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“ . . . defending the faith once delivered unto the saints” (Jude 3)

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK: Actions Have Consequences

President Joseph Biden will bring a lot of changes to our republic. So many, in fact, that we will no longer be a republic. We will have lost that which was given to us for safekeeping by America's founding fathers in 1787. With the Democrats controlling both houses of Congress, the United States will likely have seen their last Republican in the Oval Office. And speaking of the West wing, Kamala Harris will occupy it sooner rather than later. Also gone will be any semblance of equal representation amongst the general populace. Ideologues and identity politics will rule the day. Taxes will go up and the economy will crash. Hopes for a conservative Supreme Court will disappear, along with any visions of overturning Roe vs. Wade. But the biggest loss that you and I will have to contend with, as Christians, is the erosion of religious liberty. People who are shallow or non-committal in their faith may not give much resistance. But others, who are dedicated to the tenets of scripture, may face fines or imprisonment for honoring God rather than men. All of this will bring forth much sorrow and tears.

President Donald Trump will ensure that during his second term in office, America will not be a socialist nation. Our capitalist economy will continue to grow, with the stock market providing the increase in our 401k's. Our Constitution will be safe; for now. Christians are blessed to have a pro-life, pro-Israel president for the next four years. Conservatives of all faiths are happy that Donald Trump keeps his promises, having already appointed over 200 judges to the federal bench, as well as three Supreme Court justices. He's rebuilt the military and helped to normalize relations between Israel and her Arab neighbors. He brought American businesses back home and achieved tax reform. He's done more for race relations than any other president. In short, he's made America great again. And in the process infuriated those in the Deep State. Instead of a unified nation moving in the same direction, anarchists and domestic terrorists are trying to destroy it. And all of this will bring forth much sorrow and tears.

As believers in the saving power of Jesus Christ, we have been promised a future in a place where Christ is King and all who enter in are free from the ravages of sin. We will share our reward as joint-heirs of Christ. There is true justice and peace there. There will be no curse in paradise. There will be no night there. The streets are made of gold. God Himself will be with us. Everyone will get along. And it will be void of sorrow and tears.

We are in the world, not of it. We are pilgrims on our way to our eternal home In Heaven. And greater is He who is in us than is he who is in the world.

Rev. David Lewis

## **America's Christian Heritage Part V – God Builds a Christian Nation**

**By Robert Luthardt, Sr.**

After the successes of Jamestown (1607) and the Pilgrims at Plymouth (1620) the next notable influence in the formation of a nation with superior freedoms than had ever existed, was the coming of thousands of stalwart Bible-honoring Christians known as Puritans. These came with genuine love for God and His Word and a burning desire for religious freedom. They were a literate, and with some, a highly educated citizenry and pioneers in developing individual liberty.

Several generations later, during the lives of the Founders of our republic (1760-1780's) at the time of British oppression, they greatly benefitted from remembrance of one message in particular. University educated Rev. John Winthrop, in his sermon aboard the "Arbela" (1630) gave his oft-quoted admonition, "For we must consider that we shall be like a city upon a hill; the eyes of all people are on us."

In his final radio address to the nation, President Ronald Reagan said, "I have often recalled ... Settlers making a treacherous crossing of the Atlantic ... their leader noted that perhaps their venture would fail ... But perhaps too, with God's help, they might found a new world, a city upon a hill, a light unto nations" (from: William Federer's "American Quotations" – 2000). These words were first uttered by our Lord Jesus Christ (Matt. 5:14-15).

Rev. John Winthrop served as the great leader in the first major wave of Christians who came to America. These Christians were not the ignorant illiterates depicted by post modern "revisionist historians." Scoffers, having been themselves taught "fake history," are those lacking education. Overwhelmingly, the early settlers could read, and some were university educated, others even well-to-do English landed gentry. They cherished higher learning having founded Harvard in 1636 and Yale in 1701 with others to follow.

In England they had been derided as "non-conformists" when all they sought was to worship their Savior according to scriptural mandates. They were ridiculed as "Puritans" for stressing purity in daily living and worship. For this, they were oppressed and even persecuted as criminals.

