincoln, His Agenda, And An Unnecessary War

By Thomas J. DiLorenzo

This book is absolutely MUST-READING. It carefully and truthfully unmasks America's worst president.

War Is A Racket

By Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler

Every American should read this classic. I try to stay reminded of General Butler's wisdom by reading his book every year or two.

Boston's Gun Bible

By Boston T. Party

A terrific manual on the Second Amendment, shooting, guns, self-defense, etc. Every American who claims to love liberty should read the chapter entitled "How To Become A Rifleman." That chapter alone is worth the price of the book.

Lex, Rex, Or The Law And The Prince By Samuel Rutherford (1600 - 1661) A CLASSIC! A MUST-READ!

Second Treatise Of Government

By John Locke (1632 - 1704)

John Locke was The Father of America's Founding Fathers. His "Second Treatise Of Government" is MUST-READING. It just might be the most succinct explanation of Natural Law of all.

You can order Locke's masterpiece on my web store here:

The Law

By Frederic Bastiat (1801 - 1850)

This is another classic that needs to be read every year.

Vindiciae, Contra Tyrannos

Or Concerning The Legitimate Power Of A Prince Over The People, And Of The People Over A Prince

Edited by George Garnett
This is another MUST-READ classic for all freedom lovers.

They Preached Liberty

"An anthology of timely quotations from New England ministers of the American Revolution on the subject of liberty: its source, nature, obligations, types, and blessings."

Edited by Franklin P. Cole

I wish every preacher in America would read this book and also these next two:

Political Sermons Of The American Founding Era, 1730-1805 Edited by Ellis Sandoz

Read these sermons from America's Colonial pulpits, and you will realize the kind of preaching you are NOT hearing but should be.

The Battle of Lexington
A Sermon And Eyewitness Narrative
By Jonas Clark, Pastor, Church of Lexington

Originally Titled: The Fate of Blood-Thirsty Oppressors and God's Tender Care of His Distressed People

Here is the eyewitness account of the pastor of the Minutemen as they fired the "shot heard 'round the world" on Lexington Green on the first anniversary of the Battle of Lexington, April 19, 1776. What most history books omit is the fact that the Minutemen were comprised mostly of the male congregants of Pastor Clark's Church of Lexington. READ THIS BOOK!

Plus, on Sunday, April 19 of last year, I publically delivered Jonas Clark's famous sermon word-for-word to my congregation at Liberty Fellowship in Kalispell, Montana. That presentation is available on DVD. As far as I know, it is the only recording of its kind in existence. Find it here:

Hitler's Cross

The revealing story of how the Cross of Christ was used as a symbol of the Nazi agenda.

By Erwin W. Lutzer

As I have said many times, this is a book that everyone needs to read. I have personally recommended this book to hundreds of people. GET THIS BOOK!

The Pilgrim's Progress
By John Bunyan (1628 - 1688)

This is the immortal classic that has sold more copies worldwide than any other book, with the exception of the Holy Bible. A timeless treasure that everyone should read.

Death By Government By R. J. Rummel

Read this, and you will discover that, compared to the mass murders committed by governments throughout history, John Dillinger, Al Capone, and Bonnie and Clyde were rank amateurs.

A Foreign Policy Of Freedom "Peace, Commerce, And Honest Friendship" By former congressman Ron Paul A great book by America's greatest congressman.

The Black Book Of Communism

By Stephane Courtois, Nicolas Werth, Jean-Louis Panne, Andrzej Paczkowski, Karel Bartosek, and Jean-Louis Margolin

This is the most definitive and comprehensive book I have ever found on the true history of communism all over the world.

A Christian Manifesto By Francis A. Schaeffer A CLASSIC!

The Normal Christian Life By Watchman Nee The Cost Of Discipleship
By Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Bonhoeffer's BEST! A CLASSIC!

The Genesis Flood

By John C. Whitcomb and Henry M. Morris

Maybe the best defense of creationism in print.

THE HOLY BIBLE

Written by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit of God Listen to these testimonials about the Bible:

"The Bible is one of the greatest blessings bestowed by God on the children of men. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture for its matter. It is all pure, all sincere; nothing too much; nothing wanting." (John Locke)

"It is impossible to mentally or socially enslave a Bible-reading people." (Horace Greeley)

"I have known 95 of the world's great men in my time, and of these, 87 were followers of the Bible." (William Gladstone)

"I have always said and always will say that the studious perusal of the Sacred Volume will make better citizens, better fathers, better husbands...the Bible makes the best people in the world." (Thomas Jefferson)

"The Bible is the rock on which our republic rests." (Andrew Jackson)

And, if I may be so bold: I strongly recommend that people read the two books co-authored by my constitutional attorney son, Tim Baldwin, and me.

Romans 13: The True Meaning Of Submission

This is a blockbuster book that shows from both testaments of the Bible that nowhere does God give civil government (or any other government, for that matter) the right to exercise tyrannical power and authority over men; and nowhere does God command His people to give unlimited submission to tyrannical government. This is must-reading for every Christian and non-Christian alike.

To order Romans 13: The True Meaning of Submission, click here:

To Keep or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns

This is another book that I believe should be read by every Christian—including every pastor. Once again, my son and I examine both testaments of the Bible and show that God REQUIRES that His people maintain a diligent armed defense of themselves, their loved ones, their community, and their country. We show from Scripture that the right to keep and bear arms is not only a "right" (as recognized in the Bill of Rights—as important as that is) but also a divine DUTY.

Order "To Keep or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns"

There's my list. I'm sure many of you have your own lists that are just as good. Let's all read a good book this year…or two or three.

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Survey: no God, no prayer, no

church, but heaven is real

America's entitlement society has now reached its zenith. For over a half-century, the United States government and its 501c3 corporate churches have indoctrinated several generations of Americans in welfarism—or more commonly known as socialism. When I was a boy growing up, my dad had another name for it: something-for-nothing. And in his lexicon, that term was more than an oxymoron: it represented something that didn't even exist. To him, there was no such thing as something-for-nothing, even if people acted as if there were—and to desire such a thing was the height of dishonesty and villainy. Oh, and Dad was a Democrat. But hardly anyone today (Democrat or Republican) ISN'T sucking on the government teat, including churches and a sizeable percentage of the "worshippers" inside them.

In fact, the something-for-nothing crowd now dominates modern politics, education, religion, economics, and the media. Parents, pastors, and politicians alike constantly cater to the something-for-nothing mindset. The average American (including the average Christian) seems to have the attitude that they are "owed." And if they don't get what they want, boy can they pitch a royal temper tantrum.

Well, as I said, America's entitlement society has now reached its zenith.

A new survey reveals that more Americans than ever do not believe in God, do not pray, and do not engage in any form of worship. The survey indicates that this is the least spiritual generation of Americans in U.S. history. At the same time, however, the survey says that MORE Americans believe in Heaven.

How can people deny the existence of God and yet believe in Heaven, you ask? Think about it. It's the ultimate entitlement attitude: even without God I am entitled to enjoy everlasting happiness. No conditions; no requirements; no faith; no repentance; no salvation: I am entitled. I say, again: America's entitlement society has now reached its zenith.

See the survey report here.

Actually, the results of this survey should not come as a shock. As I said, politically-correct society has been catering to the something-for-nothing crowd for decades, as has the dominant political and media establishments—along with most churches. Politicians promise people that they will be given government goodies, while pastors promise people that they will be given heavenly goodies. No strings attached. It's all about them and their entitlements.

The vast majority of sermons delivered every Sunday morning around this country are little more than 30-minute pep talks telling everyone how wonderful they are and all the things they deserve. They deserve to be happy. They deserve to be healthy. They deserve to be wealthy. They deserve to get what they want. They deserve that God should cater to their desires. Some of these heretics even teach that they can COMMAND God to give them what they want. What is missing from these weekly sermonettes, of course, is such things as duty, responsibility, work, thrift, sacrifice, humility, dedication, commitment, honor, truthfulness, trustworthiness, loyalty, respect, etc.

Add to the mushy, sloppy, touchy-feely, lovey-dovey, don't-offend-me kind of churchianity a rabid make-the-Arab-sand-glow warfarism so typical in the average evangelical church—along with a church house filled with gossiping, backbiting busybodies—and it is little wonder that more and more unbelievers prefer to stay that way.

Believe me, if my faith was based on the way so-called Christians have betrayed me, knifed me in the back, lied about

me, gossiped about me, slandered me, tried to ruin me, tried to bankrupt me, ad infinitum, I would have no faith either. Thankfully, my faith doesn't depend on THEM.

I realize that other people cannot personalize what is purely another man's experience, but all I can tell my unbelieving readers is that I met (in my soul and spirit, of course) a crucified, risen Savior, and He changed my life. He has been my best Friend since the day I first met Him. He has never failed me. He has never forsaken me. He has walked with me through every storm and tempest. And my faith is in HIM.

So, on this Resurrection Sunday, I will stand in my pulpit and tell the wonderful story of how my Friend was crucified for my sins and rose from the dead to save me. If anyone wants to watch my message live this Sunday afternoon at approximately 2:30pm (Mountain Time), here is the link.

And for those who won't watch the video message, I will simply share my Friend's story as told by Saint Matthew:

"In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead." (Matthew 28:1-7a KJV)

The survey mentioned near the beginning of this column is probably a true reflection of how milquetoast preachers and pandering politicians have created America's ultimate entitlement society. That's a shame, because if people knew my Friend the way I know Him, they could never let phony Christians and warmongering preachers keep them from loving and trusting Him either.

HAPPY RESURRECTION SUNDAY!

Please order my message, "The Right Of Revolution As Justified In Natural And Revealed Law" here.

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My belated tribute to the defenders of the Alamo

March 6 marked the anniversary of the fall of the Alamo outside of San Antonio, Texas, back in 1836. This event was so significant in my mind that I always try to devote a column that honors the heroism of these men on or around the anniversary of the occasion.

For 13 days, 189 brave and determined patriots withstood Santa Anna's seasoned army of over 4,000 troops. To a man, the defenders of that mission fort knew they would never leave those ramparts alive. They had several opportunities to leave and live. Yet, they chose to fight and die. How foolish they must look to this generation of spoiled Americans.

It is difficult to recall that stouthearted men such as Davy Crockett (a nationally-known frontiersman and former congressman), Will Travis (only 26 years old with two little children at home), and Jim Bowie (a wealthy landowner with properties on both sides of the Rio Grande) really existed.

These were real men with real dreams and real desires. Real blood flowed through their veins. They loved their families and enjoyed life as much as any of us do. However, there was something different about them. They possessed a commitment to liberty that transcended personal safety and comfort.

Liberty is an easy word to say, but it is a hard word to live up to. Freedom involves much more than financial gain or personal pleasure. Accompanying Freedom is her constant and unattractive companion, Responsibility. Neither is she an only child. Courage and Honesty are her sisters. They are inseparable: destroy one and all will die.

Early in the siege, Travis wrote these words to the people of Texas: "Fellow Citizens & Compatriots: I am besieged by a thousand or more of the Mexicans under Santa Anna...The enemy has demanded a surrender at discretion, otherwise the garrison are to be put to the sword...I have answered the demand with a cannon shot & our flag still waves proudly from the walls. I shall never surrender or retreat...VICTORY OR DEATH! P.S. The Lord is on our side..."

As you read those words, remember that Travis and the others did not have the National Education Association (NEA) telling them how intolerant and narrow-minded their notions of honor and patriotism were. They didn't have the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) telling them they were a hate group. A hostile media did not constantly castigate them as a bunch of wild-eyed extremists. As schoolchildren, they were not taught that their forefathers were nothing more than racist jerks. The TSA didn't have them on a terrorist watch list. Neither did they have 501c3 pastors constantly filling their hearts and minds with this imbecilic "Obey-the-government-no-matter-what" misinterpretation of Romans chapter 13.

