<u>Professor Jeffrey Sachs Reveals Truth</u> <u>on US Iran War</u>



Jeffrey Sachs: There is no intrinsic reason why the United States should be at war with Iran. We are in this war because of Israel and more specifically because of a particular vision of Israel that has been led by Benjamin Netanyahu for 30 years.

<u>Col. Douglas Macgregor: America's</u> <u>Attack on Iran Could Start WW3</u>



"Douglas Abbott Macgregor (born January 4, 1947) is a retired colonel in the United States Army, former government official, author, consultant, and political commentator." – Quoted from Wikipedia.

My wife Tess and I have listened to several videos on YouTube about Douglas Macgregor's view on the war between Israel and Iran. What concerns us most is the possible negative effect this war may have on the USA. I hesitated about posting material like this because it's from the secular viewpoint of a man who may not be a Christian. However, I think what he's saying is true. He may not know the Bible but from what the Bible tells me, support of the government of Israel, a government that is officially antichrist, is flat out *wrong*!

From the second epistle of John.

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. 10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: 11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

Do the majority of the people of the modern nation of Israel abide in the doctrine of Christ? If not, why does the vast majority of American evangelicals today call the people of Israel "God's people" and support their nation *no matter what* evil things they do to their neighbors? I'll tell you why: They have been deceived by false doctrines from John Nelson Darby and C.I. Scofield, doctrines spread throughout America via the Scofield Reference Bible and the preachers who attended the Dallas Theological Seminary! These doctrines are called "Dispensationalism." My research tells me those doctrines ultimately originated from the Roman Catholic Church and Jesuits.

As Christians, we should love Jewish people and Israelis as individuals, and try to show them the love of God and win them to Christ by sharing the Gospel with them. That doesn't mean we should support everything they do.

I'm sorry to say the American government's support for the nation of Israel may hurt the American public badly. Posting this message is me warning Americans and my brothers and sisters in Christ who live in America. I am a US citizen and military veteran who served four years honorably in the Air Force during the Vietnam War. I only want the best for America.



This artwork was drawn 52 years ago in 1973.

Before you think of writing me an angry comment, please know today, June 21st, is my birthday. \square

Though the Israeli lobby over the U.S. Congress is powerful, I believe ultimately the Jesuits and the Vatican overshadow it and are connected in some way to the Israeli-Iran conflict. I think we'll soon find out.

Transcription of the interview.

Interviewer: Hi everyone and welcome. Today we are joined by Colonel Douglas Macgregor, former advisor to the Secretary of Defense, to discuss the war against Iran. So welcome back to the program, Colonel.

Col. Macgregor: Happy to be here.

Interviewer: So after this surprise attack on Iran, there was great optimism, not just in Tel Aviv, but Washington, and I would also say some European capitals. Yet now the mood has shifted to a great extent, and there's a bit of gloom among those who are cheering on this war.

How severe do you think this is now? Is Iran winning?

Col. Macgregor: Well, the war has just started. I don't think people understand that. And I would not expect it to win anytime soon or end at any time soon.

I think people grossly overestimated the impact of the surprise attack on Iran, in which we were ultimately complicit. I think President Trump did what he could to create the illusion that we were interested in some sort of negotiated outcome. And that helped to sort of disarm the Iranians, at least initially.

They've surprised me with the rapidity that characterized their comeback, and their arsenal has now come into use. I was talking to somebody else earlier today who was tracking the numbers of ballistic missiles, medium-range ballistic missiles with a 12 to 1400-kilometer range that had been used. And of course, they have over 3000 of these, and **only a fraction have been used thus far**.

So I think Israel is in for a long war, whether it wants it or not. And we are about to join it. Because I think President Trump's announcement that he was going to take the next two weeks to think about it is nonsense. I think the decision has been made. In fact, I have sources on the inside telling me that it's been made. What's taking time is to assemble the air and naval forces that have to launch the attacks.

You remember a few months ago, we had enormous numbers of naval and air assets in the region. Ultimately, we withdrew them and it takes time to reassemble them. Once they're assembled, we will attack.

Interviewer: So Trump's announcement that he will still think for another two weeks, this is just the required preparation to get the strike group in place?

Col. Macgregor: I think he was told by the Secretary of Defense, look, we're not going to be able to act quickly. It's going to take us a few days to get it together. And so he said, well, that's fine. Because you know, Donald Trump loves to play with the media. There is nobody, certainly in my lifetime, who's been better at manipulating the media than Donald Trump. And so this gives him an opportunity to do that. But in reality, *the decision to attack has been made*, and the forces are still assembling.

Remember, a lot of ships had to be replenished. In other words, they need to be reloaded with food, water, as well as munitions and missiles. And then you had to bring in carrier battle groups to replenish and also replace forces that were already in the region. Now you have huge numbers of aircraft that are being moved into nearby installations so that they can fly. And I think we have in the neighborhood of 30 to 40 refueling assets for air refueling. So once it's all in place, they will attack.

Interviewer: But you said this war will go on for a while. But to what extent is that possible? Because in a war of attrition, one has to be able to

replenish its munition and everything else. But it looks as if Israel is already struggling with its interceptive missiles. The Iron Dome appeared to be less powerful or convincing than it had been sold to the public. Not that I'm contesting that it would be a long war, but to what extent would America be able to perform differently than Israel? I know America has greater firepower, but it's also to a large extent more exposed in the region, isn't it?

Col. Macgregor: Well, you're coming to an important point. You have Israel, which is on the ropes, let's be frank. They've seen a substantial portion of the country destroyed. They're not going to admit it. But I think that Netanyahu has been pleading with Trump to get into the game quickly. You've got to come in. We're running out.

We had many, many large aircraft, Globemasters, that landed within the last 24 hours to try and provide theater high altitude interceptors, missiles, as well as Patriots and others. We have troops on the ground in Israel that are helping to man the radars and the THAAD batteries.

So this is a very difficult situation. And Israel has always been at the end of a short tether when it came to warfare. In 1973, we had to fly in enormous amounts of equipment in order to replace the losses and help the Israelis to get back on their feet. But at that point, they were the victims of an attack. This time, they victimized Iran. And Iran is different from the other states that they faced.

Iran is a large *continental power*. The United States is preeminently an air and maritime power. We are not going to commit large ground forces. We don't have them to commit. And Iran is almost the size of Western Europe. Put France, and Germany together, part of Spain and Northern Italy, and you have Iran. That's an enormous area. You don't mobilize forces and move into a place like that quickly.

So I don't see much evidence for that. I think people need to understand what the goal is. And if I could take a minute to try and outline for people what the goal of the war is, then perhaps they'll understand what's really happening. This is a war for the Jewish state's hegemony across the entire region.

That has to be understood. The Jewish state's hegemony, we think, is in our interest because it involves the conquest and securing of the oil and gas fields in the region.

Now, the war against Russia has been lost. Remember, that war was always about removing Putin, ultimately fragmenting Russia, stripping it of its resources, and turning what was left into a vassal state-owned largely by the banks in London and in New York City. That failed. That war has been lost. Russia is not going to lose Putin anytime soon, its state is intact, and its military power is greater and more powerful than ever in its history, I would argue.

(Note: I'm not sure what Col. Macgregor means when he says "The war with

Russia is lost." Russia has not defeated Ukraine. Ukraine is still fighting! I don't see how Russia can ever take over all of Ukraine. If the Russian army took over Kyiv, the situation for them would become just like the German Nazi-occupied Paris during World War II. Russian soldiers would be afraid to enter Kyiv. They would become sniper targets of an underground Ukrainian resistance force.)

So now we move down to the Middle East, the same people with the same backers, the same financial oligarchs, institutions, and political advocates that argued for a war against Russia to do what I just described, destroy the state and then strip the country of its resources, they are the same people who are advocating for war on behalf of Israel against Iran.

And everyone always knew when this war began that we would have to come into it. Mr. Netanyahu never harbored any illusions about that. Why did he decide to do what he did? Because **he has control of the United States**.

This has to be understood. Mr. Netanyahu has evidently more control and influence over the U.S. Congress than President Trump does. And President Trump is effectively his instrument. He's not going to do anything or say anything that Mr. Netanyahu doesn't want him to say. He's been on the phone recently to Mr. Netanyahu, and people who overheard the conversation have mentioned that, you know, he talks in gangster terms about what they're going to do. Well, we'll break their legs. You know, they'll pay a price for this and on and on. It's this tough guy talk that is common in New York City. He likes that. And so he's very much on board with this war. And he too is convinced that he and others will profit from Iran's destruction.

Now, I don't think it'll work. And I think that we're going to discover there are limits to air and missile power. And we're going to see that. We're also dealing with a very different state from what we would have seen 20 years ago. So that many of the scenarios that we've run through war-gaming probably are irrelevant, because Iran is far more technologically advanced today and far more capable than it was 20 years ago.

We tend to talk about Iran the way the Israelis do. They treat it as though 46 years have not passed. And Iran is just this backward Muslim state that can be bullied and attacked at will. That's not going to happen.

And if we get into this, we are going to sustain losses. And the operation that we're talking about launching in the very near future involves hundreds of aircraft. It's very complex. Everyone thinks it's simply a function of flying B-2 bombers that are invisible, invulnerable, and invincible at 40,000 feet over Iranian airspace and drop these munition penetrators that are supposed to punch through mountains and destroy the so-called uranium enrichment facilities.

In truth, this is going to focus, I think, primarily on the destruction of the regime. And they've targeted everything down to police stations in Tehran and other cities. They want to try and paralyze Iran, making it incapable of holding itself together and responding. Again, I don't think that's going to work because I think the Iranians have some surprises for them. But this is where we're headed.

Secondarily, we're talking about damaging these uranium enrichment facilities or nuclear development facilities. I'm not sure we believe that we can destroy them with conventional munitions. And I've already heard talk about MRR. This is Minimal Residual Radiation Warheads. In other words, low-yield nuclear warheads are designed to penetrate these places and that they might come into use. I think that would be a very bad idea because I think that would open Pandora's box in a major way.

So, I think there's a certain amount of reality intruding and thinking about how far you're going to get punching through mountains. But I see much more confidence in their thinking about what they can do to destroy and dominate Iran itself. Again, I think it's very dangerous. I think the whole thing is very complex. And I don't think ultimately it will work. But we will see.

In the meantime, the Chinese, Russians, and others, Pakistanis, and not just those, but other countries have poured assets into Iran to help the Iranians defend themselves. I think some of these will make a difference. So, this is no cakewalk. And this is going to be very dangerous and very complex. And even on the best day, it might not work.

Interviewer: Well, it does seem, as you mentioned, the decapitation, destroying the nuclear sites, and of course, subordinating Iran. But you also see Israel hijacking or hacking some of the TV stations and they had calling on Iranians to have this uprising. So, yeah, for some reason, you will have millions of Iranians supporting the countries bombing them and going against their own government. But how much of that, because underestimated Iran's military capabilities, obviously, have they also underestimated the mood in Iran? I mean, I'm sure there are many people who have real grievances, if not even hatred towards the government, which they don't care for. I think it's a bit exaggerated, to be honest. But you always find grievances, but the idea that they would side with the enemy against their own government, is this too much wishful thinking? Or how do you, I guess, explain the very extravagant objectives which have been set?

Col. Macgregor: You mean the idea that we are bombing these people while we are also telling them that they are our friends and we are their friends is a bit contradictory? By the way, we're bombing you to liberate you from a government that you don't really want. And your friends in Israel are putting together another governmental structure with the former or the crown prince's son or the former son of the Shah, whatever you want to call him, who is a willing puppet of Israel, who will come in and take over and put everything right. I mean, stop and think about it all. It's all crazy. It doesn't make any sense.

Now, that doesn't mean there aren't people that dislike the government. There are a lot of people in the United States who dislike the government. But I haven't seen large numbers of Israeli and American flags on the streets of Tehran or Isfahan or Tabriz or anywhere else, flying, saying, "oh, come and save us. We love you." I haven't seen that.

Now, I have seen it in the United States, in Los Angeles, in Chicago, and may have seen it in Seattle and some other places, with Mexican flags flying with large numbers of Hispanics cheering the destruction of America. That I've seen, but I haven't seen any American or Israeli flags on the streets of Iranian cities. So to be perfectly blunt, I think it's nonsense.

Now, that doesn't mean that you can't do a lot of damage to the infrastructure, cause enormous chaos and confusion, and potentially even cause people to run out of water that they can drink and starve the way they are in Gaza. I suppose that's possible. But I don't think it's a viable plan.

Interviewer: Well, all this talks about weapons of mass destruction and being met as liberators, it all sounds awfully a lot like 2003 with Iraq. But unlike Iraq, the United States had massive ground forces and also the technical and military capabilities were overwhelming.

Col. Macgregor: If I may just stop you briefly, and I would tell you, had we just gone into Iraq in 2003 and removed Saddam Hussein, then turned the country over to the nation's military leaders and urged them to invite the United Nations in to help supervise the restoration of government and elections and so forth, and then *left*, we would have been very successful. Certainly in the South, when we came in, the Shiites were very happy to see us. There's no question about it. But then they kind of hoped that we would leave. This is the problem. Benjamin Franklin used to say, guests in your house like fish after two or three days stink. The point is that it's one thing to welcome somebody to come in and remove somebody else for you and then leave, versus somebody comes in, removes who was there, and then ultimately turns out to be worse than what you had and kills large numbers of you in the process.

So, you're right, Iraq and Iran are different, but we need to understand what we did in 2003 that was very stupid. We occupied. You never occupy if you can avoid it. There was no reason to occupy in Iraq. There was no reason to dismantle the government, its administration. We need to remember who was responsible for that. His name is Paul Wolfowitz. And that little coterie of people that took over the Pentagon, intelligence, and everything else in the Bush administration that were insistent that the road to Jerusalem and freedom went through Baghdad. I mean, just imagine what an asinine statement, but that's what they said.

The same kinds of people, exactly the same, pushed the war in Ukraine against Russia. They are pushing the war now on behalf of Israel against Iran. We were always going to be involved in this fight because there is no alternative to our participation, only complete failure and eventually destruction of Israel. So, we had to come in on this fight.

By the way, the same financial interests in London and New York City that wanted to destroy Russia, destroy its state, destroy the government, turn it into a globalist paradise, introducing millions of non-Europeans into Russia. The same globalists who wanted to strip Russia of its resources. They are the ones who want to get control of the oil and gas resources in the Middle East, and especially in Iran. And they want to break it up into small parts that they can then treat as vassal states of the greater Israeli state, which in reality is a vanguard for the globalist victory that they're hoping to achieve in the Middle East.

Interviewer: I remember Iraq being the pathway to Iran, but how possible is it to, again, Trump set this very high goal of complete surrender on the Iranians, but with merely airstrikes and naval assets, this seems to be somewhat difficult, but also because how do you access, enter Iran? Would the Americans attack through the same corridor of Israel uses through Syria and Iraq, or would the United States attack from the sea? But if so, they can't get into the Persian Gulf, and it's still unclear to what extent perhaps even Pakistan will help intercept any missiles launched against Iran. Again, so far it's all speculations, but there's many of the neighbors who are not quite happy about this scenario. But if the goal is simply to make Iran one big Gaza to inflict much punishment, how much, what can be done and what can be expected of retaliatory attacks? I mean, has the United States moved many of its strategic assets away from vulnerable places? Does it still have the fleet in Bahrain or has, I guess, what preparations are being made?

Col. Macgregor: My understanding is that all the U.S. military personnel have been removed from Bahrain. I think we're trying to move U.S. uniformed and intelligence personnel to safe places in the region, or at least places that are unlikely to be attacked. How many have we managed to move at this point? I don't know. I think that's also had an impact on delaying the operation. But Bahrain, which is a very important place to the United States, particularly United States Navy and Air Force, that has been evacuated.

But I think the larger issue is much more straightforward. We have to understand what these goals mean. And then we have to ask ourselves, first of all, does this make any sense? I don't think it makes any sense. I think it's insane. And I've opposed this kind of thinking from the beginning. We don't live in the eastern hemisphere. We're Americans. We live in the western hemisphere. What are we doing? What are we trying to do? Is this going to improve the situation for Israel? I don't think so, because the loss that I think is inevitable in this contest will make it very hard for Israel to survive. And if they try to threaten the use of a nuclear weapon, if we don't do what they want us to do, or if any of their neighbors don't do what they tell them to do, they'll end up being on the receiving end of a nuclear weapon! These things have a bad habit of showing up in other people's hands. So I wouldn't write it off. Just because Iran hasn't built a nuclear weapon doesn't mean one couldn't become available if the Israelis threaten that.

But here's the key thing, and you've come back to this again and again. We are not a continental power. Neither is Israel. Israel is a small colony that sits on the Mediterranean. And it is acting as though it's a great power because it has unconditional support from us. And we think that we can do to Iran what we plan to do to Russia.