John Winthrop and fellow students at Cambridge University pledged themselves in covenant to God first, then to each other and these "Covenanters" were also made criminals. By the 1620's the King (supported by a Parliament packed with nobility and Crown appointees) along with self-exalted, high stationed clerics, made life intolerable for Christian non-conformists. When King James I died in 1625, Charles I took the throne. Charles was constantly embroiled in conflicts with Separatists and Puritans who now controlled the House of Commons in the newly called Parliament. Charles called for greater taxes and combined with his secretive plots with enemies (to bring in foreign armies) led to Civil War. Charles lost. Upon full disclosure of his complicities to bring bloodshed upon the English people, Charles was tried before Parliament, convicted of treason and publicly executed on January 30, 1649. These events were intensely scrutinized in the colonies by their Puritan cousins who considered themselves loyal Englishmen who cherished their rights under the English Constitution.

Starting in 1628 (until 1642) more than 20,000 new Puritans came to Massachusetts alone. Cotton Mather (1663-1728) who was a prolific Puritan author and preacher, recorded that these newcomers were on "God's errand into the wilderness." Mather's large, two-volume set, "**The Great Works of Christ In America**" (1702) provides an accurate early account of that era. So too did William Bradford's journal, "**Of Plymouth Plantation**" which was begun in Holland (1608) and completed in Plymouth (1651).

Our early American history is well recorded and available, but care must be observed because of the dark machinations of radical secularists and their untrustworthy "Fake History" also abounds. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christians have as many adversaries as did our early settlers and our Founders. We, like they, are still able to appeal to our Father's Throne and God's forces are greater than our enemies (2 Kings 6:16-17).

The Puritan's philosophy of Church Government differed from the Pilgrims at first. The Puritans were still wedded to the concept of State-run religion with hope to "Purify" the English Church. Early on in America, however, the Puritans were impacted by dangerous illnesses and appealed to Dr. Samuel Fuller, the Pilgrim's physician. He stayed with them the entire winter. John Endicott, the Puritan's governor, and his flock, under Dr. Fuller's influence, came to see a greater blessing of freedom in the representative government in Congregational Churches. In these, the people were self-governed by their elected representatives (elders). They soon adopted Congregational governance and thereby another early step was taken toward the Founding principles that emerged in the 1760's to the 1780's.

Since Americans are still able to worship and govern themselves freely (though there's been erosion) it is well to remember Dr. Fuller and the Plymouth Pilgrims. Also, not to be forgotten is John Winthrop who Cotton Mather called, "America's Nehemiah" and whom British historian, Paul Johnson called, "The first great American." While we rightly call George Washington the "Father of our Country," we could do no harm in calling John Winthrop our nation's Grandfather.

Of great importance (noted by historian Paul Johnson) is the unique characteristic of America's founding. We still have all the original Colonial Charters, Covenants and Compacts, along with numerous journals, diaries, and correspondence from the earliest periods. "No nation in history has a similar volume of original documents as the United States of America."

David Brewer, Associate U.S. Supreme Court Justice (1890-1910) wrote the famous Trinity decision in 1892 in which he proved that America had been settled as a haven for Christian religious freedom and that its founding was as a Christian Republic. The decision passed unanimously as being based upon a "mass of organic utterances" available and still accessible today (citation: 43 US 457, Feb. 29, 1892).

The details of Trinity vs. United States case concerned this question: "Is a religious body ever exempt from laws applicable to other organizations?" The decision was in the affirmative. A law had been passed that forbid hiring foreign nationals to protect employment for Americans, and Trinity hired a minister from overseas as their Pastor. The question arose as to America being a Christian Nation and on the vast, massive body of evidence, it was decided unanimously in the affirmative, "That this is a religious people is historically true."

In former times (1892) and back to 1607 and even before that, the words religion and religious were used as direct synonyms for “Christian.” Furthermore, at that time, well over 95% of Americans professed the Christian Faith and closer to 100% during the Settling period. Today, after a century of Deweyism and the secularization of government schools, and infiltration of Marxism and other radicalization of University curricula, the percentage is less (80-85%). Post Revisionist “Historians” have had their toxic effect.