The brave men at the Alamo labored under the belief that America (and Texas) really was "the land of the free and the home of the brave." They believed in God and that their cause

was just. They also believed that the freedom of future generations depended on their courage and resolve. They further believed their posterity would remember their sacrifice as an act of love and devotion. It all looks pale now.

By today's standards, the gallant men of the Alamo appear rather foolish. After all, they had no chance of winning—none. Yet, the call for pragmatism and compromise was never sounded. Instead, they answered the clarion call, "Victory or death!"

Please try to remember the heroes of the Alamo as you watch our spineless political, corporate, and religious leaders surrender to globalism, corporatism, socialism, and political correctness. Try to remember the heroes of the Alamo as you watch the Republicans and Democrats in Washington, D.C., create a more draconian Police State than Santa Anna would have ever dared to create.

One thing is certain: those courageous champions at the Alamo did not fight and die for a political party or for some "lesser of two evils" mantra. They fought and died for a principle—and that principle was liberty and independence.

On March 6, 1836, those 189 defenders of the Alamo joined the ranks of the world's greatest freedom fighters. Patriots such as the 70+ Christian men from the Church of Lexington who stood against 800 British troops on April 19, 1775, at Lexington Green and the hundreds more who joined them at the Concord Bridge; men such as the great Scottish freedom fighter, William Wallace, and his band of 2,000 men who stood against an English force of over 13,000 men at the Battle of Stirling Bridge on September 11, 1297, and again on July 22, 1298, when Wallace and 5,000 Scots went up against an English force of over 15,000 men at the Battle of Falkirk; and let's not forget the single greatest example of men who chose to fight for liberty against the greatest of odds: the 300 Spartans who squared off against more than 100,000 Persians at

the Battle of Thermopylae in August or September of 480 B.C. These stories—and hundreds like them—are the heritage of free men everywhere. And the willingness to stand against overwhelming odds for the cause of liberty is certainly America's heritage.

At the same time, it is extremely important to note that the Alamo defenders (and the rest of the honorable men mentioned in the above paragraph) did NOT act as a mob. Their resistance was just and righteous under the Natural laws of God. Men do not have the right to take the law into their own hands; they do not have the right to act as a mob; and they do not have the right to violate Natural Law.

Natural and divine law must be the ultimate authority regarding men's conduct, up to and including the right of resistance—and even the right of revolution. A man's individual, personal opinion is NOT the final authority of one's actions—and men who behave as if it is are truly lawless men. Such men have no right to lead anyone, and only a fool would follow such men.

The heroes of the Alamo, as well as the heroes of America's fight for independence, acted bravely and in good conscience under the moral law of God and the just laws of Nature. They did not act on their own authority but on the Natural authority of the Body Politic.

"Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed." (Declaration of Independence)

Human experience shows wrong judgments are rendered in individual cases, but such errors in judgment do not give the right of individuals to judge their own cause and manipulate recompense by force. This is why we form government, so that individuals are mutually bound by the same laws as everyone else and that all individuals agree not to live in a state of war, but of society, which necessitates a common authority with common laws.

"But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.—Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government." (Declaration of Independence)

John Locke (The Father of America's Founding Fathers) said, "If a long train of abuses, prevarications and artifices, all tending the same way, make the design visible to the people, and they cannot but feel what they lie under, and see whither they are going; it is not to be wondered, that they should then rouze themselves, and endeavour to put the rule into such hands which may secure to them the ends for which government was at first erected."

Of course, even if the right to forcefully resist may technically exist, the right itself is a right of the Body Politic or "We the People"—not necessarily of one individual or of a group of individuals acting as a mob.

Since the right to oppose tyranny rests in the People—as the Body Politic—individuals have a responsibility to persuade a critical mass of society to make a finding that the government is tyrannous and to take as many procedural steps as possible to redress the specifics of what makes the government tyrannous.

"If a controversy arise betwixt a prince and some of the people, in a matter where the law is silent, or doubtful, and

the thing be of great consequence, I should think the proper umpire in such a case should be the body of the people." (John Locke)

Factions, by themselves and without the support of the People, can never put the power of government into different hands, because it takes the will and consent of the People to put sovereignty into a government created by the People.

When factions, on their own, begin using offensive force against persons in government, the People must view their actions as an attempt to put them and the rest of the world in a state of war with each other. Thus, in that case, the factions have no civil law on which to use to protect their actions. That is, just as they use force against others, they permit others to use force against them. A state of war, by its nature, has no common authority, and all disputes under that state are settled only by force.

"Whosoever uses force without right, as every one does in society, who does it without law, puts himself into a state of war with those against whom he so uses it; and in that state all former ties are cancelled, all other rights cease, and every one has a right to defend himself, and to resist the aggressor." (John Locke)

On this score alone, factions must have the moral approbation of the People—or at minimum a sufficient part of them—from among the community that would judge them in a trial, so that their peers can give their actions moral justification.

Without such support from the rest of the community that suffers or is familiar with the same evils that presumably gave rise to the factions' resistance, the faction cannot pretend to do the rest of that community a favor by simply "taking the law into their own hands," because the rest of the community has not given them the authority to break the laws that the People have consented to and have agreed should

govern the Body Politic for the sake of the peace, unity and protection of that society.

Put it this way, society is formed for the protection and progress of the individuals in that society. When society sees the actions of a few as an attack on the purpose of that society's formation, that society can take whatever means necessary to defend themselves against factions that threaten that society's peace and existence.

In line with the law of conscience, for those who advance that civil society's rules must be abandoned and resistance taken (thus putting that society in a state of war with each other), there is a standard of proof that must be met, so as to convince the "jury" (i.e., "the People") that their actions taken outside the rules of law—that all have agreed to follow in the constitutional form enacted by the People—are justified. If factions have not met that burden of proof, their actions cannot be justified by that society, and thus, the faction's actions will have no positive or legitimate end.

This is why it is absolutely obligatory that:

- 1. The American citizenry is thoroughly informed and educated regarding the Natural laws of government—including the divine principles of lawful resistance to government.
- 2. Clergymen immediately familiarize themselves with the Natural laws of God and quickly begin teaching these principles to their congregations.
- 3. Pro-liberty men and women themselves become educated regarding the Natural laws of God and begin educating everyone in their sphere of influence regarding these sacred principles of liberty.
- 4. State legislators, governors, attorney generals, judges, sheriffs, etc., not only become familiar with the Natural Law principles of liberty, but also come to a comprehension and

conviction of their responsibility and authority to use their office within State government to galvanize the Body Politic in the defense of liberty.

On one hand, every instance of government overreach and usurpation of power moves more people toward the liberty movement. On the other hand, every instance of an aggressive, armed-mob reaction by those claiming to be part of the liberty movement (even if they are well-intentioned) only serves to move the Body Politic against us.

The Alamo defenders, America's Founding Fathers, William Wallace and his band of Scots, and King Leonidas and his fellow Spartans all acted in accordance with the Natural Law principles stated above. They did NOT engage in armed resistance as individuals or as a mob but under the Natural Law authority of a Body Politic.

P.S. A few weeks ago, I delivered a comprehensive message on the subject, "The Right Of Revolution As Justified in Natural and Revealed Law." Please help me distribute this message to as many freedom-minded people as you can. We simply MUST educate men and women as to these fundamental liberty principles quickly if we are to have any chance of obtaining the approbation of Heaven upon our liberty fight. And without the approbation of Heaven, there can be NO VICTORY.

Furthermore, if we continue to go forward in a manner that does NOT comprehend and incorporate these immutable Natural Law principles, all we will do is turn the Body Politic (not to mention government itself) against us and hasten our own demise.

Please order my message, "The Right Of Revolution As Justified In Natural And Revealed Law".

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Political fascism and religious fanaticism: the worst possible marriage

Say the title above, and many conservatives in the United States will immediately assume that what follows is a tirade against militant Islam. And, granted, Islamic regimes, such as the one in Saudi Arabia especially, truly fit the deadly description of what happens when a nation combines a fascist-style political system with religious fanaticism. But what Americans seem to have trouble understanding is that the marriage of political fascism with religious fanaticism is not limited to Islamic states.

The truth is, elements of the old fascist state in Germany have been growing inside the United States since the end of World War II. In fact, what we are witnessing with the rise of neocon domination of U.S. foreign policy is nothing more than a modern revival of the old Germanic reich. And what the media has kept hidden from us and what most conservatives don't want to admit is that the Bush family has been one of the principal reasons for fascism's American reincarnation.

At this point, it would be very helpful if readers would refamiliarize themselves with this author's column entitled "What Is A Neocon?" Read it here.

The Bush connection to the fascist state in Germany goes back to Prescott Bush (G.W. Bush's grandfather) and Herbert Walker (father-in-law of Prescott).

In 2004, the London-based Guardian newspaper reported, "George Bush's grandfather, the late US senator Prescott Bush, was a

director and shareholder of companies that profited from their involvement with the financial backers of Nazi Germany.

"The Guardian has obtained confirmation from newly discovered files in the US National Archives that a firm of which Prescott Bush was a director was involved with the financial architects of Nazism.

"His business dealings, which continued until his company's assets were seized in 1942 under the Trading with the Enemy Act, has led more than 60 years later to a civil action for damages being brought in Germany against the Bush family by two former slave labourers at Auschwitz and to a hum of preelection controversy.

"The evidence has also prompted one former US Nazi war crimes prosecutor to argue that the late senator's action should have been grounds for prosecution for giving aid and comfort to the enemy."

See the report here

John Loftus has written a fully documented exposé on the Bush-Nazi connection. "Loftus is a former U.S. Department of Justice Nazi War Crimes prosecutor, the President of the Florida Holocaust Museum and the highly respected author of numerous books on the CIA-Nazi connection including The Belarus Secret and The Secret War Against the Jews, both of which have extensive material on the Bush-Rockefeller-Nazi connection."

On March 6 (four days ago), Professor Michel Chossudovsky referenced Loftus' work (and others) by saying, "Evidence of the Bush family's links to Nazism was available well before George Herbert Walker Bush (Senior) and George W. Bush entered politics. According to John Buchanan (New Hampshire Gazette, 10 October 2003):

"'After 60 years of inattention and even denial by the U.S.

media, newly-uncovered government documents in The National Archives and Library of Congress reveal that Prescott Bush, the grandfather of President George W. Bush, served as a business partner of and U.S. banking operative for the financial architect of the Nazi war machine from 1926 until 1942, when Congress took aggressive action against Bush and his "enemy national" partners.

"'The documents also show that Bush and his colleagues, according to reports from the U.S. Department of the Treasury, tried to conceal their financial alliance with German industrialist Fritz Thyssen, a steel and coal baron who, beginning in the mid-1920s, personally funded Adolf Hitler's rise to power by the subversion of democratic principle and German law. Furthermore, the declassified records demonstrate that Bush and his associates, who included E. Roland Harriman, younger brother of American icon W. Averell Harriman, and George Herbert Walker, President Bush's maternal greatgrandfather, continued their dealings with the German industrial tycoon for nearly a year after the U.S. entered the war.'

"While Prescott Bush's company's assets were seized in 1942 under the Trading with the Enemy Act, George W. Bush's grandfather was never prosecuted for his business dealings with Nazi Germany."

See the report here.

One of fascism's most fundamental tenets is the promotion and usage of war for financial profit. America's current preoccupation with foreign interventionism and preemptive war began in earnest with President George Herbert Walker Bush and escalated exponentially during the two presidential administrations of his son, George W. Bush. Add the fact that the Bush and Clinton families have been "best buds" ever since Bush, Sr. was president and Bill was governor of Arkansas, and what we have is 28 years (Barack Obama did nothing to wrest

neocon control from America's foreign policy) of continuous neocon domination of U.S. foreign policy. And we might be able to say 32 years, if we include Ronald Reagan's second term over which G.H.W. Bush had significant influence.

