

Eye on the World

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Luke 21:34-36—“But take heed to yourselves, lest your souls be weighed down with self-indulgence, and drunkenness, or the anxieties of this life, and that day come on you suddenly, like a falling trap; for it will come on all dwellers on the face of the whole earth. But beware of slumbering; and every moment pray that you may be fully strengthened to escape from all these coming evils, and to take your stand in the presence of the Son of Man” (Weymouth New Testament).



An article by Miranda Devine, Steven Nelson and Ryan King titled “Trump Administration Declares ‘No Dust, No Dollars’ for Iran – Islamic Republic Must Give Up Nuclear Material Before Sanctions Relief” was posted at nypost.com on May 24, 2026. Following is the article.

WASHINGTON — The White House vowed “no dust, no dollars” for Iran on Sunday — asserting that unless the Islamic Republic gives up its enriched uranium, it will get no sanctions relief — as President Trump tapped the brakes on forecasting a peace deal that would reopen the Strait of Hormuz.

Trump revealed Saturday that the US and Iran were close on a memorandum of understanding that would get oil flowing again while allowing 30 days for nuclear negotiations.

The plan unleashed panic among some Republicans and Israel backers — prompting Trump officials to clarify that no deal was imminent, and that it would take at least five to seven days to finalize any agreement.

Crucially, a senior administration official stressed that Iran would gain little without fulfilling back-room pledges to surrender its enriched uranium.

“Both sides must take their time and get it right. There can be no mistakes!” Trump wrote on Truth Social, Sunday — a day after saying the deal with Iran was “largely negotiated.”

That still remains accurate, but the last details appear to be the biggest.

“95% is done, but literally changing words requires days of deliberation in their system,” the official said.

The senior source briefed reporters at least twice clarifying that the agreement wasn’t imminent and that there won’t be a repeat of Barack Obama’s infamous 2016 airlift of cash.

“No dust, no dollars — in other words, no highly enriched uranium, then the Iranians aren’t going to get any real relief,” the official told journalists in a morning briefing.

“If they do nothing, they get nothing. If they do a lot, they can actually get a lot.”

The same top Trump official declared in a Sunday afternoon briefing that “we’ll get a better deal” than Obama’s multinational Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) pact, with the new arrangement featuring “clear enforcement, or no deal.”

There will be “no pallets of cash [and] no other relief for opening the strait,” he said.

Republican senators had expressed alarm at a seeming rush to ink a deal and warned that Trump risked repeating the mistakes of the past by walking away from the three-month war without clear terms.

Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC) called the potential framework a “nightmare for Israel” and Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas) saying he was “deeply concerned” the plan would be “a disastrous mistake.”

Under the JCPOA, which allowed Iran to continue some enrichment, “there were pallets of cash, and we did fly \$1.7 billion of money from American banks there, and they used it to build centrifuges and finance terrorism,” said the official who briefed journalists.

US and Iranian negotiators are currently discussing an outright ban on enrichment spanning decades, though the precise time period is undecided.

“No one disputes that the stockpiled enriched material will be disposed of. It’s a question about how,” the official said.

“And then simultaneously, while we’re figuring out that question of how, we’re going to have this thing where the strait open, the blockade is lifted and we get the economy some breathing room.”

Trump, meanwhile, invoked Obama’s JCPOA deal twice on social media Sunday — showing he’s well aware how slippery the Iranians are and that he must get much more this time.

“Our deal is the exact opposite, but nobody has seen it, or knows what it is. It isn’t even fully negotiated yet,” Trump wrote.

“So don’t listen to the losers, who are critical about something they know nothing about. Unlike those before me who should have solved this problem many years ago, I don’t make bad deals!”

How exactly the Iranian regime might dispose of its enriched uranium remained as uncertain as ever — with the senior official saying that “national pride considerations” make it all the more complicated.

“There is a political value in the United States to getting it. There is obviously a political value in the Iranians not handing it over to the United States,” he said.

“A lot of the debate is not really what happens to the stockpiled material. But it’s how the Iranians can sell it to their own hardliners and to their own population in a way that gets us what we need as well, and that’s really the conversation that’s happening.”

Supreme Leader Mojtaba Khamenei has “signed off on the broad template,” the official said — despite Iranian state media consistently denying US claims that nuclear concessions are being entertained.

Trump last week floated destroying Iran’s roughly 1,000 pounds of highly enriched uranium if it’s handed over, and also recently mentioned Iranian officials saying only the US or China could dig it up from the rubble of Iran’s bombed nuclear sites.

“They will open up the strait in exchange for us lifting the blockade, and they will agree in principle to dispose of the highly enriched uranium, but then there’s a question about how precisely to do that,” the US official said.

The end-game of the nearly three-month war has set off an intense effort to influence the terms, and the official said that the Trump administration suspects that “various foreign actors and sometimes domestic actors try to use selective leaks in order to push certain narratives or to derail certain things.”

“Now, I would say, by and large, most people in the Iranian system don’t love the deal, but they also don’t like the idea of going back to war,” he added.



An editorial by Staff titled “Can We All Get a Refund? Now UN Climate Experts Admit Climate Change Won’t Destroy Earth Tomorrow” was posted at [nypost.com](https://www.nypost.com) on May 18, 2026.

Apocalyptic climate-change predictions were box-office gold for Hollywood but they did untold damage to the public psyche, economy and the average man's pocketbook.

Now the United Nations' influential climate change committee has quietly discarded the dire temperature-rise scenarios used in two previous reports predicting horrific consequences of global warming if greenhouse emissions weren't curbed.

For years, lefty outfits — based on dubious climate science — screamed about the coming climate catastrophe: The New York Times warned that “Climate Change Is Harming The Planet Faster Than We Can Adapt,” “Climate Change Is Speeding Toward Catastrophe” and “A Hotter Future Is Certain.”

Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) insisted the world would end by 2030 if we didn't address climate change — by which she meant waste trillions on the Green New Deal and return to Stone Age-style living.

Democrats went full-tilt in accepting the UN-backed Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report's forecasts of a dramatic rise in sea levels, rapidly melting glaciers, global crop failures and even the ultimate extinction of mankind.

But let's face it: The UN scenarios were overblown from the start, and the left's climate crusaders hyped them even more.

The newest IPCC report credits renewables, global climate policy and recent emission trends for making the most dire forecasts “implausible.”

But even earlier IPCC reports, when read thoroughly, made clear the looming catastrophe the left predicted was nothing more than a politically useful fiction.

Last year, Dutch researchers refuted projections of calamitous sea level rises by actually looking at data gathered from coastal sites around the globe rather than on models extrapolating from biased assumptions.

None of which stopped the world from wasting trillions on futile climate-change “prevention.” Or scaring young kids out of their minds.