What the Supreme Court extrapolated from the vast historical evidence presented in the Trinity case was that from the earliest Colonial Charters (some written before anyone left England) was the admonition that they always give due diligence in homage to God and the Savior, Jesus Christ. Even the Commission to Christopher Columbus stated, “... from Ferdinand and Isabella, by the GRACE OF GOD, King and Queen ...”. Columbus, in his writings said he was “motivated by Christ” to undertake his voyage. He noted, “It was the Lord (I could feel His hand upon me) moving me to sail to the Indies.” (Taken from Colonel John Eidsmoe’s, “Columbus and Cortez” – New Leaf Press 1992.)

The earliest English Colonial grant was to Sir Walter Raleigh in 1584 which read, “Elizabeth, by the GRACE OF GOD, Queen ... Defender of the FAITH ...”. The first Charter of Virginia, granted by King James I (1606) stated, “... for the furtherance of so noble a work ... by the PROVIDENCE OF ALMIGHTY GOD ... to such people as yet live in darkness ...”. Every Colonial Charter mentions a main reason for Christians to come to America was to give Christ’s evangel to lost people and nations.

The Mayflower Compact was clearly a Christian Covenant as also was the early “Fundamental Orders of Connecticut” which commenced with, “there should be orderly, decent government ... to maintain ... liberty and purity of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ...”. All early Settlers were prompted to faithfully express their first allegiance was always to God and to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Founders (1740’s – 1780’s) well knew their history in England and their Puritan roots. These truths they infused into the Nation’s birth certificate, “The Declaration of Independence.” These historical and Biblical truths proclaimed that GOD was the source of human liberty. “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their CREATOR with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of happiness. We therefore ... appealing to the SUPREME JUDGE ... with a firm reliance on the protection of DIVINE PROVIDENCE ... pledge ... our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor.” Four times in our Declaration of Independence, God is credited as the source of our liberty. The “Puritan” apples did not fall far from the “Tree of Liberty.”

Let all Christians pray for a new, truly Biblical, “Great Awakening.” Keep looking up.

*Happy Thanksgiving*



## Count Your Blessings

By Nancy Long

Psalm 40:5a – *“Many, O Lord my God, are Thy wonderful works, which Thou hast done .....*”

Psalm 103:1-2 – *“Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.”*

Eph. 1:3 – *“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ”*

James 1:17 – *“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.”*

### Count Your Blessings

When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed,  
When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,  
Count your many blessings, name them one by one,  
And it will surprise you what the Lord has done.

Are you ever burdened with a load of care?  
Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?  
Count your many blessings, ev'ry doubt will fly,  
And you will be singing as the days go by.

When you look at others with their lands and gold,  
Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold;  
Count your many blessings, money cannot buy  
Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high.

So, amid the conflict, whether great or small,  
Do not be discouraged, God is over all;  
Count your many blessings, angels will attend,  
Help and comfort give you to your journey's end.

Chorus -- Count your blessings, name them one by one;  
Count your blessings, see what God hath done;  
Count your blessings, name them one by one;  
Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.

This entire hymn, penned in the year 1897, is a song about **gratefulness!** One writer once said, *“It is like a beam of sunlight that has brightened up the dark places of the earth.”* Think about it!! Do you have a heart of gratitude, one of appreciation, one that is thankful **in all things** (Eph. 5:20 & 1 Thess. 5:18)??? Do I?

It's been the duty of man, I'm thinking, since history began, to give thanks unto God, for **all** His provisions, believing and knowing that HE has indeed, provided **everything!!**

**THANKSGIVING** – from an old newspaper clipping, Nov. 24, 1976,  
by Abigail Van Buren (Dear Abby).

*“On this Thanksgiving Day, take a few minutes to reflect upon all the things for which you are thankful.*

*How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands – maybe millions – are hurting even more. (Have you ever visited a veteran's hospital or a rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)*

*If you awakened this morning and were able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal chords to utter human sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs, and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn't.*

*How's your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the world is a lot poorer. No pensions. No welfare. No food stamps. No Social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.*

*Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, pick up the phone and call someone.*