When I was hosting my radio talk show back in the 1990s, a close friend of Bill Clinton, L.D. Brown, told me that the Bushes and Clintons routinely vacationed together and were best friends. For a little background: L.D.'s wife was Chelsea's nanny, and L.D. was Governor Bill Clinton's chief of security. Clinton also helped L.D. get into the CIA with G.H.W. Bush's presidential approbation, which ultimately led (sadly for Bill) to Brown's discovery and eventual exposure of the whole Mena, Arkansas, affair. Bill assumed that his friendship with L.D. would negate any convictions of honesty L.D. might have had. Bill was wrong.

Please understand that the Bush neocons are still ensconced in Washington, D.C., to this very hour. It is the Bush neocons that are calling the shots for America's foreign policy and are also calling the shots for the national Republican Party. The neocon agenda is the driving force at the U.S. State Department, CIA, and DOD.

But it was G.W. Bush that coupled religious fanaticism with the already established political fascism long embraced by his grandfather, Prescott, and the Bush Crown Royals. Whether GW's religious infatuation was genuine or cleverly concocted by Karl Rove, I am in no position to say. But the younger Bush definitely tied the misguided religious teachings of "war for Israel" with the old and hackneyed "war for profit" ideology.

By tapping into the commonly taught (albeit misguided) religious doctrine that the modern state of Israel is the same as Biblical Israel, neocons discovered a brand new resource for promoting war: fighting to protect and/or expand the Zionist state of Israel. Christian Zionists such as John Hagee, Pat Robertson, et al., have rallied millions of

evangelical Christians into a perpetual war fever—all under the rubric of protecting Israel (which, again, they falsely believe is Bible Israel).

Neocons have been so successful in rallying Christians around the war flag that we are now hearing political and religious leaders talk openly about instituting "Greater Israel." This is the idea that the U.S. war machine has a divine mandate to invade and conquer all of the land originally promised to Abraham and fulfilled under David and Solomon. Of course, in the modern world, this would necessitate war with Russia and probably China, which is what the neocons really want.

At this point, let me encourage readers to obtain my four-part message series (on one DVD) entitled "The Church And Israel." In these messages I expose the fallacious teaching that the modern state of Israel is the prophetic fulfillment of Genesis 12—which is the undergirding argument Christians use for supporting all of these wars of aggression in the Middle East.

Find my DVD "The Church And Israel" here

In current politics, presidential candidate Ted Cruz has taken up where G.W. Bush left off. He is pushing the "war for Israel" button HARD. And don't forget that both Ted and his wife, Heidi, are ardent disciples of G.W. Bush—and Heidi was also a long-standing member of the quintessential neocon organization, the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Ted's preacher-father is an outspoken leader in "Greater Israel" prophecy circles. He (Ted's dad) goes to churches all over America preaching the idea that God has called Ted to "save Israel" and usher in the Second Coming of Christ.

Let me say this straight up: any human being that believes God needs his or her help to fulfill Bible prophecy and start the timeclock for Christ's Second Coming is both delusional and fanatical.

As faithful readers know, I have not and am not endorsing

Donald Trump. I endorsed Rand Paul, and now that Rand has suspended his campaign, I currently have no horse in this race. However, Pat Buchanan is absolutely spot-on with his analysis of why the neocons in the Republican Party are willing to do ANYTHING—including giving the election to Hillary Clinton—to keep Trump from winning. Remember again, on foreign policy matters, Hillary is just another Bush neocon.

See Pat's column here

So, you see, Saudi Arabia is not the only country where the marriage of political fascism and religious fanaticism is taking place. The difference is: compared to the raw military power of the United States, Saudi Arabia is using cap pistols and squirt guns. Folks, this is the world's perfect storm that is brewing.

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A federal judge got it right for a change

Here is the report as covered by TheIntercept.com:

"Apple scored a major legal victory in its ongoing battle against the FBI on Monday when a federal magistrate judge in New York rejected the U.S. government's request as part of a drug case to force the company to help it extract data from a locked iPhone. The ruling from U.S. Magistrate Judge James Orenstein was issued as part of the criminal case against Jun Feng, who pleaded guilty in October to drug charges. It is a significant boost to Apple's well-publicized campaign to resist the FBI's similar efforts in the case of the San

Bernardino killers."

The report continued: "Perhaps most devastating to the FBI's case is Orenstein's recognition that the purpose of the FBI's request is not simply to obtain evidence in one particular case, but rather to grant the government broad, precedential authority to force Apple and other tech companies to take affirmative technological steps to cooperate with criminal investigations generally. That the FBI is seeking to establish broad precedent is a key argument made by Apple and its supporters in the San Bernardino case. To accept that the U.S. government has this power, ruled the court, is to vest law enforcement agencies with statutory authority that Congress itself never enacted."

And again, "The judge also accused the government of trying to manipulate secret judicial proceedings to obtain powers for itself against Apple that public debate and Congress would never permit. It is, Orenstein wrote, 'clear that the government has made the considered decision that it is better off securing such crypto-legislative authority from the courts (in proceedings that had always been, at the time it filed the instant Application, shielded from public scrutiny) rather than taking the chance that open legislative debate might produce a result less to its liking.' Because the government wants the courts rather than Congress to grant this power, the 'government's interpretation of the breadth of authority the AWA confers on courts of limited jurisdiction ... raises serious doubts about how such a statute could withstand constitutional scrutiny under the separation-of-powers doctrine.'"

Continuing: "Finally, the ruling recognized that forcing Apple to compromise its own security systems at the behest of the U.S. government would impose a considerable cost far beyond financial expenses."

"This cost, Orenstein wrote, is particularly high since-rejecting the FBI's claim in the public debate that its request is limited to just one phone 'the record of this case makes clear that the burdens the government seeks to impose on Apple under the authority of the AWA are not nearly so limited.' To the contrary, 'it clearly intends to continue seeking assistance that is similarly burdensome —if not far more so—for the foreseeable future.'"

See the report here

One of Apple's attorneys was even more direct in assessing the importance of this case:

"Apple's attorney painted a scary picture if Apple loses its fight with the FBI.

"In an interview with CNNMoney's Laurie Segall on Friday, Ted Olson warned of a government with 'limitless' powers that could 'listen to your conversations.'

"Olson said the demands would mount.

"'You can imagine every different law enforcement official telling Apple we want a new product to get into something,' Olson said. 'Even a state judge could order Apple to build something. There's no stopping point. That would lead to a police state.'"

See the report here

Hooray! A federal judge got it right for a change.

The three separate branches of government are supposed to serve as a check and balance when the other branches begin usurping constitutional liberties. For the most part, they have NOT done that. This particular U.S. Magistrate Judge did what courts are supposed to do: serve as a check to the overreach of the executive branch.

Virtually every abridgment of our Bill of Rights is committed in the name of "public safety" or "national security." Most of

us are patriotic, law and order people who want justice served. But in truth, the interests of justice and liberty are mutual. And this particular case—mandating that cell phone companies "unlock" the security and privacy features of cell phones—is fraught with violations of basic civil liberties, because the electronic search sought by the feds extends WAY BEYOND the individual suspected criminal.

The specific case above is only one of at least ten where the federal government is currently attempting to force cell phone companies to unlock the privacy features of their customers' phones during criminal investigations. The ramifications of this prospective breach of personal privacy are staggering.

Unlocking a person's cell phone would be worse than the current broad e-surveillance that is going on every day. This is a very specific and finite search that involves a person's most private and intimate details.

Smartphones are more than talking devices; they record online information, shopping data, travel communication, information, private and information—along with the personal information of EVERYONE CONNECTED to that cell phone. In other words, it's not just the targeted person's (presumably a suspected criminal) privacy that is being breached, but EVERYONE with whom that person had contact. Can you imagine the amount of private information of totally innocent people that potentially would be subject to police reports—all of which become "public record" and, therefore, available to the media, Internet bloggers, etc.?

Please read that paragraph again and let it sink in.

To get a little taste for just how much private information is stored on your smartphone and how dangerous it would be for the government to be able to freely unlock the information stored on your smartphone, read this article. I'm not sure whether the American people comprehend just how serious an abridgment of privacy it would be if Apple loses this case, but in many respects, this is a technological Waterloo for liberty. I dare say this is a more egregious assault against our privacy (technologically speaking) than even the Patriot Act itself.

And, unfortunately, all of the remaining GOP presidential candidates—Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz, John Kasich, and Donald Trump—oppose the protection of cell phone privacy. The Democratic candidates Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders have said they are "neutral." But we all know that Clinton is as Big Government as Big Government gets. And if Sanders is truly in favor of cell phone privacy, why does he fudge his position?

In the name of "national security," "the war on terror," "the war on drugs," "law and order," etc., both Democrats and Republicans are turning America into a George Orwell "1984" surveillance society. And if history teaches us anything at all, it teaches us that a surveillance society is always a precursor to a Police State. ALWAYS.

At any rate, THANK YOU Judge Orenstein. Every obstruction to the burgeoning surveillance society that a judge or governor or State legislator or sheriff or congressman or senator can muster is much appreciated—and very needed.

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Why are Christians so mean and nasty?

Let's be honest with one another: the nation as a whole is little more than a reflection of its churches. We can blame "the government" all we want (and there is plenty of blame to go around), but it is the churches, not the government, that are most culpable for our nation's ills.

Far too many professing Christians are just as mean and nasty as any unchurched person you will ever find—maybe more so. A sizeable portion of our professing Christians today are gossiping, slandering, backbiting, nosy, meddlesome, temperamental, mean-spirited, authority-hating, self-absorbed, whining little babies. They walk around with a chip on their shoulder just daring anyone to knock it off. If given the opportunity by gullible followers, they will destroy any church and any pastor they can.

Truly, the words of Saint Jude apply to huge numbers of professing Christians today: "Likewise also these filthy

dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities. But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves." (Jude 1:8, 10 KJV)

As a veteran pastor of over four decades of ministry, I have both seen and tasted the bitter caldron that these "Christians" have poured upon unsuspecting souls—all in the name of God, of course. I will take an educated guess and suggest that somewhere between one-fifth and one-fourth of all of the churches in America are splits off of an existing church because of the bitterness and discontent of a few troublemakers within the church. The damage done to pastors' families by these vultures is incalculable.

I know a pastor and his family that lived in a church parsonage (pity the pastor's family that is forced to live in a church parsonage) who, upon returning from vacation, found all of their furniture and belongings on the front lawn and new locks on the doors. I know pastors who have been falsely accused of all manner of impropriety by hateful, vicious church members. Pastors' wives have been held up to the most vile and venomous attacks imaginable. I personally know of dozens of preachers' kids that refuse to attend anybody's church today because of the abuse they saw their parents go through at the hands of these "good Christians."

And it seems the more dedicated a pastor is to truth, the more vicious are the attacks against him. The panty-waist, eartickling, stand-for-nothing pastors have the largest and most devoted followings. But put a real prophet in the pulpit, and

in no time there will be a "Creek uprising" against him. In fact, many of these bigger corporate churches are comprised of church wolves who, after devouring a good patriot pastor across town, will flee to the wolf's lair of the corporate church—under the safety of the corporate pastor—along with other wolves.

Of course, these carnal Corinthian Christians prey on the spiritually immature and gullible within the church. They put on the mask of piety, spirituality, and "love." But the goal is to undermine the pastor's work and hopefully (in their minds) drive the pastor out. They have the façade of an angel, but in reality, they are the instruments of Satan to divide and spoil the church. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

Do you want to know why so many good pastors don't seem to have the energy to engage the freedom fight? I'll tell you why. Most of them are up to their armpits in discontent and disruption. It's very hard to be a shepherd and watchman when you find yourself being forced to be a cross between a spiritual firefighter and babysitter. Most pastors spend the vast majority of their workweek putting out church fires that are started by spiritual arsonists and changing the spiritual diapers of spoiled, bratty Christians. It is the most exhausting work on the face of the earth. Help lead the charge for freedom? Are you kidding? It's all these pastors can do to lead a peaceful church business meeting.

