

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 Katie Pavlich titled "Pompeo: North Korea Must Denuclearize and They're on a Tight Timeline to Get It Done" was posted at townhall.com on June 13, 2018. Following are excerpts of the article.

Fresh off of President Trump's Singapore summit with North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo is already laying down a timeline for when the regime must denuclearize.

During a debriefing meeting in Seoul with South Korean officials about the summit, Pompeo reportedly outlined a two-and-a-half year long timeline for "major disarmament."

Speaking to a small group of reporters and asked if he would like to accomplish major nuclear disarmament within Trump's current term, which ends on Jan. 20, 2021, Pompeo replied: "Oh, yes, most definitively. Absolutely . . . you used the term major, major disarmament, something like that? We're hopeful that we can achieve that in the two and a half years."

At the conclusion of the Singapore summit, Trump and Kim signed an agreement to move forward with a new U.S.-North Korea relationship, in addition to denuclearization and returning the remains of U.S. soldiers killed or held as prisoners during the Korean War.

1. The United States and the DPRK commit to establish new U.S.–DPRK relations in accordance with the desire of the peoples of the two countries for peace and prosperity.
2. The United States and the DPRK will join their efforts to build a lasting and stable peace regime on the Korean Peninsula.
3. Reaffirming the April 27, 2018 Panmunjom Declaration, the DPRK commits to work toward complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula.
4. The United States and the DPRK commit to recovering POW/MIA remains, including the immediate repatriation of those already identified.

Pompeo plans to fully enforce the terms and explained in Singapore that the United States has the resources to rapidly denuclearize North Korea.

“For over three months, an interagency working group of over 100 experts across government has met multiple times per week to address technical and logistical issues associated with dismantling North Korea’s weapons programs. They include experts from the military charged with dismantling nuclear weapons; the Department of Energy, including PhDs and experts from DOE labs; and officials from the intelligence community covering North Korea. Those same experts also cover North Korea’s nuclear, chemical, biological, and missile programs,” Pompeo said during a press conference.

“These experts include dozens of PhDs who have expertise in nuclear weapons, the fuel cycle, missiles, chemical and biological weapons. They have advanced degrees in nuclear engineering, physics, chemistry, aerospace, biology, and other relevant fields,” he continued. “On the ground in Singapore, we have a team that includes the President’s senior most expert in weapons of mass destruction who can cover any technical needs that the meetings may present.”



An article by Patrick Goodenough titled “Haley Amendment Condemning Hamas Wins Simple Majority—But Fails to Advance As UN Censures Israel Again” was posted at [cnsnews.com](https://www.cnsnews.com) on June 13, 2018. Following is the article.

It would have been unprecedented: A decision by the U.N. General Assembly to include strong and direct condemnation of Hamas in an Islamic bloc-drafted resolution critical of Israel.

And in New York on Wednesday the United States came closer than ever before to achieving it, when a vote to insert its amendment secured a 62-58 result, with 42 abstentions.

Failing to achieve a two-thirds majority, however, U.S. Ambassador Nikki Haley’s amendment was not included when the resolution, sponsored by Turkey, Algeria and the “State of Palestine, came for a vote.

That text, which did not mention Hamas by name, passed by 120 votes to eight, with 45 countries abstaining. Joining the U.S. and Israel in opposing the measure were Australia, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Solomon Islands and Togo.

"Today the U.N. made the morally bankrupt judgment that the recent Gaza violence is all Israel's fault," Haley said afterwards.

Still, pointing to the support her amendment had drawn, she argued that "the common practice of turning a blind eye to the U.N.'s anti-Israel bias is changing."

"Today, a plurality of 62 countries voted in favor of the U.S.-led effort to address Hamas's responsibility for the disastrous conditions in Gaza," she said. "We had more countries on the right side than the wrong side. By their votes, those countries recognized that peace will only be achieved when realities are recognized, including Israel's legitimate security interests, and the need to end Hamas' terrorism."

Haley's proposed amendment said the General Assembly "condemns Hamas for repeatedly firing rockets into Israel and for inciting violence along the boundary fence, thereby putting civilians at risk."

It further demanded that Hamas "cease all violent activity and provocative actions," and condemned it for diverting resources, which could have helped the civilian population, to terror activities including rocket launches and the construction of "tunnels to infiltrate Israel."

Palestinian envoy Riyad Mansour called Haley's action "a bad-faith attempt to insert an amendment that would radically unbalance the text and shift the assembly's focus away from the core objective of protecting civilians and upholding international law."

Urging support for the amendment, Haley flayed the world body for a "totally one-sided" draft resolution, and accused the countries driving it—calling out Turkey by name—of doing so merely to garner political support at home, rather than to promote peace.