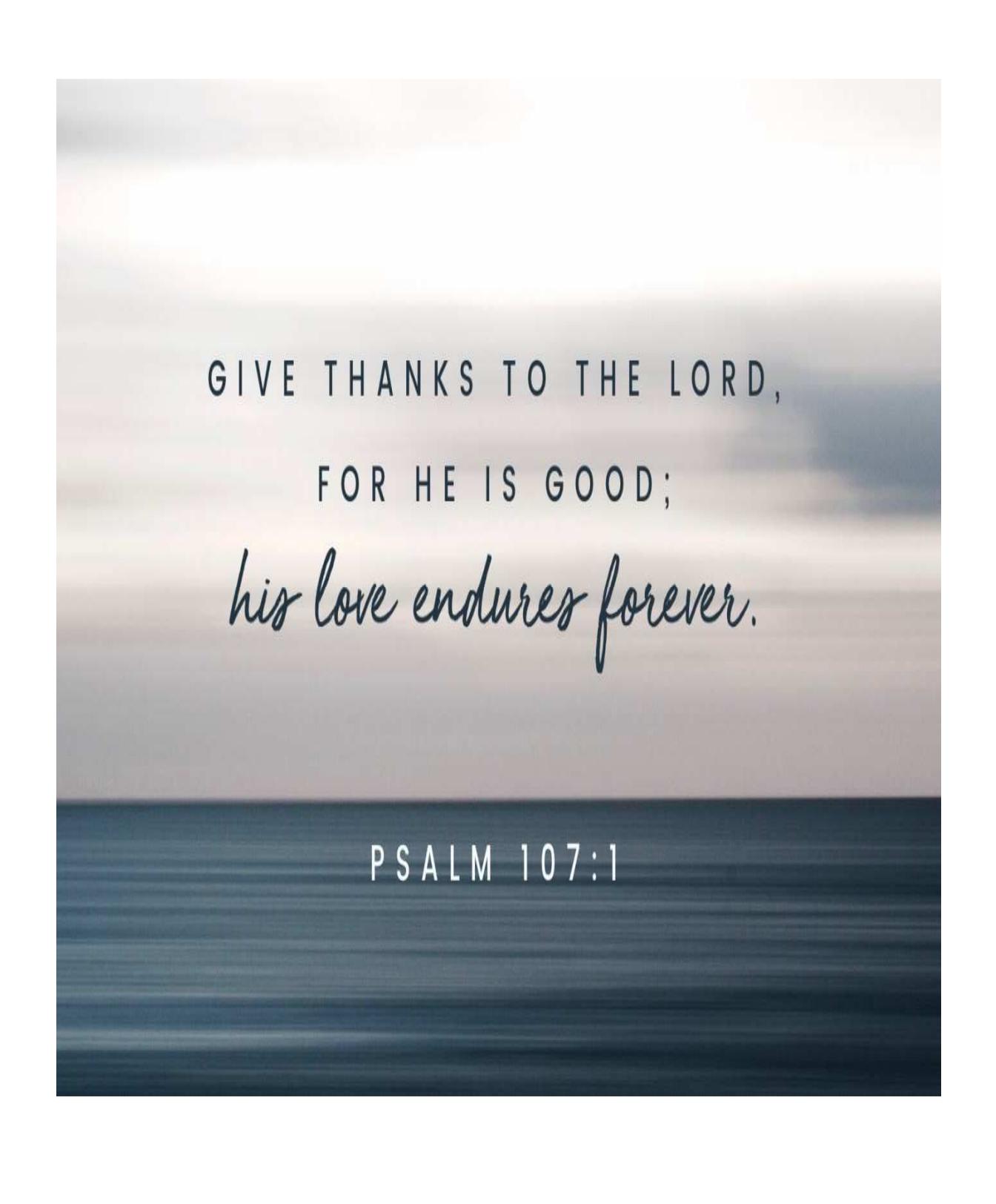
*Are you concerned about your country's future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern. Your country may not be a rose garden, but neither is it a patch of weeds.*

*Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can still worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot, and even criticize your government without fearing a knock at your door at midnight. And if you want to live under a different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences – nothing to keep you here.”*

It is very easy, as well as quite natural, to forget to Count Our Blessings when going through the storms of life ..... through times we would consider difficult, or thorny, or perplexing ..... or times that just “don't make sense”!! It's imperative though, that we all **consciously** take time to rediscover the simple, but profound, wisdom expressed here in this very popular hymn.