The entire global south is coming on side with Iran. Many European states are going to come on side with Iran that haven't done so yet. And then, of course, you have the usual suspects. You know, India, China, BRICS, everybody involved in that are going to side with Iran. And more and more technology, equipment and support is coming into Iran. The only thing we in the United States will achieve as a result of our actions is to become a pariah state all over the world! We're going to be hated and despised for what we're doing. We already are, but it's only going to get worse because the war is going to get worse.

Now, will the war last a week, 12 months, 18 months, 10 days? I suppose a lot of that depends on the destruction. And right now, the destruction on the ground in Israel is substantial. And you have to ask yourself the question, 92 million people in an area the size of Western Europe versus far fewer than the seven plus million that live there normally in an area a little smaller than New Jersey. Who is going to come out on top? Can the aircraft carrier battle groups and the United States Air Force make a profound difference to that outcome? I'm skeptical.

Interviewer: My last question is, to what extent, well, how do you see the possibility of Trump changing his mind in terms of not attacking directly? Because I spoke earlier today with <u>John Mershheimer</u>. He believed that Trump might change his mind now because, well, they weren't able to do this decapitation strike. Iran proves to be much more powerful than expected.

It turns out, this is a huge punishment for Israel. It's doubtful how much more they can absorb. And also, there's a huge push-back, not just among the American public, but also Trump's base and his own team.

Tulsi Gabbard, for example, she does not seem happy with any of this. Do you think this will, any of this will be able to convince him to change his ways? Or do you think the decision has definitely been made to attack?

Col. Macgregor: I stand by what I said at the beginning. That decision has been made. And asking Donald Trump to retreat from that is very, very difficult. You know, we have a bad habit historically of making policy pronouncements that are unrealistic, that involve overreach, and then we can't retreat from them. We went through that with Lyndon Johnson in 1965 and for three years in Vietnam until finally he left office.

You can't do business that way. But we do, because President Trump is largely impulse and emotionally driven. And he's influenced by his supposition that we today are the nation we were in 1991. We're not. In other words, he looks through the window at the White House, out across the Washington Monument, and the beauty that he sees, and he sees what he believes to be unchallenged power, prosperity that makes any contest with anybody a foregone conclusion, especially against a state that he's been told is a backwater, led by this strange old man wearing a black turban. How could he take that seriously? So I don't see him changing his mind. I see no evidence for that at all. And I think he's going to carry through on this.

Now, you mentioned something else that I think is very important to explore. You said, look at all the pushback in the United States. I don't see it. The American people aren't paying that much attention. The average American is worried about whether or not he can get a six pack of beer tonight and watch the game on TV. As long as he can afford gas for his car and he goes to work without disruption, it doesn't make a great deal of difference to him. And remember that he believes that war is something that happens on someone else's soil.

Now, he can be rapidly convinced that he's wrong if things go badly here at home in the United States. We just admitted an estimated 30 million people into the country about whom we know absolutely nothing. There is no strategy for mass deportation. The assets for it don't exist. This has all been badly handled. The man who's in charge, this Mr. [Tom] Homan, is focusing understandably on what he knows as a policeman on criminals that are well identified. But that's a fragment. And there are many, many, many more out there that he knows nothing about.

My point to you is, if you listen to President Trump, listen to what he says, and then ask yourself, what has he done? Remember, he said, when I was president, I built the wall. No, he didn't. Now he's saying, see, you don't see people pouring into the country. But he's missing something. All the illegal ports of entry are being used by the drug cartels to move drugs and human trafficking into the United States, and also being used to bring in truckloads of cash from the United States into Mexico.

What I'm trying to tell you is optics are one thing, reality is another. President Trump has always been very much about optics. And optics right now in the United States are these magnificent pictures of aircraft carrier battle groups steaming through pristine waters and beautiful sunshine with all these airplanes. But we have learned over many, many decades, the ultimate impact of these things is *minimal*, if any. And again, we go back to the original point.

You talked about how do you support this? How do you rearm? How do you replenish? It's very difficult. We're betting, once again, too much on what the Israelis bet on to begin with, a knockout blow. Big mistake. This (Iran) is a continental power. It can absorb serious punishment, and it will fight back. What happens when we do start to take losses? What happens if we lose any capital ships? What happens when the bases that we occupy are blown up? Then the Americans who are otherwise enjoying their beer and watching the game will say, wait a minute, what's this? How many of us were killed? Why? What are we doing there? I don't remember being asked about this. Was there any debate in Congress? No. Mr. Netanyahu owns Congress. There's no debate. They're all lining up to have their pockets filled with cash and doing whatever Mr. Netanyahu wants. And so is Mr. Trump.

Interviewer: At this point, do you think the Americans or Israelis could use a tactical nuclear weapon?

Col. Macgregor: I think there is a real possibility that in desperation, the Israelis will. And ultimately, there may be voices arguing for that. That's why I mentioned the MRR, minimal residual radiation, low yield nuclear warheads. There could be. I think it's a very serious mistake. I think that's a degree of escalation that we should not move to under any circumstances.

But remember, you're dealing with arrogance and self-delusion. That's a

dangerous combination that inevitably results in failure. And we are all about arrogance, all about self-delusion. I wish it were not the case, but it is. I hope I'm entirely wrong, but I don't think so.

<u>What history books don't tell you</u> <u>about the American Civil War</u>



"It is Rome who wants to rule and degrade the North, as she has ruled and degraded the South, from the very day of its discovery. There are only very few of the Southern leaders who are not more or less under the influence of the Jesuits through their wives, family relations, and their friends. Several members of the family of Jeff Davis belong to the Church of Rome...." – Abraham Lincoln

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<u>The Oct. 7th Hamas-Led Attack: The</u> <u>Truth About Israeli Military</u> <u>Intelligence</u>



Testimonial from former IDF personnel that the Israeli government allowed the Hamas attack & sacrificed Israeli citizens to take over Gaza.

How Does the Government of Israel Treat Christians? Christian Leaders in the West Should Care



Reverend Munther Isaac, the pastor at the Evangelical Lutheran Christian Church in Bethlehem

Do American evangelical Christian pastors care that the government of Israel is mistreating Palestinian Christians? Not according to Munther Isaac, a Palestinian Christian. Doctrines of dispensationalism pastors learned in Bible school and seminary have led them to believe Christians must support Israel in everything the Israeli government does. This is based on the heretical doctrine of John Nelson Darby's dispensationalism which C.I. Scofield promoted in his Scofield Reference Bible.

The Bible says in Romans 9:6b:

For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel:

Who then is truly of Israel?

Galatians 6:15 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. 16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on **them**, and mercy, and **upon the Israel of God**.

The true Israel of God are those in Christ Jesus!

The rest of this article is a re-post from an article on <u>G. Edward Griffin's</u> <u>Need to Know News</u> website.

Tucker Carlson: How Does the Government of Israel Treat Christians?

Christian Leaders in the West Should Care

Last month, Republican Congressman Tim Walberg, a former Evangelical Pastor, said the US should not spend a dime on humanitarian aid for Gaza. He said he would like to see the area treated like Hiroshima and Nagasaki and to get it over quickly. He added that the same should go for Ukraine.

Tucker Carlson said that Christianity is the religion among all world religions that uniquely abhors mass killing and there's no excuse for that from a Christian perspective. Reverend Munther Isaac, the pastor at the Evangelical Lutheran Christian Church in Bethlehem, said that most leaders have a shallow knowledge of Israel but hold strong opinions shaped by their political party rather than investigation of the facts. Their decisions impact millions of lives. He said that Evangelical Christians support Israel because of the theology of Christian Zionism that teaches Christians must support Israel as the presence of Jews prepares for the end times and the second coming of Christ. Christians support Israel as a fulfillment of prophecy not realizing the consequences on real lives.

(Please understand that while I like many of Tucker's views, I don't support all of them.)

Reverend Isaac said that many Evangelical leaders believe that in the end times, leading to the return of Christ, after Jews are gathered in Palestine, two-thirds of them will be massacred and only the remaining third will to convert to Christianity.

He said that Christians should advocate for peace and that money and energy should be invested in peace rather than supporting Israel unconditionally. Israel should be held accountable for its actions. He added that the church is also part of the problem. The Bible does not call for unconditional support to a political entity.

Christians in the US have failed to stand up for other Christians because Israel is an ally.

Christians in Israel have suffered collective punishment along with Palestinians and are not allowed to leave Gaza.

Rev. Isaac said the war in Gaza can be described as genocide because of the forced starvation.

He stated that the only way to rescue the Christian presence in Israel is to end the occupation and bring a peaceful solution to the situation. "This is what we're asking for."

Christians are suffering. He pleaded for the war in Gaza to stop.

World War II A Religious War



World War II war rooted in the religious conflict existing between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism since the Reformation.

The Vatican's Immigration War



The current southern US border crisis is a plan formulated after the south and the Vatican lost the civil war with the Union. It's aim is a Vatican takeover of America.

<u>A View of Tucker Carlson's Interview</u> with Vladimir Putin



Before you get upset with me for telling you something that you may not like, please let me tell you why I think the way I do.

First of all, I lived in Russia from 1994 to 1997 in the cities of Novosibirsk in Siberia, <u>St. Petersburg</u>, and <u>Murmansk in the Arctic Circle</u>, to share the Gospel with the Russian people. And I visited one of the most remote places in the Russian Arctic, the <u>village of Teriberka</u>. The Russians were very kind to me and I made lots of friends. It was fun learning to communicate in Russian and learning the customs and culture of the Russian people. Russians have a sense of humor just like Americans. They often use amusing sarcasm to make their point. They're a well-mannered people and sometimes corrected me on my manners, something I appreciated.

Besides Russians, I also met the peoples of all the 14 other republics of the former Soviet Union who lived in Russia. There were lots of ethnic Ukrainians in Russia including two sisters in Christ from Kiev, my partners in evangelism to the Russians. I can tell you at the time there was no natural enmity between Russians and Ukrainians, at least there wasn't until Putin came along. Russians and Ukrainians were like cousins, one big family. I couldn't tell them apart! All the Ukrainians in Russia speak the Russian language, and even in Ukraine 1/3 of Ukrainians speak only Russian.

At the time there was still a spiritual vacuum in Russia because of the demise of Communism. One lady told me Communism and the Soviet government was her god. She said it was as if her god had died when the Soviet Union broke apart. Many were disheartened. But because of that, they were open to hearing the Gospel! My <u>elderly friend from Moscow, Helen</u>, one of the English-Russian interpreters to Japanese NHK journalists when they interviewed the first man to orbit the earth, Yuri Gagarin, appreciated all the Bible-based literature I gave her. I saw a lot of Russians come to know Jesus as their savior!

I also went to other former Soviet Republics, <u>Estonia where I lived for one</u> <u>month</u>, Latvia for one week, and Lithuania for a couple of days. There's an ethnic Russian population in those former Soviet Republics, and they live in peace with each other. All the ethnic Russians had to learn the languages of those countries to earn a living there after the Soviet Union broke apart. Before that in Soviet times, they were allowed to do business speaking Russian. Now they are not!

Unlike Belarus and Ukraine then, there was a natural enmity between those three Baltic nations and Russia! And why? Russian is not their language and they were forced to join the Soviet Union against their will.

I once passed through Belarus on my way from St. Petersburg to Poland, the land of my grandparents. Lukashenko was president of Belarus even then! I was surprised then (1976) to learn that not all of the Polish people like Russia. Much less now for sure.

I also passed through Ukraine by train from Novorossiysk, a city on the Black Sea, on my way back to St. Petersburg. Ukrainian immigration officials saw that I didn't have a visa for Ukraine, but my Russian friends talked them out of fining me! I was on a train line built during Soviet times. There were no borders then between Soviet Republics. The area of Ukraine I passed through is the Donbas region Putin annexed to Russia. I do not believe it was with the will of the people there.

Before I went to Russia when I lived in Japan, I met a young lady from Latvia in Tokyo. I knew she could speak Russian, and because I was studying the Russian language from NHK radio programs, I wanted to try out my Russian with her. I spoke to her some words in Russian and she immediately stopped me! "Russian is not my language," she said. But there's no doubt in my mind she understood what I said.

Once in Tallinn Estonia, I heard a lady scold a boy for standing on the park bench. At first, she spoke to him in Estonian, and because he didn't seem to understand her, she spoke in Russian and he got the point. That was in 1977. I'm sure Russian speakers in Estonia are less and less and all ethnic Russians in Estonia are Estonia speakers by now.

Of the 15 former Soviet Republics, only Ukrainians and Belorussians are Slavic peoples with a language very similar to Russian. It stands to reason they would get along with each other more. The other former Soviet peoples all have different languages, and those languages are not related to each other.

I'm telling you all this because I didn't know the attitudes of the people of these countries before I actually lived there, and therefore I'm assuming you may not know them either. It's one of the reasons why I was heartbroken over Putin's invasion of Ukraine! Not only Ukrainians, but the Russian people themselves are suffering and dying in this war! I only want the war to stop!

I also want you to know that I like Tucker Carlson. I appreciate his conservative views. I saw once a video an average New Yorker made when he saw Tucker Carlson fly fishing in Central Park New York City. Tucker was very cordial to him and answered all his questions. You can tell a lot about a person when you see how he treats others.

That being said, I was surprised Tucker went out of his way to give Putin an opportunity to spread his propaganda.

Putin, a former head of the KGB, is not to be trusted no matter what he says. I met lots of Russians on the island of Guam where I lived for 5 years. None of them like Putin! They *ALL* call him a criminal! And they *all* support Ukrainian resistance to the Russian invasion! I know that for a fact. I had a Russian friend who attended my church in Guam, Alex from a town in southern Russia near Crimea and the Black Sea, and that's what he told me. And I met other Russians in Guam who agreed with him. Some of them actually fled from Russia to escape prosecution by Putin's government!

Putin is not merely just a criminal, he's a murderer of his OWN PEOPLE! The <u>1999 Moscow apartment bombings were a false flag operation</u> that brought him into power. Yeltsin appointed him to take over under the condition Putin would not prosecute the Yeltsin family for ripping off billions from the Russian government. They are ALL corrupt! And Tucker trusts that guy?!

Incredible!

Putin is the aggressor. He invaded Ukraine. To justify him for the invasion is a great delusion. To think he's justified in what he's doing is spitting on all the graves of the ones that died in the war so far, the graves of BOTH Ukrainians AND Russians!!

Lydia from Kyiv was my evangelism partner in St. Petersburg and Murmansk. Wouldn't you think she knows the situation better than most Americans who never have been to Russia or Ukraine? This is what she wrote me:

From my relatives and acquaintances I know how strong and effective Russian propaganda is. I experienced friends who turned to enemies because they believed what was broadcast more than the people involved. But the truth is people from Donbas could travel all over Ukraine freely, speak Russian, and even get Ukrainian social benefits. Nobody was attacking them either in words or by deeds. You are smart man, but it seems to me you've caught some of that propaganda. Putin is a liar. And he used the same false accusations to attack other countries as well. You might've known that.

That video you posted about what was happening in 2013, before and after is not accurate, not true. The same twisted lies they fed and keep on feeding to Russians and anybody for that matter.

If someone in power is concerned that somebody's rights are violated (like ethnic Russians), why can't he do it the civil way: collect the evidence and go to international court with it?

Ukrainian independence is what Putin didn't like and you can get that message from his speeches before he started this inhuman war. By what can you justify the targeted bombing of a maternity hospital, and an orphanage, and the shootings of unarmed civilians?

Why do we have to run from our homes for dear lives to become refugees now? Every day cities and towns are bombed. Every day something is destroyed in Kyiv and I check the news in the morning worried sick it might be our apartment building. I just pray for my parents, sister, and all my loved ones to be safe. Over 60 of my fellow Kievans were killed, four of them were children.

In Ukraine people of different nationalities live together peacefully and we don't want anyone's territory. We want to live in peace and choose our own course without anybody dictating to us what to do.

The sad truth is most Russians consider themselves superior to Ukrainians and any other nations as well.

I'm sorry if I sound overly emotional, I actually am and some of the thoughts are hard to put into words. I didn't want to offend you in any way, and I hope you'll come to the right conclusions.

Lydia apparently thought from something I posted on Facebook that I agreed with Putin's invasion of Ukraine. I never did. I made that clear to her in a reply.

If you have seen Tucker Carlson's interview with Vladimir Putin, how can you reconcile what he says with what Ukrainian Lydia says? You can't. I trust what Lydia says. She's fled Kyiv for her life with her daughter Diana and is now living in France.

Just because Biden supports the Ukrainian resistance against the Russian invasion does not mean Putin is wearing the white hat! We should not judge according to appearances! I don't support Biden or most of his policies, but neither do I justify Putin in his actions. I think the situation is deeper than most people realize.

My friend from Belarus, Yanek, another one of my evangelism partners in St. Petersburg and Murmansk Russia, believes Putin was tricked into invading Ukraine because he was given false information. He thought the war would be over in days. He apparently thought the Ukrainian people would welcome the Russian soldiers as liberators from Volodymyr Zelenskyy's "repressive" government! Whatever you may think about Zelinskyy and his government, you can see that was not the case!