In New York alone, the disastrous Climate Action Plan requires the closure of reliable natural-gas power plants and replaces them with more costly — and less reliable — solar and offshore wind installations. It's sending energy costs through the roof.

Biased assumptions couched in scientific jargon for too long have been presented as fact in service of a politically motivated climate-change agenda.

Yet even now, don't expect lefties to apologize or to stand down.

The good news? At least they won't be able to credibly cite the IPCC to support their case.



An article by Cal Thomas titled “Climate Zealotry Means Never Having to Say You’re Sorry” was posted at nypost.com on May 25, 2026. Following is the article.

It's so easy and comfortable being a liberal: You never have to admit you're wrong when you demonstrably are.

Neither do you have to be concerned with lack of support, because the liberal establishment — from the news media to your fellow Democrats, academia, “science” and Hollywood elites — are always with you.

None are about to admit error, so they simply move on to the next cause.

For half a century we have been told that a climate-based crisis means the end is near, and if we don't immediately allow government to impose significant changes on the way we live and use energy we will burn to death.

All the elites have made bold predictions that the end is coming in two years, five years, 10 years (choose your own number) if immediate action isn't taken.

Those dates arrived and the sky didn't fall.

History was not allowed to be a guide when it showed temperatures rising and falling in a cycle through periods of warming and cooling.

Now comes a report by the once highly credible (to liberals) International Panel on Climate Change, a group backed by the United Nations that has consistently predicted the end is drawing closer unless we convert to other energy sources and significantly alter our lifestyles.

The IPCC has now concluded, presumably after research untainted by political presuppositions, that the extreme scenarios it once was guilty of selling us are now “implausible.”

- The presumptions were wrong, it says.
- And so was the fearmongering, I say.

In the immortal words of the “Saturday Night Live” character Emily Litella (played by the late Gilda Radner), “never mind.”

Never mind that global investment in climate action has surpassed \$1 trillion a year, according to tracking by the Climate Policy Initiative.

This has been a cult-like false god our overseers have demanded we worship.

If we refused, we were to be ostracized to the land of the ignorant, the uneducated and those who don't believe in "science."

Recall the days 50 years ago when "science" was convinced — and demanded we believe — that the Earth was cooling so much that if we (meaning government) didn't do something we would all freeze to death.

- In 1975 Newsweek did a feature article titled "The Cooling World."
- Carbon taxes were said to be one answer to the warming crisis.
- Liberals celebrated rising gas prices — then and now.
- Electric cars were subsidized by the government.
- California passed the Advanced Clean Car II standards requiring all new vehicles sold in the state be free of emissions starting in 2035.

Perhaps the most notorious of the IPCC predictions, as reported by The Post, was Representative Concentration Pathway 8.5, which "posited a hellish world of 12 billion people in the year 2100.

"The projection assumed the world would be burning more coal than exists, without such likely technological improvements as emissions-free nuclear plants," energy analyst Jonathan Lesser explained.

There are responsible ways to care for the environment — once called conservation — but "Chicken Little" scenarios rob science of its credibility.

They might also rob politicians of their credibility, if that had not been lost some time ago.

- Again, it's good to be a liberal.
- You feel at peace and are surrounded by people with similar views.
- The celebrities attend climate change summits (private jets and large SUVs).
- They never admit they were wrong, much less apologize.
- Why should they? They don't know anyone who believes otherwise.



"Eye on the World" comment: The following headlines involve articles that are considered international. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

Iran war

- An article by Staff titled “Tentative 60-Day Iran Cease-Fire Deal Reached, Pending Trump’s Approval: Source” was posted at theepochtimes.com on May 28, 2026.
- An article by Staff titled “Trump Sends Mixed Signals on Iran War as War Enters Fourth Month” was posted at bloomberg.com on May 29, 2026.
- An article by Ariella Roitman titled “Trump’s Refusal to Return to War With Iran Will ‘Cost Him Dearly’ – Saudi Expert Claims” was posted at jpost.com on May 29, 2026.

United Arab Emirates – their involvement after leaving OPEC

- An article by Staff titled “The U.A.E’s Secret Role in the War Involved Dozens of Strikes on Iran” was posted at wsj.com on May 29, 2026.
- An article by Staff titled “UAE Conducted Dozens of Airstrikes on Iran Using US, Israeli Intel During War” was posted at jpost.com on May 30, 2026.

Iran’s intentions – are clear

- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Bill Siegel titled “The Real Iran Threat Is in Black and White: It’s Even in Their Constitution” was posted at foxnews.com on April 19, 2026. (The 1979 document outlines a global totalitarian vision that tells us exactly who the regime is and what it seeks.)

And yet – Obama provided the path for nukes to them

- Looking back to July 2015, an article by Richard A. Epstein titled “Obama’s Disastrous Iran Deal” was posted at hoover.org on July 20, 2015.
- Looking back to July 2015, an article by Marc A. Thiessen titled “Obama’s Secret Iran Deals Exposed” was posted at washingtonpost.com on July 27, 2015.
- Looking back to August 2015, a press release titled “President Obama’s Iran Deal Falls Woefully Short” was posted at house.gov on Aug. 5, 2015.
- Looking back to January 2016, an article by Mortimer B. Zuckerman titled “A Bad Deal Off to a Worse Start” was posted at usnews.com on Jan. 21, 2016.
- Looking back to May 2017, an article by Emily B. Landau titled “Obama’s Legacy, a Nuclear Iran?” was posted at meforum.org on May 24, 2017.

- Looking back to June 2018, an article by Marc A. Thiessen titled “Obama Took Lying to New Heights With Iran Deal” was posted at aei.org on June 9, 2018.

Trump has consistently seen the problem for 20 years – no nukes

- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Brian T. Kennedy titled “In His Own Words: Trump Has Been Saying Iran Can’t Have Nukes for 20 Years” was posted at thefederalist.com on April 9, 2026.

Russia-Ukraine war – when Putin predicted the end of war

- A Reuters article by Staff titled “Putin Says He Thinks Russia-Ukraine War Is Coming to an End” was posted at reuters.com on May 9, 2026.
- A Reuters article by Staff titled “Putin Says Remark on Ukraine War Coming to an End [on May 9] Was Based on Battlefield Advances” was posted at reuters.com on May 29, 2026.

Russia-Ukraine war – general news

- An article by Ramy Inocencio titled “Nearly 500,000 Russian Soldiers Have Died in Ukraine War, British Intelligence Agency Says” was posted at cbsnews.com on May 28, 2026.
- An article by John Psaropoulos titled “Russian Rate of Losses in Ukraine Almost Triples in One Year” was posted at aljazeera.com on May 29, 2026.
- An article by Staff titled “With a Stalemate in Ukraine and Discontent at Home, Putin Seems Ready to Escalate His War” was posted at apnews.com on May 29, 2026.
- An article by Staff titled “Russia Preparing ‘Massive New Strike’ – Zelenskyy Says” was posted at theguardian.com on May 29, 2026.