The secret of happiness, or better said perhaps ..... the secret of “joy” is to “count your blessings ..... one, by one, by one!!!

***Happy Thanksgiving, Defender Friends! Be grateful!!!***



GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD,  
FOR HE IS GOOD;

*his love endures forever.*

PSALM 107:1

## LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

Submitted by Diane E. Hussey

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.” **(Romans 8:37, 38)**

Was it a coincidence that “Event 201,” a high-level pandemic scripted simulation, took place in New York City on October 18, 2019? The participants included the World Economic Forum (WEF), the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and it was organized by the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security. Within the next five months, the coronavirus pandemic spread worldwide (Mises Wire, From Lockdowns to “The Great Reset,” Antony P. Mueller, 8/1/2020; Plandemic: Indoctrination, David E. Martin, 8/2020).

The lockdowns, mask-wearing, social distancing and the upcoming COVID-19 vaccinations are controls on the lives of citizens around the world, but are only the beginning stages of the long-awaited plans to establish a version of a new world order (NWO). It has been referred to as “a ‘Great Reset’ with the intent of creating a global technocracy” (A. Mueller). Technocracy is the science of social engineering designed to control people. It is the scientific operation of the entire social mechanism to produce and distribute goods and services to the entire population. It is a “dangerous thinking process,” according to Patrick Wood, author of Technocracy Rising (Mercola.com, Pressing Dangers of Technocracy, Patrick Wood interviewed by Dr. Joseph Mercola, 8/9/20; Mercola.com, 10/23/20).

Key players in this “globalist agenda to dismantle democracy and national borders in favor of global governance” include the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, Bill Gates and foundations, such as the Rockefeller Foundation, the UN Foundation and George Soros’ Open Society Foundation as well as Avanti Communications, 2030 Vision and Frontier 2030, Google, Mastercard and Salesforce (Dr. Mercola, Urgent: The Most Unpleasant Article You’ll Ever Read, 10/23/2020).

In June 2020 in Davos, Switzerland, Klaus Schwab, Executive Chairman of the WEF stated, “COVID-19 has shown us that our old systems are not fit anymore for the 21st century. We can build a new social contract. In short, we need a ‘Great Reset.’ We have to mobilize all constituents of our global society to work together. We must not miss this unique window of opportunity.” Clearly this is no longer about environmental policy or COVID-19, both of which have had fraudulent projections for worldwide disasters and huge numbers of deaths. To make way for these extraordinary changes, the global economy, cultural norms, and history must be destroyed. The “Great Reset” UN slogan ‘Build Back Better’ was plagiarized by Joe Biden for his presidential campaign (ZeroHedge, Australian Media Finally Calls Out Davos “Great Reset” Agenda, 10/13/20).

The UN Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals claim to “ensure peace and prosperity for people and the planet.” “Who can argue with such benevolent goals? But the promised Utopia comes with a price—it shackles our personal freedom” (Patrick Wood). Jacob Nordangard defines the Fourth Industrial Revolution (aka Great Reset) as “a megalomaniac transhumanist plan that will ‘redefine what it means to be human’ and where every aspect of life will be monitored and controlled from above for the ‘betterment of humanity’” (Technocracy News, The Elite Behind the Global ‘Great Reset,’ 6/29/2020).

The strategy of the technocrats is to build the infrastructure for their system. These technological advancements will not improve the lives of people, but will be used “to submit the individual to the tyranny of the technocratic state” . . . dissenters could “easily be identified and marginalized. The nonconformists will be silenced by disqualifying divergent opinions as morally despicable,” according to Dr. Antony Mueller. They will use political systems to their advantage initially, but eventually they will dismantle the American political system along with all other political systems worldwide. As COVID-19 controls continue, vaccinations may be mandated worldwide, and then everyone will be continually tracked and traced with biometric readers installed into each person’s body to identify who the potential risk-carriers are. Automated algorithms will control and manipulate everyone. For some elitists, such as Bill Gates, this is also about population control (Patrick Wood, 8/9/20; Dr. Antony Mueller, 8/1/20; Dr. Mercola, 10/23/20).