My friend Russian friend Alex says the Orthodox Church fully supports Putin's invasion of Ukraine. I hear the Catholic Church is stronger than the Orthodox in Western Ukraine. Could the war really be all about a Jesuit / Vatican plan to destroy Russia? I believe Western Europe is controlled by the Vatican, and the Vatican has failed twice so far to conquer Russia through Napoleon and Hitler.

Contrary to what others are saying, I can't see how Putin can win this war. Even if he takes over Kyiv, it'll be like the Nazi takeover of Paris. Just like the French underground resistance was a thorn in Hitler's side, so would a Ukrainian underground resistance be to Putin. That's what I believe.

Historically Ukrainians have more reasons to not like Russians than vice versa. <u>Millions of Ukrainians starved to death from 1932-1933</u> because all the food from their farms was shipped to Russia!

I have lost friends over my view about Putin and the Russian invasion. Putin is feeding American conservatives what he knows they like and want to hear! But his only interest is money and power. He's not in it for the welfare of the Russian people.

I hope I don't lose you too, but this is how I see it based on what I know directly from my own experiences in that part of the world and what my Russian and Ukrainian friends tell me, and not what the media or American conservatives tell me. I too am an American conservative! But my allegiance is first of all to God's Kingdom, the Lord Jesus, and the truth.

Decoding Putin's Interview with Tucker Carlson

The 7-minute video below is an interview with <u>Jack Barsky, a former KGB spy</u> <u>in America</u>. He gives insights into Vladimir Putin's recent interview with Tucker Carlson about Putin's assertions about Ukraine, military support, and diplomatic strategies.

Here's a quote during the interview from Mr. Barsky:

Mr. Carlson sat through most of that interview like a middle school student. But at one point he should have been prepared to know that

Putin was just lying. Putin was stating that the war was started by Nazis in the Ukraine in 2014. **That's a blatant lie**! In 2014 there was an uprising by the people to support the parliament's decision to get closer to the European Union. And then Putin's next step: He invaded Crimea.

Comment from a new friend on Facebook:

I was very impressed by what this man has to say about why the Republicans are embracing Putin.

Its all some kind of harebrained gambit to discredit the other political party. Tucker's logic for this is something like "If Biden and the Dems hate Putin, we will embrace him." Trump and others play this same game. The truth or what is right doesn't matter. The only thing that matters is if "our" team comes out on top. The underlying modus operandi is "Blow up all our institutions and our long-standing views on decency and manners, as well as what is right or wrong. If we are the creators of chaos, we can be the rulers when the whole thing collapses." I'm a bit of a liberal, but I have to say the Dems do something similar, but in an awkwardly opposite style. They just ignore any major problem that the Republicans want to fix. For example, Biden's inaction on the border and illegal immigration. Also, some Dems also champion new so-called "liberal" ideas, such as gender reassignment for adolescents that is widely unpopular and drives many Centrist and conservative voters away. The extremists on both sides are making headlines with radical views, and that makes it impossible to do the things that 80% of Americans need and want; repair bring our infrastructure up to date, put in place logical, practical, workable solutions to the border problems. solve the homeless crisis, make it possible to financially support your family if you work. (Thanks for listening to my rant \square)

May the war between Russia and Ukraine end! In Jesus' Name!

Five Things to Watch for in 2024



This article is a partial transcription of an audio on Christian J. Pinto's Noise of Thunder Radio program.

My wife and I like to listen to Chris Pinto. He's a solid Bible-believing Christian, a former Catholic like we were who is very knowledgeable about the Counter-Reformation and the evil-doings of the Jesuit Order. However, we don't agree with him about his support of Israel in the latest Israeli-Hamas war in Gaza. Of course, any nation has a right to defend itself, but the way Israel is bombing Gaza indiscriminately, bombing hospitals and churches, killing media personnel, women and children, is not what I would call "selfdefense." I would call it war crimes, ethnic cleansing and genocide. According to the testimonials of former IDF soldiers, the IDF purposely left that part of the border with Gaza unguarded so that Hamas would invade and do what they did so Israel could have the excuse to do what they are doing now!

In Chris Pinto's 2004 documentary, Megiddo – The March to Armageddon (Adullam Films), he stated that the 1948 restoration of the State of Israel was the fulfillment of Bible prophecy. I sure don't agree with him on that. All the prophecies of the restoration of Israel back to their homeland in the book of Ezekiel were fulfilled by King Cyrus telling the Jews they could return to their homeland if they wanted to. By the time of Christ, they were firmly settled back in the land God formerly gave them. In the documentary, I heard one Zionist preacher say, "If Israel is defeated by her enemies, you can throw your Bibles away!" Such a presumptuous and arrogant statement! It's outrageous for any Christian to say that! What people should say when things don't go the way they think the Bible says is: "My interpretation of Scripture must therefore be wrong! Does the Bible actually teach that doctrine? Or did I get it from some dispensational Christian Zionist preacher who got it from the Dallas Theological Seminary that got it from C.I. Scofield who got it from John Nelson Darby who got it from Edward Irving who got it from Jesuit Manuel Lacunza, a Roman Catholic who worked to undermine the Protestant Reformation? Yep, that's where I got it from, not from the inerrant Word of God."

All that being said, we like Chris Pinto's take on everything else.

Transcript

Okay, praise the Lord you guys and welcome. I'm Chris Pinto. This is Noise of Thunder Radio.

Today on the show we are going to talk about five things to watch for in 2024. If you are an American, if you're a member of Western civilization, and I would argue if you are a God-fearing Bible-believing Christian, these are things you should watch for in 2024.

Now, why do I think this is important? Well, I think it's very important because society and the Western world and our country, the United States of America, if people are not aware of the danger, the rising danger that we are in the middle of right now, then you're just not paying attention, whoever you are, you're not paying attention. And it's why we have to pay attention to things like what happened to the countries of Western Europe during World War II.

I've mentioned on this program before, that one of my favorite foreign films is called KATYN, about the Katyn Forest Massacre based on actual events. It was a history I grew up hearing about from my grandfather Ziggy, Zygman Zadarowski, who I've talked about on the program before, who was a World War II veteran. His country, Poland, was turned upside down, practically overnight. There was a peace treaty declared by Hitler with Neville Chamberlain and so on. And so everybody's declaring, "Hey, we're all going to be at peace. Everything's going to be great!"

And then the invasion of Poland happened sometime afterward. And Poland, the people of Poland, were turned upside down overnight. And when you watch the beginning of that film, Katyn, you just watched the first five or ten minutes of it. And you've got all these civilians wearing ordinary clothing, just running. And they're carrying suitcases and bags, and they've got their young children. And why? Because their country's been invaded by the Nazis on one side and by the Communists on the other, the Soviets. And everything changed very, very quickly.

There's another film that was done not long ago by Angelina Jolie, called "First They Killed My Father" about the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia. I would recommend watching the first 15 minutes of that film because you see a family there at the beginning. And again, this is all based on a true story, based on a book written by a woman who was a young girl when all of this happened to her country. At the very beginning, you see a Cambodian family, but they are very Westernized. That's obvious that they were Westernized because of the way that they dress, the things that they're doing are very much like what goes on in the West. And then what happens is very rapidly, suddenly, everything changes. These guys with guns come riding in, and they're having a celebration briefly, and then right after them comes the Khmer Rouge, the Communists. And they were there, of course, for the killing fields of Cambodia. But everything changes in a moment. Everything's turned upside down. And they're told, pack your bags, get your things. Everybody's got to clear out of the city in 10 minutes. I mean, it's very fast.

And you see it at the very beginning when the Khmer Rouge come in, one of the first things they do is gather everybody's guns. Everybody's firearms. They disarm everybody. And of course, you're wondering as an American, if you're an American, you're watching this happen and you're thinking, "Why didn't anybody resist these guys? Why didn't anybody try to fight back or whatever?" But for whatever reason, they did not. They allowed themselves to be disarmed. They allowed themselves to be rounded up and then taken on a forced march and everything went downhill from that point onward.

So what's happening in our country right now with things like this massive flood of illegals coming into our country? I mean, this is unheard of. It's unprecedented. What's happening? We've never had anything like this happen in our history, where there's a massive flood of illegal criminals jumping the border. Meanwhile, we've got politicians like Nikki Haley, who claims she's some kind of Republican and some kind of a patriot, but she's saying it's wrong to call them criminals because supposedly they're just coming here for a better life. That is what we're told, even though the guys that work down there will tell you in a hot minute that most of those coming across the border are fighting-age men. They're not necessarily women and children. Very, very few women and children, mostly fighting-age men, and thousands, who knows how many thousands, of Islamic jihadi are crossing the border.

All right, so these are not in any particular order. The five things to watch for in 2024.

Number 1: The After effects of illegal immigration

But since we've already introduced the idea, I'm going to say number one is the aftereffects of illegal immigration. And it's already started. We've been hearing stories, but here's one of the latest. This is published on a number of different websites. I'm just going to read a few lines from the Geller report, Pamela Geller's website, where it says New York City students are forced to go remote as the city houses migrants in schools. So in New York City, they are now putting the kids out of their public schools. Kids can't go in the schools now because they are making room for the illegal immigrants. We've already heard stories about them doing this at the hotels. People can't check into the hotel because they're putting all these illegal migrants into the hotels. The government is doing it at taxpayer expense.

All right, so here's just a part of this story.

Quote, "Students at a Brooklyn high school were kicked out of the classroom to make room for nearly 2000 migrants who were evacuated from a controversial tent shelter due to a monster storm closing in on the Big Apple."

And then you've got people complaining about it. People are saying things like, "They're not vetted. A lot of them have criminal records and backgrounds and we don't even know." The people in New York are obviously very concerned about this. And this is going to reach a breaking point at some point. I think New Yorkers are going to decide that they've had enough.

This massive inflow of illegals is just going to make things worse. And we've got repeated warnings from people who work on the border, people like Doug Thornton, who I interviewed, many of you heard that interview. If you haven't heard it go to our website at noiseofthunderradio.com and look in the archives back a couple of shows and you can listen to it. Very, very important interview. But they've been warning that there will likely be another 9-11 type event. This is what the guys down on the border are saying, the guys who I think are loyal patriots. They're warning because they're watching thousands upon thousands of illegals who are coming from the Middle East, who are Muslims, who are Islamists, rushing into our country, unvetted. And they believe that these guys have an agenda. It's just a matter of time. That's why it is important to pay attention to, at a variety of levels, the aftereffects of illegal immigration.

Now, I want to play very quickly and then we're going to move on to the number two issue. Right now we're talking about illegal immigration. I want to play this audio. This is from Joe Biden. This is Joe Biden even before he became president, before he was installed in the White House, talking about the massive flood of immigrants into our country. Listen.

"Folks like me who were Caucasian of European descent, for the first time in 2017 will be an absolute minority in the United States of America. Absolute minority. Fewer than 50% of the people in America from then on will be white European stock. That's not a bad thing. That's a source of our strength."

So that again was a video featuring Joe Biden. This is back when Biden was vice president. This was in 2015. It's a C-SPAN video.

And sitting right next to Biden, of course, is another Jesuit, Mayorkas. If you don't know that Mayorkas is a Jesuit, yes, he is also a Jesuit. And what they're doing is we're going to show you in our new film, American Jesuits, which yes, folks, we are still pushing and working to get this project completed. But the information is so important. It is impacting what is going on in our country right now. This massive flood of immigrants into our country. This is part of the Vatican's plan has been for more than a hundred years. And we're going to show it to you. And it's happening right now. We're sitting here watching the fulfillment of what we were warned about back in the 1800s.

Number 2: The rise of Islam in Europe and North America

Number two, we're going to say the rise of Islam in Europe and North America. And this, I think, is a very good segue because Islam and immigration, both legal and illegal immigration into the West, is something that is becoming an increasing problem.

I want to play now some audio. This is from FBI director Christopher Ray. Christopher Ray, let's go to the person who's seen as the senior source in our government on this. And this is Christopher Ray with the FBI warning about the potential for Islamic terror attacks on American soil. Listen.

"The reality is that the terrorism threat has been elevated throughout 2023, but the ongoing war in the Middle East has raised the threat of an attack against Americans in the United States to a whole other level. But it's not just Hamas. As the world's largest state sponsor of terrorism, the Iranians, for instance, have directly or by hiring criminals mounted assassination attempts against dissidents and high-ranking current and former U.S. government officials, including right here on American soil, the cyber targeting of American interests and critical infrastructure that we already see conducted by Iran and non-state actors alike, we can expect to get worse if the conflict expands as will the threat of kinetic attacks.

Al-Qaeda issued its most specific call to attack the United States in the last five years. ISIS urged its followers to target Jewish communities in the United States and Europe. Hezbollah has publicly expressed its support for Hamas and threatened to attack U.S. interests in the Middle East. Here in the United States, our most immediate concern is that violent extremists, individuals or small groups will draw inspiration from the events in the Middle East to carry out attacks against Americans going about their daily lives."

All right, so again, that is and was Christopher Ray, director of the FBI. So that's about as official as a warning can get. But of course, that warning does not really come from him. It does. But it's something that loyal American patriots who are boots on the ground, who were eyes and ears down at the Mexican border and have been down there for years, this is something they've been warning about for years.

So that is certainly an important issue. The rise of Islam in Europe and North America. Now that's really a warning for North America and the United States in particular.

(Station break)

The documentary film, American Jesuits, is going to be very, very powerful, especially for people who know nothing about the Jesuits, they'll be able to have a very solid understanding of why the order is a danger both past and present. Because we bring things current. We bring things so current. And I'm going to talk more about this, but Vivek Ramaswami, we've just learned Ramaswami is a Jesuit. But yes, he's Jesuit-educated. And we'll talk more about that as the show goes on. But anyway, we are going to show people why this is an important issue, why the Jesuits and the counter-reformation are important in our world today and why we as Christians living in America need to harken to the warnings from scripture, of wolves and sheep's clothing, and two, the many, many warnings of our ancestors for the past 200 years warning us about the Society of Jesus, the so-called Society of Jesus, the Jesuit order.

Okay, so number two on our list is the rise of Islam in Europe and North America. In Europe, if you go to the RARE Foundation, R-A-I-R foundation.com, they've got a series of articles right now warning. There is a series of articles about thousands of German women raped by refugees since 2015. This is just in Germany. Now, we've talked about the rape gangs in England in the UK over the past 20 years. Reportedly, have assaulted and violated more than a million English girls, 11, 12, 13 year old girls over the past 20 years. And that number is now much worse. But they're saying that in Germany, two gang rapes happen per day against the women in Germany, two per day. You have in France on New Year's Eve, a disabled woman was violently beaten and raped in an elevator. That's one of the stories.

Another story is, weaponized prayer, Islamic displays of territorial dominance. Whenever you see those images of hundreds and sometimes thousands of Muslims bowing down in prayer in a public place, they go into cities like Paris, London, Rome, etc. where this article says, people have observed a uniquely Islamic display of dominance over the local population. This display has a veneer of religious observance as people are clearly engaged in Islamic prayer. However, since there are always mosques available or private spaces within which these observances could be done, one has to conclude that the purpose is clearly other than mere observance of Islamic prayer requirements.

So in other words, what they're saying is that the Muslims will deliberately

go into public places where people normally are walking up and down the road and this kind of thing. And they will block everything with their Islamic prayer because it's one of the ways. It's kind of a form of intimidation and psychological warfare to say basically Islam is taking over. That's why they do it. And they're doing it in these cities all over Europe. Do you know that these Islamic street prayers are actually a confrontation and a statement? The Muslims are asserting their supremacy implicitly demanding that everyone else who wants to pass along the street has to accommodate them. This is a manifestation of the old Islamic dictum that quote, "Islam must dominate and not be dominated." Now, there's no question that this is happening. There's no question that it is that you've got millions of Muslims now in the United Kingdom and they are pursuing more and more acts of aggression so that Islam will eventually dominate England in the whole UK.

Number 3: World War III

Okay, so that's two. Number three, in my opinion, World War Three, is kind of odd, you would think that would either be number one or number five, right? But we're just going to, we're going to make it number three, World War Three, the situation with Ukraine, Russia, and Israel. Notice what's happening, you have all of these conflicts and these entanglements where the United States is being blamed by Russia for our support of Ukraine. And now we're being blamed by the Islamic element out there because of our support of Israel, the state of Israel.

Number 4: The resurgence of COVID-19

Okay, so number four, the resurgence of COVID-19, the resurgence of COVID-19. There are repeated warnings that they are going to try to bring back mask mandates, that they're going to try to bring back lockdowns and all this other kind of stuff. Illegal immigration should inform every American, of the fact that they brought in millions and millions of unvetted, untested people that they know are going to have various viruses and things like that. And the fact that they've exercised no caution at all about this should be everything that we need to know that an attempt, a future attempt at some kind of lockdown and social distancing and this kind of thing is all just a show. It's a sham. It's, about power and control.

