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A CLEAR & PRESENT DANGER – PART I

“So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast... And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation”. (Revelation 13:4 & 7) “The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast.” (Revelation 17:12-13)

The title to this article is a bit of a double entendre. The ‘CLEAR & PRESENT DANGER’ of which I write refers both to the threat to our present world order presented by the forces that seek to bring about a new world order; - as well as to the fear on the part of those seeking that order, - that ‘traditional Americans’ constitute a threat to their plans. To them, we ARE the danger! Now in the course of the last several months, we have seen an acceleration of events. Our world is fast preparing for the acceptance of an Antichrist figure; - a Beast himself who will control the reigns of power so tightly that there will be total economic, political and spiritual control of every aspect of our lives; - a system if you will, that will itself be a ‘Beast’. In this perspective we are going to look at just two trends that are taking place: The move toward National Fascism and the slide toward Internationalism, or ‘Global Governance’.

TOWARD A NATIONAL FASCISM

The slide toward National Fascism has been rapid, - but should not have come as a total surprise to the astute observer. Now I’m using the term here in a technical sense. We’re talking about an enforced partnership between government and business, also known as Corporatism. This is the model that the US has been morphing toward.¹ As it progresses it tends to take on another characteristic of the Fascist model that was seen in practice during the 1920s through 40’s; - that being the increased control over the everyday lives and freedoms of its citizens.

This later aspect started with a report by the Missouri State Police that warned law enforcement officers to look out for supporters of Congressman Ron Paul, or the Libertarian Party, the Constitutional Party or the Campaign for Liberty. People with bumper stickers supporting those causes may be right wing terrorists. Others that qualified for special watching included anyone that was opposed to; - the New World Order, the UN, a North American Union, the Federal Reserve, abortion-on-demand or illegal immigration. That’s pretty much anyone who thinks that this country may be heading down the wrong road right now!² Missouri later apologized for the report; - for whatever that’s worth. Next came the Department of Homeland Security document; - the *Homeland Environment Threat Analysis*, - targeting “Rightwing Extremism” and “violent radicalization in the United States”. This targeted on a national level many of the same groups, adding in folks opposed to gun control, government takeover of the economy, - who believed we may be living in the Last Days before the return of Jesus the Christ, - American veterans returned from the wars. It also mentioned “conspiracy theorists” who feared the declaration of martial law or “suspension of the US Constitution”.³ That general fear on the part of the government of the people, - the body politic, - could explain why they’ve brought home combat veterans to deal with anticipated domestic disturbances. Well there was a half hearted explanation / apology by Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano that followed the release of *that* document.

Now the good news is that the American body politic is not taking all the nonsense that is going on lying down. The Tea Party movement brought somewhere between 750,000 and 1 million Americans together for the purpose of letting the pols of both parties know that a large segment of the population is not happy about the direction this country is taking under President Obama, - or for that matter that it took in the waning days of President Bush. There are another 366 such bi-partisan demonstrations planned for the 4th of July. That’s the good news! The bad news is that the Feds are watching, - just as if we lived in some fascistic police state of the 1930’s.⁴ Beginning in late March the FBI “surveillance

was being unleashed” on the organizers of the last round of events. Special agents from 56 FBI offices were ordered to gather information and report back to Washington. Next came “video surveillance and data collection” of those attending.⁵ Reports streamed in of FBI agents taking film and writing down license plate information at all the rallies.⁶ All of this is conducted in the background of further plans by the administration to move the US farther down a road never before traveled. FEMA is preparing a Martial Law Drill for the end of July that will focus for the first time on terror prevention, coordinating “international, federal, regional, state, tribal” and local participants. The target of the exercise will be not so much Islamic terrorists as “right wing extremists”. A list of those “extremists” is already in the hands of the government. As early as the 1960’s the FBI had a list of ‘subversives’ to be picked up in case of a national emergency. In 2007, the Terrorist Screening Center of the Justice Department was maintaining a list of 700,000 names. Today it is thought to number over 1 million.^{7 8 9} So be careful what you think! We are the clear and present danger.

But the drive to fully control the American public does not stop there. Part and parcel of the package is the specter of what one writer called “creeping incrementalism” that is infecting the country. A treaty with Mexico whose subject is “firearms trafficking” with Mexico, addresses a problem that may not really exist and in the process opens the door to prohibiting law-abiding citizens from reloading their own ammo; - an effective end-run around the 2nd amendment guaranteeing the right to bear arms.¹⁰ And while an expansion of the Civilian Service Corps was signed into law by the President a much more ominous lurked in the halls of Congress. This pending bill would institute mandatory service. In the first version, members while in the ‘Corps’, or in reserve status, - would not be permitted to engage in politics of any kind including advocating for or against legislation, protesting, supporting a strike, or to “be engaging in religious instruction, conducting worship services”, or any related activities. This will be ‘forced volunteerism’. Forced action on the part of a charity chosen by the government. Public outcry has removed the prohibition against attending church. But the intent of the bill remains. What’s more alarming than even that perhaps are the parallels with Hitler’s Youth Brigades. These were similar youth service organizations designed to mold the young, - the future of the nation, - the service of the nation, - as envisioned by the national leaders. The Hitler Youth cleansed a generation of independent thought. That is much the goal of organizations like the NEA, America’s all-powerful teacher’s union. They too have a history of supporting the One World Agenda; - have been moving in that direction since Dewey; - and have openly written and supported such policies since their inception. They are socialist in outlook, - anti-Christian in mindset and determined to advance a post modern agenda. That agenda, - in place in schools for decades, - has been working toward the state assuming responsibility for the education of our kids in the name of a forced tolerance that includes the celebration of alternative lifestyles such as homosexuality and trans-genderism. Its been working.^{11 12}