Another aspect of “the totalitarian takeover will be the transition to an all-digital currency linked to digital IDs.” With that in place, “enforcement of social rules will be more or less ensured” because “your finances,” and “your entire identity can easily be held hostage if you fail to comply.” Experts agree that “most major countries will implement central bank digital currency (CBDC) within the next two to four years,” including the U.S. Federal Reserve System. This is not the same as cryptocurrencies like Bitcoin, which is decentralized. “These CBDCs will be centralized and completely controlled by the central banks.” As a part of the social engineering process, this digital currency system “can be used to incentivize desired behaviors” much like China’s social credit system. “For example, you might be given a certain amount of digital currency, but you must buy a certain item or perform a particular task within a certain amount of time” (Dr. Mercola, 10/23/20).

Dr. Bruce Scott stated, “The cult-like nature of the Brave New Normal that is COVID-19 is insidiously pervading more and more aspects of our lives, with seemingly less and less science to back it up, and curiously being seen by those in power as an opportunity to reshape our society, not for our good, but for the good of those in power.” But Dr. Scott also offers us hope. “We can learn from history.” We should remember WWII and re-examine the Nuremberg Code of guidelines for what constitutes a war crime. Those guidelines could apply to tyrannical government regulations that have been used during the COVID-19 crisis (Technocracy News & Trends, Brave New Normal: Turning the World into a COVID-Cult, Dr. Bruce Scott, 10/26/20).

### **Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. (Psalm 119:105)**

In the dark, dystopian world described above, only God can provide the light. Dr. Warren Wiersbe states, “The life of the believer is dangerous. Satan is a roaring lion and a deceiving serpent. He, the world, the flesh and other pitfalls surround us. We need God’s Word (Psalm 43:3), for it guides us (Proverbs 6:23; Ephesians 5:8). Don’t walk in this world without a lamp” (Prayer, Praise & Promises, Dr. Warren W. Wiersbe, 1996).

On a more positive note, there are some responses that indicate many people are boldly speaking up and taking action. As of October 14, 2020, over 34,000 scientists and doctors and 446,000 concerned citizens have signed The Great Barrington Declaration opposing multi-governmental COVID-19 restrictions and laws because the virus is not the danger we’re being told it is. The Declaration states, “COVID-19 is less dangerous than many other harms, including influenza. As immunity builds in the population, the risk of infection to all, including the vulnerable, falls. We know that all populations will eventually reach herd immunity (i.e. the point at which the rate of new infections is stable), and that this can be assisted by (but is not dependent upon) a vaccine. Our goal should, therefore, be to minimize mortality and social harm until we

reach herd immunity.” The Declaration discusses resuming life as normal for those who are not vulnerable. “People who are more at risk may participate if they wish, while society as a whole enjoys the protection conferred upon the vulnerable by those who have built up herd immunity.” The author of the article, Arjun Walia, finds it intriguing that “so many scientists and doctors completely oppose the recommendations and claims made by WHO since the beginning of this pandemic.” Many experts have been censored by social media. COVID has become a “catalyst for people to start questioning what’s really happening in our world, and why is there so much conflicting information from such credible sources?” (Collective Evolution, Alternative News, 34,000 Scientists & Doctors Sign Declaration Strongly Opposing COVID Lockdowns, Arjun Walia, 10/14/20; Dr. Bruce Scott, 10/26/20).

