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The Price of Freedom is Eternal Vigilance

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: “The light of hope is going out in South Africa

Corruption is now so rampant and entrenched that it threatens to bring the state to its knees

I have always returned from South Africa aghast, anxious but ultimately hopeful. It surely can't become too corrupt or inefficient, I think. The triple forces of capitalism, democracy and a free press will prevent it. Rotten politicians can be replaced; crooked state employees and the individuals paying them off can be exposed. Too many people and profitable businesses have an interest in keeping the state functioning, the trains running and the lights on for it to fall apart. This year, as in the last, the lights are literally being switched off, and I've lost that confidence. For the first time I fear the country may be sliding towards irreversible decay. Corruption has siphoned so much money from the state and twisted so many people's motivations...

Extract from article by Jenni Russell: <https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/the-light-of-hope-is-going-out-in-south-africa-zlhr30513>

YOU CANNOT GET FIGS FROM THISTLES By Arnis Luks

Today's leading press (MSM) articles attempt to redirect attention away from the ensuing chaos in the major Communist nations. The situation in South Africa and Zimbabwe (formerly Rhodesia) is one that Conservative Western politicians and world council of churches leaders played a critical and decisive role in the demise and subsequent handing over of these nations to atheistic communism.

'Eminent persons' were encouraged (under the auspices of the United Nations), to pressure South Africa and Rhodesia to capitulate to communism (majority rule). Now both nations suffer communist dictatorships, economically collapsing from the outworking of totalitarian policy.

The sad history of Russia and China is also that western industrial and political leaders were instrumental in the demise of both these 'once free' nations. Withdrawing military support to Chang Kai-shek, while simultaneously providing military hardware and technology to the Soviet Union, ensured the fall of China to communism.

In the League archives are authors such as Carroll Quigley, Anthony Sutton, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, all recording the plight of the people of these nations being handed over to communism as deliberate policy.

Paul Keating Riding Roughshod Over China's Aims

<https://www.theaustralian.com.au/inquirer/keating-rides-roughshod-over-reality-of-chinas-aims/news-story/dac273526509f76860c5058d316398d6>

Peter Dutton Suggests Cancelling Welfare of Climate Protesters

https://www.abc.net.au/triplej/programs/hack/peter-dutton-suggests-cancelling-welfare-of-climate-protesters/11572370?utm_source=amerika.org

Both these headlines show a consistent policy, centralising power. Peter Dutton, through the existing (supposedly) Conservative government, could easily stop the indoctrination of the impressionable young in universities by withdrawing finance to the tune of hundreds of millions of Australian taxpayer dollars. Rather, he chooses to promote their indoctrination to move us closer towards the police state.

The Conservative and Labour governments are responsible for literally millions of cameras being placed around Australia to monitor us. This thing called power, especially totalitarian power, is held precariously, generally from the barrel of a gun. While the guns are not out in Australia yet, the other compulsion - 'income and employment security' - are imposed for daring to speak out, refusing to vaccinate, and now protesting against policy. The dialectical conflict is used to promote increased civil tension leading to revolution. Freedom cannot be separated from responsibility. Moving Australia away from totalitarianism is only possible if sufficient numbers of individuals choose to exercise their freedoms on a daily basis. *(continued next page)*

(continued from previous page) Ron Owens, who regularly writes for the 'enough gun' website, recently reported about "land clearing", reprinted on our blog here: <https://blog.alor.org/index.php/ron-owens-thoughts-for-the-week>

that a farmer, Liam Sheahan, chose to face legal prosecution and received a fine of \$100,000 in order to save his farm from the ravages of bushfire. Also, another farmer, Michael Baker faced fines and costs of nearly \$1 million, again, in order to save his farm from the ravages of bushfire. Both families appear vindicated and should be exonerated as a consequence of the recent fires.