If they were really concerned about the spread of viruses and this kind of thing, they would never allow millions and millions of unvetted people to come running across our border. They just would not allow it. But that's what should tell us that among many other indicators.

But yes, the resurgence of COVID-19, it is entirely possible that there will be COVID 2.0 and they're going to attempt to impose some kind of COVID tyranny. Now, we were warned about this last year that this was going to happen. And we didn't really see much of anything happen in the months that followed. We were warned that in the fall, beginning in the fall in November, December, here just a few months ago, that this was going to happen and it didn't happen. I think there is a lot of pushback and I think that Americans and freedom-loving people all over the world should continue to push back in a, you know, peaceful, protesting, exercising the First Amendment to the full extent so that the powers that be understand that society is not going to cooperate with all this lockdown stuff. And, if enough people are sounding the alarm and making noise, then it's very likely that these globalist powers will back down because they are somewhat pragmatic, I believe.

Of course, I believe the chief counselors are Jesuits. We're going to show you that in the new film because we're going to have a whole section on COVID-19 and the Jesuit order because the connections are undeniable, undeniable. But the Jesuits are very pragmatic, very pragmatic. So they'll back down. That doesn't mean that they're going to quit. Don't misunderstand. It doesn't mean that they're going to quit in terms of their globalist ambitions, but they'll sort of back off a bit because they don't want to push the envelope too far. That's what I think. I could be wrong. We'll have to wait and see. But yes, it's definitely something to look out for. The continued corruption of the medical industry for the purpose of using the medical industry for medical warfare against the people in our country, which I honestly believe is what's going on. Medical warfare, biowarfare, they're calling the vaccine a bioweapon. You've got people, a very official people calling the COVID vaccine a bioweapon.

So we've got to pay attention to this and be on the lookout in 2024. It'll be very interesting to see if more COVID tyranny rears its ugly head.

Number 5: The 2024 presidential race

Now, the number five issue. That was the number four resurgence of COVID-19. Number five, the big issue is going to be the 2024 presidential race.

For the office of the president of the United States of America, there's no question that's going to become, I believe, I think, unless something catastrophic something or other that happens. I think the presidential race with everything going on with President Trump, everything going on with Joe Biden and all these candidates.

Nikki Haley is getting a lot of attention, but we think Nikki Haley is a globalist. We do not believe she is a true conservative Republican. And we think she's a globalist. And then you have Vivek Ramaswami, Ramaswami, who's getting a lot of attention, a lot of the conservatives seem to like him. And we've had a friend, in fact, Steve Matthews from the Trinity Foundation, who appears in our new film, forward to me, a story about Ramaswami that he graduated from St. Xavier High School. And what he is, St. Xavier High School won't remove Vivek Ramaswami from the Board of Trustees. He's not only a graduate, this is a Jesuit-run private high school in Cincinnati, or in the Cincinnati region, it says, won't remove the presidential candidate Vivek Ramaswami from its Board of Trustees. The board's chairman said Wednesday. Apparently, his conservative comments are considered controversial. Some of the St. Xavier High School alumni are calling for the school to oust Ramaswami from its 25-member board of trustees. So, bear in mind, he's not just a graduate of this Jesuit high school. He's not just an alumnus. He is a member of its Board of Trustees. So, he's, again, this is a more solid Jesuit connection. Lots of people graduate from their schools. Not all of them have this kind of close association. And of course, Ramaswami is a Hindu, and he

has a Hindu view of Jesus, which quite frankly is perfectly acceptable with the Jesuit order because it all fits in with what they wrote and communicated in Vatican Council II.

Do I think Ramaswami would make a good president? He might be better than Joe Biden, but I still would not want to see him in the White House. He has a very clear Jesuit connection. He's being supported on the conservative side of things. I think he is a, you know, it's, it's kind of like the order is trying to control both sides of the argument. Some people say the same thing about President Trump because Trump went to Fordham University. He did not graduate from Fordham. He was only there for two years, and he left and went to a different university. I've never thought that President Trump was, quote, a Jesuit. I've never seen him that way. I don't think he really represents the Jesuit agenda. The only thing that the main, well, the two main things with President Trump that are troubling for me is one, the fact that he gives any support to LGBT politically. That's one, and two, his support for the vaccine. And he continues to support the vaccine. Now the one possible, you know, upside of all of that is that he has also called in his campaign.

For an investigation into the health of children in particular, you've got so many kids being diagnosed with autism and these other conditions and a lot of people are pointing to the vaccine industry and the medical industry overall. If there is a second Trump administration and they do a sincere investigation into the medical industry, that would be a very needed and I think positive thing. And I say, if, quote, unquote, if we'll have to wait and see what happens and just pray for the Lord's help and guidance for our country and our people in the days ahead.

I wanted to play a brief clip here as we round this out. So that's all five issues. The five things to watch for, in my opinion, in 2024. Illegal immigration, the rise of Islam, World War Three, the resurgence of COVID-19 and number five, the 2024 presidential race, all of that will be forthcoming in 2024.

Also, Simon Roch I should mention, even though I didn't play this part of his interview, he goes out of his way to tell us that his organization is an exclusively Christian organization, that they are Christians, and they do not seek to have non-Christians come and join with them or anything like that. They are very boldly, unapologetically Christian in their worldview and in their approach to everything they're doing, praise the Lord!

Christians need to become more partisan for Christianity and not allow the globalist influence to convince you that you're supposed to be defending atheism and Islam and all of these other alternative beliefs. We're really not called to defend the non-Christian beliefs of the world. Remember, the commandment of God, according to the Apostle Paul, is that God commands that all men everywhere repent and turn away from the idols of the world and put their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Indeed, as Peter said, He is Lord of all.

We are not called to tell everybody else who has an alternative belief that

their belief is somehow or other equally valid or anything like that. No, we are called to communicate the Word of God and God's command that all men everywhere repent and put their faith and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ. Praise the Lord.

<u>America's Christian Zionists: Israel's</u> <u>Strategic Weapon?</u>



American Christians have been deceived by dispensationalism to support a people, namely so called Israel, who are no longer God's covenant people!

<u>The October 2023 Israeli Palestinian</u> <u>War</u>



The modern state of Israel is a creation of the Rothschild family and Hamas is a creation of Israel.

Immigration Warfare



Biden is a globalist knows his job in the White House is to advance and further the global agenda, which includes immigration warfare.

<u>The Reality Behind the Russian</u> <u>Invasion of Ukraine: Rome Vs. Moscow</u>



Biden supporting Ukraine and Zelinskyy does not make Putin good. Putin was tricked to invade Ukraine to lead to the ultimate takeover of Russia by the Vatican.

When Priests Forgot About God: An Analysis of the Catholic Church's Role in Genocide



Details of the history of the complicity of the Roman Catholic Church in the Rwandan genocide of the Tutsi tribe by the Hutu militia in 1994.

War As An Instrument of Vatican Policy



The Vatican As A Fomenter Of War

AMERICANS are being fed with false propaganda that the Pope is an ardent advocate of peace. They are even being led to believe that he is a staunch defender of democracy – at least that he has been at long last converted to the defense of democratic ideals. The irony of the matter is that, while gullible American Protestants are swallowing this propaganda, hook, line and sinker, the people in Catholic countries of Europe, free now for the first time in a decade to express their true minds, are not mincing words in their bitter accusations against the Vatican and its hierarchy for their reactionary and pro-Axis activities. Only Catholics who have suffered in countries dominated by the Catholic church are truly anti-Clerical and understand its policy.

In order to cover up its disastrous alliance with the Axis dictators in the heyday of their triumphs, the Vatican is now trying to convince Americans that its true policy involves no preference for any particular form of government, that, in the words of the late Pope Pius XI, it would ally itself "with the devil himself," if it serves the welfare of the Catholic church. Replying to the syndicated columnist Edgar Ansel Mowrer's charges that the Vatican has favored Fascism and failed to support democracy, the Jesuit Father Charles T. Conroy, of Westbaden College, Indiana, declared (N. Y. Post, January 30, 1945):

"The truth is that the Vatican is not primarily interested in forms of government as such... It is possible for a government to be a benevolent monarchy, even, perhaps, a benevolent dictatorship... The Vatican is not so much interested in the form in which the government holds its power, but it is tremendously interested in the way that power is exercised."

This is the true, and shamefully unethical teaching of the Roman Catholic church — a subtle restatement of the old Jesuit principle that the end justifies the means. The Catholic church will bless and ally itself with any kind of powerful government, as long as it uses its power to support the political aims of the Catholic church. For this reason, it entered into solemn agreements with the ruthless regimes of Mussolini, Hitler and Hirohito. And these agreements still remain in force on this first day of April, 1945, when the three big bloody dictatorships are going down in utter defeat, condemned and repudiated by all the decent-minded nations of the world. If the Papacy now begins to show favor to democratic countries, it will be merely because it hopes to use the growing power of these countries in its favor.

POPES TODAY, although they are sovereigns in their own right with a token army at their disposal, do not lead soldiers in battle as they did of old. Yet the Pope's diplomats and representatives are mixed up in all the intrigues of war among the nations. In some countries, such as Germany, France, Spain, Italy, the Pope's nuncio is the "dean," – the leader and highest ranking member – of the entire diplomatic corps. Any good European history will prove how much these Papal statesmen have had to do with the fomenting of wars in the past. Count Carlo Sforza, formerly Foreign Minister of Italy, gives authoritative information concerning the Vatican's part in bringing on World War I, in his book, Contemporary Italy.

It is difficult to get Americans to believe that a so-called Christian church would actually foment war and its terrible consequences as part of its policy. That is because Protestantism has taken religion out of politics and developed exclusively its purely spiritual aspect. To the church of Rome, the slaughter and even torture of individuals by war and Inquisition may be a necessary and laudable act — if necessary to safeguard the Catholic people from contact with "heretics," or to preserve and enhance the power of the church as a whole. This was re-stated, for instance, in the Jesuit magazine The Catholic Mind of last January in a defense of the Catholic church's cruel laws against the Jews, and holds good also of its attitude toward Protestants. It declared:

"Full freedom to non-believers must be restricted when their activities interfere with Catholic worship or tend in some degree

to contaminate Catholic truth."

War with its suffering is a small matter in the eyes of the Catholic church compared to the danger of losing its undisputed control over the Christian world. It fanatically believes in its mission from God to be the sole religious teacher and guide of all men. It professes to regard all worldly happenings "sub specie aeternitatis," ("under the aspect of eternity") and the death of one or a million "heretics" who would imperil its eternal mission is not only excusable but a necessary and worthy part of its duties on earth. But having a mere token force of soldiers at the Vatican, the Catholic church must use the armies of governments in alliance with it to do the killing. Pope Leo XIII insisted with the late German Kaiser that "Germany must become the sword of the Catholic church." The Kaiser failed in this, but Hitler twenty-five years after him very nearly succeeded. It was the Vatican that made possible the militarization of Germany toward the end of the last century. And **it was the Vatican**, as Count Sforza tells us, **who gave its blessing to the first World War** that was touched off at Sarajevo.

Americans should remember these things when the Pope of Rome is glamorized in their controlled press as the personification of peace and democracy.

War As An Instrument Of Papal Policy By J. J. Murphy

HIGH-PRESSURE PROPAGANDA has been selling the Pope to the American people as the great champion of world peace — as the spiritual Father of Christendom who stands apart from politics and devotes himself solely to the maintenance of moral principles. European authors and statesmen, such as Count Carlo Sforza, who have had access to the secret archives of their countries, know this to he false. Nor has the refusal of the Vatican to open to the world its historical archives been able to hide what the New York Times openly and rightly called "the profound immorality of the temporal policy of the Church of Rome." This war-making policy of the Vatican has involved the nations in endless intrigues by playing off one nation against another like pawns on a chessboard, as the following article clearly shows.

CLAIMING the exclusive right to be considered the living and infallible representative of Christ on earth, the Roman Catholic church wishes to be looked upon as an essentially spiritual organization solely devoted to safeguarding the moral principles of Christianity. It proclaims to the world its abhorrence of evil and undying adherence to changeless principles as opposed to expediency. It shudders in theory at the slightest defection from absolute right and dramatizes its purity by repeated quotation of Newman's words:

"The Catholic Church holds it is better for the sun and moon to drop from heaven, for the earth to fail, and for all the many millions on it to die of starvation in extreme agony, as far as temporal affliction goes, than that one soul, I will not say, should be lost, but should commit one single venial sin, should tell one willful untruth, or should steal one poor farthing without excuse."

It is on these grounds of divine incorruptibility that the Catholic church demands the right to be an arbiter of world peace at the coming conferences of the United Nations and condemns beforehand all decisions that it does not help shape. But since even the worst perpetrators of evil have shouted from the housetops the holiness of their intentions and purposes, no one can quarrel with the public's right to examine the claims of the Roman Catholic church in the light of historical facts. The saying of Christ, "by their fruits you shall know them," still holds good of moral theories and pretenses.

Religion Of The Sword

Unfortunately for the Catholic church, its historical record does violence to its proud claims. It even lends credence to the accusation that these bold pretenses of virtue are but a mask for its political ambitions and intrigues. For on examination, we find that the most immoral practices of the Catholic church are not mere accidents of history but the logical conclusion of its fundamental dogmas. From its basic belief that it is the one and only true church of Christ to whom Christ gave "all power in heaven and on earth," it logically lays claim to supreme authority in things spiritual and material and condemns all dissenters as enemies of Christ and destroyers of souls. In accordance with this, the cardinal who crowns a new Pope with the tiara pronounces during the ritual these words:¹

"Receive the tiara adorned with three crowns and know that thou art Father of princes and kings, Ruler of the world, Vicar of our Savior, Jesus Christ."

The Catholic church's right not only to participate in politics but to render final decisions was openly taught by Pope Boniface VIII in an official papal bull, Unam Sanciam, which proclaimed the church to be a perfect political society, as superior to the state as the sun is to the moon which merely reflects its light. Speaking of this bull, the Catholic book, The Vatican as a World Power, translated from the German by Dr. George Shuster, says (page 197):

"The meaning of the bull ['Unam Sanctam'] is contained in these sentences: the spiritual power [the Catholic church] has the authority to establish the worldly power, and to judge it when it is not good; and it is necessary to salvation to believe that all human creatures are subject to the Pope...

'Whoever admits the doctrine that the Catholic church is "the continuation of Jesus Christ" and the infallible teacher of his divine doctrines, must logically admit that anyone who dissents from its teachings perverts the truth and sins against the welfare of society. Nor can he quarrel with the statement of Catholic Encyclopedia (VIII, 36) that disbelief in the church's teachings is a crime worse than treason that must be stamped out by physical punishment. This is what the Jesuit Cardinal Billot teaches in his seminary textbook on dogmatic theology: "God not only permits the Church to use force, but definitely prescribes it to her. There is no efficacious remedy against heresies but medieval laws." 2

It follows from this that the medieval Inquisition, established and implemented by the Papacy, is the logical result of Catholic claims to be the "one church outside of which there is no salvation." Of this same forceful defense of Catholic dogma through the Inquisition, Lecky in his book, *The Rise and Influence of Rationalism in Europe* (vol. I, p. 326), says that it "exhibits an amount of cold, passionless, studied and deliberate barbarity unrivaled in the history of mankind."

The right of the Catholic church to punish heretics was not an accidental distortion of its teachings in medieval times. It is still taught in the Latin textbooks on dogmatic theology used today in American Catholic seminaries. The Holy Office of the Inquisition is still the most powerful bureaucracy in the Roman Curia. It did not stop inflicting corporal punishment in the Middle Ages, but continued to do so, wherever it could, right into the last century, namely in Spain, Mexico, the Philippines and the Papal States. Heresy was declared a political crime. The Cambridge Modern History (XI, 706) notes that in 1850 there were 8,800 "political prisoners" of this kind in the small Papal States alone.

Throughout the 19th century, one Papal encyclical after another was issued to condemn in scathing terms both liberalism and democracy in Belgium, France, Bavaria, Austria, Spain and Italy. This fight of the Vatican against civil liberties extended right down to the present, as is admitted by Catholic statesman Count Carlo Sforza, Foreign Minister of pre-Fascist Italy, in his recent book, Contemporary Italy:³

"And the new Pope, Pins XI, like Pius X, was not only hostile to ideas of liberty... To those who warned him that dealing with faithless and lawless demagogues is always dangerous, he replied: 'I know it, but at least they don't believe in the villainous fetish of liberalism.'"

"A distrust shared in common, a common hatred, constitute stronger bonds than those of common sympathies, and the Catholicism of Pius XI shared one hatred in common with Fascist chiefs – the hatred of political liberty.

Repudiation Of Peace

The doctrine that the Catholic church has the right to use physical force to attain its ends holds as true in the realm of international politics as it does in the case of heretical individuals. In other words, the Catholic church approves of war as a means of securing for itself greater political
power. In spite of wordy distinctions between a "just" and an "unjust" war, it has never forbidden a single war that might redound to its profit. On the contrary, it has frequently urged on the belligerents or cooperated with them by connivance, open or secret — by the intrigues of Vatican diplomacy or the approval of their Father Confessor. Count Sforza says (p. 56), "Naturally the Bourbons, like the Savoys, violated their constitutions… they had confessors to absolve them."