"Such one-sided resolutions at the U.N. do nothing to advance peace between Israel and the Palestinians. Everyone recognizes that," she said. "But advancing peace is not the goal of this resolution."

"I suspect even my Turkish friends know the passage of this resolution won't change anything, but that it looks good for the people back home to think they're doing something," Haley continued. "That is pure politics."

(Turks go to the polls on June 24 in a high-stakes election. Islamist President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, at the helm since 2003, hopes to cement his position—armed with sweeping new powers—for another five year term.)

The resolution adopted Wednesday was virtually identical to one brought before the U.N. Security Council early this month—which Haley vetoed.

It was introduced following the violence that occurred when tens of thousands of Palestinians tried to breach the Gaza-Israel border in a Hamas-backed campaign in mid-May. Israeli forces guarding the border shot dead 62 Palestinians—80 percent of them Hamas members, according to the terrorist organization.

Favorite political sport

In her remarks before the vote on her amendment, Haley said that there were “many terrible things happening in the world today,” citing crises in Nicaragua, Iran, Yemen and Burma. Yet the U.N., she said, has not “gathered here to discuss any of those urgent issues.”

“What makes Gaza different for some is that attacking Israel is their favorite political sport,” she said. “That’s why we’re here today.”

Haley pointed out that Hamas has controlled Gaza since 2007 (when it violently wrested control from Mahmoud Abbas’ Fatah faction), but that 11 years on its people suffered enormous unemployment and poverty in what remains “a haven for terrorist activity.”

“At what point will the U.N. actually hold accountable those who are in charge of Gaza and running it into the ground?” she asked.

“Instead, this resolution holds Hamas completely unaccountable for most of the recent unrest. It blames everything on Israel.”

The adopted text deplores “excessive, disproportionate and indiscriminate force by the Israeli forces against Palestinian civilians ... including the use of live ammunition against civilian protesters, including children, as well as medical personnel and journalists, and expresses its grave concern at the loss of innocent lives.”

It asked U.N. secretary-general Antonio Guterres to present proposals in 60 days on ways to ensure protection of Palestinian civilians, including “recommendations regarding an international protection mechanism.”

The resolution also “deplores the firing of rockets from the Gaza Strip against Israeli civilian areas,” but without attributing blame—or mentioning Hamas once by name.



An article by Simon Kent titled “Erdogan Predicts ‘War Between the Cross and Crescent’ Over Austria Mosque Closures” was posted at breitbart.com on June 10, 2018. Following is the article.

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan attacked Austria’s impending closure of mosques and consequent expulsion of Turkish-funded imams, saying the move is anti-Islamic while promising a response.

“These measures taken by the Austrian prime minister are, I fear, leading the world towards a war between the cross and the crescent,” Erdogan said in a speech in Istanbul.

Austria’s populist government made the announcement on Friday [June 8] morning at a press conference as part of the governing coalition’s campaign against radical Islamic ideology and the influence of countries like Turkey in the Austrian Islamic community, *Kronen Zeitung* reports.

Media reports that between 40 and 60 imams, including their families, could be expelled in total. The imams all stand accused of receiving funding from abroad. Official investigations have been launched in 11 cases. Two of the imams had already been denied extensions to their residency permits.

Among the mosques facing closure is the Mosque of the Grey Wolves on Antonsplatz, in the working-class Vienna district of Favoriten, where the Gallipoli reenactment took place.

The other six mosques are in Vienna, Upper Austria and Carinthia, in all of which hardline salafist teachings are said to be widespread.

Mr. Erdogan, speaking Saturday [June 9], said: “They say they’re going to kick our religious men out of Austria. Do you think we will not react if you do such a thing?”

“That means we’re going to have to do something,” he added without elaborating.

Around 360,000 people of Turkish origin live in Austria, including 117,000 Turkish nationals.

Relations between Ankara and Vienna have been strained since a failed coup against Erdogan in 2016 which was followed by a wave of arrests. Mr. Erdogan’s speech precedes presidential and legislative elections on June 24 in which he faces stiff opposition.

During last year’s Turkish referendum on expanding the president’s powers, tensions ran high between Vienna and Ankara after Austria said it would not allow campaign-related events.

The new policy comes after a number of scandals involving mosques in Austria, including one in which Islamists were plotting to overthrow the government to replace it with an Islamic caliphate. The ATIB association came under fire last week when a Turkish mosque posted images of young children swearing oaths to the Turkish state.