Freedom doesn't end with the ballot paper, it is an ongoing battle against tyranny. Our politicians are of no higher calibre than the totalitarian communist dictators. They will yield to human frailty just as readily.

PETER, GO AHEAD AND MAKE MY DAY! By James Reed

What's wrong with me? Am I getting soft in my old age? Why didn't I think about recommending cancelling the welfare of climate protesters, rather than indulge in vain fantasies about medieval torture and the flames of damnation? Simply starving to death is a tried and proven way of ending dissent, for, after all, this is essentially what the Left are, and will, do to us deplorables:

<https://www.abc.net.au/triplej/programs/hack/>

[peter-dutton-suggests-cancelling-welfare-of-climate-protesters/11572370](https://www.abc.net.au/triplej/programs/hack/peter-dutton-suggests-cancelling-welfare-of-climate-protesters/11572370)

'Peter Dutton has proposed scrapping the welfare payments of climate change activists who break the law. Speaking to Ray Hadley on 2GB radio this morning, the Home Affairs Minister called on the public to actively shame protesters who are "putting lives at risk". This week, 10 Extinction Rebellion XR protesters have been charged over two separate acts of protests that delayed traffic through Brisbane

Power must be vested at the feet of the individual. This means that your vote must be exercised in one form or another every single day. The yellow vests in France, the ongoing demonstrations in Hong Kong, the call for another referendum in Scotland, are all indicators of resistance towards tyranny that need to be emulated by Australians to preserve and reinforce our own freedoms. Whether it's talking to your neighbour, insisting on speaking to your representative, writing letters to the media, producing your own pamphlets and distributing to your neighbourhood, or standing on a street corner on a box and speaking your mind, all are parts of exercising freedom. And like all muscles must be used regularly, every day if you can. The only power that can overcome totalitarianism, is the power of individuals exercising their freedoms every single day. Freedom and Responsibility are held in equilibrium by Morality. ***

CBD. When asked whether protesters who received government benefits should have their welfare payments removed, Mr Dutton agreed. Well I agree, Ray," he said. Mr Dutton said the public should 'name and shame' climate protesters.

"People should take these names and the photos of these people and distribute them as far and wide as they can so that we shame these people. "Let their families know what you think of their behaviour." Mr Dutton also lashed out at vegan activists who raided farms in April, and the three pro-refugee protesters who briefly occupied the roof of his electorate office in 2016. "We should push back because these people are a scourge," he said.'

The students are quiet at the moment, having a Christmas break, but when the universities get back, expect more of this. ***

TRUCKERS AND THE COMING CIVIL WARS By John Steele

It will probably not happen in Australia, which is likely to simply wither on the vine, but the US seems to be heading full throttle into Civil War 2.0. If so, looking at the vast human dung piles, literally in the case of San Francisco, Chicago and Baltimore, that US cities have become, I wonder how the population will eat, even if they have the money?

<https://www.survival.news/2020-01-06-truckers-coalition-warns-of-supply-chain-crisis-cities-war-zones-disruptions.html>

'The Executive Director of the Small Business in Transportation Coalition (SBTC) — known as Truckers.com — has issued a stern warning about a "super supply chain crisis" that could severely disrupt trucking and transportation operations that bring supplies to all U.S. cities. James Lab issued a Dec. 17th press release in which he warned of

"nationwide riots that will impede truckers' ability to make deliveries of products for Americans' consumption." Those supplies include food, fuel, medicine, ammunition and other supplies on which Americans depend each day. This warning was issued a few weeks before President Trump's drone strike on Soleimani — an event that many believe might set off activation of radical Islamic sleeper cells that have been embedded in U.S. cities, awaiting orders to strike critical infrastructure and cause mayhem. According to the SBTC's press release, the authoritarian gun confiscation push of tyrannical Democrats in Virginia could, all by itself, "quickly escalate into armed conflict reminiscent of the Civil War.'