Since the Treaty of Westphalia, which put a legal end to the open political power of the papacy in 1648, the objective of the Vatican has been to continue the counter-Reformation to the point where a reestablished Holy Roman Empire would wipe out the last vestige of liberal, Protestant Europe. The Popes realistically faced the fact that this could be done only by warfare. In our own times they did their best to undermine the League of Nations and sneered at plans for peace. Sforza (p. 205) remarks of Pope Benedict XV in the First World War:

"He long resisted the pressures of those who recommended putting to the service of peace the 'high moral authority of the Holy See.' With his habitual tone of sarcasm he used to reply, 'Authority? Strange that they should talk so much of it...'"

As late as May 23, 1920, when he issued his encyclical, Pacem Dei, Benedict XV completely avoided mention of the League of Nations as if it did not even exist. In later years his successors used their influence over DeValera and numerous small Catholic nations of Latin America to vote against every League proposal that would have strengthened its authority, such as the boycott of Fascist Italy during the rape of Ethiopia.

Not to mention two World Wars, to which we shall refer later, the horrible Thirty Years' War that devastated Europe is a terrifying instance how the Jesuits instigated continuous warfare for a whole generation to attain their purpose. It is with such uses of war in mind that one must read Rome's reprobation of pacifism. Father Walter Farrell, in his work on the doctrine of Thomas Aquinas, A Companion to the Summa (III, 123), lays down the law for Catholics:

"That war, under some circumstances, is justified is not a mere philosophical opinion; a Catholic is not free to embrace or reject it. It is a solemn doctrine of the Church; in fact, time and again through the ages, the Church through Her councils and Supreme Pontiffs, has urged men to wage war."

Unethical Self-interest

The Catholic church's claim that it adheres at all times to the same moral principles is ludicrous in the light of history. It practices today in its parish banks the very principles of money lending that it anathematized in the Middle Ages, to give only a single instance. In politics it followed a

similar pattern. It never failed to reject a moral principle in matters of politics, if it stood to gain by the deal. Its conservative principles against revolutions, that it championed in Europe throughout the last century in defense of outworn monarchies, were thrown to the winds when it saw' in the Franco revolution a chance to overthrow the duly elected regime of a liberal, Republican government in Catholic Spain.

The Vatican has switched back and forth with every wind, according to its own selfish interests and without the slightest regard for principle. In 1874 the papacy forbade Catholics in Italy to participate in democratic government by holding office or even by voting in the elections. Four years later it confirmed this order by the famous Non Expedit decree. In 1918 it revoked this decree and cooperated with Father Luigi Sturzo, a life-long priest politician, in establishing a democratic political party, the Partito Populare. Less than 10 years later it cooperated with Mussolini in the establishment of a dictatorship with a church-state union and disowned Father Sturzo by letting Mussolini force him into exile. Now that Fascism has been overthrown, the Vatican is preparing to use Father Sturzo again to reestablish the Partito Populare in one form or another.

In the same expedient way the Vatican first established the Center Party in Germany, then double-crossed it under Bismarck. It cooperated with it again, only to sell it out to Hitler in the early 1930's. Of this latter betrayal, Edgar Ansel Mowrer, former Deputy Director of the Office of War Information, in the New York Post, of January 30, 1945, tells the following facts:

"In Berlin in 1932 and 1933 I watched with fascinated horror the democratic Catholic Center Party slowly abate its resistance to the Nazis, with Msgr. Kaas, its titular head, slowly yielding to arguments from Rome until the final capitulation to Hitler which opened the door to Ger- many's attack on the human race."

The way the Vatican sought its selfish ends by double-crossing its own coworkers and its own Catholic political parties is similar to the way it broke its word to nations. As we shall see below, it begged Protestant Germany to be the 'temporal arm' of the Catholic church; when a little while later it felt that it had more to gain by uniting with France and Russia against Germany, it broke its pledge without a scruple. Later, when Germany grew stronger, it reversed itself once more and allied itself with German militarists first by an unwritten agreement, later by a written 'secret agreement' in the Concordat with Hitler.⁴

In the Roman church's immoral policy of expediency there are no real principles, except that 'whatever benefits the church is right.' Michael Williams, ardent Catholic apologist and ranking member of Catholic Action in this country, has repeatedly justified the Vatican's alliance with Mussolini and Hitler by quoting the words of the late Pope Pius XI, that he "would negotiate with the devil himself if the good of souls demanded such action."⁵

That is about the size of it. The papacy will make a deal with evil men and

the most Godless nation, if it thinks it can increase its power by doing so.

This immoral, opportunist principle is the compass of the policy of the Jesuits, whose General, known as the 'black Pope,' controls the Vatican court and bureaucracies. If any one, Pope or cardinal, stands in the way of the Jesuits, he either yields as did Pius IX who changed from a liberal to a diehard reactionary, or it is just too bad for him. As they drew toward the end of their lives several Popes seemed to regret that they had followed the dictates of the Jesuits, but before they got a chance to mend their ways they passed away, often very unexpectedly. After the death of Leo XIII, his Secretary of State, Cardinal Rompolla, was practically imprisoned in the Convent of Santa Maria. Sforza (201) tells that only one of the Vatican diplomats dared to visit Rompolla where he "lived in solitude and abandonment." Pope Benedict XV began to veer from support of German militarism when he first took office. With this in mind he appointed a trustworthy friend to the Secretariat of State. What happened to change his policy is clearly implied by Humphrey Johnson in his book, Vatican Diplomacy (p. 13):

"Pope Benedict XV chose his old friend, Cardinal Ferrata, to fill the post of Secretary of State, a step that created a favorable impression in France. A month later, Ferrata succumbed sud- denly to a painful internal malady, which set in circulation... the timehonored rumors of foul play."

Count Sforza (343) tells how the late Pope Pius XI had a change of heart shortly before he reached his end, and how intent he was on warning the faith- ful against the Nazi-Fascists into whose clutches he had delivered them. "The last two days of his life were devoted to writing a speech... intended to tell them that the dangers were equally serious from both sides." But he was never given a chance to publish it. Sforza relates that on his deathbed his last words were, "Let me have another day; I have such an important duty to fulfill." Pius XI never got "another day" to publish an encyclical that might have ruined the carefully laid plans of the Jesuits. That was the last that was ever heard of the proposed encyclical.



POPE LEO XIII "Germany must become the sword of the Catholic Church."

Eugene Pacelli, the present Pope Pius XII, did not share his predecessor's last-minute change of conviction. "He has always been known for his strong German leanings" Kees van Hoek, his official Catholic biographer, is forced to admit. The wiliest Roman diplomat of a century, Pius XII is the apple of the Jesuits' eye. After spending 12 years in Germany and knowing Hitler at first hand, he signed the Vatican-Hitler Concordat with enthusiasm. He has refused to declare it void, and has lived up to its 'secret clause' by striving ceaselessly to effect a 'negotiated peace' for the defeated Nazis and, when that proved hopeless, by pleading for their pardon. As the Patriarchs of the Orthodox church, recently meeting in general council, declared with unmistakable reference to him and his Vatican agents:

"There are the voices of those who call themselves Christians calling for forgiveness of infanticides and traitors. These people expose themselves to the same blame as the Fascists who are drowning in the blood of their victims." (New York Post, Feb. 6, 1945)

The Sell-Out Of Catholic Nations

The following brief review of salient points in the history of the last century will show how the Jesuits and their papal figureheads ruthlessly played politics for their own selfish interests, even to the point of selling out Catholic nations. Never was political conduct less inhibited by thoughts of morality.

The history of Poland is a good example of a Catholic nation held in subjugation for centuries, much to the satisfaction of the Vatican. The Pope's only interest was to use his power over the illiterate Poles as a pawn in his political bargaining with the emperors of Germany, Austria-Hungary, and Russia. In the historical excerpt that follows in illustration of this point, Pope Leo XIII was secretly double-crossing Germany, with which he had an oral alliance, because it was upholding the independence of Italy, while the Freemasons ruling France had promised him a restoration of the Papal States. The well-known historian Rene Fulop-Miller narrates the facts in his book, Leo XIII and Our Times (pp. 116-17):

"During the 1880's the danger of a clash between Russia and Germany became an increasingly important factor in determining the course of the foreign policy of various cabinets, and with rare skill Pope Leo XIII at once contributed to use this situation for his own purposes.

"The coming war would have to be fought on the soil of the old Polish kingdom partitioned between Prussia and Russia, and it might be a matter of decisive military importance whether the Poles rose against Russia... This depended in very considerable measure on the influence of the Catholic clergy on the Polish people. Pope Leo XIII now gave the Russian Foreign Minister Giers to understand that he might he prepared to use his influence with the Poles in a direction favorable to the Czarist government, and again, as with France, the 'papal card' won the game...

"Although the Polish party at the Vatican did everything in its power to prevent the Pontiff from throwing his influence on the side of the Czarist regime, the Pope sent instructions to the Polish bishops [in Russian Poland] that they were to 'impress upon the faithful the duty of obe- dience to the secular power and of docility toward the ruling authorities,' and to see that no Catholic in Russia entered 'any societies which are working for revolution in the State or for the disturbance of peace and security'... At the same time, the 'Curia' did its utmost to cement the rapprochement between Russia and France and to dissipate the mistrust of that democratic Republic which still existed in conservative St. Petersburg."

It was at this time that Leo XIII wrote his encyclical, *Sapientiae Christianae*, to ingratiate the Vatican with democratic France – the same France that one Pope after another had denounced in the most violent language ever since the French Revolution of 1789. At this same time Leo XIII was vilifying Italian democracy, after forbidding Catholics to even vote in the elections. This policy of the Pope to condemn democracy in one country while praising it in another was as typical of the unprincipled papacy as was his plotting with French heretics and Russian schismatics for the destruction of Catholic Italy, that had at last attained nationhood and recognition by the Triple Alliance. Leo XIII betrayed his native Italy for the sake of gaining political power for the church. Count Sforza tells how "he dreamed of the destruction of Italian unity which, he thought, should be dissolved into a federation of little Italian 'republics' under the presidency of the Pope. He dreamed of a departure from Rome followed by a triumphal return after a victorious war waged by Austria-Hungary against Italy – an idea that Francis Joseph had the good sense to reject." "The entire political activity of his pontificate was but a long series of efforts which created difficulties for Italian foreign policy, first in Vienna, then, with more apparent success, at Paris."6

After having maintained the cruel dictatorship of the Habsburg emperors for generations over the enslaved Catholic peoples of Croatia, Slovenia, Bohemia and other Slav nations, the Vatican's pretended dismay over the present-day fate of Poland and Lithuania is sheer hypocrisy. How carefully the Vatican cooperated in the enslavement of these peoples is clearly shown from the following passage of a Roman Catholic catechism in use in Austria under the Habsburgs. It is quoted from Catholic Count Sforza's above-mentioned book, page 64:

"Q. - How should subjects behave toward their sovereigns?

"A. - Subjects should behave toward their sovereigns exactly as slaves toward their masters.

Q. - Why should they behave like slaves?

"A. — Because the sovereign is their master and his power extends over their property as over their persons."

Tie-Up With German Militarists

The loud and shallow praise of democracy now on the lips of the Roman hierarchy looks pathetic in the light of the 'infallible' papal declarations of the last century, which the Catholic church has never retracted. They are summarized by Charles Guignebert, distinguished historian of the University of Paris. In his book, Christianity, Past and Present, (p. 452) he says of Pope Pius VII, who reestablished the Inquisition in Spain at that late date in modern history, and of Pope Gregory XVI who died a quarter of a century later:

"He seized upon the slightest pretexts to show his hostility to all liberal principles and all ideas deemed 'revolutionary.' He entered special protest against the political institutions of France, which by their guarantee of religious toleration to all, dared to place 'the Holy and Immaculate bride of Christ, the Church outside of which there is no salvation, upon a level with heretical sects and even with Jewish perfidy.'

"Pope Gregory XVI in a document that gives us a foretaste of the Syllabus of Pope Pius IX, the Mirari Vos encyclical, declared war (1) upon modern forms of society founded upon liberty of conscience... and (2) upon liberty of the press, 'which cannot be sufficiently execrated and condemned,' for by its means all evil doctrines are propagated, and (3) upon liberty of scientific research."

A penetrating analysis of the reactionary principles of Catholicism is found in the symposium published in 1941 by a group of well-known American liberals under the title of *The City of Man*:

"In more recent years its Syllabus of Errors, the start of a second counter-Reformation challenging the liberal world that has risen from the Reformation and the Renaissance, played into the hands of political and social obscurantism. Its spiritual totalitarianism was exploited as a tool... of political and social enslavement."

The great reactionary and militarist power of Europe in the last Century was Germany. Pope Leo XIII was determined to forge a union with it. Kaiser Wilhelm II in his autobiography, The Kaiser's Memoirs, (p. 211), says of Leo XIII: "It was of interest to me that the Pope said to me on this occasion that Germany must become the sword of the Catholic Church."

For a while Leo XIII vied with Bismarck in a struggle for power and attempted to double-cross him, as narrated above. Eventually the reactionary principles and love of power they shared in common brought them together. Leo XIII overruled the Catholic Center Party in Germany and forced it to endorse Bismarck's program for the militarization of Germany, known as the Septennate Bill. The flagrant immorality of this deal that has spelled war and disaster for three generations cannot be more aptly expressed than in an editorial of the New York Times of February 8, 1887, that stated in part as follows:

"All is grist that comes to the mills of Rome. The collision between the spirit of military absolutism and the spirit of Parliamentary liberty in Germany, a contest watched with the deepest interest all over the world, and whose issue will be potent in molding the history of Europe for years to come, is viewed by the Pope merely as a welcome opportunity to improve the condition of the Roman Catholic Church in Germany."

"One sentence of [Catholic] Dr. Windthorst's address reveals with

pitiless and perhaps unintentional frankness the profound immorality of the temporal policy of the Church of Rome. 'The Pope's advocacy of the Septennate Bill,' said Dr. Windthorst, 'was independent of the merits of the measure, and arose from reasons of expediency and from political considerations.'

"It would be difficult to frame a more accurate analysis of the Papal motives, while at the same time indicating a more sweeping denunciation of the Papal policy. Liberal principles, the right of popular government, the German constitution and its guarantee of Parliamentary institutions, says the Pope, may go to the dogs, if we can secure some further modification of the laws which relate to the Church, and so improve the condition of the Papacy in Germany."



OTTO VON BISMARCK The Vatican helped him militarize Germany in 1887

The agreement between the Vatican and Germany for a counter-Reformation of liberal Europe almost brought about war in 1904. It came a decade later. Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, ally of Germany and "the most Catholic of all sovereigns," started the world conflict. The satisfaction that the Vatican felt at the declaration of World War I is best expressed by Count Sforza, a Catholic who knows the inner secrets of European politics. On page 186 of his book, mentioned above, he says:

"A legend more tenacious than history was formed, in 1914 and afterward, regarding Pope Pius X's attitude toward the Habsburg aggression toward Serbia. This legend shows Pius X praying and fighting against the outbreak of the war, horrified to see Christianity divided into two enemy camps, and dying of grief at the invasion of Belgium and all the horrors of war unchained. The truth is quite otherwise...

"As soon as the danger of war became evident, Count Palffy, Austrian Charge d'Affaires at the Vatican, several times informed Pius X's Secretary of State, Cardinal Merry del Val, of the intentions and the 'duties' of the Dual Monarchy. The Cardinal's replies were deposited in the diplomatic correspondence of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy, correspondence that I have seen.

"In these conversations the Secretary of State spoke expressly in the name of the Pope who, he declared to the Austrian representative, deplored that Austria had not earlier inflicted on the Serbs the chastisement they deserved."

Elsewhere (p. 105) Count Sforza relates:

"It is not strange that the Protestant armies of Germany seemed to Pius X the instrument chosen by God to punish France. When death surprised him on August 20, 1914, he was absolutely certain that nothing in the world could prevent the complete defeat of the French; and in his naivete he said: 'Thus they will understand that they must become obedient sons of the Church.'"

Pope Pius X was succeeded by Benedict XV, a hunch-back cardinal who was elected Pope by one vote… which he would not have received if he himself had voted for the principal rival candidate. Space does not permit the retelling of how this Pope worked with Matthias Erzberger, German propaganda chief and diplomat, through Msgr. Pacelli (now Pope Pius XII), to carry out German directions to effect a 'negotiated peace.' These details and the treaty drafted by Germany that would have reestablished an independent Vatican State are given in an article on the pro-Germanism of Pope Pius XII in the April, 1943, issue of The Converted Catholic Magazine. The intervention of Benedict XV in favor of Germany is abundantly confirmed in the second volume of the papers of Robert Lansing, secretary to President Woodrow Wilson.