When we talk about the Black Regiment pastors of Colonial America, remember that those pastors had the dedicated, unflinching, dynamic support of their congregations. Those people loved their pastor; heeded his spiritual counsel; prayed for him; encouraged him; stood beside him; supported him and his family; and treated him and his family with tender loving care. When a pastor is loved and supported in such a way, he is free to courageously stand as a watchman and shepherd over the souls of men and over the liberties of his community. Take that away, and the pastor is reduced to a state of sheer self-preservation. It's hard to lead an army from a cave.

There is no question that we need a revolution of liberty in this country. But like it or not, there will NEVER be any kind of lawful, lasting revival of liberty without the approbation of Heaven—and without the instruction, inspiration, and

leadership of God's men. The unchurched patriots reading this can scoff at what I am saying all they want: it doesn't change the truth. Without men such as John Leland, John Witherspoon, Jonas Clark, Joab Houghton, James Caldwell, et al., there would never have been men such as George Washington, Patrick Henry, Sam Adams, James Madison, and Thomas Jefferson, et al. And without the faithful and dedicated men and women within the churches of those Black Regiment preachers, there would never have been a Black Regiment to begin with.

Angry, self-willed, rebellious, hate-filled Christians are not only a curse to their pastor and church; they are a curse to liberty itself. They are doing the devil's work of subverting the work of God (including the work of liberty) within the church and, therefore, within the community and country. Sitting home and sending out a barrage of hate-filled emails is doing NOTHING to restore liberty. Hate will NEVER win hearts and minds. And that's what's happening: we are losing the war for the hearts and minds. And one of the biggest reasons we are losing this war is because we have supplanted and destroyed the one position that is most necessary to winning the war for the hearts and minds: the courageous and inspired patriot pulpit.

The congregations of Jonas Clark and John Leland did not agree on everything no more than Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson agreed on everything. But they understood the Natural and Biblical principles of liberty enough to be able to fight together for the cause of freedom and independence. Before they ever won a War of Independence, they won the hearts and minds of the colonists with the love and understanding of liberty and Law.

Without the undergirding principles of Law and love, there can be no RIGHTEOUS indignation. Hatred and bitterness against evil is meaningless without love and affection for righteousness. And if Christian people are filled with hatred and bitterness against the most fundamental spiritual principles of truth and honor within the church (and tons of them are), how in the name of common sense can we expect the world around us to successfully engage in something as complex as political liberty within a nation? Without the undergirding principles of Law and love, there can be no approbation of Heaven. And without the approbation of Heaven, there can be no lasting liberty.

Before we will ever have a revival of genuine liberty within our nation, we must have a revival of genuine spirituality within our churches. And that will not happen until churches get really serious about learning and applying the immutable principles of Law within their own hearts. And that includes the Law of God relative to the way Christian people treat their pastors and one another. In the church, there is plenty of room for disagreement, but no room for division.

What is missing from the hearts and minds of so many professing patriots (Christians and otherwise) is old-fashioned humility. We refuse to hold ourselves accountable. We refuse to be taught. We know it all. We are never wrong. And if we are, we would never admit it. We refuse to submit to lawful authority. Bullheaded, stubborn, self-righteous people are totally unqualified to fight a freedom fight. They don't even understand the meaning of the word freedom, much less understand how to wage a righteous, disciplined, and honorable fight to preserve or reclaim it.

"He hath shewed thee, 0 man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" (Micah 6:8 KJV)

And as far as our civil magistrates are concerned, here is God's standard: "He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God." (II Samuel 23:3 KJV)

Unfortunately, there is very little humility or fear of God being demonstrated in the lives of most civil magistrates or citizens—including Christians. Perhaps the last serious—and truly humble—candidate for President of the United States was Congressman Ron Paul. But he was ultimately rejected by proud, war-thirsty Christians within the Republican Party. Sadly, most proud people are not even capable of recognizing true humility when they see it. It is so foreign to them; they don't even know what it looks like.

"Judgment must begin at the house of God." How are we going to fix the White House if we cannot even fix the church house?

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Why Rand Paul lost; why freedom is faltering

Name whatever strengths and weaknesses one wants to ascribe to the other presidential candidates, but the only constitutionalist in the race was Senator Rand Paul. And now that he has suspended his campaign, it leaves the field void of a voice for constitutionalism.

As I have said repeatedly, the only litmus test that the American electorate should have for supporting or not supporting a candidate for federal office is whether or not that candidate will preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States—including the Bill of Rights—and the principles contained in the Declaration of Independence. Everything else is way down the list of importance. Religion, race, party label, business experience, personal wealth, likeability, etc., mean nothing compared to one's fidelity to America's founding documents and principles.

The reason America is in the miserable shape it's in today is primarily because the American electorate is itself mostly ignorant of constitutional principles and, therefore, is either incapable or unwilling to hold their civil magistrates accountable to the Constitution. And, yes, the biggest reason for this vast ignorance and indifference is that the pulpits of America have abandoned the principles of Natural and Revealed Law upon which our founding documents were founded and framed.

Recently, Paul Craig Roberts asked the biting question, "Are Americans Too Insouciant To Survive?" A very real possibility exists that they are.

See Dr. Roberts' column here.

But the problem is more than mere insouciance. There has been

a dramatic shift in philosophy in the so-called "freedom movement" since Ron Paul's presidential campaigns in 2008 and 2012. Where once the cry was "we want to return government to the Constitution," now the cry is "we want to get rid of government altogether."

Jason Charles recently wrote an excellent column in this regard:

"The reason Rand Paul failed was because he attempted the impossible. He tried to maintain as best as possible a purist approach toward the constitutional principles his father used to attract so many people to the liberty movement in the first all the while also trying to appease the GOP gatekeepers. There is no question that the GOP saw the Ron Paul revolution as a threat to their big government hegemony, their military adventurism, corporate fascism and Wall Street cronyism. He simply was and is too much like his father for the GOP elite to stomach knowing full well he would work to dismantle their power systems from inside. The GOP power-base has never been in the people; it has always resided in the corporate fascist superstructure called the American empire. By playing ball with the GOP in the way of establishment endorsements, he lost his father's base years ago, and by going against the establishment in the way of NSA spying, the wars abroad, the Federal Reserve, drones, and the War on Drugs he was fighting a losing battle in the GOP. His presidential campaign was quite literally a no win situation for no other reason than the political landscape has changed greatly since his father ran."

Charles goes on to say: "Many in the movement who used to be proponents of the constitutional system are now unabashedly anti-government. Though they will attempt to give you philosophical arguments as to why we don't need a government of any sort what they are really doing is lashing out at a system they feel has failed to make room at the table for their ideas. What these young people suffer from is a severe

case of old fashioned butt-hurt, and they are seeking alternative ideas that de-emphasize political solutions as a means of winning back our country. The proponents of anarchism have filled the void left by the Ron Paul Revolution with hate for government and as a result this disillusionment with the political process has devolved into pure unadulterated anarchism.

"The biggest problem with anarchism is not that it isn't reasoned in its arguments, quite the contrary; there are many well-spoken and articulate proponents of anarchist principles. The main problem is it becomes a breeding ground for antiauthoritarian, anti-government hate. The liberty movement has digressed into pure anti-authoritarianism having forsaken the constitutional solutions advocated by Ron and Rand Paul for the last 12 years. The total distrust for government has reached a climax in this country, and we are seeing the fabric of society begin to fray and devolve into balkanized groups of blacks against whites, whites against Mexicans and Muslims, liberals against conservatives, and males against females. Every one of these groups has descended into a mob mentality, and feel government is only good when their ideology and power-block is in control. So whether you are talking about the Black Lives Matter groups, the illegal alien mass the disenfranchised migration, or tea constitutionalists, all are feeling government has abandoned them and have caused irrevocable harm towards their lives and well being and thus they all have consciously subconsciously taken on an anti-authoritarian/anti-government bent. There simply is no political solution being advocated by any of these groups which makes for a very dangerous political climate. It truly is an us-against-them mentality. [Tens] of millions [of people] in this country . . . have a disdain for government and authority."

See the column here.

To be sure, many within government have contributed

significantly to the distrust and unrest Charles references above. NO DOUBT. There have been far too many examples of government abuse, cover-up, and deceit over the past several decades. Further exacerbating the situation is that the various branches of government that were designed to serve as a check and balance to the abuses committed by the other branches have refused to fulfill their constitutional functions.

In addition, the vast majority of State governments have abdicated their guardianship of the liberties of the people of their states against federal usurpation. Plus, the mainstream media and church pulpits have largely abdicated their role of watchmen over the people's liberties.

Therefore, the frustration, distrust, and unrest being felt among large segments of the population (left and right, black and white, etc.) is very legitimate.

The problem arises when people abandon peaceful, lawful, moral, and constitutional solutions. And, unfortunately, I sense that the so-called liberty movement is more and more being taken over by anti-government haters and hotheads who truly oppose ALL government—not just civil government. This does not bode well for the future of our movement or our country.

As I documented in this column on February 11, 2016, the U.S. Justice Department is already ramping up anti-terrorism policies to bring so-called "domestic terrorists" into the same legal classification as Islamic terrorists. The broad, undefined, and subjective term of "material support" is all that is necessary for American citizens to be categorized as "terrorists" under these new federal protocols.

See my February 11 column here.

Add to the above the fact that the U.S. military has specific units devoted to the task of using the Internet and social

media as a propaganda vehicle to manipulate (and no doubt to provoke and incite—or to "identify," as they would say it) anti-government haters. No doubt, this is for the purpose of utilizing the new "terrorist" protocols against them. Of course, these government provocateurs can then use their toady friends in the news media and in radical left-wing groups such as the SPLC to brand all of us with the tainted and disgraced ensign of the government haters.

See these reports. [Report one] [Report two]

Therefore, if the freedom movement is going to have any success moving forward, it must distinguish and separate itself from the anti-government haters who, wittingly or unwittingly, are trying to take all of us into a downward spiral of an unconstitutional, unlawful, and immoral conflict with God-ordained authority.

Let me be clear: America's form of government (a constitutional republic) is the greatest form of government ever invented by man. From the preaching of the Colonial pastors, to the patience and restraint of the colonists even after the Boston Massacre, to the battles of Lexington and Concord, to the forming of a Continental Congress, to the signing of the Declaration of Independence, to the establishment of our U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights: our founders were divinely led. They did not act as a mob. They had the approbation of both Natural and Revealed Law and acted as a Body Politic. As a result, they enjoyed the propitious smile of Heaven on their sacrifice. And the peace, prosperity, and liberty that their posterity has enjoyed—even to this very moment—is the result of the thoughtful, deliberate, reasoned, disciplined, and just manner in which they proceeded.

We cannot even begin to entertain the notion of revolution until we have an understanding of, respect for, and commitment to the immutable principles of liberty to which all peoples and nations are held accountable. Finding examples of corruption and injustice within government is EASY. The hard part is having the reason and wisdom to know what is the right thing to do about it. And for that to take place, we need the instruction of those who successfully paved the path of liberty before us. The last thing we need is a bunch of hotheads and anti-government haters to speak for us.

The Ron Paul Revolution of 2008 and 2012 was just; it was lawful. It brought our country to the precipice of real and lasting change for the better. Plus, knowing Ron Paul personally, I can attest that he is one of the kindest and most compassionate men I have ever met. He is filled with love; there is not a hateful bone in his body. Ron Paul's legacy is currently being threatened by a spirit of antigovernment hatred that has poisoned the liberty movement—including the hearts of many professing Christians within the movement. In short, the Ron Paul Revolution has been supplanted.

The spirit of hatred among so-called Christians is being manifested in many ways: hatred against Muslims; hatred against minorities; hatred against civil government in general; hatred against anyone who disagrees with them; ad infinitum.

Sadly, I blame Christians—and especially pastors—the most for denying our country the amazing opportunity it had to lawfully and radically resurrect America's undergirding principles of liberty that Ron Paul represented. Ron was not defeated by the Republican establishment, though they did everything in their power to defeat him. He was not defeated by the mainstream media, though they did more than their fair share to defeat him. He was defeated by America's pastors and churches. Can one imagine what life would be like in America (and around the world) today had Ron Paul been President of the United States for these past almost eight years instead of Barack Obama? Oh! What a thought!