No trucks mean no food and medical supplies, and after a few days. Guess where that leads? ***

THE ETERNAL FAILURE OF GLOBALISM & COSMOPOLITANISM By James Reed

The academic, media, cultural and everything else elites would have us sheeple believe that globalism is the only game in town, and that localism and nationalism are dated doctrines. How convenient for commerce, grid and money making! But, as argued in a recent article by Hristo Guentcher and Marin Guentcher, “Globalization – The Most Ancient and Ever-Failing Utopia,” all of these utopian visions end up in a heap, wrecking civilisation in the process.

https://www.theepochtimes.com/globalization-the-most-ancient-and-ever-failing-utopia_3200598.html

Apart from the philosophical aspects discussed below, globalism fails because of inefficiencies arising from centralisation and diseconomies of scale. It is the same reason communism simply cannot work, because it requires centralism to function, but the complexity of human society and the economy precludes that:

“Today, proponents of globalization argue that it’s a new and unstoppable trend. However, history tells us that the drive toward a homogeneous humanity is perhaps the most ancient, universal, and subconscious utopia that people have sought to achieve. So far, every attempt to realize this utopia has failed miserably. We need to recall, for example, the Babylonian Empire of Nebuchadnezzar II, Greece under Alexander of Macedon, the Islamic Caliphates, Napoleon’s France, or the USSR. Today, nation-states still dominate the world stage. Why? Why does the initial success of globalization always end with a return to a fragmented world?”

Fragmented Humanity—A Judeo-Christian Concept

The concept of a fragmented humanity is deeply rooted in the Western worldview. The biblical story of the Tower of Babel—present in both Judaism and Christianity, but not in Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism—describes how God splits up a monolithic humanity into different linguistic groups and spreads them across the world. Indeed, with the emergence of language and geographical separation, humanity acquired the essential instruments of group

construction, leading to the later rise of nations. The fundamental point here is that—in contrast to other major value systems—Judaism and Christianity view a fragmented humanity as part of a divine plan.

Benefits of Fragmentation

The main advantage of a fragmented world is that it offers a competitive environment for economic, social, and juridical systems—a driving force of human progress. When there is rivalry, especially within a common domain that allows for the exchange of goods, knowledge, and skills, the results can be stunning (e.g., Ancient Greece, Renaissance Italy, and pre-Bismarckian Germany). The fundamental rejection of a homogeneous humanity is probably one of the reasons why Jews and Christians have produced the most competitive and prosperous period of human civilization. As German sociologist Max Weber wrote in “General Economic History,” “This competitive struggle [among the European nation states] created the largest opportunities for modern western capitalism.” Another benefit of fragmentation is that it limits inequality. A certain level of inequality promotes economic growth; yet, excessive disparities may lead to social unrest and revolutions. Price’s Law, which predicts the distribution of wealth in society, states that the square root of a population owns 50 percent of the total output it produces. In other words, inequality is a direct function of the size of the population: The more populous a community, the greater the interpersonal disparities within it. Fragmentation of the world may also prevent conflicts by creating a more stable global political environment. A good example is the impact of territorial unification and fragmentation in European politics.”

As in the past, globalist today will fail, more dramatically, and destructively than the globalisms of the past, such as ancient Rome. It will be like a massive tree that will come crashing down, smashing everything in its path. Hence, we need to keep out of the way, when the Leviathan comes tumbling down, and keep praying hard. ***

ECO-TERRORISTS, AT YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD (UK) UNI By James Reed

I just knew it; the most dangerous “terrorists” today are the climate change fanatics, who want to overturn our beautiful consumer society, which has given us magical things, like plastics, duct tape etc.