Remembering October 7

- An article by Shane Galvin titled “Israel Says It Killed Leader of Hamas’ Military Wing – One of the Architects of October 7 Attacks” was posted at nypost.com on May 16, 2026.
- An article by Tina Ghazimorad titled “October 7 Exposed the West’s Dangerous Illusion About Iran” was posted at jpost.com on May 29, 2026.

Anti-Semitism – international

- An article by Michael Goodwin titled “The Left’s Turn Against Israel is Complete With the NY Times’ Latest Anti-Semitic Smear” was posted at nypost.com on May 16, 2026.

- An article by Michael Starr titled “Germany Arrests Eighth Member of Hamas Network Seeking to Attack Israeli, Jewish Sites in Europe” was posted at jpost.com on May 29, 2026.

- An article by Felice Friedson titled “Campus Israel Launched as Alternative for Jewish Students Facing Anti-Semitism” was posted at jpost.com on May 29, 2026.

Comments about China – general

- Looking back to October 2025, an article by Paul Tilsley titled “Trump Administration Works to Break China’s Rare Earth Mineral Stranglehold on Africa” was posted at foxnews.com on Oct. 26, 2025.

- An article by Rep. Young Kim titled “The CCP Controls the Most Intimate Elements of Our Life – Most Americans Have No Idea” was posted at foxnews.com on May 15, 2026.

Comments about China and Taiwan

- An article by Robert McGreevy titled “China Deployed Over 100 Vessels Near Taiwan in the Wake of Trump-Xi Summit; Taiwan Security Official Claims” was posted at foxnews.com on May 23, 2026.

Climate change

- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Ezra Dulis titled “Al Gore Warns ‘The Day After Tomorrow’ Ice Age Could Happen in 25 Years – 10 Years After ‘Inconvenient Truth’ Prophecies Failed” was posted at Breitbart.com on April 25, 2026.

- An article titled “Trump Celebrates After UN Climate Committee Moves Away From Its Most Extreme Global Warming Scenario” was posted at foxnews.com on May 16, 2026.

Ebola

- An article by Simon Kent titled “Masks On: WHO Declares Global Health Emergency as Ebola Outbreak in Congo and Uganda Builds” was posted at Breitbart.com on May 17, 2026.

- An article by Staff titled “India-Africa Summit Postponed as Ebola Outbreak in Congo Nears 600 Suspected Cases” was posted at nypost.com on May 21, 2026.

- An article by Gabrielle Emanuel titled “Why Are People Attacking Ebola Clinics? It Revolves Around Trust, Death and Body Bags” was posted at npr.org on May 29, 2026.

- An article by Staff titled “A Court in Kenya Blocks U.S. Plan to Keep American Ebola Patients in Africa” was posted at WashingtonPost.com on May 29, 2026.

- An article by Ashley N. Soriano titled “JFK Airport to Screen Passengers From Certain Countries for Ebola” was posted at myfox8.com on May 29, 2026.

International news – miscellaneous

- An article by Staff titled “A Drone Strike Causes Fire Outside a Nuclear Power Plant in Abu Dhabi” was posted at newsmx.com on May 17, 2026.
- An article by Chris Young titled “Germany and Japan Bet on BMW and Toyota to Make Hydrogen Cars Mainstream” was posted at interestingengineering.com on May 18, 2026.
- An article by Susan Berry titled “ ‘Emergency in the Church’: Catholic Leaders Decry Vatican Report That Pushes Homosexuality” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 19, 2026.



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Gas prices and inflation

- An article by Staff titled “Pricey Gas Pushes Inflation to 3.8% – Highest in 3 Years” was posted at newsmx.com on May 28, 2026.

Election integrity

- An article by M.D. Kittle titled “Democrats Set the Stage to Silence Election Integrity Groups When They’re Back in Power” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 18, 2026.
- An article by Kimberly Hayek titled “Newsom Signs New Election Codes Into Law Ahead of Statewide Primary [Blocking Federal Agents and Law Enforcement From Accessing Voter Rolls]” was posted at theepochtimes.com on May 28, 2026.
- An article by Zachary Stieber titled “Judge Declines to Block Trump’s Order on Mail-In Voting” was posted at theepochtimes.com on May 28, 2026.

Voting integrity – majority of voters want SAVE Act

- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Sahil Kapur titled “Most Americans Support Requiring Photo ID to Vote – Democrats in Congress Reject It” was posted at nbcnews.com on March 17, 2026.

- Looking back to March 2026, an article by M.D. Kittle titled “SAVE Act Is 4 Times More Popular Than Congress” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 31, 2026.
- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Maisey Jefferson titled “Majority of Voters Want the SAVE America Act Passed Before the Midterms; Poll Finds” was posted at thefederalist.com on April 21, 2026.
- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Shawn Fleetwood titled “Passing SAVE Act Would Signal Congress Actually Answers to Voters, Which Is Why Congress Hates It” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 13, 2026.

No action on SAVE Act – blame the Republicans

- Looking back to March 2026, an article by M.D. Kittle titled “Senate RINOs Are Squandering Golden Opportunity to Fix Cracked Election System” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 13, 2026.
- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Brianna Lyman titled “Any Republican Promising to Pass SAVE Act Via [Budget] Reconciliation Is Lying to You” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 26, 2026.
- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Brianna Lyman titled “Americans Shouldn’t Need the House [of Representatives] to Save Mass Deportations From Weak Senate Republicans” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 27, 2026.

Some states – have enacted look-a-like versions of SAVE Act

- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Maisey Jefferson titled “California Is Closer to Voting on Voter ID Laws Than the GOP-Led U.S. Senate” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 5, 2026.
- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Maisey Jefferson titled “These 4 States Already Enacted SAVE Act Look-A-Likes While John Thune Does Failure Theater” was posted at thefederalist.com on April 9, 2026.
 - States where laws have already passed

Florida	South Dakota
Mississippi	Utah
 - States where laws are on the ballot

Alaska	Kansas
Arkansas	West Virginia

- Looking back to April 2026, an article by M.D. Kittle titled “Sources: SAVE America Act Is Not Dead Yet, ‘Still the Pending Business in the Senate’ ” was posted at thefederalist.com on April 21, 2026.
- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Breccan F. Thies titled “Republicans Stalling on SAVE Act Gave Virginia Voters No Reason to Turn Out for Them” was posted at thefederalist.com on April 22, 2026.
- An article by Brianna Lyman titled “4 Non-Citizens Charged for Allegedly Voting as SAVE America Act Stalls in Senate” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 4, 2026.
- An article by M.D. Kittle titled “Indiana Primaries Should Be a Wakeup Call for Senate RINOs: Pass the SAVE Act” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 6, 2026.