Obviously, Ron Paul's voice in Congress was the glue, as well as the guiding light, that held the liberty movement intact and on track.

Currently, both Donald Trump (from the right) and Bernie Sanders (from the left) are the ones who are reaping the political benefits of the frustration, distrust, and unrest being felt by a large host of the American citizenry. Unfortunately, neither of these men has Ron Paul's constitutional acumen or commitment. Sadder still is the way the Ron Paul Revolution is being hijacked by anti-government haters who are doing more to facilitate and enable those forces that are looking for an excuse to further erode our liberties than they are to help preserve our liberties.

If liberty is to peacefully survive in this country, true freedomists must quickly distinguish and separate themselves from these anti-government haters and hotheads and find a way to reclaim and explain the just and lawful principles of constitutionalism that Ron Paul, and so many of us, fought so hard for.

P.S. I recently delivered what I believe is one of the most important messages I have ever brought. It is entitled "The Right Of Revolution As Justified In Natural And Revealed Law." The DVD of this critical message is absent my personal commentary on recent events and contains only the Biblical and Natural Law principles that have been so long forgotten and that are so desperately needed. I urge readers to get this DVD.

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Drafting girls and turning Americans into terrorists

Breitbart.com recently reported, "President Barack Obama's administration is now deliberating whether to direct women to sign up for the Selective Service, because of its progressive preference for gender-blind policies. The administration has already forced the military to assign willing and unwilling women to combat tasks, where they are required to carry heavy loads, to quickly recover from routine injuries and to be engaged in direct combat."

But Barack Obama is not the only one supporting the idea of drafting America's young women into the armed forces (should the draft be reinstated). Republican presidential candidates Jeb Bush, Chris Christie, and Marco Rubio have also signed on.

"The Republican establishment hopefuls in the 2016 race want the government to make women sign up for the modern version of the emergency military draft.

"Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL), Jeb Bush, and Gov. Chris Christie all offered support during Saturday night's ABC News' 2016 debate for a federal mandate that would force young women to register for the Selective Service System.

"The Selective Service System was formed in 1917 and keeps a database on male U.S. citizens who are available for military conscription in some future emergency. Women are currently exempted, thanks to a 1981 Supreme Court decision that declared Congress' men-only rule did not thwart the Fifth Amendment requirement of equal treatment.

See the report here.

But the 1981 Supreme Court decision notwithstanding, the U.S. government is seriously considering making America's young women eligible for the draft. A PBS report states, "The government is deliberating whether to propose Selective Service changes that would make women eligible for the military draft, the White house said Friday, a day after the Pentagon said it would no longer bar women from combat jobs.

"The Defense Department has prepared an analysis of how the Pentagon change could affect the U.S. Military Selective Service Act, said White House spokesman Josh Earnest.

"'We're going to work with Congress to look at that analysis, to review it, to get others' opinions and determine if additional reforms or changes are necessary in light of this decision,' Earnest said."

The report concludes, "The Selective Service Act requires eligible men to register for the draft when they turn 18 or face fines. Registrants can be called up for compulsory service until they are 26 years old, though none have been drafted in decades.

"Carter has previously said he supports a review of the draft based on the growing role women play in the military."

See the report here.

The idea of placing women in combat and now possibly drafting women into the armed services is the mark of a nation that has truly lost its way.

My daughter is above draft age, but my granddaughters aren't; and I can promise you that it will be a cold day in Hades before my daughter and son-in-law allow their girls to be drafted. If our government really wants to create a resistance movement in this country, just start telling mommas and daddies that their daughters are going to be drafted into war. For starters, begin by asking our combat veterans if they are

willing to offer their daughters to the horrors of war.

You can rest assured that the daughters of Barack Obama, Jeb Bush, Chris Christie, and Marco Rubio will never know one day of combat—law or no law.

Yes, I realize that countless American wives and mothers valiantly defended their homes and families when under attack—whether from the French or British in Colonial America or from Indians on the trail west—but are we now prepared to force our young women into combat on foreign shores? What a horrible thought!

Our government is counting on America's technological superiority on the sea and in the air as the impenetrable wall of protection for our country. Therefore, they feel free to use our military for social radicalization. But one day we are going to face a REAL enemy (as opposed to the phony ones we have been fighting for the past umpteen years), and when we do, we are going to learn once again that REAL wars are won face to face and man to man. And when that day comes, God help us if our armed forces have already filled half or more (there are more girls than boys, you know) of its combat ranks with young girls.

I shudder just thinking about it.

And on another note: I am on record as warning the American people that a "war on Islam" could quickly become a catalyst for big-government toadies to use the same definitions and protocols against the American people.

Watch my three-message DVD on "The Muslim Problem" here.

It didn't take long to be proven right.

Countless television and radio talk shows, Internet blog sites, and churches all across America have spent the last two or three years regurgitating a hate-filled, anti-Muslim

message. Both Donald Trump and Ted Cruz have repeatedly injected the anti-Muslim message into their presidential campaigns. Tens of thousands of pastors and thousands of "conservative" talking heads have made anti-Muslim vilification a daily staple. And of course, the solution to the Muslim problem is…you guessed it: MORE GOVERNMENT.

Since early 2014, U.S. laws have become very broad and very strict in prosecuting anyone who is connected or associated with alleged Islamic terrorists. People who are convicted of providing "material support" (federal prosecutors are able to define that phrase in just about any way they want to) face median sentences of over fifty years in prison.

John Carlin, the Justice Department's chief of national security, recently said in a Reuters news interview that his counter-terrorism team, including a recently hired counsel, is taking "a thoughtful look at the nature and scope of the domestic terrorism threat" and helping to analyze "potential legal improvements and enhancements to better combat those threats."

The Reuters interview continues saying, "The counsel, who was appointed last October and has not been named publicly, will identify cases being prosecuted at the state level that 'could arguably meet the federal definition of domestic terrorism,' a Justice Department official said.

"That would give the department a direct role in more domestic extremism cases."

The report began by stating, "The U.S. Justice Department is considering legal changes to combat what it sees as a rising threat from domestic anti-government extremists, senior officials told Reuters, even as it steps up efforts to stop Islamic State-inspired attacks at home.

"Extremist groups motivated by a range of U.S.-born philosophies present a 'clear and present danger,' John

Carlin, the Justice Department's chief of national security, told Reuters in an interview. 'Based on recent reports and the cases we are seeing, it seems like we're in a heightened environment.'"

See the report here.

In other words, the U.S. Justice Department wants to start treating American citizens who are deemed to be "domestic terrorists" in the same way that Islamic terrorists are being treated.

Not coincidentally, the featured article in the current issue of Newsweek magazine is entitled "Right Wing Extremists Are A Bigger Threat Than ISIS." Of course, in the jaded world of the publishers of Newsweek, the SPLC, and scores of liberal think tanks and news outlets, there is no such thing as "Left Wing Extremists."

And prominently displayed in the Newsweek article is a large photograph of LeVoy Finicum, the man who was recently shot by an Oregon state police officer (or officers) for allegedly reaching for a handgun after having resisted arrest on a remote Oregon highway. Finicum—along with Ammon Bundy and about twenty others—had illegally mounted an armed occupation of a group of empty buildings on a national wildlife refuge outside the small town of Burns in protest over continued mistreatment of western farmers and ranchers by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

Unfortunately, the death of Mr. Finicum has served to fuel more anti-government passions with comparisons to Waco and Ruby Ridge abounding—which, in my opinion, such comparisons do not exist. All this does is to play right into the hands of a U.S. Justice Department already looking for an excuse to pull American citizens—especially "right wing" Christians (albeit Bundy and Finicum both claimed Mormonism)—into the same category as Islamic terrorists.

To say that we Americans are living in jeopardous days is an extreme understatement. Very understandably, the American people are increasingly distrustful of their government, their news media, and even their future. We desperately need cool heads and wise hearts to peacefully and successfully navigate these troubled waters. And what we need most is leadership from America's pulpits. But it's the lack of pastoral leadership that has mostly created this mess to begin with. The good news is America's pastors could help lead our country out of this morass. If only they would.

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Ted Cruz wins Iowa: what it means

A Ted Cruz victory in Iowa was not surprising. Not at all. Typically, the Republican presidential candidate that can "Out Christian" the rest of the field wins in Iowa. And Cruz is the best at doing that since G.W. Bush that I've seen. But unlike Bush, Cruz will NOT be the Republican nominee. Count on it. And I, for one, am glad he won't be.

The Cruz victory has got to be seen as a slap in the face for Liberty University's Jerry Falwell, Jr., who personally campaigned in Iowa for Donald Trump. As much as I like Jerry, Jr., he is not his dad and will never be able to galvanize Christian conservatives like Jerry, Sr., did. The once powerful Religious Right passed with Jerry Falwell, Sr.

Faithful readers of this column know that I have already expressed my feelings that Cruz cannot be trusted to be faithful to the Constitution—especially in matters that

pertain to the Warfare State and the Police State. His ties to the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) and Goldman Sachs cannot be taken lightly. Birds of a feather still flock together. His staff is littered with New World Order fellow travelers. You are reading one Christian writer who would FAR rather vote for an unbeliever that will preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States than vote for a believer who will NOT preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States. And there is nothing about Ted Cruz that convinces me he would be faithful to the Constitution—his Christian rhetoric notwithstanding.

Plus, of all of the GOP presidential candidates, Ted Cruz is probably the deepest in the pocket of the Israeli lobby—not that the rest of them aren't also. However, I still maintain that Rand Paul is the LEAST obligated to the Israeli lobby of all of them. (Rand Paul also demonstrates more fidelity to the Constitution than the rest of the field put together. And now that Rand has pulled out of the race, there really isn't a constitutionally literate contender left.) Unlike many of my Christian brethren, I am convinced that the Zionists in Israel and America are a major destructive force to liberty and a direct threat to the Biblical, Natural Law principles upon which the United States was founded. The more allegiance a U.S. politician has to Zionism, the more harmful he or she is to America. Put Ted Cruz at the top of the list.

Obviously, this primary season has just begun, and an Iowa victory portends very little for things to come. This could wind up being a very interesting and unusual election season. Let your mind ruminate over some of these possible scenarios:

1. The GOP has a brokered convention, and establishment insiders pick Jeb Bush or Marco Rubio.

This is a distinct possibility. The establishment is going all out to defeat Donald Trump, but his momentum is significant. It is very feasible that no candidate will have mustered the

necessary delegates to win the nomination on the first ballot. If that happens, you can be sure that the establishment knows how to manipulate the convention to ensure that an insider wins. The two candidates who fit that bill the best are Jeb Bush and Marco Rubio. Rush Limbaugh is revealing his establishment loyalties by saying (with a straight face even) that Rubio is NOT an establishment candidate. But he is.

If this scenario becomes reality, a host of the Trump/Cruz/Carson/Paul supporters would abandon the GOP in November like rats off of the proverbial sinking ship. Then again, the GOP establishment would rather burn the house down than let a principled conservative win, as they are much more closely aligned with liberal Democrats than they are conservative Republicans.

2. Donald Trump sees the GOP establishment rigging primaries to defeat him and decides to run as an Independent.

I realize Trump signed a pledge that he would not bolt the GOP, but everyone knows that Trump is still holding that ace up his sleeve. Of course, many people know that Trump has had a long-standing personal friendship with the Clintons, and they fear he is playing the system to ensure a Hillary victory. That's speculation, of course. But given that Trump talks and acts "from the hip" (assuming he is NOT a Hillary mole), his loyalty to his pledge will surely be tested, as the GOP establishment will do everything it can do to stack the deck against him. As the primaries (and passions) heat up, Trump is indeed the loose cannon in the field that could do just about anything—including jumping ship and running as an Independent.