**“It’s not the science that is settled. What appears to be settled is the impulse to silence anyone who asks, ‘Why?’” (Ron Paul)**

Another exciting development is the plan to file a massive class action lawsuit against those who perpetrated the coronavirus pandemic crisis. On July 10, 2020 Dr. Reiner Fuellmich launched the German Corona Extra-Parliamentary Inquiry Committee, and has been listening to the testimonies of numerous international scientists and experts. Dr. Fuellmich states that the perpetrators of the coronavirus fraud scandal must be “investigated and prosecuted for their responsibility in implementing the economically devastating worldwide lockdowns, as well as for the fraudulent testing which engineered the appearance of a dangerous pandemic.” He will be working with an international network of lawyers to argue one of “the most massive tort cases ever” initiated, possibly resulting in “the greatest crime against humanity ever committed.” Dr. Fuellmich refers to a group of scientists who published a paper in September 2020: Professor John Ionnidis and Professor Michael Levitt, both of Stanford University, Dr. Mike Yeadon, former Vice President and Scientific Director at Pfizer, and four German professors. Dr. Fuellmich states that these scientists “assume there was no disease that went beyond the seasonal flu . . . and there was therefore no reason for any special measures and certainly not for vaccinations.” The scientific paper states, “We’re basing our government policy, our economic policy and the policy of restricting fundamental rights presumably on completely wrong data and assumptions about the coronavirus. If it weren’t for the test results that are constantly reported in the media, the pandemic would be over, because nothing really happened” (Mercola.com, Massive Lawsuit Launches Against the Lockdowns, Coronavirus Fraud Scandal-The Biggest Fight has just Begun, Dr. Reiner Fuellmich, 10/17/2020).

Recent updates reveal that the PCR tests that have been used do not even test for COVID-19 because they were never intended for nor approved to be a diagnostic instrument used to indicate the presence of a disease. In short, a positive test does not mean an infection is present. The current rates of false positives or potentially false positives is between 89-94%. The use of face masks is not supported in scientific literature, and there is no randomized data to indicate if they are effective in reducing the spread of COVID-19 (Dr. Bruce Scott).

Knowing the truth that God is sovereign, we must above all else trust Him and seek His mercy in the days ahead. We can rest assured, He knows the truth. There are a growing number of scientific, medical, legal experts and others, including Patrick Wood, Ron Paul, John Whitehead and Pastor Chuck Baldwin with dissenting views who are clamoring to be heard above the cacophony of the mainstream media, certain politicians, social media and the technocrats who perpetuate fear, panic, misinformation and lies. We must bravely encourage and support all of those who tell the truth, and we must boldly fight for our liberty while we still have an opportunity to do so.

David reminds us in Psalm 27 that we can live in triumphant faith: “The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life of whom shall I be afraid?” (Ps. 27:1). The Lord will strengthen us when everything around us seems chaotic and out of control. David also tells us in verse 14 to “Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart. Wait, I say, on the Lord.”

**“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.” (John 14:27)**

## **The Power of Ignorance**

**By Michael Anthony**

There are those who know about the Messiah and those who know the Messiah. The first group have heard the stories about Him and could care less. The second group have literally received Him into their hearts. Their desire is to know and serve Him with every heart beat.

One of the defining qualities about God is that He is Truth. He is absolute truth. There are no contradictions, fallacies, or ignorance in Him. He certainly is not prone to double mindedness either.

The pursuit of truth leads us closer to God. It should be one of several behaviors that distinguish believers from non-believers. It's not unusual for non-believers to misinterpret a believer's pursuit of truth as being egotistical.

I've been accused of, “Having to be right all of the time.” Yes, true believers have to be right all of the time when it concerns God. They should stand for nothing less. It's the truth about God that will set you free. All else is vain ignorance.

The enemy uses ignorance and deception to separate people from God. Recently, a Christian told me that, “All conclusions about the scriptures are opinions. Your interpretations are no different than someone else's interpretations. You just find people on the internet that share your opinions.” My response was simple: “If there isn't absolute truth, then I'll throw my Bible away and never go to church again.”

The essence of that Christian's argument is rooted in the world's concept that truth is relative to the individual. Everyone has their version of the truth and every version is held in equal regard. No version is to be disbelieved or discredited. God help you if you hurt someone's feelings by insisting that absolute truth exists.

God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. His prophecies have been and are continuing to be fulfilled. His teachings are absolute. He doesn't give suggestions, he gives commandments. Our relationship with the Messiah is founded on His words which are true. If His words are not universally applicable and consistent, then we are part of a body which has no head. The power of ignorance is its ability to destroy absolute truth by calling it just another opinion.

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