John Cornyn and Senate Majority Leader John Thune – have not passed the SAVE Act

- Looking back to March 2026, an article titled “If [John] Thune Blocks the SAVE Act, U.S. Citizenship Soon Won’t Mean Much” was posted at thefederalist.com on March 17, 2026.
- An article by M.D. Kittle titled “John ‘Failure Is Not an Option’ Thune Just Failed Election Integrity” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 13, 2026.
- An article by Brianna Lyman titled “[John] Thune Has Tried Nothing to Pass the SAVE Act and He’s All Out of Ideas” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 13, 2026.

John Cornyn – kept trying to get Trump’s endorsement

- An article by Sarah Davis titled “Cornyn Bill Would Create Interstate 47 in Texas to Honor Trump [Renaming US Highway 287 as Interstate 47 – the Second-Longest US Route, Spanning 1,791 Miles From Choteau, Montana to Port Arthur, Texas]” was posted at thehill.com on May 12, 2026.

Ken Paxton – on March 5 offered to sacrifice himself for the SAVE Act

- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Jack Cowhick titled “Ken Paxton Reveals the One Thing That May Get Him to Drop Out of Brutal Senate Race [If John Cornyn Helped the Senate to Pass the SAVE Act]” was posted at dailycaller.com on March 5, 2026.
- An article by Staff titled “How Ken Paxton Courted Donald Trump and Won His Endorsement [by Offering on March 5 That He Would Drop Out of the Race If John Cornyn Helped the Senate to Pass the SAVE Act]” was posted at cnn.com on May 19, 2026.

Trump endorsed Ken Paxton on May 19 – because of the SAVE Act

- An article by Matthew Kupfer titled “Trump Endorses Texas AG Ken Paxton for Senate, Citing Support for SAVE Act” was posted at democracydocket.com on May 19, 2026.

Texas Senate Candidate – James Talarico

- Looking back to June 2023, an article by Adam Wren titled “He’s Deeply Religious and a Democrat. He Might Be the Next Big Thing in Texas Politics” was posted at politico.com on June 16, 2023.
- Looking back to March 2026, an article by Staff titled “ ‘God Is Non-Binary’: Texas Democrat Nominee [James] Talarico’s Past Remarks on Abortion, Race and Gender Draw Scrutiny” was posted at foxnews.com on March 5, 2026.
- An article by Max Rego titled “[Robert Francis Beto] O’Rourke: Talarico ‘Best I’ve Seen’ During Time in Texas” was posted at thehill.com on May 28, 2026.
- An article by Stephen Kruiser titled “James Talarico Is Playing to a National Audience That Won’t Be Voting for Him” was posted at pjmedia.com on May 28, 2026.

Gerrymandering in Virginia – Virginia Supreme Court strike’s down gerrymandering

- An article by Hans Mahncke titled “By Democrats’ Standards, Virginia Redistricting Lawyers Should Lose Their Jobs, Licenses and Life Savings” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 19, 2026.

Redistricting – continues to hurt Democrats

- An article by Staff titled “State by State List as GOP Sees 10 Seat Pickup” was posted at newsmax.com on May 15, 2026.
 - California Democrats +4 to +5
 - Utah Democrats +1
 - Maryland (Possible Count-Move) – Democrats +1
 - Florida Republicans +3 to +4
 - Missouri Republicans +1
 - North Carolina Republicans +1
 - Ohio Republicans +0 to +1
 - Tennessee Republicans +1
 - Texas Republicans +3 to +4
 - Alabama (Potential) – Republicans +1
 - Louisiana (Potential) – Republicans +1
 - South Carolina (Potential) – Republicans +1

Dangerous rhetoric – by leftists

- An article by David Harsanyi titled “The Left’s Attack on Courts Is Meant to Destroy the Constitution” was posted at creators.com on May 15, 2026.

Dangerous behavior – by leftists

- An article by Staff titled “3 Killed After Two Teen Gunmen Open Fire at San Diego Mosque Before Killing Themselves – as Disturbing Details About ‘Hate Crime’ Emerge” was posted at nypost.com on May 18, 2026.

Birthright citizenship

- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Nicole Silverio titled “Jonathan Turley Says It’s ‘Insane’ [That] U.S. Is One of the Few Countries With Birthright Citizenship” was posted at dailycaller.com on April 2, 2026.

Minnesota fraud

- An article by Patrick Reilly titled “Minnesota Pair Bilked \$21 Million in State Funds Meant for Autism Services: Feds” was posted at nypost.com on May 28, 2026.
- An article by Janice Hisle titled “15 Accused in \$90 Million Minnesota Fraud Schemes” was posted at signalscv.com on May 29, 2026.

Which political party has the kings?

- Looking back to February 2026, an article by Eric W. Dolan titled “Left-Wing Authoritarians Use Egotistical Social Tactics More Often” was posted at psypost.org on Feb. 23, 2026.

Notice the obvious – elites in the Democrat party have chosen their candidates since 2016

- Looking back to October 2024, an article by Nick Hart titled “When Was the Last Time the Democrats Had a Primary That Was Actually Democratic?” was posted at medium.com on Oct. 5, 2024. (For at least the last 3 general elections, Democrats haven’t allowed their own base to choose their candidate.)

In 2016, the Democrat elites convinced Bernie Sanders to step aside.

In 2020, the Democrat elites convinced opponents to Joe Biden to step aside.

In 2024, the Democrat elites forced Joe Biden to withdraw.

In 2024, the Democrat elites picked Kamala Harris without a single vote.

James Comey

- Looking back to April 2026, an article by Staff titled “Ex-FBI Director James Comey Indicted for Threatening to Kill Trump in ‘86 47’ Instagram Post” was posted at nypost.com on April 28, 2026.
- An article by Ryan King titled “Ex-FBI Director James Comey Taunts Trump DOJ on Latest Indictment – and Says He’d Reopen Clinton Email Probe Again” was posted at nypost.com on May 17, 2026.

Miranda Devine articles

- An article by Miranda Devine titled “The Left Is Weaponizing Women’s Misplaced Empathy – and It Threatens All of Us” was posted at nypost.com on May 10, 2026.
- An article by Miranda Devine titled “Don’t Lose Heart, Republicans – Democrat Disasters Like Graham Platner Will Only Make Things Much, Much Worse” was posted at nypost.com on May 24, 2026.