3. Hillary is indicted or begins losing significantly to Bernie Sanders, and Democrats scramble to bring another insider (like Joe Biden) into the race.

Officials in Iowa are saying Hillary defeated party rival

Bernie Sanders by the skin of her teeth. Plus, everyone is aware that some of those local victories were determined by coin tosses. The Democratic machine gave Hillary the win in Iowa and everyone knows it.

The Clinton camp has got to be worried after the embarrassing "victory" in Iowa. Sanders' support is growing, while Clinton's support is waning. The party machine is going to have to work around the clock to keep her afloat. But if Sanders begins to pull away from Hillary, her establishment buddies will turn on her like a pack of wolves on a bleeding lobo. Indictments are still hanging out there, and if it becomes obvious that Hillary isn't winning primaries by landslide margins, watch the insiders throw her to the wolves and enlist another insider such as Joe Biden. Such an event would upset the applecart BIG TIME. And don't forget that the former Democratic senator from Virginia and true war hero who served in the Reagan cabinet, Jim Webb, is waiting in the wings for just the right opportunity to enter the race. Wow! The possibilities are almost endless.

Obviously, Bernie Sanders is to the Democrats what Donald Trump is to the Republicans: a major thorn in the side.

4. Former NYC Mayor Michael Bloomberg enters the race as an Independent-bringing with him \$1 billion to spend. Or, Democrats tap Bloomberg if they abandon Clinton.

Bloomberg is another loose cannon that could shake things up this year. No doubt about that. But a billion dollars or no billion dollars, Bloomberg is mostly a one-string banjo. The only thing he is passionate about is disarming the American people. And while Clinton and Sanders might be just as bad on the Second Amendment, Bloomberg's fanaticism on the issue would drive away virtually all of the gun owners in the country—including Democrats and Independents. The fact is, the mood of the country is more favorable toward the Second Amendment now than at any time in recent memory, which is why

the Democratic Party will probably ignore Bloomberg.

But two independent billionaires in the general election (if it came to that)—one an ultra-liberal and the other a toughtalking "conservative"—would definitely shake things up. No doubt about it. Imagine (we are just ruminating here) a fourman race that includes the two major party candidates and two independent billionaires. And if it does become a four-man race between the above-mentioned people, can you imagine what would happen if Ron Paul suddenly decided to jump back in the race? Ron is still as sharp as a tack and more fit than many men half his age.

The last time anything remotely resembling the above happened was in 1860. And you know what happened the year after that.

And personally, I see regional separation (no, it would not have to be bloody—and I highly doubt that it would be) as a good thing, not as a bad thing. In fact, I think it is inevitable. It's not a matter of "if." It's only a matter of "when." But I digress.

Suffice it to say, folks, this is shaping up to be the most unusual and unpredictable election season in my lifetime—maybe since that election back in 1860. Hold on!

P.S. Recent events have graphically illustrated the need for the American citizenry to have an educated and informed understanding of the laws and protocols—as well as our rights and duties—when placed in contact with police officers. Sadly, most Americans are totally unprepared to deal with even "routine" traffic stops. Violent interactions between police officers and citizens are escalating. Sometimes the blame lies with law enforcement, and sometimes the blame lies with the citizen. Knowing how to respond to a police contact has never been more important.

My attorney son (a former prosecutor and now defense attorney) recently delivered an address to the folks at Liberty

Fellowship in Kalispell, Montana, entitled "Police Contact: How To Respond." I believe EVERY citizen in the country needs to watch this video. It might even save some lives. I encourage readers to order at least two: one for themselves and one for a friend.

Order the video presentation, "Police Contact: How To Respond,"

Police Contact: How To Respond DVD

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Big oil, European immigration and abortion on demand

To the globalists pulling the strings of the Western axis (aka New World Order), it's all about BIG OIL. The petrodollar is the god of the globalists who control the big banks, big oil companies, and big governments of the Western axis. And the axle of the axis is the Sunni Muslim nation of Saudi Arabia.

And it appears that regime change is coming soon to Saudi Arabia. And, by all accounts, the new king is anything but stable. Folks, this portends rough waters ahead.

BIG OIL is taking advantage of the global oil glut (and thus low oil prices) to run U.S. "cowboys" (independent, mid-sized oil companies in the shale business) out of business. The U.S., Israel, Great Britain, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, etc., have been using terrorist groups such as ISIS and al Nusra to attack Shiite Muslim nations for the express purpose of giving Western axis-controlled Saudi Arabia as much monopoly over the

Middle East oil market as possible. In short, the NWO wants to eliminate the oil competition in Iran.

King Salman's decision to hand the throne to his hot-headed son Mohammed (instead of a lateral exchange of the crown) could be the petrodollar globalists paving the way for a Saudi war with Iran—which would send oil prices through the ceiling (what the globalists want). And most of the "cowboys" would not be around to compete, either.

Iranians and Shiites everywhere are still fuming-mad over Saudi Arabia's execution of Sheikh Nimr al-Nimr, a highly respected and renowned Shiite religious leader. What was his crime? Calling for more leniencies for Shiites living in Saudi Arabia. That's Washington, D.C.'s "great ally" for you, folks.

Plus, everyone in the Shiite world knows that the U.S., Israel, Great Britain, Saudi Arabia, etc., are the ones behind the terror groups ISIS and al Nusra. They know that Saudi Arabia is the proxy front man for the petrodollar globalists. They know that ISIS is shipping stolen Shiite oil to Sunnifriendly countries such as Turkey and Israel. Only the Western world (especially America) is oblivious to what is really going on in the Middle East—and that's because the mainstream media in the U.S. is nothing but a propaganda ministry for the globalists.

The monkey wrench in the whole thing is Vladimir Putin. It does appear he is not going to sit back and let the globalists take down Syria as a stepping stone to taking down Iran—which might help explain why King Salman is getting ready to pass the torch NOW. The globalists in the West might be trying to outmaneuver Putin with a Saudi/Iran war.

But know this: in the minds of the globalist gamemakers, the name of the game is NOT freedom, or liberty, or fighting terrorism, or America's security, or Islamic Jihad, etc. The name of the game is BIG OIL.

On another front, the immigrant invasion of Europe is in full swing. For Europe, this is the perfect storm. Thousands of disenfranchised, homeless, irresponsible, violence-prone malcontents from the Middle East and Northern Africa are descending on a passive, disarmed, and politically naïve continent. The countries from which these marauders came are glad to be rid of them, and the countries to which they have come are just beginning to feel the consequences of their arrival.

These twenty-something year old, single, immigrant males flooding Europe have no attachment to anything: not home, not country, not religion, not principles, not law, not decency, NOTHING. They are like roving beasts prowling the land in search of prey. These two-legged predators must be distinguished from true refugees: persecuted families forced from their homes by terrorists. I must add: terrorists who are the product of nearly three decades of U.S. wars of aggression. And even more, terrorists who were created by the Western axis: NWO globalists that are controlling foreign policy in the United States, Great Britain, Israel, and Saudi Arabia.

In many respects, these Middle Eastern miscreants are to Europe what the Mexican gangs are to America. The difference is, for the last half-century or more, Europe has bred several generations of passive, socialist slaves who have absolutely no idea how to defend themselves. They have been brainwashed into accepting personal disarmament. The only thing most Europeans know to do is to call the local equivalent of 911. They are perfect fodder for these beasts of prey now prowling their streets.

Civilized societies are foolish to allow uncivilized people to have internal access to their communities. However, to target religion, race, ethnicity, etc., is to miss the point entirely. That's where Donald Trump blew it. He was doing fine when he talked about illegal immigration. But he blew it when

he discriminated against one religion. Our immigration problem transcends any one race or religion. The fact is, if we had a president who would simply enforce the immigration laws that are already on the books (before the current changes to our immigration laws began under Barack Obama and Paul Ryan, of course), most of our immigration problems would go away. But we haven't had a president do that in over three decades at least.

I can't speak for America's big cities and disarmed states in New England and California, of course. But I know for a fact that the vast majority of red-blooded Americans in "flyover country" are NOT going to passively sit back and let a group of lawless thugs (regardless of race or religion) rape their wives and daughters, destroy their property, and threaten their lives. They just won't tolerate it. That's a MAJOR distinction from the European mindset. Americans are not pacifists; and they are not disarmed.

And a final note: last Friday marked the 43rd anniversary of the infamous Roe vs. Wade and Doe vs. Bolton Supreme Court decisions that, in effect, legalized abortion-on-demand nationwide.

These two decisions expunged the Jeffersonian principle that all men are endowed by their Creator with the unalienable right to life ensconced in America's birth certificate: the Declaration of Independence.

Since the Roe and Doe decisions, more than 50 million unborn babies have lost their lives in what should be the safest place on earth: their mothers' wombs. And once again, another Jeffersonian principle was eviscerated. Jefferson said, "To compel a man to furnish contributions of money for the propagation of ideas which he disbelieves and abhors is sinful and tyrannical." The Roe and Doe decisions violate this principle in the most egregious manner possible.

Furthermore, the national acceptance of legalized abortion has opened the door to a host of big-government programs and policies that have resulted in the wanton destruction of human life both in the United States and overseas. It has created entire industries whose express purpose for existing is the destruction of human life. It has desensitized the conscience and soul of America.

America's calloused heart to the deaths of defenseless unborn babies has led to the desensitizing of our hearts to the deaths of hundreds of thousands of innocent men, women, and children at the hands of the U.S. military-industrial complex. If we are desensitized to the deaths of the most innocent and defenseless children in our own country, it is but a short step to becoming desensitized to the deaths of nameless, faceless strangers a half a world away. It is estimated that no less than a million innocent people (not terrorists, not militants, not soldiers or fighting men) have been killed in these copious U.S. wars of aggression.

See this report here.

I have an in-depth message on DVD that sheds the light of truth on abortion from a medical, political, cultural, and scriptural perspective. The message is entitled "The Case For The Life Of The Unborn." In addition, we have reprinted President Ronald Reagan's treatise "Abortion And The Conscience Of The Nation." We are offering both the DVD message and President Reagan's treatise in ONE package. Basically, when you purchase the DVD, we are giving you Reagan's excellent treatise.

I wish this DVD and booklet could be put into the hands of every pastor and public official in America. I know of one man who is ordering 150 packets and is going to give them to as many public officials in his State as he can.

Order my message on DVD, "The Case For The Life Of The

Unborn," and President Ronald Reagan's treatise, "Abortion And The Conscience Of The Nation," .

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A tale of two countries: what you aren't being told

Here are two factual cases involving two separate countries. The cases both begin similarly but have drastically different endings.

Case One:

A foreign naval vessel is lumbering in international waters. It is flying a brand new 8'x5' flag, which unmistakably identifies it as a major ally of the country whose coastline is nearest the ship. The ship's markings are ten feet high on both sides. It is not a warship. It is an intelligence-gathering ship. For all intents and purposes, it is defenseless against any warship or attack aircraft having but four .50-calibre Browning machine guns without shrapnel shields as its only offensive weapons. On board are 286 souls.

Suddenly, and without provocation, the supposed "ally" nation attacks the ship with both warplanes and torpedo boats. For over an hour, the helpless ship is riddled with machine-gun fire, rockets, and torpedoes. Within moments, the ship is completely disabled. As it seems certain that the ship will sink, lifeboats are lowered, but the attacking torpedo boats immediately riddle the lifeboats with gunfire. Helicopters from the aggressive country carrying Special Forces troops hover over the ship, which is now listing at nine degrees.

Clearly, the attacking country intends that no one survive.

The ship has no engines, no rudder, and no power. As the Special Forces soldiers from the attacking country are being positioned to launch their final assault, the ship's Captain barks, "Standby to repel boarders." One sailor yells, "They've come to finish us off."