The drive toward a national fascism in this country can also be seen in the actions by the federal government to assert control over the financial / banking sector as well as the auto industry. Treasury Secretary Geithner has let it be known that banks would not be able to pay back the money they received from the bailout packages unless it was in the national interest as determined by the government. The administration it seems is loath to give up control.¹³ As for Detroit: Washington has already shown a willingness to micro-manage the nation’s automakers; - dictating everything from who will run the companies to salaries and likely to product line. And the government seems to be setting themselves up to the controlling ownership when all the smoke clears.¹⁴ And the smoke and fire in that industry could be quite damaging. GM will likely close down its American plants for 9 weeks this summer. Not bad enough, the fallout would come in the form of the devastating damage that it would do to the industries that support the Big-Three carmakers. But the over \$13 billion in government loans is forcing GM to undertake major cost-cutting steps by the 1st of June.¹⁵ As for Chrysler, their deal took form this week. In a complicated maneuver the UAW could hold as much as 55% of Chrysler stock. The union will also own about 39% of General Motors. The government is penciled in for a 50% share. That restructuring comes with 21,000 fresh layoffs and reductions in lines, (Pontiac), as well as dealerships. *My, my; - Washington owning GM! The world stood on its head!*^{16 17 18} That’s the ultimate partnership between big-government, capital and labor. It is the use of borrowed taxpayer dollars that is allowing this restructuring of the American business model. This is just the sort of partnership that was worked before in the 1920’s & 30’s by the likes of fascist powers like Italy and Germany. *Next time we’ll show how the ‘Powers That Be’ are driving the US toward a globalized world system.*

ISRAEL UPDATE

Israel's strategic position, - even her survival as a Jewish state is becoming increasingly precarious as the time nears for the return of the Christ. The last weeks have seen some big blows come her way from both enemies and friends. First the Obama administration shocked Jerusalem by approving an arms sale by NATO member Turkey to Lebanon. This is especially alarming because Hezbollah is expected in some quarters to gain actual control of the Lebanese government. The Turks will be supplying more than arms, - they'll be supplying instructors too.¹⁹ A few days later Turkish and Syrian troops were conducting joint military maneuvers.²⁰ Those facts raise the stakes on any attempt to stop Iran from acquiring a home-grown nuclear capability. It means that the regular Lebanese Army could join the ranks of Hezbollah and the Palestinians (especially Hamas), - and likely Syria, - and with the nodding support of the Turks. Prophetically, it also means that Turkey is now positioning itself in the anti-Israeli alliance for the last days invasion, - predicted in the 38th Chapter of Ezekiel; - the Gog / Magog Alliance. And Iran by the way is closer than ever to getting their own bomb-making capability. Western intelligence reports suggest that they could produce their first nuke in just a couple of months if they ran their 7,000 centrifuges at full throttle - and almost certainly within the next year. With optimum production Tehran could have as many as 60 warheads on the shelf in the next year-and-a-half.²¹

Lying behind all of these developments is the nearly complete reversal of official American sympathies brought forth by the Obama team. An Israeli intelligence assessment informed the Prime Minister that American 'strategic cooperation' was likely to continue to diminish in the months and years ahead. President Obama seems to have signaled Tehran that he would turn a blind eye to Iranian nuclear ambitions in return for help in Afghanistan and Pakistan. That's not good for Jerusalem. In addition to the issue of the nukes, Iran is the primary sponsor of Hezbollah and Hamas, - both dedicated to the destruction of the Jewish State. The President is making nice with Syria too; - that, even though Damascus allows Hezbollah and even Iranian forces to operate on its territory. The report went on to say that Israel can expect the US to withhold weapons systems that would enable them to improve their preparations for an attack against Iranian facilities.