Comments about corporate media

- An article by Matt Margolis titled “Disney Makes the Most Hilarious Claim About ‘The View’ [When ABC Filed a Petition for Declaratory Ruling on May 7, 2026, Asking the FCC to Declare That *The View* Qualifies as a ‘Bona Fide News Interview Program’ Like *Meet the Press* and *Face the Nation*]” was posted at pjmedia.com on May 24, 2026.

Pro-life

- Looking back to May 2023, an article by Mansur Shaheen titled “[Massachusetts] Doctors Perform World-First Brain Surgery on Baby With Deadly Genetic Disorder While It Is Still Inside It’s Mom’s Uterus” was posted at dailymail.co.uk on May 4, 2023.

Pro-abortion

- An article by Jordan Boyd titled “Abortion Drug Makers Admit They Care About Money, Not Women” was posted at thefederalist.com on May 6, 2026.

Transgender – general

- An article by Staff titled “Trans High School Track Athlete Sparks Shocking Podium Decision After Sweeping California Finals [Prompting Officials to Award Duplicate Gold Medals to Female Runners-Up]” was posted at nypost.com on May 16, 2026.

- An article by Jennifer Sey titled “Shame on Us for Making Brave Girls Fight for Women’s Sports Alone” was posted at nypost.com on May 18, 2026.

Who will lead the Democrats?

- An article by Rebeka Zeliko titled “Obama, Kamala-Backed Democrats Face Bruising Defeat While Burning Millions” was posted at dailycaller.com on May 20, 2026.

Families fleeing – high-tax cities

- An article by Lowell Cauffiel titled “Report: South Carolina Outpacking Texas, Florida as Residents Flee Taxes and Higher Costs in Blue States” was posted at Breitbart.com on May 17, 2026.

John Fetterman

- An article by Ryan Mancini titled “Fetterman: Democratic Base Becoming ‘Increasingly Anti-American’ ” was posted at thehill.com on May 14, 2026.

Gavin Newsom – is born connected

- Looking back to September 2018, an article by Seema Mehta titled “How Eight Elite San Francisco Families Funded Gavin Newsom’s Political Ascent [Newsom Wasn’t Born Rich, but He Was Born Connected]” was posted at latimes.com on Sept. 7, 2018.
- An article by Matt Margolis titled “Gavin Newsom Is Totally Lying About Balancing California’s Budget” was posted at pjmedia.com on May 16, 2026.
- An article by Benjamin Brown titled “LA’s \$30 Minimum Wage Pushes Hotel Owners to Breaking Point” was posted at nypost.com on May 16, 2026.

Kamala Harris

- An article by Daniel Greenfield titled “AOC Rises to Third Place in 2028 Democrat Presidential Primary [Ahead of Kamala in Fourth Place]” was posted at frontpagemag.com on May 28, 2026.
- An article by Samuel Chamberlain titled “Jill Biden Goes Scorched Earth on Kamala Harris Over Endorsement Demands in New Memoir” was posted at nypost.com on May 29, 2026.

General interest – health

- Looking back to November 2025, an article by Khloe Quill titled “Alzheimer’s Decline Could Slow Dramatically With One Simple Daily Habit [Walking 3,000 to 5,000 Steps Per Day]; Study Finds” was posted at foxnews.com on Nov. 5, 2025.
- An article by Angelica Stabile titled “5 Common Walking Mistakes That Could Hurt Your Progress, According to An Expert” was posted at foxnews.com on May 24, 2026.
 - Walking while scrolling
 - Wearing the wrong shoes
 - Not balancing your routine
 - Not considering walking speed
 - Not staying consistent

General interest – news

- An article by Ariel Zilber titled “Kevin Warsh Confirmed as Next Fed Chair (Replacing Trump Foe Jerome Powell) by US Senate as Inflation Mounts” was posted at nypost.com on May 13, 2026.
- An article by Charles Gasparino titled “Kevin Warsh’s First Challenge as Fed Chair Is to Fight Inflation – While Keeping Trump Happy” was posted at nypost.com on May 16, 2026.
- An article by Ryan King titled “Republican Senator Bill Cassidy (Who Voted to Convict Trump) Loses Louisiana Primary as President Takes Victory Lap: ‘Political Career Is Over!’” was posted at nypost.com on May 16, 2026.
- An article by Alex Nitzberg titled “Elizabeth Warren Calls for Taxing A.I. Industry to ‘Invest in People’ ” was posted at foxbusiness.com on May 28, 2026.



An article by Miranda Devine titled “The Trump Administration Is Going After Violent Leftists and Their Twisted Ideology” was posted at nypost.com on May 13, 2026. Following is the article.

Jihadis and cartels are targets of the new White House counterterrorism strategy, but so too are Antifa, Tran-tifa and other violent domestic left-wing anti-American groups.

It’s a sharp departure from the Biden administration’s sinister national strategy on counterterrorism that pretended groups like Antifa didn’t exist and instead targeted Catholics at

traditional Mass, parents questioning gender ideology at school board meetings and Donald Trump supporters who, President Joe Biden told us repeatedly, were “ultra-MAGA,” “semi-fascist” domestic terrorists.

Hence the Jan. 6 Capitol riot by unarmed Trump supporters, most of whom committed no violence and many of whom did not even enter the Capitol, became the biggest investigation in FBI history under Biden, prompting one of the greatest miscarriages of justice in American history.

Thankfully, President Trump’s White House counterterrorism director, Sebastian Gorka, has reoriented national security back toward violence, rather than vague “anti-government” or “anti-authority” sentiment, which can be easily — and was, under Biden — weaponized politically.

“We’re just basing our threat assessment on reality, whether you’re trying to kill journalists, whether you are creating disorder against the rule of law in our country, or do I have to mention the name of my friend Charlie Kirk?” Gorka told me on “Pod Force One.”

“Do I have to talk about the multiple left-wing attempts to kill President Trump?”

“We’re not going to whistle past the graveyard. We’re not going to say that doesn’t exist.”

“We are going to use every legal tool in our 17 intelligence agencies, in our domestic law enforcement through the DOJ, to prevent the violent left-wing lunacy from taking another life, whether it’s a journalist, whether it’s a president, or whether it’s a brave patriot like Charlie Kirk simply engaging in civilized debate on a college campus. We will not allow people to use force against those they politically disagree with.”

It’s welcome news to the majority of Americans who have felt trapped in a Kafkaesque nightmare since 2020’s “Summer of Love,” when organized left-wing militias and well-funded Antifa-style terrorists hijacked Black Lives Matter protests and tried to turn them into a violent overthrow of Trump.

They got their wish, and part of Trump’s 2020 defeat — or his inability to win enough votes to overcome the Democrats’ sly election rigging — has to be attributed to the general sense of chaos and unrest created by his ideological opponents.