The only thing that saves that ship and those survivors that day is eight warplanes from a nearby aircraft carrier that had heard the initial "Mayday" cry from the ship. This caused the attacking country to withdraw. As it was, 34 of the ship's officers and crew are killed and only a divine miracle and superhuman, Herculean effort from the sailors in the bowels of that steel graveyard keeps that ship afloat. When the attack first began, one general from the attacking country protested to his commanding officer saying, "This is pure murder."

But what the country whose ship was attacked and whose men were killed did is most curious. It did NOTHING. In fact, the government of that country immediately declared that the attack had been a "mistake" and then proceeded to completely cover up what had happened. And to this day, the citizens of that country know almost nothing about what took place on that fateful day.

Case Two:

Two foreign military boats illegally enter the territorial waters of a nation. These boats represent a country that has declared the nation whose waters have been molested to be an enemy state. National leaders of the offending country have openly called for military action against the state—up to and including nuclear action. The offending nation is anything but an ally of the nation whose waters have been encroached.

The country whose waters have been compromised does what ANY country would do (including the offending country if the tables are reversed) if unauthorized foreign ships (especially

military ships) encroach upon its territorial waters: it seizes the vessels. The country did NOT open fire on the sailors. No one was injured. After neutralizing the perceived threat and detaining the sailors, the country provides the sailors who had illegally entered their waters with a meal and then releases them and their boats unharmed.

But instead of being grateful for the way the offended nation had prevented what could have easily escalated into international hostilities, many of the leaders and media spokesmen from the country whose ships had illegally entered another nation's territorial waters immediately accuse the offended nation of being the "aggressor" and use the incident to further enflame hatred against the alleged enemy state—including the incitement of war against it.

Case One was Israel's murderous attack against the USS Liberty on June 8, 1967. Case Two was Iran's incredibly-restrained handling of the U.S. naval vessels' illegal incursion into its territorial waters not too many days ago.

Read the true story of Israel's attack against the USS Liberty here.

Read the true story of the Iran incident here.

The verbal attacks against Iran by U.S. politicians and dominate news media truly staggers the imagination. I think Pat Buchanan's response to FOX News' Sean Hannity was perfectly stated. After listening to Hannity's senseless rant against Iran, Pat said, "Sean, you're hysterical." Hysterical seems to be the word that best describes most of what we are hearing today.

See the Hannity/Buchanan exchange here.

During a radio interview with Michael Berry, Ron Paul rightly observed, "I think there's a distortion of the facts, for instance, we have learned and have been conditioned to

distrust and hate the Persians and they're going to kill us, just look at the conditioning we had for Saddam Hussein who used to be an ally and we gave him his first nuclear reactor. So, there is a lot of that that goes on, but there's no history to show that Iran are aggressive people. When was the last time they invaded a country? Over two hundred years ago."

Read the transcript here.

ActivistPost.com accurately answers the question, "Is Iran a threat to the health and safety of U.S. citizens?" The report states:

"Iran has never attacked the United States, or even any of her interests overseas. In fact, they have not attacked or invaded anyone in at least 270 years. And they haven't even threatened to harm the U.S. unless of course they are attacked first. . . . Iran is not an aggressor and certainly not a national emergency threat."

The report goes on: "Even if they did [have a nuclear weapons program], why is that reason to attack them? Just having a weapon doesn't make a country a threat. Plenty of countries have nuclear weapons and we don't consider them a threat."

The report continues: "Iran will not attack the West militarily with a nuclear weapon, or even conventionally, because they know they would be inviting their immediate destruction. Iran is a sophisticated secular society, much like Iraq was before America invaded. In fact, Iran has the third largest Jewish population in the world who live in harmony with Muslims and others. In other words, they have a lot to lose to invite war with anyone, and they know that any move viewed as aggression would be met with swift and overwhelming force. The West wants the world to believe their leadership is primitive and stupid, but they aren't.

"Over 45 U.S. bases surround Iran. These bases are in addition to the fleets of U.S. warships parked in waters near Iran. A

picture is worth a thousand words. Who's the real threat here?"

See the map and the report here.

Recall that even when many Arab nations were involved in the Six Day War with Israel back in 1967 (including Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Libya, etc.), Iran did NOT participate. And what most Americans do not know is that immediately following the 9/11 attacks in the U.S. (that Iran had nothing to do with), tens of thousands of Iranian citizens held demonstrations, candlelight vigils, and moments of silence in SUPPORT of the United States. (Do the research for yourself.) Americans would be shocked to know that the vast majority of average Iranians actually hold very favorable views of the United States. The "Death to America" rallies we hear so much about actually do NOT represent the views of the vast majority of the Iranian people—no more than the copious "We Are Change" pro-Obama rallies represent the views of a majority of the American people.

Plus, the oft-quoted threat by former Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to "wipe Israel off the map" is in reality a complete fabrication of the Western news media.

See this report here.

The Iranian Foreign Minister tried to set the record straight—albeit most in the U.S. media continue to regurgitate the myth that Iran has threatened to militarily destroy Israel.

"Iran has no intention of destroying Israel and has actually saved the Jews three times in history, but the current Israeli regime is a threat to Tehran, Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif has said in an interview with American media.

"Speaking with NBC, Zarif slamed [sic] the Israeli prime

minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, after he once again said in his Monday's speech before the US Congress that Iran openly threatened to wipe Israel off the map.

"The Iranian FM urged Netanyahu to refresh his knowledge of history as his comments have not only 'distort[ed] realities of today,' but also go against the Bible and Jewish sacred texts.

"'He even distorts his own scripture. If you read the book of Esther, you will see that it was the Iranian king who saved the Jews...' Zarif said.

"The Iranian Minister called Netanyahu's accusations 'truly regrettable' stressing that they refer to 'an entire nation which has saved Jews three times.'

"'It is truly, truly regrettable that bigotry gets to the point of making allegations against an entire nation which has saved Jews three times in its history: Once during that time of a prime minister who was trying to kill the Jews, and the king saved the Jews; again during the time of Cyrus the Great, where he saved the Jews from Babylon, and during the Second World War, where Iran

saved the Jews,' he said.

"'We're not about the annihilation of Jews,' Zarif stressed, reminding the channel that 20,000 Jews reside in Iran 'in peace' and even have their own representative in parliament.

"'We have a history of tolerance and cooperation and living together in coexistence with our own Jewish people, and with Jews everywhere in the world. If people want to espouse fear mongering to fan such hysteria in the world, that's to their detriment,' Zafir said."

Here is the report.

And here is one of the most truthful and accurate assessments

that I have ever read of why the U.S. is enmeshed in all of these current conflicts in the Middle East.

Had Case Two referenced above even remotely resembled Case One, we would be in the middle of World War III right now. Yet, President Lyndon Johnson and the U.S. government allowed a foreign country to commit a flagrant act of military aggression against a U.S. naval vessel-killing dozens of American sailors and Marines in the process-with repercussions whatsoever. It even chose to cover up the incident and pretend it never happened. Why? Because the attacking country was Israel—a supposed ally of the United States and a nation that our government often uses to do much of its dirty work in the Middle East. Not to mention the fact that the Israeli lobby is the most influential and wealthiest lobby in Washington, D.C.; or the fact that the false doctrine of "Christian Zionism" (what an oxymoron) literally governs the prevailing politics among a majority of America's churches—especially the largest ones lead by politicallypowerful televangelists; or that a majority of U.S. congressmen and senators are joined at the hip (and bank account) with the Israeli lobby.

In much the same way, the U.S. government has chosen to cover up the attacks that killed a U.S. ambassador and other Americans in Benghazi. Why? Because the truth surrounding Benghazi would help expose what the U.S. government is really doing in the Middle East and would implicate our government's role in facilitating terrorists.

It's time for Americans to start facing the cold, harsh reality that our federal government cares absolutely NOTHING about the lives of American citizens. It didn't give a hoot in hades about the victims of the USS Liberty, and it didn't give a hoot in hades about Ambassador Chris Stevens and the others who died in Benghazi. But let Iran (a nation that poses absolutely no imminent threat to the United States) protect its own territorial waters (with no harm to any American

citizen), and the national press corps and their neocon cohorts in Washington, D.C., are ready to start World War III.

This is all political theater, folks. It's not about protecting the United States. It's not about protecting the American people. It's all about protecting the government's hidden agendas and its own derriere.

P.S. Once again, I invite readers to view my four-message DVD entitled, "The Church And Israel." This was our most popular sermon DVD of 2015. The titles of the four messages (on one DVD) are:

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This four sermon DVD is available.

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Happy Anniversary, liberty fellowship

This Sunday, January 17, 2016, Liberty Fellowship in Kalispell, Montana, will mark its 5th Anniversary. Liberty Fellowship is an unorganized, unincorporated, and non-affiliated fellowship. And it is most definitely not a 501c3 non-profit organization—which means donations to Liberty Fellowship are NOT tax-deductible.

When my family and I first moved to Montana in October of 2010, to start this fellowship, we were told by "everyone"

that such an endeavor was hopeless. I couldn't count the number of preachers who told me that we would never make it, because Christian people simply would not support a fellowship (I refuse to use the word "church," as the definition of the word in America is mostly defined solely by the IRS—and said definition is as unscriptural as it can possibly be) because their donations would not be tax-deductible. Very adamantly they said that a fellowship that was not tax-exempt could not financially survive.

Well folks, THIS SUNDAY is the 5th Anniversary of that non-tax-exempt fellowship. The critics and naysayers were wrong. I'm sure it's true that in most "churches" the biggest reason people give is in order to receive a deduction on their income taxes at the end of the year. You don't believe that? Just announce one Sunday that people's' offerings will no longer be deductible on their tax forms at the end of the year and see how many people stick around. But that's NOT the reason people give at Liberty Fellowship.

Gee! What did Christians do for over 1,900 years of Church history when they gave their tithes and offerings and there was no IRS around to recognize it? For that matter, what do Christians around the world do today who give their tithes and offerings without there even being any such thing as a 501c3 tax-exempt status? I guess they just give because they believe in the message coming from the pulpit and want to do what's right in the sight of God. What a novel idea.

Then again, why do most Christians attend the "church" they attend? Along with receiving their precious tax-deductions: to socialize with friends; to make business contacts; to let their kids play in all of the spiritual babysitting services known as "children's programs"; to listen to warm and fuzzy feel-good speeches called "sermons"; to salve their conscience for all of their crooked, dishonest business practices during the week; and to jump up and down during the rock concert that occupies the vast majority of time in these so-called "worship"

services."

There is absolutely no doubt whatsoever that the vast majority of America's pastors today are the Pied Pipers of serfdom—shouting "Hallelujah" and "Praise the Lord" as they tickle the ears of these materialistically-minded and pleasure-mad sheeple that call themselves "Christians"—until both the blind guides and gullible followers fall into the ditch of tyranny.

I bet the pastor where you go to church has not said one word publicly about Obama's unlawful Executive Order further restricting the right of the American people to sell and purchase firearms, and that turns your family physician into a snoop for the government who can have your guns removed from your home without even a smidgen of accountability. I bet he hasn't said one word of counsel or clarification about the Oregon occupation. I bet you went to this "church" all year last year and never heard your pastor give a word of instruction regarding Natural and Biblical law regarding anything that took place in our country—with the possible meek mention of something to do with abortion or gay rights. No! I bet you didn't even hear him say a word when the Supreme Court put its stamp of approval on homosexual marriage.

I realize that there are rare exceptions to the above; but they are just that: RARE.

Christian people will sit in front of a milquetoast preacher for thirty minutes on Sunday morning and hear NOTHING relevant to what's happening in our country and then go home and watch FOX News for twenty-five hours a week (in between football games, of course). And if the pastor happens to inadvertently slip out a statement that contradicts what people heard on FOX News, they will deem the pastor a heretic. For all intents and purposes, in the minds of millions of professing "Christians," FOX News is not a cable news network; it is a RELIGION. Sean Hannity and Bill O'Reilly are America's pontiffs. Their word

is gospel. No wonder we are screwed up.