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2020/jan/10/>

[xr-extinction-rebellion-listed-extremist-ideology-police-prevent-scheme-guidance](#)

“Counter-terrorism police placed the non-violent group *Extinction Rebellion* (XR) on a list of extremist ideologies that should be reported to the authorities running the Prevent programme, which aims to catch

those at risk of committing atrocities, the *Guardian* has learned. The climate emergency campaign group was included in a 12-page guide produced by counter-terrorism police in the south-east titled *Safeguarding young people and adults from ideological extremism*, which is marked as “official”. It says that issues to look out for include people who speak in “strong or emotive terms about environmental issues like climate change, ecology, species extinction, fracking, airport expansion or pollution”. ***

VANDALISING THE CHURCH By Peter West

Across Europe there is an epidemic of church vandalism. Why is this occurring, as it did not happen in past decades? What has changed the equation?

<https://www.churchmilitant.com/news/article/epidemic-of-crib-vandalism-hits-italy>

‘Hundreds of Christmas cribs have been smashed, burned and vandalized across Italy in a binge of violence unparalleled in recent memory. Statues of the Baby Jesus and the Holy Family have been beheaded, stolen or hanged — in one shocking incident even impaled on an iron pole in a public square. In the town of Ivrea, near Turin, firefighters were called to extinguish a blaze in the church of San Maurizio on Jan. 4 after a 46-year-old woman with a history of arson set fire to a crib near the altar. The fire destroyed valuable paintings and frescoes, as well as two antique painted tables and the covering of the baptismal font. The perpetrator confessed to the crime, even though she said she was unable to explain why she did it. Meanwhile, on the same day and in the same town, another arsonist set fire to a crib in the church of San Salvatore, destroying the altar linen. The two churches are near one other, close to the historic city center. Edoardo Cerrato, bishop of Ivrea, called for acts of

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The terrible bushfires are on everyone's mind and concerned folk are putting forward many suggestions for better schemes to lessen the severity next time. Should we have more cold burns? Should we have more aircraft for water bombing? Should the States be over-ridden by the Federal Government are just some of them. Supporters will need to remind their MP's that the States need to retain the authority to manage fires with support from the Federal Government with money and military support. We do not want more central control!

Other issues include our water from the Murray Darling Basin. How will we share it fairly? Should speculators with no land to irrigate be allowed to own water rights? How much of our water is owned by Chinese or US investors?

These are some of the issues which will need attention this year. The League's job is not to 'fix it' but rather to provide research, advice and encouragement to those who accept responsibility for what is happening around them -- those who wish to do something about the problems.

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reparation and an investigation, noting that “we have seen beheaded figurines of the Child of Bethlehem and His Most Holy Mother” in other parts of Italy.

“The investigation will perhaps identify the perpetrators and understand the motive behind what, for now, can be seen as desecration of sacred images and churches,” he said.” “Police figures disseminated by *The Sun UK*—only a week before the tragic fire at the 850-year-old Notre Dame Cathedral—show that France alone saw 875 of 42,285 of its churches vandalized or otherwise desecrated in 2018. Additionally, 129 churches claimed that they had experienced theft, and France’s interior ministry has claimed that 59 cemeteries have been vandalized. While 2.1% of all churches being vandalized is bad enough, these figures are on the low side, given recent history. The previous year, 2017, 1,075 acts of vandalism of churches and 109 thefts in churches were committed across France. As the German-based *PI-News* reported in March:

“Hardly anyone writes and speaks about the increasing attacks on Christian symbols. There is silence in both France and Germany about the scandal of the desecrations and the origin of the perpetrators. Not a word, not even the slightest hint that could in anyway lead to the suspicion of migrants. It is not the perpetrators who are in danger of being ostracized, but those who dare to associate the desecration of Christian symbols with immigrant imports. They are accused of hatred, hate speech and racism.” The onslaught of vandalism in France has reached a level which can be accurately described as constant, occurring every day in varying degrees of severity.’

The attack on Christian symbols is basically an attack upon the culture and traditions of traditional Europeans. It is not surprising that leaders of the church are silent about this, being loath to voice anything that might in the slightest way be viewed as contrary to the globalist agenda. ***

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