Justifying violence

The same tactic has spiraled into the present day, with evolving causes hijacked to justify the violence. It started with racism and so-called white supremacy, defunding the police, abortion, transgender ideology, anti-ICE and anti-Israel, which has morphed this week into masked terrorists hunting Jews on the streets of New York and assaulting children outside synagogues.

And as Gorka explicitly says in his new counterterrorism strategy, this onslaught of left-wing violence eventually brought us to targeted assassinations, including conservative activist Kirk, health care CEO Brian Thompson, and Israeli Embassy staffers Yaron Lischinsky and Sarah Milgrim.

Yet the establishment media, and Democratic leaders and their administrative stooges, have downplayed the violence, pretended it didn't exist, or tacitly condoned it, while exaggerating right-wing violence, despite data, including from the Center for Strategic and International Studies, showing record highs in left-wing violence.

The result is a permission structure to normalize the political violence of the "Luigi left," as numerous recent polls have shown.

For instance, a YouGov poll last September found 25% of "very liberal" Americans say violence can be justified to achieve political goals, compared with 3% of "very conservative" Americans.

Gorka's blunt, 16-page strategy memo released Wednesday pledges to "prioritize identifying and neutralizing violent secular political groups whose ideology is anti-American, radically pro transgender and anarchist . . .

"As real threats were ignored or underplayed, Americans have witnessed the politically motivated killings of Christians and conservatives committed by violent left-wing extremists, including the assassination of Charlie Kirk [in September 2025] by a radical who espoused extreme transgender ideologies."

Schools and churches

Transgender shooters like Robin Westman, who slaughtered two children at Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis in August 2025, have targeted schools and churches, while the mainstream media have blurred their gender, suppressed key details, and downplayed an emerging pattern of transgender violence, presumably out of some misplaced fear that people in an already vulnerable community will be tarred with the same brush.

But Americans are smart enough to understand that, just as not every young loner turns into a Thomas Crooks, it is a minor subset of transgender individuals who turn violent.

In any case, the Trump administration's reality-based new focus is welcomed by Andrew Kolvet, who was Kirk's right-hand man at Turning Point USA and has taken over hosting "The Charlie Kirk Show."

"This is a huge topic for us, obviously, because Charlie was assassinated by somebody that had a romantic relationship with a trans-identifying person in Utah," Kolvet says, pointing to the last message Kirk sent to White House deputy chief of staff Stephen Miller the day before Kirk was

murdered. Miller quoted from the message in a special episode of “The Charlie Kirk Show” the day after Kirk was murdered: “The last message that Charlie sent me was . . . that we need to have an organized strategy to go after the left-wing organizations that are promoting violence in this country. And I will write those words onto my heart and I will carry them out.”

“People ask me, what emotions I’m feeling right now . . . There’s incredible sadness, but there’s incredible anger. And the thing about anger is that unfocused anger or blind rage is not a productive emotion. But focused anger, righteous anger, directed for a just cause, is one of the most important agents of change in human history.”

It’s one thing to vow to crack down on left-wing radicals, but they are swimming in an ideological soup that is not too different from Democratic talking points — see alleged gunman Cole Allen’s manifesto after the latest assassination attempt on Trump.

How does Gorka plan to target a diffuse ideology?

“We do everything in the bounds of the Constitution and upholding freedom of speech. [But] freedom of speech does not extend to inciting violence . . . We are going to map out these individuals, we are going to identify them, we’re going to find [their sources of funding]. The money trail is the most important thing.”

As per usual, the left-wing media’s response to the new counter-terrorism strategy was alarmist hyperbole in defense of their pet revolutionaries.

- *The Guardian* dismissed the memo as a “bizarre” and “unhinged” attack on “the president’s enemies, the Biden administration, transgender people and some Islamist groups.”
- *Mother Jones*’ headline was even more dishonest: “Counter-terrorism Now Officially Means Targeting Trans People.”

The left needs to wake up and disown the menace it has been coddling.



An article by Miranda Devine titled “Anthony Fauci Can’t Escape His ‘Origin’al Covid Lies” was posted at nypost.com on May 17, 2026. Following is the article.

Dr. Anthony Fauci deserves to be indicted — but he probably won’t be, because his role in the origin of the COVID-19 pandemic that he fought so hard to cover up opens a can of worms that nobody wants to confront.

He has his great patron Joe Biden's blanket preemptive pardon to keep him safe from federal charges.

But the recent indictment of his former factotum David Morens on federal charges of conspiracy and records destruction for scheming to cover up Fauci's role in funding the risky gain-of-function research on bat viruses at the notorious Wuhan lab in China, where the COVID-19 outbreak almost certainly began, has raised hopes that Fauci is still in the crosshairs of the DOJ.

President Trump has declared Biden's last-minute autopen pardon of Fauci invalid, which would make it possible that he could be prosecuted for perjury over his 2024 testimony to Congress.

But even if that gambit doesn't work, Fauci's nemesis, Sen. Rand Paul (R-Ky.), chairman of the Senate Homeland Security Committee, has been busily building a case to subpoena the slippery scientist for another round of questioning under oath, in which he will have to come clean about his role in funding the dangerous research in the Wuhan lab via an EcoHealth Alliance cutout, and his surreptitious efforts to discredit the "lab leak" theory that would have exposed his culpability.

Any testimony after January 2025 is fair game for perjury charges.

Fauci's boss, Francis Collins, didn't receive an autopen pardon, so he also is fair game.

Then there is the bombshell testimony last week from CIA whistleblower James Erdman, who alleged a multi-agency cover-up involving Fauci, who was then the director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

"Dr. Fauci's role in the cover-up was intentional," Erdman testified, alleging that Fauci inserted himself into CIA deliberations about the origins of the virus — once on Feb. 3, 2020, and again on June 4, 2021 — to try to influence the analysis away from the lab-leak hypothesis that most CIA analysts were leaning toward and instead persuade them to accept the farcical "natural origins" narrative, in which the virus bubbled up from an animal in a wet market fully adapted to infect humans.

According to Erdman, Fauci provided the intelligence community with "a conflicted list of curated subject matter experts, public health officials and scientists," several of whom were involved in publishing the notorious discredited Nature Medicine paper, "The proximal origin of SARS-CoV-2," which dismissed the accidental lab leak theory.

The idea of an accidental lab leak in Wuhan has always been regarded by honest virologists as the most scientifically plausible explanation. As Professor Nikolai Petrovsky from Flinders University in South Australia told me in 2021, he was surprised, as were other scientists, when it appeared that the very first strains of COVID-19 isolated in December 2019 showed that "the virus was already perfectly adapted to infect and transmit between human hosts."

Other scientists have pointed out that COVID-19 has a genetic footprint never observed in a natural coronavirus, and that its immediate contagiousness to humans suggests it was man-made.