The voices of the watchmen and shepherds are utterly silent. Christian people are lost in an echo chamber of political cacophony with no undergirding principles of truth to guide them. Truly, they are sheep having no shepherd. The Nineteenth Century British Baptist pastor Charles Spurgeon absolutely nailed it when he said, "A time will come when instead of shepherds feeding the sheep, the church will have clowns entertaining the goats." That day is here.

Five years ago this Sunday, we launched an experiment called Liberty Fellowship. No rock music; no smoke; no light show; no gymnasium; no "children's pastor"; no "worship leader"; no gameroom; no espresso café; no social "ministries"; no finance committees; no "education" committees; no "church growth" committees; in fact, there are no committees period.

At Liberty Fellowship, adults and children sit and listen to a man of God preach the Word of God with a heavy dose of Natural Law and the Biblical principles of liberty woven throughout. Oh, yes, we have a song service, too. It might last 15-20 minutes—usually including a vocalist or duet singing a song. Oh, and I don't think I've heard Kumbaya yet. And, no, we own no buildings and have no plans to go into debt to get one.

During the week, our people actively teach one another various practical skills. They are loving and considerate, as are their children. Many of our folks homeschool their children. Most of them have made a huge sacrifice to be here. When the service is over, the auditorium is NOT empty in five minutes. Fellowship among the people is sweet and genuine.

The average sermon at Liberty Fellowship probably lasts between an hour and fifteen minutes and an hour and a half (some are even longer)—and nobody gets restless. Can you imagine nine- and ten-year-old children (and often younger) sitting up and paying attention to their pastor deliver a 90-

minute sermon in almost any "church" in America? Oh! And during the first five years of the fellowship's existence, over 450 people have made a profession of faith in Christ—that we know of.

People have moved from all over the country just to attend Liberty Fellowship. And an online Internet audience nationwide, comprised of people who wish they had such a fellowship in the town where they live, continues to grow.

Readers may watch our live online messages here.

In addition, all of our messages are archived online and may be viewed here.

Last year, our Liberty Church Project reached out to scores of pastors and churches, helping them to either withdraw from the government's 501c3 non-profit status or to start brand new non-501c3 fellowships. Many of these folks are still in the early stages of planting new fellowships and are meeting together in small groups in either living rooms or public buildings. They watch our livestream messages and fellowship around the Biblical, Natural Law principles of Liberty.

Learn more about the Liberty Church Project here.

As an FYI to readers, our most popular message series (far and away) preached at Liberty Fellowship last year was "The Church And Israel." The titles of the four messages (on one DVD) are:

- The Presentation and Rejection of The King
- "An High Priest For Ever After The Order of Melchisedec"
- Jesus: The Seed Of David, The Seed Of Abraham
- Christ's Last Words To Israel

I firmly believe that it does not matter to a tinker's dam who is elected President or which party controls Congress: unless America's pastors start being the watchmen on the wall that God intended them to be, and until Christian people start

demanding that their pastors be watchmen on the wall, nothing is going to change in this country—and we will continue to fall into the ditch of tyranny.

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Burns, Oregon, is not Bundy Ranch

Let me be clear: the situation in Oregon does not remotely compare to the events that took place at the Bundy Ranch in Nevada. In Nevada, the federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) was the aggressor, which included a very real threat of violence against the Bundy family. The Bundy family appealed to their neighbors and friends for help. And help rightly arrived. The legal nuances of the Bundy situation notwithstanding, BLM gave the appearance of preparing another Waco incident that just could not be tolerated. Over 80 innocent Americans, including elderly men and women and small children, were murdered by our federal government during that unconscionable raid. There must NEVER be another Waco in this country.

The decision of Ammon Bundy (Cliven Bundy's son)—and the men who are with him—to mount an armed takeover of the remote, empty Malheur National Wildlife Refuge building in Harney County outside Burns, Oregon, is unwise, careless, and downright foolish. There is no just cause for such action.

Previous to the move to take over the federal building, a peaceful protest in support of the Hammond family had taken place in Burns. This protest was commendable and well-conducted. Hundreds of local residents took part in that

peaceful protest. The local community of Burns was very sympathetic to the plight of the Hammonds and rightly angered by the federal government's treatment of them.

Dwight Hammond, Jr. and his son Steven had been arrested, tried, and convicted of arson for the burning of federal land that adjoins Hammond land. The Hammonds say they were burning their land for agricultural purposes and the fire inadvertently spread to federal land. The feds say the Hammonds burned the land to cover up poaching. The two men were found guilty by a jury and sentenced to five years in prison. A district court judge found the sentences to be excessive (and therefore unconstitutional) and sentenced the men to less time; but the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals overruled the lesser sentence and the five year prison term was reinstated.

Even if the prosecutor's version of the story is true, a five-year prison sentence for such a crime is overkill beyond description—the Ninth Circuit decision notwithstanding. There are thousands of people who have been convicted of various forms of manslaughter who have not served that many years in prison. People in Burns are justified in being angry at the sentence handed to their friends, the Hammonds.

But the truth is, the conflict between the federal government and ranchers, farmers, and miners in the western states has been ongoing in earnest since at least the 1970s. And in this writer's opinion, the people of the western states are completely justified in being angry at the way the federal government continues to encroach upon the liberties and properties of the people of these states. In truth, it is long past due that the governors and State legislatures of these states grow some man stuff and start reclaiming so-called federal land. And while they are doing that, they should tell the BLM to go back to Washington, D.C.—or go to hades for that matter—and get their hind ends out of their states. If State governments and county sheriffs in the West would do what is

right—and would start protecting the liberties and properties of the citizens within their states from these federal abuses—most, if not all, of these conflicts would go away.

So, the peaceful protest in Burns was certainly justified. And as a result, the momentum for reclamation of State sovereignty and individual liberty was further enhanced. People all over America—especially in the West—are growing increasingly impatient with overbearing, bullying federal agencies such as BLM.

But immediately following the successful protest, Ammon Bundy and several other men decided to take aggressive action and mounted an armed takeover of the remote federal facility about fifty miles south of Burns, which was empty for the holidays. By taking this action, these men gave up the moral high ground and, in essence, snatched defeat from the jaws of victory.

In the first place, the Hammond family publicly repudiated the actions of these men and chose to give themselves up to officials to serve out the sentence that had been handed them. There are great disagreements about whether the Hammonds' motives in burning the land were innocent or malicious. And, as noted, there is room for much debate regarding if the crime (if it was a crime) truly warranted the sentence they received. Regardless, the Hammonds chose to accept their sentence and reject any attempt (especially one involving a show of force) to interfere. This fact alone settles the matter.

Citizens coming together to peacefully protest a perceived injustice is as American as mom and apple pie. But a group of citizens acting as a mob and, with a show of force, taking over a public (or private) facility when there is no threat to life is just plain wrong—anger with BLM notwithstanding. As my mother often told me, "Two wrongs do not make a right." Indeed.

Some have tried to compare the takeover of the federal buildings near Burns to Lexington and Concord. But the comparison just doesn't exist.

Our colonial forebears endured "a long train of abuses" (Thomas Jefferson in the Declaration of Independence) for decades. Even the Boston Massacre in 1770 did not trigger an armed response from the colonists. The battles of Lexington and Concord took place when British troops marched on the Massachusetts villages in an attempt at mass gun confiscation. There is nothing of the sort going on in Burns, Oregon.

Neither was there a threat of violence against innocent men, women, and children at Burns as was the case at Bundy Ranch. In truth, these men in Oregon are acting as aggressors, not as defenders. Bundyville was a justified act of self-defense; Burns, Oregon, is not.

I was at Bundy Ranch. I publicly supported the efforts of the men who went to Nevada in the defense of the Bundy family in this column, from the platform of Liberty Fellowship, and in numerous interviews with the media. I even had the honor of bringing a Bible sermon to the brave men at Bundyville—which also included Nevada public officials, by the way. In that address, I strongly cautioned all of them to make sure that our actions were always pure and right in eyes of just law—and especially in the eyes of a Just and Holy God. I invite readers to watch the video of my address at Bundy Ranch here.

Make no mistake about it: if our federal government (or any other government) attempts to confiscate our firearms as did British troops in 1775, a Natural state of war against the American people will have been declared at that moment, and I will be at the front of the line in calling for armed resistance. Burns, Oregon, is not remotely close to that. There is absolutely NO COMPARISON between the current situation in Oregon and Lexington and Concord.

In the next place, I personally believe that government agent provocateurs infiltrated and agitated these men into taking this action, thereby giving the federal government the excuse it needs to justify Obama's Executive Order enacting stricter rules on gun purchases. In my opinion, both of these events happening during the exact same week is NOT a coincidence.

I am very familiar with people who are on the ground in Oregon, and I can tell you that at least two of the men involved in the armed takeover of the federal facility near Burns were also agitators and provocateurs at Bundy Ranch. Fortunately, at Bundyville, those men were plainly instructed to leave the area before they were able to inflict any significant damage. Although, I can tell you that it was only due to the cool heads and calm spirits of the good men at Bundy Ranch that kept those agitators from potential violence and resultant loss of life. Unfortunately, those same men are now in Oregon. If these men are not government provocateurs, they are certainly helping the government with a lot of free work.

Whether my supposition is true or not, it doesn't justify the individual decisions of Ammon Bundy and his followers to act in this manner. If I could talk to them, I would encourage them in the strongest terms possible to peacefully walk away from this situation. All this does is fuel the anti-gun hysteria of already hysterical anti-gun zealots in and out of Washington, D.C., and also serves to allow the anti-gun media to further demonize proponents of the Second Amendment and constitutionally-ordained militia.

By taking the action they did, Ammon Bundy and the others are helping to reverse the pro-freedom, pro-Second Amendment momentum and to provide an excuse for gun-grabbers like Barack Obama and Nancy Pelosi to justify more anti-gun legislation. In other words, Ammon and his followers are actually assisting the very people they claim to be resisting.

Speaking of Obama's gun grab, we can all thank House Speaker Paul Ryan and his fellow Republicans such as Montana congressman Ryan Zinke for Obama's Executive Order further restricting the purchase of firearms. It was Ryan's \$1.1 trillion Omnibus bill that fully funded Obama's executive decision.

See this report here.

Furthermore, while bemoaning the President's decision, Republican House members have said absolutely NOTHING about defunding Obama's Executive Order, which is in their power to do, and which would completely take away the means for the executive branch to enforce the order.

See this report here.

There is no justification for what Ammon Bundy and his followers have done in Burns, Oregon—all other factors notwithstanding.

At the same time, our federal government needs to be careful not to overreact to this situation by resorting to a Wacostyle assault against these men. People all over America are growing weary of their own "train of abuses" from Washington, D.C. They will not sit still for another Waco. These men are isolated in a remote wilderness area and pose no risk to innocent life. Hopefully, federal officials will use patience and restraint and allow this situation to defuse peacefully. Better yet, the Feds should completely stay out of the situation and let the sheriff of Harney County handle it. I do not trust this administration any more than we could trust the administrations of George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton who authorized the raids at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, and Waco, Texas. I ask all readers of this column to join together in prayer for divine intervention and a peaceful, non-violent resolution of this matter.

P.S. To help people understand the importance of Natural and

divine law relative to these crucial issues, I have a DVD containing four messages on the subject. The titles of these messages are:

"Biblical Evidence For Natural Law"

"Christ's Law Of The Sword"

"The Law Of Necessity"

"Liberty In Law"

In light of the fact that so many freedom-minded patriots seem unable to understand the difference between Bundy Ranch and Burns, Oregon—and given the volatile nature of the times in which we live—it is absolutely critical that we understand the difference between just and unjust resistance. The fact that the vast majority of our pastors no longer teach these Biblical principles contributes mightily to the ignorance now rampant among us.

If we do not have the blessing of Heaven upon our attitudes and actions, there will be no positive result—no matter how good our intentions might be. I believe the events in Oregon demand that people familiarize themselves with these immutable principles.

Order the four-message DVD entitled "Liberty And Law".

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