Conclusion

In the field of international politics the record of Vatican diplomacy is criminal and blood-stained. This is more particularly true since the rise of Fascism and Nazism. For this reason, on February 10, 1945, 1,600 Protestant clergymen of national reputation went officially on record in a statement addressed to the 'Big Three' leaders at the Crimean Conference in Yalta opposing involvement of the democracies in any deal with the Vatican or other church group. They indicted the Vatican's warmongering with the Axis dictators as follows:

"Supporting Mussolini in Italy, Dollfuss and Schusehnigg in Austria, Hitler in Germany, Franco in Spain, and Detain in France, the papacy has thrown its weight into the scales of the present human struggle on the side of the enemies of democracy."

For the past five years, The Converted Catholic Magazine has recorded and fully documented the facts of the Vatican's tie-up with Fascism, though at first there were few who believed us. Now that the truth is becoming known, it is not enough merely to stand aghast at the shamelessness of the Vatican's warmongering in the past. All must resist its demand to shape the future of the postwar world, and put an end at long last to the Vatican's activities as a disturber of international peace.

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Catholic Wm. Teeling, an intimate of the men who signed the Vatican-Hitler Concordat admits the existence of the "secret clause," in his book, Crisis for Christianity, page 128. Its existence is also confirmed by H. W. Blood-Ryan in his hook, Franz von Papen, page 223...
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Contemporary Italy, p. 34 and p. 100...

My Views About the Russian Invasion of

<u>Ukraine</u>



A building in Ukraine destroyed by the Russians.

Some of my conservative friends and *especially* Trump supporters have been seemingly justifying Putin's invasion of Ukraine. My friend Jim wrote:

Zelensky is a snake. He has been laundering money for years. He is used by the Deep State. That is why he is supported by the likes of HRC, Biden, Obama, Gates, Pelosi and all the rest. I do know that there are elements of the Ukrainian army who persecute and kill Ukrainian Russians.

Another friend named Mike wrote:

Any bets on who wins? \$100 on The Ukraine Government and The Faggot Zelinski going down. Putin is winning cuz God is using him to take out The Satanic Kazarian Mafia.

Why does Mike think the President of Ukraine is gay? Volodymyr Zelinskyy has a beautiful wife. From where does Mike and Jim get their information?

I told Mike I won't bet with him because I don't want to take his money. He told me that before the Ukrainian army started to take back what the Russian army conquered.

Before I go any further, let me state what I believe to be my qualifications for writing anything about the Russian / Ukrainian conflict: I lived in Russia from March 1994 to October 1997. I've been to the far eastern city of Khabarovsk. I lived in central Siberia in Akadem Gorodok close to Novosibirsk for 4 months. I've been to a few times to Moscow and walked the length of Red Square. I lived in St. Petersburg for two years. And I lived in the Arctic city of Murmansk Russia for 10 months. I love the Russian people! Living in Russia was one of the most fun experiences in my life making new friends and learning a new language. I got to the point I was comfortable on the streets of Russia alone. I could communicate with them in their own language. And I met not only ethnic Russians, I met people from all 15 republics of the former Soviet Union and can name them all from memory. How many Americans can do that? And I even met people from provinces within Russia such as Chechnya. I considered them to be a kind and affectionate people. I loved to shake hands with the Russians because they are good hand-shakers. The Japanese are no good at it!

And I visited Russia's neighbors such as Finland, Estonia, Latvia, and Lituania. In 1997 I passed through Belorus and Ukraine by train, the very area of the fighting today, the Donbas region. I passed through Belorus on my way from St. Petersburg to Warsaw, Poland, and was not challenged to show my visa for Belorus. But on my way from the Black Sea area of Russia back to St. Petersburg, the train passed through Donbas Ukraine and Ukrainian border guards on the train asked me to show a visa for Ukraine. I didn't have one. My two Russian companions talked the Ukrainian border guards out of giving me a fine!

Of the 15 former Soviet Republics, only three of them speak Slavic languages, Russia, Ukraine, and Belorus. They are close ethnically. I always considered Russians and Ukrainians to be one big family. One-third of Ukrainians speak Russian. In the capital Kyiv the Russian language is predominant. I met many ethnic Ukrainians who live in Russia.

When I lived in Niigata Japan I used to visit Russian ships at port. The captain and the crew treated me and my friends as honored guests. Some of them were ethnic Ukrainians. One Ukrainian lady working on the ship told me half of the Russians are ethnic Ukrainians and half of the Ukrainians are ethnic Russians!

I have a close Ukrainian friend I knew in St. Petersburg. Her name is Lydia and I am still in contact with her. She and her daughter are now refugees in France. She tells me no place in Ukraine is safe.

I'm saying this because it disturbs me greatly what Russia is doing now in Ukraine. There have been countless war crimes. Innocent civilians, women, and children have been killed! And for what? To feed Vladimir Putin's territorial ambitions!

Historically Russia has always been a bully to its neighbors. In the restroom of a department store in Helsinki Finland I saw graffiti on the wall cursing Russians. In 1940, Finland lost part of its eastern territory in a war with the Soviet Union, and that area is now part of Russia. Russia didn't return it after the breakup of the Soviet Union.

The three Baltic countries of Estonia, Latvia and Lituania became unwilling members of the Soviet Union. Their languages are all different from each other and not similar to Russian. They have a strong national identity and are not friendly toward Russia. They all have an etnic Russian population. The older generation of those countries learned to speak Russian because Russian was the language of education in the Soviet Union. But they refuse to speak it today to any Russian who is a resident of their country. While in Tallinn Estonia, I heard an Estonian lady scold a Russian boy for doing something she didn't like. At first, she spoke to him in Estonian, and when he didn't seem to understand it, she spoke in Russian telling him he needs to learn Estonian. This was a few years after the breakup of the Soviet Union. I think all the ethnic Russians living in the Baltic countries are probably fluent in the languages of those countries today. The only neighbor of Russia that likes Russia is Belorus. That's because the president, Lukashenko is a buddy of Putin. He was president of Belorus as long ago as when I lived in Russia in the 1990s! Boris Yeltsin was president of Russia when I was there. The world loved Yeltsin but the Russians considered him a drunk and a clown.

According to a documentary film I saw, Putin was appointed Yeltsin's successor because of a deal the Yeltsin family made with him. The Yeltsins were corrupt and stole billions from the Russian people. They placed Putin in power because Putin promised not to prosecute them later. They're all criminals, including Putin!

This documentary exposes Putin's crimes against the Russian people. You have to click on the "Watch on YouTube" link to see it. YouTube calls it "inappropriate or offensive to some audiences". The only people I can think of who would find it offensive are the Putin worshippers.

Putin came to power through the 1999 apartment bombings. It was a false flag FSB operation. Putin has the blood of his own people on his hands.

If you are new to this website, you should know I am no longer living in Japan. I moved to the US territory of Guam in 2018. There is a Russian community here. Every one of them will tell you that Vladimir Putin is a criminal. Many of them came to Guam for political asylum. One Russian man told me he would be arrested if he returned to Russia because he is a dissenter of Putin's policies.

My opinion: No matter what you think about Ukraine or its president or shady deals with the Biden family, Putin is the aggressor in his war in Ukraine. When I told my Ukrainian friend Lydia what my conservative friends were saying about Putin's justification for his so-called "special military operation", she got upset and told me I was listening to Russian propaganda! She said Russian propaganda is very strong.

Ukrainians have good historical reasons not to trust Russia. Moscow starved millions of Ukrainians to death in 1932-33. See: https://www.history.com/news/ukrainian-famine-stalin

My friend Yanek from Belorus says he believes the West tricked Putin into invading Ukraine knowing that it would result in his downfall. By "the West" I am talking especially about America, Western Europe and NATO which I believe is run by a vast corporation called the "Holy See" the Whore of the Book of Revelation that rides the Beast, the Western nations. Their goal is to take over Russia and destroy Putin, they don't care how many Russians and Ukrainians die in the process.

Putin is toast. He was given false information to think the Ukrainian people would welcome the Russian army as liberators from the Nazis. The Ukrainian government is NOT run by Nazis according to my Ukrainian friend Lydia. The only possible Nazis are a small army of only 2000 soldiers in Eastern Ukraine called the Azov regiment. Putin used the fear of Nazis to rally support for

his war. Many Russians died by the Nazis in WW2. They call it the Great Patriotic War. St. Petersburg, Putin's hometown, is considered one of the hero cities of the Soviet Union for surviving a two-year siege by the German army. Putin used the historical hatred of Nazis to deceive the Russian people to support his invasion of Ukraine. He will not succeed. He is not fighting for his people. He's destroying them. He only cares about himself.

The Russians do not have the heart to fight against their Slavic cousins in Ukraine, and the Ukrainians are willing to fight to the death to defend their homeland. Doesn't that make sense to you folks who call the president of Ukraine a snake? He may be one but he's earned the respect of his people and the world by not running away when given the opportunity to do so. From what I can see, he's being a true leader to his people. I could be wrong about him, but that still doesn't justify Putin's aggression.

<u>Views of the Russian Invasion of</u> <u>Ukraine by a Christian Missionary Who</u> <u>Lived in Ukraine</u>



This post is in addition to the views of <u>Ukrainian Lydia about the Russian</u> <u>invasion of Ukraine</u> by missionaries friends, a married couple. The husband sent me two emails in response for my request to hear their views. I would rather hear from the people who are actually there than from a corporate news agency with hidden agenda. They have no reason to lie to me.

The first email

First of all, I want to give you a little background concerning ourselves and the time we've spent in this part of the world.

We have lived in Russia, Ukraine, and Eastern Europe for nearly 30 years, 18 of those in Ukraine. We lived behind the "Iron Curtain" for 4 years and made trips to the Soviet Union during that time, as well as living in Yugoslavia, Hungary, and Bulgaria. We spent 7 years in Russia.

So, if any of that makes a difference, here is our take on what's happening:

Putin is an absolute monster! Period!

Any defense of his actions is **extremely offensive to us, our friends**, and the people of Ukraine.

Timothy Snyder, a leading authority on Central European history and the Holocaust, says Putin's claim about "de-Nazification" is "grotesque" because he's trying to justify invading a democratic country — led by a Jewish president who lost relatives in the Holocaust — by claiming he's there to fight Nazis.

Snyder calls Putin's justification a variation of Hitler's Big Lie – a Nazi propaganda technique that insists that if a political leader repeats a colossal untruth enough, people will eventually believe it.

"Adolf Hitler had some public relations advice: Tell a lie so big that people will not believe that you would ever try to deceive them on such a grand scale," Snyder wrote in an essay titled, "Putin's Hitler-like tricks and tactics in Ukraine."

By telling lies that Ukraine is run by Nazis bent on genocide, Putin is making a mockery of people who survived the Holocaust, says Snyder, author of "On Tyranny."

Synder wrote a best seller book on the atrocities committed by the Germans and the Soviets in Ukraine's Bloodlands: Europe between Hitler and Stalin. I read the book as well as meeting Mr. Synder.

I'm posting a chart (the one at the top of this article) sent to me by one of our Bible students who attended our classes for many years before his job took him to the United Arab Emirates. He is a Frenchman and has many fond memories of the years that he spent in Ukraine. I thought his chart would be helpful for you to understand the depth of pain that Russia has inflicted on Ukraine over the years and why the Ukrainians will fight to the death before allowing Russia to dominate them again.

Please look it over carefully, as the numbers are staggering.

So that's my take on the situation. Russia is destroying an innocent country before our very eyes, committing gross atrocities by bombing whole towns into rubble, and killing innocent people and children.

I could go on and on about this subject, but suffice it to say that there is absolutely no justification for Putin's invasion of Ukraine and I believe he should be tried for war crimes and Russia be made to pay for all the damage they've caused in Ukraine and withdraw all their troops for Ukraine, including Donbas and the Crimea.

The second email

I wanted to comment on what you wrote about your friend (who lives in Japan) not seeing eye-to-eye on the point of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

I beg to disagree with your friend, James. There is no such thing as surrendering to Putin. Surrendering would have meant that Zelensky would have been killed along with all members of his government and a puppet regime would have been installed in his place.

I'm not sure if your friend is a student of history or not, but if he is, let me remind him of the brutality of the Soviet Army. Wherever the Soviet Army captured territory one of the first orders of business was the raping of all the women in those areas. Berlin in particular was subjected to mass rape, but so weren't Poland, Romania, and Hungary. I've personally talked to people from those countries and they told me of how their grandparents hid in fear of the Russians.

I know the answer may be that rape is just a by-product of war, but if you do a little research about the subject, you'll see that the Russians' conducted this on a massive scale.

Today's Russians invading Ukraine are cut from the same cloth, so to speak, in this regard.

I believe we can get too lost in conspiratorial thinking to the point that we see someone as evil as Putin as somehow standing up against the globalists.

There are many "Monday morning quarterbacks" out there, dissecting what the Ukrainians should have done, but how many of them were there? How many of them have lived in fear of what the Russians are capable of? Have they ever been subjected to mass starvation like Ukraine experienced in the 1932-33 famine, where more than 4 million of their countrymen died at the hands of their Soviet masters?

It's very easy to say they just should have given in to the Russian, but do those who make those judgements know the depth of Ukraine's feelings on the matter. At the time of the invasion, more than 80% of the Ukrainian population didn't want to be a part of Russia or have anything to do with them. Now, **since the war, those numbers have approached nearly 100%.**

To say that this was all Zelensky's doing is to discount the overwhelming sentiments of the Ukrainian population.

Let me point out that I was there, not only in Russia for seven years, but in Ukraine for 18. It would be like saying that I know better the picture on the ground in South Africa or anywhere else for that matter, than someone who has lived for an extended period of time in that country.

Putin is a liar and is being nurtured by his father, the father of lies.

Right up till the very invasion, Putin denied he was going to invade Ukraine. He denied that Russian troops were in Crimea in 2014, he denied that Russia was assisting the, so-called, separatists in the Donbas region, he denied that a Russian surface-to-air missile shot down the Malaysian plane, the Russians denied that they had participated in state run doping of their athletes in the Olympics, they denied that they have poisoned former agents abroad, and the list goes on-and-on.

To answer Biblically the question about whether or not Ukrainians should be fighting for their freedom, let's look at the book of wisdom, Ecclesiastes, to hear what Solomon said.

ECC.3:1 To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven: ECC.3:2 A time to be born, And a time to die; A time to plant, And a time to pluck what is planted; ECC.3:3 A time to kill, And a time to heal; A time to break down, And a time to build up; ECC.3:4 A time to weep, And a time to laugh; A time to mourn, And a time to dance; ECC.3:5 A time to cast away stones, And a time to gather stones; A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing; ECC.3:6 A time to gain, And a time to lose; A time to keep, And a time to throw away; ECC.3:7 A time to tear, And a time to sew; A time to keep silence, And a time to speak; ECC.3:8 A time to love, And a time to hate; A time of war, And a time of peace.

Throughout the Bible, we have wars happening and the people of God fighting the forces of evil.

David chose to fight Goliath and won. He didn't surrender to him. The little David, Ukraine, is fighting the mighty Goliath, Russia, and miraculously is winning. From all I can see, God is fighting with them.

When Jeremiah warned the Jews to "take upon them the yoke of Babylon", it was because God brought the Babylonians as His instrument of punishment to punish the Jewish people for their turning away from God and being joined to idols and other gods.

Ukraine, in contrast, is the most Christian country in Europe, with over 80% of their people professing faith in God.

I don't believe the Russian invasion is from God, but from the Devil. If that is the case, then Ukraine should fight.

I get worked up about this subject because it is dear to my heart. Putin has wrecked the lives of so many people. How can that be right?

I will leave this subject for now, but there is much more I could write about it.

<u>Message from a Ukrainian Refugee about</u> <u>Putin and the Russian Invasion of</u> <u>Ukraine</u>



This meme was posted by my Ukrainian friend on her Facebook timeline.

Since the Russian invasion of Ukraine, I've been very concerned about a dear Ukrainian sister in Christ, Lydia from Kyiv. I have known her since 1994. She was one of my partners in St. Petersburg, Russia, my interpreter and teammate in evangelistic work sharing the Gospel with the people of Russia. Thankfully she fled her home in Kyiv and is now safe in Poland.

I've been hearing different interpretations of the Russian invasion. Dr. Chuck Baldwin, a pastor I like, wrote a recent article entitled "Ukraine is not a victim" in which he is very critical of the Ukrainian government and talks about all its faults and misdeeds. And I listened to the testimonial of an American from Texas who lived in the Donbas area of Ukraine for 8 years, became a Russian citizen, and is pro-Putin and anti-Ukrainian government policies. And because the US and Western governments of the world are so anti-Russian / anti-Putin, it makes me wonder if I'm not being bombarded with another round of government propaganda. I, therefore, was very interested to hear directly from my Ukrainian friend what her views are. Below is the dialog we had: Me: Lydia, I know this may not be a good time for you now, but I would like to hear your opinion about the Russian invasion. One man I am listening to now is an American from Texas who has lived in Donbas in eastern Ukraine for the last 8 years. He is telling me just the opposite of what western media is saying!! He says that Biden and the USA are most responsible for provoking Putin to invade to protect ethnic Russians from Nazis in eastern Ukraine.