Erdman served in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence this year, helping lead the Trump-ordered review into COVID origins. He testified that CIA analysts repeatedly concluded a lab leak was the most likely origin, but senior managers overrode them, much as John Brennan did in Russiagate with the Steele dossier.

As Trump official Peter Navarro says, Fauci never disclosed to Trump or anyone on the coronavirus task force back in 2020 that he knew the Wuhan lab was conducting gain-of-function research on bat coronaviruses.

Nor did Fauci disclose, as we now know from his emails, that other scientists had told him as early as Jan. 31, 2020, that the virus was likely engineered in a lab and not of natural origin.

Fauci has no shame

“Attacks on me, quite frankly, are attacks on science,” Fauci boasted when people started criticizing him.

If he had any shame, he would keep his head down, but he still travels around promoting his self-serving memoir and delivering keynote speeches and commencement addresses. He was just awarded the 2026 Distinguished Scientist Award by the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology.

As if to rub in all the harm he did, Fauci, 85, was invited last month by Georgetown University in Washington as part of “Climate Week” to play a role in a dramatic reading of Sophocles’ Greek tragedy “Oedipus the King,” in which he played Tiresias, the blind prophet who delivers the uncomfortable truth that Oedipus refuses to accept.

No prizes for guessing that Oedipus is meant to be Trump. No kings and all that.

Back in 2020, Trump was widely mocked as a racist and xenophobe for “peddling a conspiracy theory” that the virus came from a lab in Wuhan. Scientific American blasted “Trump’s insidious false claim Covid-19 started in a lab.”

It was extraordinary that the COVID cover-up was so successful. But as Hans Mahncke, the independent online sleuth who helped break open Russiagate, says, Trump Derangement Syndrome was “the glue that held it all together.”

“What every single player in this cover-up, from Fauci [to] various scientists, to the media, to Biden’s people and Democrats generally . . . had in common was Trump hatred. They simply could not allow Trump to be right.”

That's why Democrats and their surrogates invest so much effort in spreading TDS.

It was the same with the following.

- Russiagate
- Hunter Biden's laptop
- The rigged 2020 election
- January 6
- The climate hoax

Everyone is a naysayer, every public "expert" elevated in the media doubts Trump, sneers at him and pretends what he's saying or doing is outlandish or insane.

But look at each issue. Trump was right a thousand times over, but nobody will ever say, "Oh, sorry, we were wrong."

They just smoothly move on or pretend nothing has changed.

Move on to next lie

For instance, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change just quietly admitted that its apocalyptic climate projections of the last 15 years were wrong, or in scientific lingo, "implausible," just as its 2030 doomsday deadline was looming. Meanwhile, Al Gore has the gall to blithely flip from "boiling oceans" to dire warnings of a looming ice age.

How does a generation of kids who were scared half to death by his stupid movie get back their childhoods?

No wonder Greta Thunberg has forgotten her cataclysmic prediction that "humanity will be wiped out [by 2023] . . . unless we stop using fossil fuels." She and her ilk have switched to lying about their latest *bête noir du jour*, Israel.

By the time the lies are debunked, the damage is done, and the liars move on.



An article by Larry Elder titled "Gavin Newsom Has a Kamala Harris Problem" was posted at torontosun.com on May 18, 2026. Following is the article.

Harris performed worse than Joe Biden among nearly every major racial and gender demographic group, except one: Black women.

Former vice-president Kamala Harris recently dropped several not-too-subtle hints that she wants to run for president in 2028. Polls, at least for now, show the leading likely Democratic candidate is California Governor Gavin Newsom. Many Democratic pundits and insiders say Harris' failed run against Donald Trump renders her damaged goods and therefore insufficiently attractive to the donor class.

The *Los Angeles Times* recently wrote: "As Kamala Harris eyes a possible 2028 presidential bid, there is little outward enthusiasm among her biggest 2024 backers to fund a repeat performance .

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"The Times reached out to more than two dozen top donors to the biggest pro-Harris super PAC in 2024. Several of them said they do not plan to support her . . . Others did not respond."

For Harris, this sounds ominous. But there's a flaw in this reasoning and it represents a huge threat to Newsom's plans, as well as those of any of the other names floated as possible candidates.

Harris indeed lost every swing state. Harris indeed performed worse than Joe Biden among nearly every major racial and gender demographic group, except one: Black women.

Among Black men, Trump got 20% of their vote, an astonishingly high number for a Republican presidential candidate. But black women stood firm. They love Harris.

A *Washington Post* exit poll found that Harris, among black female voters, got over 92% of their vote, a higher percentage than those who voted for Biden. Newsom, like many Democrats who refused to say so out loud, believed Biden lacked the capacity to run for re-election. Like a vulture, he hovered above the White House looking for a time to pounce.

But Newsom knew Black female voters, the most loyal part of the Democratic base, would not take kindly to a white male elbowing Harris out of the chance to become the first female president and the first black female president. So, he gritted his teeth and sat it out.

Many Black female voters consider the jokes about Harris' "cackle" and the disparaging comments about her "word salad" answers both sexist and racist. In November 2021, TheGrio, a publication that focuses on the black community, published an article defending Harris against what it considered unfair criticism with this headline: "Can a sista get a break? Kamala Harris is an easy scapegoat amid media's broadside against her." It is a must-read for Newsom and others looking to compete against a possible Harris candidacy.

The author, Sophia A. Nelson, who once ran for Congress as a Republican but is now an independent, wrote the following.

- “A group of my sorority sisters (Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.) and I were lamenting about how little respect Harris, also a soror, receives from her own administration and national media. As the first woman and first woman of color to be elected to the nation’s second-highest office, you would expect that vice-president Harris would have been given a much higher-profile portfolio of issues to manage, as well as be used more strategically, considering the loyal and influential Black women voter base of the Democratic Party.”
- “Why is Harris getting the blame for the clear dysfunction of the Biden administration? Because she is the easy scapegoat. Aren’t we always? Black women are, as Zora Neale Hurston once said, ‘the mules of the world.’ We do all the work and we plough and we dig and we support and we help. And in return, we get little to no thanks — just as Harris and Black women voters who put Biden in the White House are finding out.”
- “Black women are always the spectators in the arena, versus being allowed the space to be one of the victors in the arena.”
- “It’s always a double standard for Black women — and it’s exhausting.”

South Carolina will be an early, if not the first, Democratic primary state for the 2028 presidential election. Sixty per cent of the South Carolina Democratic primary voters are black; of that number, 60% to 65% are black females.

How will Newsom explain his “vote-for-me-instead-of-Kamala” candidacy to Black female Democrat voters, many of whom feel disrespected and unrewarded despite their loyalty to the party?

Simply demonizing Trump as a “fascist” won’t cut it. Good luck, Gavin.