In response to all of this Israeli PM Benyamin Netanyahu and his government seems to be signaling a response of 'fight' rather than 'flight'; - or at least a modified version thereof. Netanyahu is demanding that the Palestinians "recognize" Israel as a Jewish state; - not one to be flooded by Arabs under the "Right of Return" and so turned into yet another terrorist entity. His government is also calling for "limitations on sovereignty" for a proposed Palestinian State, and telling the world in no uncertain terms that Israel will prevent Iran from going nuclear.²² That may be just bluff, - however the Iranians and their Russian allies are taking those types of threats quite seriously. When Russian intelligence told Tehran that the Israeli Air Force planned to destroy Iran's entire fleet of 140 warplanes while they sat at a single air base readying for an air show over the capital, - the Iranians took it seriously enough to cancel the show. According to Moscow, that was to be the opening round in an attack on the Iranian nuclear facilities.²³ After all, the Israelis have been displaying some more aggressive moves in their fight for their very survival. In February the IAF took out a convoy of arms smugglers as they traveled through Sudan. Now the Egyptian press is reporting that the Israelis sank an Iranian vessel filled with weapons for Hamas as it made its way through the Red Sea.²⁴

Then There' Jerusalem

So much of what will happen in these last days seems to focus around Jerusalem, God's Holy City. And there are signs that the time is fast approaching when prophecies will be fulfilled, as events cast their shadow forward. One Egyptian MP is encouraging Muslims to make pilgrimage to Jerusalem to validate its status as the capital of a future Palestinian State and city essential to Islam.²⁵ Then there's the Likud Politician, Moseh Feiglin, - who one day hopes to unseat Netanyahu as leader of the party and prime minister. Feiglin says that his plan would be to take control of the Temple Mount from the Wakf, the Islamic Trust and "hopefully, rebuild the Temple".²⁶ [We know from Scripture that Jewish Temple worship will be restored in the Last Days and that the Antichrist will defile the Temple at the mid-point of the Tribulation when he goes there to receive worship and declare himself to be God.] Finally, the Israeli paper Arutz Sheva is reporting that a deal between the Israelis and the Vatican seems imminent. The purported agreement would give the Catholic Church control of King David's Tomb, and could serve as a preliminary to Vatican control of the Temple Mount itself or even the entire Old City or East Jerusalem.²⁷

HEADING FOR A PANDEMIC ?

“And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places.” (Matthew 24:7)

Is this latest outbreak the beginning of something bigger, - terrible? We cannot know for sure. But the World Health Organization (WHO), and the various nations are taking it very seriously indeed. At this writing, - early in the week, Mexico, - the country where it originated was reporting 103 deaths. The US, Canada and Spain all had confirmed cases. Russia, China and Taiwan were planning to quarantine anyone with symptoms. Mexico had already cancelled public events and much of the population could be seen walking around with surgical masks. According to the WHO, the swine flu is a “mix of swine, human and bird influenza viruses. Though not anticipating that it will become necessary, the US is preparing to distribute up to 12 million doses of anti-influenza medications.”^{28 29 30}

All very routine. Or is it? The influenza strain is a variant of H1N1, the same that struck down 25 million worldwide in the aftermath of WWI. It was then known as the Spanish Flu. It features “atypical pneumonia” that strikes healthy adults between the ages of 25 & 44. The particular make-up of the disease suggests to some that this is not likely a naturally occurring event. There were several nations that were conducting work in the last several years focused on re-creating the Spanish Flu virus. The combination of different strains suggest that this was a lab-created virus. The more conspiratorially-minded are suggesting that this is the result of a bio-terror attack. One writer points out that the Iranians have been employing ex-Soviet scientists in their bio-warfare labs for nearly two decades now. Both the WHO and the US Center for Disease Control are concerned that this outbreak could indeed lead to a pandemic, in the process mutating to a more dangerous strain.^{31 32 33} Giora Eiland, former head of Israel’s National Security Council talked about how just such a pandemic could take place. He considered the threat of bio-terrorism to be very serious and the most dangerous form of unconventional warfare. “A bio-weapon can be dispersed in a hall full of people and the consequences would only be felt a week later. This is unlike a chemical attack, which would be felt immediately. The swine flu helps illustrate the threat of bio-weapons.”³⁴ Will it turn into a pandemic and where did it come from? On this question: The jury remains out.

STANDING UP AT A COST

It may just have been a beauty contest, - but the testing was very real, - and the result inspirational. The favored Miss California, Carrie Prejean was facing the question round. She picked the name of her questioner out of a fishbowl. It was the self proclaimed “the queen of all media”, the openly homosexual Perez Hilton. Here’s the question she faced: “Vermont recently became the fourth state to legalize same-sex marriage; do you think every state should follow suit?” She never really hesitated. “In my country, in my family, I think that I believe that a marriage should be between a man and a woman.” Hilton was incensed! He immediately recorded a You Tube video calling her a “dumb b---- and said it was the “worst answer in pageant history”. He later explained he wanted her to be “politically savvy”. Some of the liberal media piled on, - including the anchor of CNN’s Headline News, Jane Velez-Mitchell. But Carrie Prejean had no regrets even though her answer likely cost her the title of Miss USA. And in her explanations after the fact, Prejean, - the San Diego Christian College student did herself proud by her God and her faith. She said “I was not going to win because of my answer... it's not about being politically correct. For me it was being biblically correct.”^{35 36} Praise God!!

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