Lydia: From my own relatives and acquaintances I know how strong and effective Russian propaganda is. I experienced friends turned into enemies because they believe what was broadcasted more than people. But the truth is people from Donbas could travel all over Ukraine freely, speak Russian, and even get Ukrainian social benefits and nobody was attacking them nor in words or by deeds. You are a smart man, but it seems to me you've caught some of that propaganda.

Putin is a liar. And he used the same false accusations to attack other countries as well. You might've known that. That video you've posted about what was happening in 2013, before and after is not accurate, not true. The same twisted lies they fed and keep on feeding to Russians and anybody for that matter.

If someone in power is concerned that somebody's rights are violated (like ethnic Russians), why can't he do it the civil way: collect the evidence and go to international court with it?

Ukrainian independence is what Putin didn't like and you can get that message from his speeches before he started this inhuman war. By what can you justify targeted bombing of an maternity hospital, an orphanage and shootings of unarmed civilians?

Why do we had to run from our home for dear life and to become refugees now? Every day cites and towns are bombed. Every day something is destroyed in Kyiv and I check news in the morning worried sick it might be our apartment building. I just pray for my parents, sister and all my loved ones to be safe. Over 60 of my fellow Kievans were killed, 4 of them were kids.

In Ukraine people of different nationalities live together peacefully and we don't want anyone's territory. We want to live in peace, choose our own course without anybody dictating us what to do.

The sad truth is most Russians consider themselves superior to Ukrainians and any other nations as well. Doesn't that resemble you something?

I'm sorry if I sound overly emotional, I actually am and some of the thoughts are hard to put into words. I didn't want to offend you in any way, and I hope you'll come to the right conclusions. **Me:** Lydia, if you know me at all you should know that I am a truth seeker. The reason I asked you is that I value the views of people who live in Ukraine. I believe you more than the media. I am praying daily for the end of the war and the end of Putin.

I know from experience not to trust the mainstream media, and I can't even trust alternative media. That's why I asked you, Lydia, for your views. I do not trust any head of State, not Putin, not Biden, and not Trump either. I believe the world is under the control of the Beast of Revelation chapter 13. It's not the future, it's right NOW! I'm sorry if you thought I am influenced by Putin's propaganda. I am not. I know he's an evil man and a criminal. But so is Joe Biden, and so is probably all the American presidents since the early 20th century with the possible exception of John F Kennedy. I also know the first casualty of war is the truth. The Western media tells me Russia is committing war crimes. They also told me Iraq has weapons of mass destruction. That was proven to be a lie. You say that you know for sure that Russia is committing war crimes. Well, that's verification for me and I will accept that. You would know better than me. And I do not trust the Beast media. I will accept your view because you say it is confirmed by many people you know, and I trust you.

And I didn't say I believed the American who lives in Donbas, I said what he is saying is different than what Western media is saying. That's why I wanted to hear your views. Of course, I will value the views of a person I know over a person I don't know. Thank you for taking the time to share them with me. I am praying always for the Russian troops to withdraw from Ukraine. We know that the Devil is behind it all.

Lydia: I've never heard that quote before about the truth being the first casualty of more, but I like it very much because I can see how true it is. Before the war, we had online Bible classes on Sundays, but now it's a daily prayer for Ukraine. And one of the prayers was for the truth to be evident. Thanks for your support!

Best wishes to you and Tess!

<u>War is a Racket</u>



By Major General Smedley Butler

- Born: West Chester, Pa., July 30, 1881
- Educated: Haverford School
- Married: Ethel C. Peters, of Philadelphia, June 30, 1905
- Awarded two congressional medals of honor:
 - 1. capture of Vera Cruz, Mexico, 1914
 - 2. capture of Ft. Riviere, Haiti, 1917
- Distinguished service medal, 1919
- Major General United States Marine Corps
- Retired Oct. 1, 1931
- On leave of absence to act as director of Dept. of Safety, Philadelphia, 1932
- Lecturer 1930's
- Republican Candidate for Senate, 1932
- Died at Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, June 21, 1940
- For more information about Major General Butler, contact the United States Marine Corps.

CHAPTER ONE War Is A Racket

WAR is a racket. It always has been.

It is possibly the oldest, easily the most profitable, surely the most vicious. It is the only one international in scope. It is the only one in which the profits are reckoned in dollars and the losses in lives.

A racket is best described, I believe, as something that is not what it seems to the majority of the people. Only a small "inside" group knows what it is about. It is conducted for the benefit of the very few, at the expense of the very many. Out of war a few people make huge fortunes.

In the World War [I] a mere handful garnered the profits of the conflict. At least 21,000 new millionaires and billionaires were made in the United States during the World War. That many admitted their huge blood gains in their income tax returns. How many other war millionaires falsified their tax returns no one knows. How many of these war millionaires shouldered a rifle? How many of them dug a trench? How many of them knew what it meant to go hungry in a rat-infested dug-out? How many of them spent sleepless, frightened nights, ducking shells and shrapnel and machine gun bullets? How many of them parried a bayonet thrust of an enemy? How many of them were wounded or killed in battle?

Out of war nations acquire additional territory, if they are victorious. They just take it. This newly acquired territory promptly is exploited by the few – the selfsame few who wrung dollars out of blood in the war. The general public shoulders the bill.

And what is this bill?

This bill renders a horrible accounting. Newly placed gravestones. Mangled bodies. Shattered minds. Broken hearts and homes. Economic instability. Depression and all its attendant miseries. Back-breaking taxation for generations and generations.

For a great many years, as a soldier, I had a suspicion that war was a racket; not until I retired to civil life did I fully realize it. Now that I see the international war clouds gathering, as they are today, I must face it and speak out.

Again they are choosing sides. France and Russia met and agreed to stand side by side. Italy and Austria hurried to make a similar agreement. Poland and Germany cast sheep's eyes at each other, forgetting for the nonce [one unique occasion], their dispute over the Polish Corridor.

The assassination of King Alexander of Jugoslavia [Yugoslavia] complicated matters. Jugoslavia and Hungary, long bitter enemies, were almost at each other's throats. Italy was ready to jump in. But France was waiting. So was Czechoslovakia. All of them are looking ahead to war. Not the people – not those who fight and pay and die – only those who foment wars and remain safely at home to profit.

There are 40,000,000 men under arms in the world today, and our statesmen and diplomats have the temerity to say that war is not in the making.

Hell's bells! Are these 40,000,000 men being trained to be dancers?

Not in Italy, to be sure. Premier Mussolini knows what they are being trained for. He, at least, is frank enough to speak out. Only the other day, Il Duce in "International Conciliation," the publication of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, said:

"And above all, Fascism, the more it considers and observes the future and the development of humanity quite apart from political considerations of the moment, believes neither in the possibility nor the utility of perpetual peace. . . . War alone brings up to its highest tension all human energy and puts the stamp of nobility upon the people who have the courage to meet it."

Undoubtedly Mussolini means exactly what he says. His well-trained army, his great fleet of planes, and even his navy are ready for war – anxious for it,

apparently. His recent stand at the side of Hungary in the latter's dispute with Jugoslavia showed that. And the hurried mobilization of his troops on the Austrian border after the assassination of Dollfuss showed it too. There are others in Europe too whose sabre rattling presages war, sooner or later.

Herr Hitler, with his rearming Germany and his constant demands for more and more arms, is an equal if not greater menace to peace. France only recently increased the term of military service for its youth from a year to eighteen months.

Yes, all over, nations are camping in their arms. The mad dogs of Europe are on the loose. In the Orient the maneuvering is more adroit. Back in 1904, when Russia and Japan fought, we kicked out our old friends the Russians and backed Japan. Then our very generous international bankers were financing Japan. Now the trend is to poison us against the Japanese. What does the "open door" policy to China mean to us? Our trade with China is about \$90,000,000 a year. Or the Philippine Islands? We have spent about \$600,000,000 in the Philippines in thirty-five years and we (our bankers and industrialists and speculators) have private investments there of less than \$200,000,000.

Then, to save that China trade of about \$90,000,000, or to protect these private investments of less than \$200,000,000 in the Philippines, we would be all stirred up to hate Japan and go to war — a war that might well cost us tens of billions of dollars, hundreds of thousands of lives of Americans, and many more hundreds of thousands of physically maimed and mentally unbalanced men.

Of course, for this loss, there would be a compensating profit – fortunes would be made. Millions and billions of dollars would be piled up. By a few. Munitions makers. Bankers. Ship builders. Manufacturers. Meat packers. Speculators. They would fare well.

Yes, they are getting ready for another war. Why shouldn't they? It pays high dividends.

But what does it profit the men who are killed? What does it profit their mothers and sisters, their wives and their sweethearts? What does it profit their children?

What does it profit anyone except the very few to whom war means huge profits?

Yes, and what does it profit the nation?

Take our own case. Until 1898 we didn't own a bit of territory outside the mainland of North America. At that time our national debt was a little more than \$1,000,000,000. Then we became "internationally minded." We forgot, or shunted aside, the advice of the Father of our country. We forgot George Washington's warning about "entangling alliances." We went to war. We acquired outside territory. At the end of the World War period, as a direct result of our fiddling in international affairs, our national debt had jumped

to over \$25,000,000,000. Our total favorable trade balance during the twentyfive-year period was about \$24,000,000,000. Therefore, on a purely bookkeeping basis, we ran a little behind year for year, and that foreign trade might well have been ours without the wars.

It would have been far cheaper (not to say safer) for the average American who pays the bills to stay out of foreign entanglements. For a very few this racket, like bootlegging and other underworld rackets, brings fancy profits, but the cost of operations is always transferred to the people – who do not profit.

CHAPTER TWO Who Makes The Profits?

The World War, rather our brief participation in it, has cost the United States some \$52,000,000,000. Figure it out. That means \$400 to every American man, woman, and child. And we haven't paid the debt yet. We are paying it, our children will pay it, and our children's children probably still will be paying the cost of that war.

The normal profits of a business concern in the United States are six, eight, ten, and sometimes twelve percent. But war-time profits — ah! that is another matter — twenty, sixty, one hundred, three hundred, and even eighteen hundred per cent — the sky is the limit. All that traffic will bear. Uncle Sam has the money. Let's get it.

Of course, it isn't put that crudely in war time. It is dressed into speeches about patriotism, love of country, and "we must all put our shoulders to the wheel," but the profits jump and leap and skyrocket – and are safely pocketed. Let's just take a few examples:

Take our friends the du Ponts, the powder people — didn't one of them testify before a Senate committee recently that their powder won the war? Or saved the world for democracy? Or something? How did they do in the war? They were a patriotic corporation. Well, the average earnings of the du Ponts for the period 1910 to 1914 were \$6,000,000 a year. It wasn't much, but the du Ponts managed to get along on it. Now let's look at their average yearly profit during the war years, 1914 to 1918. Fifty-eight million dollars a year profit we find! Nearly ten times that of normal times, and the profits of normal times were pretty good. An increase in profits of more than 950 per cent.

Take one of our little steel companies that patriotically shunted aside the making of rails and girders and bridges to manufacture war materials. Well, their 1910-1914 yearly earnings averaged \$6,000,000. Then came the war. And, like loyal citizens, Bethlehem Steel promptly turned to munitions making. Did their profits jump — or did they let Uncle Sam in for a bargain? Well, their 1914-1918 average was \$49,000,000 a year!

Or, let's take United States Steel. The normal earnings during the five-year period prior to the war were \$105,000,000 a year. Not bad. Then along came the war and up went the profits. The average yearly profit for the period 1914-1918 was \$240,000,000. Not bad.

There you have some of the steel and powder earnings. Let's look at something else. A little copper, perhaps. That always does well in war times.

Anaconda, for instance. Average yearly earnings during the pre-war years 1910-1914 of \$10,000,000. During the war years 1914-1918 profits leaped to \$34,000,000 per year.

Or Utah Copper. Average of \$5,000,000 per year during the 1910-1914 period. Jumped to an average of \$21,000,000 yearly profits for the war period.

Let's group these five, with three smaller companies. The total yearly average profits of the pre-war period 1910-1914 were \$137,480,000. Then along came the war. The average yearly profits for this group skyrocketed to \$408,300,000.

A little increase in profits of approximately 200 per cent.

Does war pay? It paid them. But they aren't the only ones. There are still others. Let's take leather.

For the three-year period before the war the total profits of Central Leather Company were \$3,500,000. That was approximately \$1,167,000 a year. Well, in 1916 Central Leather returned a profit of \$15,000,000, a small increase of 1,100 per cent. That's all. The General Chemical Company averaged a profit for the three years before the war of a little over \$800,000 a year. Came the war, and the profits jumped to \$12,000,000. a leap of 1,400 per cent.

International Nickel Company – and you can't have a war without nickel – showed an increase in profits from a mere average of \$4,000,000 a year to \$73,000,000 yearly. Not bad? An increase of more than 1,700 per cent.

American Sugar Refining Company averaged \$2,000,000 a year for the three years before the war. In 1916 a profit of \$6,000,000 was recorded.

Listen to Senate Document No. 259. The Sixty-Fifth Congress, reporting on corporate earnings and government revenues. Considering the profits of 122 meat packers, 153 cotton manufacturers, 299 garment makers, 49 steel plants, and 340 coal producers during the war. Profits under 25 per cent were exceptional. For instance the coal companies made between 100 per cent and 7,856 per cent on their capital stock during the war. The Chicago packers doubled and tripled their earnings.

And let us not forget the bankers who financed the great war. If anyone had the cream of the profits it was the bankers. Being partnerships rather than incorporated organizations, they do not have to report to stockholders. And their profits were as secret as they were immense. How the bankers made their millions and their billions I do not know, because those little secrets never become public — even before a Senate investigatory body.

But here's how some of the other patriotic industrialists and speculators chiseled their way into war profits.

Take the shoe people. They like war. It brings business with abnormal

profits. They made huge profits on sales abroad to our allies. Perhaps, like the munitions manufacturers and armament makers, they also sold to the enemy. For a dollar is a dollar whether it comes from Germany or from France. But they did well by Uncle Sam too. For instance, they sold Uncle Sam 35,000,000 pairs of hobnailed service shoes. There were 4,000,000 soldiers. Eight pairs, and more, to a soldier. My regiment during the war had only one pair to a soldier. Some of these shoes probably are still in existence. They were good shoes. But when the war was over Uncle Sam has a matter of 25,000,000 pairs left over. Bought – and paid for. Profits recorded and pocketed.

There was still lots of leather left. So the leather people sold your Uncle Sam hundreds of thousands of McClellan saddles for the cavalry. But there wasn't any American cavalry overseas! Somebody had to get rid of this leather, however. Somebody had to make a profit in it — so we had a lot of McClellan saddles. And we probably have those yet.

Also somebody had a lot of mosquito netting. They sold your Uncle Sam 20,000,000 mosquito nets for the use of the soldiers overseas. I suppose the boys were expected to put it over them as they tried to sleep in muddy trenches — one hand scratching cooties on their backs and the other making passes at scurrying rats. Well, not one of these mosquito nets ever got to France!

Anyhow, these thoughtful manufacturers wanted to make sure that no soldier would be without his mosquito net, so 40,000,000 additional yards of mosquito netting were sold to Uncle Sam.

There were pretty good profits in mosquito netting in those days, even if there were no mosquitoes in France. I suppose, if the war had lasted just a little longer, the enterprising mosquito netting manufacturers would have sold your Uncle Sam a couple of consignments of mosquitoes to plant in France so that more mosquito netting would be in order.

Airplane and engine manufacturers felt they, too, should get their just profits out of this war. Why not? Everybody else was getting theirs. So \$1,000,000,000 - count them if you live long enough - was spent by Uncle Sam in building airplane engines that never left the ground! Not one plane, or motor, out of the billion dollars worth ordered, ever got into a battle in France. Just the same the manufacturers made their little profit of 30, 100, or perhaps 300 per cent.

Undershirts for soldiers cost 14¢ [cents] to make and uncle Sam paid 30¢ to 40¢ each for them – a nice little profit for the undershirt manufacturer. And the stocking manufacturer and the uniform manufacturers and the cap manufacturers and the steel helmet manufacturers – all got theirs.

Why, when the war was over some 4,000,000 sets of equipment – knapsacks and the things that go to fill them – crammed warehouses on this side. Now they are being scrapped because the regulations have changed the contents. But the manufacturers collected their wartime profits on them – and they will do it all over again the next time.

There were lots of brilliant ideas for profit making during the war.