Looking back to March 2026, an article by Colin Redemer titled “James Talarico’s Backward Christianity” was posted at [firstthings.com](https://www.firstthings.com) on March 4, 2026. Following is the article.

James Talarico wants to “reclaim Christianity for the left.” That’s the title of the *New York Times* interview with Talarico—currently running for Senate in Texas—and the phrasing is revealing. One does not reclaim what one currently possesses.

The progressive mainline, whatever else may be said of it, has not possessed a vibrant, living Christianity in a very long time. That the *New York Times* would frame the question this way is, at least, an honest, if ironic, admission of defeat.

That said, Talarico is clearly exceptionally gifted. He is one of the most naturally talented communicators to emerge from the progressive Christian world in a generation. He is warm without being saccharine, pointed without appearing mean, and fluent in the language of Scripture in a way that modern Democratic politicians and apparatchiks are not.

He speaks of pistis and the Greek New Testament with the easy confidence of a seminarian who has done his reading. Ezra Klein was plainly delighted by him. If progressive Christians are going to achieve political relevance in the coming decade, Talarico is precisely the vessel they would choose.

The trouble isn't the vessel, it's what's in it.

Strip away the polish and the TikTok virality, and what Talarico is offering is the same program that has been on offer from the mainline left since at least the 1960s: a Christianity evacuated of its doctrinal substance and refilled with the priorities of the Democratic National Committee (if not the Democratic Socialists of America).

- He tells Joe Rogan that God asked Mary for “consent” before the Incarnation and presents this as proof that the Bible sanctions abortion.
- He tells Klein that “the Bible is all over the place when it comes to marriage,” that Paul’s declaration in Galatians 3:28 is “pretty woke for the first century,” and that all religions contain “the same truth” as Christianity.

These are not bold new insights. They are the exact positions one might have heard in the Princeton Theological Seminary lounge in 1984, and they were as wrong then as they are now. The only thing new is the medium of delivery.

Great experiment

And here is where the irony thickens, because Talarico is himself a Presbyterian, a member of the PCUSA, the denomination that has served as the great experiment in what happens when you pursue this exact theological program to its conclusion. The results are catastrophic.

The PCUSA peaked at 4.25 million members in 1965. It will drop below one million this year. It lost nearly 49,000 members in 2024 alone. Two-thirds of its congregations have fewer than one hundred members. A third of its membership is over seventy. It planted four new churches in 2024 in a nation of 330 million. The denomination is not declining; it is in institutional hospice.

And it arrived there by doing exactly what Talarico now proposes: subordinating the claims of Scripture to the moral intuitions of secular progressivism, and calling the result “the gospel.”

Meanwhile, the theological conservatives Talarico opposes are building. The Presbyterian Church in America grew nearly two percent in 2024 and added twenty-two new congregations. The broader new Christian right (the world of classical Christian schools multiplying across the country, of institutions recovering Protestant social teaching and the theology of vocation) is constructing something real, addressed to the actual material conditions of twenty-first-century American life.

Which brings us to the most important inversion in Talarico's presentation: the claim that his politics represent solidarity with the vulnerable while his opponents serve the forces of domination. "Concern for the poor . . . is such a core part of our tradition," he says, "and it's nowhere to be seen in Christian nationalism or on the religious right."

This is backward.

Talarico's coalition has, for decades, pursued a labor policy that systematically undermines the American working class. The fact is the bipartisan consensus on trade, which runs from NAFTA, to China's WTO accession, to the offshoring of manufacturing, is something the new Christian right has repented of, but the progressive cosmopolitans who now applaud Talarico's sermon sound bites have not. These policies exported millions of jobs to countries where workers labor under conditions that would be illegal in any American state: no meaningful right to organize, no safety protections, no recourse against abuse.

And the same coalition has pursued an immigration policy whose principal economic function is the creation of a domestic labor underclass—millions of workers who exist outside the protections of American labor law, who cannot unionize, cannot complain to regulators, cannot insist on minimum wage, or in many cases get the benefits they pay taxes toward.

This does not create justice, nor demonstrate a "concern for the poor." It creates a shadow workforce that depresses wages for working people, both immigrant and native-born, while enriching the managerial class that progressive Christianity so faithfully represents.

A Christianity that ignores this, one that waves away the decimation of manufacturing communities as a regrettable side effect of a higher moral vision, is one that has lost its capacity for moral reasoning about economic life.

The new Christian right actually does have a holistic vision of justice. It insists that trade policy must account for the dignity of the American worker. It insists that immigration policy must be ordered to the common good of the existing political community before it looks to the good of neighboring political communities.

It draws on the deep wells of Protestant social teaching: the Reformation's insistence that the magistrate protect the poor under his care as a father protects his sons, the Reformed theology of vocation, the natural law tradition's understanding of the common good—all of these have been

marshaled already to articulate positions that are neither libertarian nor progressive but are, in the proper sense of the word, Christian.

Talarico recommends Howard Thurman’s *Jesus and the Disinherited* as a worthy book about how Christianity can serve as a wellspring for nonviolent social change in the pursuit of justice.

But the disinherited of our time are not waiting for a progressive Presbyterian to liberate them with a viral TikTok. They are the forgotten men and women of de-industrialized America, the families hollowed out by opioids, the young people, underemployed and drowning in debt.

They are not asking for a Christianity that tells them all “religions of love point to the same truth.”

They are asking for a Christianity that tells them the truth. Truth about God, about themselves and their salvation, about the meaning of human bodies, and about the moral order of the world. And a truth that fights for their material dignity with the same vigor it brings to its theological convictions. The new Christian right, for all its imperfections, is trying to be that Christianity. The whitewashed tomb of Talarico’s alternative is not.



Looking back to August 2013, an article by Ashe Schow titled “24 Things That Require a Photo ID” was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Aug. 14, 2013. Following are excerpts of the article.

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| 1. Alcohol | 13. Adopt a pet |
| 2. Cigarettes | 14. Rent a hotel room |
| 3. Opening a bank account | 15. Apply for a hunting license |
| 4. Apply for food stamps | 16. Apply for a fishing license |
| 5. Apply for welfare | 17. Buy a cell phone |
| 6. Apply for Medicaid/Social Security | 18. Visit a casino |
| 7. Apply for unemployment or a job | 19. Pick up a prescription |
| 8. Rent/buy a house; apply for mortgage | 20. Hold a rally or protest |
| 9. Drive/buy/rent a car | 21. Blood donations |
| 10. Get on an airplane | 22. Buy an “M” rated video game |
| 11. Get married | 23. Purchase nail polish at CVS |
| 12. Purchase a gun | 24. Purchase certain cold medicines |



Isaiah 55:6-11—“Seek you the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. ‘For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,’ says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word by that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.”