One very versatile patriot sold Uncle Sam twelve dozen 48-inch wrenches. Oh, they were very nice wrenches. The only trouble was that there was only one nut ever made that was large enough for these wrenches. That is the one that holds the turbines at Niagara Falls. Well, after Uncle Sam had bought them and the manufacturer had pocketed the profit, the wrenches were put on freight cars and shunted all around the United States in an effort to find a use for them. When the Armistice was signed it was indeed a sad blow to the wrench manufacturer. He was just about to make some nuts to fit the wrenches. Then he planned to sell these, too, to your Uncle Sam.

Still another had the brilliant idea that colonels shouldn't ride in automobiles, nor should they even ride on horseback. One has probably seen a picture of Andy Jackson riding in a buckboard. Well, some 6,000 buckboards were sold to Uncle Sam for the use of colonels! Not one of them was used. But the buckboard manufacturer got his war profit.

The shipbuilders felt they should come in on some of it, too. They built a lot of ships that made a lot of profit. More than \$3,000,000,000 worth. Some of the ships were all right. But \$635,000,000 worth of them were made of wood and wouldn't float! The seams opened up — and they sank. We paid for them, though. And somebody pocketed the profits.

It has been estimated by statisticians and economists and researchers that the war cost your Uncle Sam \$52,000,000,000. Of this sum, \$39,000,000,000 was expended in the actual war itself. This expenditure yielded \$16,000,000,000 in profits. That is how the 21,000 billionaires and millionaires got that way. This \$16,000,000,000 profits is not to be sneezed at. It is quite a tidy sum. And it went to a very few.

The Senate (Nye) committee probe of the munitions industry and its wartime profits, despite its sensational disclosures, hardly has scratched the surface.

Even so, it has had some effect. The State Department has been studying "for some time" methods of keeping out of war. The War Department suddenly decides it has a wonderful plan to spring. The Administration names a committee – with the War and Navy Departments ably represented under the chairmanship of a Wall Street speculator – to limit profits in war time. To what extent isn't suggested. Hmmm. Possibly the profits of 300 and 600 and 1,600 per cent of those who turned blood into gold in the World War would be limited to some smaller figure.

Apparently, however, the plan does not call for any limitation of losses – that is, the losses of those who fight the war. As far as I have been able to ascertain there is nothing in the scheme to limit a soldier to the loss of but one eye, or one arm, or to limit his wounds to one or two or three. Or to limit the loss of life.

There is nothing in this scheme, apparently, that says not more than 12 per cent of a regiment shall be wounded in battle, or that not more than 7 per

cent in a division shall be killed.

Of course, the committee cannot be bothered with such trifling matters.

CHAPTER THREE Who Pays The Bills?

Who provides the profits — these nice little profits of 20, 100, 300, 1,500 and 1,800 per cent? We all pay them — in taxation. We paid the bankers their profits when we bought Liberty Bonds at \$100.00 and sold them back at \$84 or \$86 to the bankers. These bankers collected \$100 plus. It was a simple manipulation. The bankers control the security marts. It was easy for them to depress the price of these bonds. Then all of us — the people — got frightened and sold the bonds at \$84 or \$86. The bankers bought them. Then these same bankers stimulated a boom and government bonds went to par — and above. Then the bankers collected their profits.

But the soldier pays the biggest part of the bill.

If you don't believe this, visit the American cemeteries on the battlefields abroad. Or visit any of the veteran's hospitals in the United States. On a tour of the country, in the midst of which I am at the time of this writing, I have visited eighteen government hospitals for veterans. In them are a total of about 50,000 destroyed men – men who were the pick of the nation eighteen years ago. The very able chief surgeon at the government hospital; at Milwaukee, where there are 3,800 of the living dead, told me that mortality among veterans is three times as great as among those who stayed at home.

Boys with a normal viewpoint were taken out of the fields and offices and factories and classrooms and put into the ranks. There they were remolded; they were made over; they were made to "about face"; to regard murder as the order of the day. They were put shoulder to shoulder and, through mass psychology, they were entirely changed. We used them for a couple of years and trained them to think nothing at all of killing or of being killed.

Then, suddenly, we discharged them and told them to make another "about face" ! This time they had to do their own readjustment, sans [without] mass psychology, sans officers' aid and advice and sans nation-wide propaganda. We didn't need them any more. So we scattered them about without any "three-minute" or "Liberty Loan" speeches or parades. Many, too many, of these fine young boys are eventually destroyed, mentally, because they could not make that final "about face" alone.

In the government hospital in Marion, Indiana, 1,800 of these boys are in pens! Five hundred of them in a barracks with steel bars and wires all around outside the buildings and on the porches. These already have been mentally destroyed. These boys don't even look like human beings. Oh, the looks on their faces! Physically, they are in good shape; mentally, they are gone.

There are thousands and thousands of these cases, and more and more are coming in all the time. The tremendous excitement of the war, the sudden cutting off of that excitement – the young boys couldn't stand it.

That's a part of the bill. So much for the dead — they have paid their part of the war profits. So much for the mentally and physically wounded — they are paying now their share of the war profits. But the others paid, too they paid with heartbreaks when they tore themselves away from their firesides and their families to don the uniform of Uncle Sam — on which a profit had been made. They paid another part in the training camps where they were regimented and drilled while others took their jobs and their places in the lives of their communities. The paid for it in the trenches where they shot and were shot; where they were hungry for days at a time; where they slept in the mud and the cold and in the rain — with the moans and shrieks of the dying for a horrible lullaby.

But don't forget - the soldier paid part of the dollars and cents bill too.

Up to and including the Spanish-American War, we had a prize system, and soldiers and sailors fought for money. During the Civil War they were paid bonuses, in many instances, before they went into service. The government, or states, paid as high as \$1,200 for an enlistment. In the Spanish-American War they gave prize money. When we captured any vessels, the soldiers all got their share — at least, they were supposed to. Then it was found that we could reduce the cost of wars by taking all the prize money and keeping it, but conscripting [drafting] the soldier anyway. Then soldiers couldn't bargain for their labor, Everyone else could bargain, but the soldier couldn't.

Napoleon once said,

"All men are enamored of decorations . . . they positively hunger for them."

So by developing the Napoleonic system — the medal business — the government learned it could get soldiers for less money, because the boys liked to be decorated. Until the Civil War there were no medals. Then the Congressional Medal of Honor was handed out. It made enlistments easier. After the Civil War no new medals were issued until the Spanish-American War.

In the World War, we used propaganda to make the boys accept conscription. They were made to feel ashamed if they didn't join the army.

So vicious was this war propaganda that even God was brought into it. With few exceptions our clergymen joined in the clamor to kill, kill, kill. To kill the Germans. God is on our side . . . it is His will that the Germans be killed.

And in Germany, the good pastors called upon the Germans to kill the allies . . to please the same God. That was a part of the general propaganda, built up to make people war conscious and murder conscious.

Beautiful ideals were painted for our boys who were sent out to die. This was the "war to end all wars." This was the "war to make the world safe for democracy." No one mentioned to them, as they marched away, that their going and their dying would mean huge war profits. No one told these American soldiers that they might be shot down by bullets made by their own brothers here. No one told them that the ships on which they were going to cross might be torpedoed by submarines built with United States patents. They were just told it was to be a "glorious adventure."

Thus, having stuffed patriotism down their throats, it was decided to make them help pay for the war, too. So, we gave them the large salary of \$30 a month.

All they had to do for this munificent sum was to leave their dear ones behind, give up their jobs, lie in swampy trenches, eat canned willy (when they could get it) and kill and kill and kill . . . and be killed.

But wait!

Half of that wage (just a little more than a riveter in a shipyard or a laborer in a munitions factory safe at home made in a day) was promptly taken from him to support his dependents, so that they would not become a charge upon his community. Then we made him pay what amounted to accident insurance – something the employer pays for in an enlightened state – and that cost him \$6 a month. He had less than \$9 a month left.

Then, the most crowning insolence of all – he was virtually blackjacked into paying for his own ammunition, clothing, and food by being made to buy Liberty Bonds. Most soldiers got no money at all on pay days.

We made them buy Liberty Bonds at \$100 and then we bought them back — when they came back from the war and couldn't find work — at \$84 and \$86. And the soldiers bought about \$2,000,000,000 worth of these bonds!

Yes, the soldier pays the greater part of the bill. His family pays too. They pay it in the same heart-break that he does. As he suffers, they suffer. At nights, as he lay in the trenches and watched shrapnel burst about him, they lay home in their beds and tossed sleeplessly — his father, his mother, his wife, his sisters, his brothers, his sons, and his daughters.

When he returned home minus an eye, or minus a leg or with his mind broken, they suffered too — as much as and even sometimes more than he. Yes, and they, too, contributed their dollars to the profits of the munitions makers and bankers and shipbuilders and the manufacturers and the speculators made. They, too, bought Liberty Bonds and contributed to the profit of the bankers after the Armistice in the hocus-pocus of manipulated Liberty Bond prices.

And even now the families of the wounded men and of the mentally broken and those who never were able to readjust themselves are still suffering and still paying.

CHAPTER FOUR How To Smash This Racket!

WELL, it's a racket, all right.

A few profit – and the many pay. But there is a way to stop it. You can't end it by disarmament conferences. You can't eliminate it by peace parleys at

Geneva. Well-meaning but impractical groups can't wipe it out by resolutions. It can be smashed effectively only by taking the profit out of war.

The only way to smash this racket is to conscript capital and industry and labor before the nations manhood can be conscripted. One month before the Government can conscript the young men of the nation — it must conscript capital and industry and labor. Let the officers and the directors and the high-powered executives of our armament factories and our munitions makers and our shipbuilders and our airplane builders and the manufacturers of all the other things that provide profit in war time as well as the bankers and the speculators, be conscripted — to get \$30 a month, the same wage as the lads in the trenches get.

Let the workers in these plants get the same wages — all the workers, all presidents, all executives, all directors, all managers, all bankers — yes, and all generals and all admirals and all officers and all politicians and all government office holders — everyone in the nation be restricted to a total monthly income not to exceed that paid to the soldier in the trenches!

Let all these kings and tycoons and masters of business and all those workers in industry and all our senators and governors and majors pay half of their monthly \$30 wage to their families and pay war risk insurance and buy Liberty Bonds.

Why shouldn't they?

They aren't running any risk of being killed or of having their bodies mangled or their minds shattered. They aren't sleeping in muddy trenches. They aren't hungry. The soldiers are!

Give capital and industry and labor thirty days to think it over and you will find, by that time, there will be no war. That will smash the war racket – that and nothing else.

Maybe I am a little too optimistic. Capital still has some say. So capital won't permit the taking of the profit out of war until the people – those who do the suffering and still pay the price – make up their minds that those they elect to office shall do their bidding, and not that of the profiteers.

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Another step necessary in this fight to smash the war racket is the limited plebiscite to determine whether a war should be declared. A plebiscite not of all the voters but merely of those who would be called upon to do the fighting and dying. There wouldn't be very much sense in having a 76-year-old president of a munitions factory or the flat-footed head of an international banking firm or the cross-eyed manager of a uniform manufacturing plant – all of whom see visions of tremendous profits in the event of war – voting on whether the nation should go to war or not. They never would be called upon to shoulder arms – to sleep in a trench and to be shot. Only those who would be called upon to risk their lives for their country should have the privilege of voting to determine whether the nation should go to war.

There is ample precedent for restricting the voting to those affected. Many of our states have restrictions on those permitted to vote. In most, it is necessary to be able to read and write before you may vote. In some, you must own property. It would be a simple matter each year for the men coming of military age to register in their communities as they did in the draft during the World War and be examined physically. Those who could pass and who would therefore be called upon to bear arms in the event of war would be eligible to vote in a limited plebiscite. They should be the ones to have the power to decide – and not a Congress few of whose members are within the age limit and fewer still of whom are in physical condition to bear arms. Only those who must suffer should have the right to vote.

A third step in this business of smashing the war racket is to make certain that our military forces are truly forces for defense only.

At each session of Congress the question of further naval appropriations comes up. The swivel-chair admirals of Washington (and there are always a lot of them) are very adroit lobbyists. And they are smart. They don't shout that "We need a lot of battleships to war on this nation or that nation." Oh no. First of all, they let it be known that America is menaced by a great naval power. Almost any day, these admirals will tell you, the great fleet of this supposed enemy will strike suddenly and annihilate 125,000,000 people. Just like that. Then they begin to cry for a larger navy. For what? To fight the enemy? Oh my, no. Oh, no. For defense purposes only.

Then, incidentally, they announce maneuvers in the Pacific. For defense. Uh, huh.

The Pacific is a great big ocean. We have a tremendous coastline on the Pacific. Will the maneuvers be off the coast, two or three hundred miles? Oh, no. The maneuvers will be two thousand, yes, perhaps even thirty-five hundred miles, off the coast.

The Japanese, a proud people, of course will be pleased beyond expression to see the united States fleet so close to Nippon's shores. Even as pleased as would be the residents of California were they to dimly discern through the morning mist, the Japanese fleet playing at war games off Los Angeles.

The ships of our navy, it can be seen, should be specifically limited, by law, to within 200 miles of our coastline. Had that been the law in 1898 the Maine would never have gone to Havana Harbor. She never would have been blown up. There would have been no war with Spain with its attendant loss of life. Two hundred miles is ample, in the opinion of experts, for defense purposes. Our nation cannot start an offensive war if its ships can't go further than 200 miles from the coastline. Planes might be permitted to go as far as 500 miles from the coast for purposes of reconnaissance. And the army should never leave the territorial limits of our nation.

To summarize: Three steps must be taken to smash the war racket.

- 1. We must take the profit out of war.
- 2. We must permit the youth of the land who would bear arms to decide

whether or not there should be war.

3. We must limit our military forces to home defense purposes.

CHAPTER FIVE To Hell With War!

I am not a fool as to believe that war is a thing of the past. I know the people do not want war, but there is no use in saying we cannot be pushed into another war.

Looking back, Woodrow Wilson was re-elected president in 1916 on a platform that he had "kept us out of war" and on the implied promise that he would "keep us out of war." Yet, five months later he asked Congress to declare war on Germany.

In that five-month interval the people had not been asked whether they had changed their minds. The 4,000,000 young men who put on uniforms and marched or sailed away were not asked whether they wanted to go forth to suffer and die.

Then what caused our government to change its mind so suddenly?

Money.

An allied commission, it may be recalled, came over shortly before the war declaration and called on the President. The President summoned a group of advisers. The head of the commission spoke. Stripped of its diplomatic language, this is what he told the President and his group:

"There is no use kidding ourselves any longer. The cause of the allies is lost. We now owe you (American bankers, American munitions makers, American manufacturers, American speculators, American exporters) five or six billion dollars.

If we lose (and without the help of the United States we must lose) we, England, France and Italy, cannot pay back this money . . . and Germany won't.

So . . . "

Had secrecy been outlawed as far as war negotiations were concerned, and had the press been invited to be present at that conference, or had radio been available to broadcast the proceedings, America never would have entered the World War. But this conference, like all war discussions, was shrouded in utmost secrecy. When our boys were sent off to war they were told it was a "war to make the world safe for democracy" and a "war to end all wars." Well, eighteen years after, the world has less of democracy than it had then. Besides, what business is it of ours whether Russia or Germany or England or France or Italy or Austria live under democracies or monarchies? Whether they are Fascists or Communists? Our problem is to preserve our own democracy.

And very little, if anything, has been accomplished to assure us that the World War was really the war to end all wars.

Yes, we have had disarmament conferences and limitations of arms conferences. They don't mean a thing. One has just failed; the results of another have been nullified. We send our professional soldiers and our sailors and our politicians and our diplomats to these conferences. And what happens?

The professional soldiers and sailors don't want to disarm. No admiral wants to be without a ship. No general wants to be without a command. Both mean men without jobs. They are not for disarmament. They cannot be for limitations of arms. And at all these conferences, lurking in the background but allpowerful, just the same, are the sinister agents of those who profit by war. They see to it that these conferences do not disarm or seriously limit armaments.

The chief aim of any power at any of these conferences has not been to achieve disarmament to prevent war but rather to get more armament for itself and less for any potential foe.

There is only one way to disarm with any semblance of practicability. That is for all nations to get together and scrap every ship, every gun, every rifle, every tank, every war plane. Even this, if it were possible, would not be enough.

The next war, according to experts, will be fought not with battleships, not by artillery, not with rifles and not with machine guns. It will be fought with deadly chemicals and gases.

Secretly each nation is studying and perfecting newer and ghastlier means of annihilating its foes wholesale. Yes, ships will continue to be built, for the shipbuilders must make their profits. And guns still will be manufactured and powder and rifles will be made, for the munitions makers must make their huge profits. And the soldiers, of course, must wear uniforms, for the manufacturer must make their war profits too.

But victory or defeat will be determined by the skill and ingenuity of our scientists.

If we put them to work making poison gas and more and more fiendish mechanical and explosive instruments of destruction, they will have no time for the constructive job of building greater prosperity for all peoples. By putting them to this useful job, we can all make more money out of peace than we can out of war — even the munitions makers.

So…I say,