“Eye on the World” comment: The following list of articles consists of headlines of extra articles, which are considered international. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

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- An article titled "Iran, Spurned by US, Angrily Watches Trump-Korea Talks" was posted at apnews.com on June 9, 2018.
 - An article by Hanna Bogorowski titled "Iranian Politician Discusses Facilitation of 9/11 Hijackers" was posted at dailycaller.com on June 8, 2018.
 - An article titled "10,000 Palestinians Participate in Gaza Border Fence Protest, 6 Wounded" was posted at jpost.com on June 8, 2018.
 - An article by Spencer Kimball titled "Trump Refuses to Back G-7 Declaration, Calls Trudeau 'Weak' and Threatens Car Tariffs" was posted at cnbc.com on June 9, 2018.
 - An article by Joanna Chiu and Laurent Thomet titled "Xi Touts Putin Ties As US Tensions Bring Them Closer" was posted at yahoo.com on June 8, 2018.
 - An article by Becky Davis titled "China Hosts Russia, Iran for Summit As US Tensions Rise" was posted at yahoo.com on June 9, 2018.
 - An article by Josh Rogin titled "The Biggest Winner of the Trump-Kim Summit is China" was posted at washingtonpost.com on June 12, 2018.
 - An article by Tom Barnes titled "Ukrainian Cow Milk has 'Five Times Safe Level of Radioactivity', Study Finds" was posted at independent.co.uk on June 8, 2018.
 - An article by Nicole Winfield titled "Vatican Seeks 'Courageous' Ideas to Combat Priest Shortage" was posted at yahoo.com on June 8, 2018.
 - An article titled "Saudi Arabia Says New Yemen Missile Intercepted" was posted at yahoo.com on June 10, 2018.
 - An article titled "Venezuela's Hyperinflation at New Dizzying High" was posted at yahoo.com on June 11, 2018.
 - An article by Julia Rios and Maggy Donaldson titled "Ortega Stays Mum As Nicaragua Continues Violent Downward Spiral" was posted at yahoo.com on June 12, 2018.
 - An article by David Agren titled "Mexican Candidate Shot While Posing for Selfie in Latest Murder of Politician" was posted at theguardian.com on June 12, 2018.
 - An article by Karla Zabludovsky titled "113 Politicians Have Been Killed Ahead of Mexico's Election; There are Still Two Weeks to Go" was posted at buzzfeed.com on June 13, 2018.



An article by Justin Bogie and Romina Boccia titled "Congress Quickly Running Out of Road to Kick Can on Nation's Debt" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2018. Following is the article.

In April, the Congressional Budget Office released its updated budget projections, and the outlook is grim.

The annual federal deficit is projected to rise to over \$1 trillion by 2020 and to top \$1.5 trillion by 2028. In the next decade, debt is projected to skyrocket to over 96 percent of the economy.

This is an abysmal and unsustainable budget course for the country to be on.

Thankfully, there is a solution that Congress can implement this year and sharply reverse the projected course.

On Thursday, The Heritage Foundation released its fiscal year 2019 congressional budget proposal, "Blueprint for Balance." It would reshape the functions of the federal government, focusing spending on its constitutional obligations and nixing programs that fall outside that scope or favor special interests.

In the process, the Heritage budget would balance by 2024 and would cut over \$11.9 trillion from federal deficits over the next 10 years.

But this blueprint is about more than just making the numbers work. It would free up Americans from an overly burdensome government and allow them to truly thrive. By reducing government debt and taxation, the blueprint would create the conditions for more jobs, higher take-home pay, and a growing economy.

The blueprint would do all this while permanently extending last year's tax cuts, putting more money in American pockets and sustaining the economic growth already achieved by tax reform. Moreover, the blueprint pursues long-needed reforms to entitlement programs, and in doing so promotes free enterprise and individual freedom.

The Heritage blueprint contains five key elements:

1. Finally bringing spending under control.

Currently, the Congressional Budget Office projects federal spending to grow at a rate of 5.5 percent each year. The Heritage blueprint would reduce that rate to 3.1 percent.

Total federal spending under the plan would fall \$12.4 trillion lower than Congressional Budget Office estimates over the next 10 years. By 2024, debt as a share of the economy would begin to shrink, and in 2028 would be nearly 23 percent lower than what the Congressional Budget Office projects.

2. Reforming entitlement programs.

Spending on the three big entitlements—Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid—is growing unchecked on autopilot. By 2028, spending on these programs will claim over 73 percent of all federal revenues. These programs are simply unsustainable in their current form.

They also come with a heavy price tag for future generations. Tens of trillions in unfunded obligations threaten younger Americans with massive tax increases down the road and a growing pile of debt. The Medicare trustees estimate that by 2026, Medicare will be insolvent. The Social Security Trust Fund will likewise be depleted by 2034.

This blueprint would make a series of decisive reforms: repeal Obamacare; modernize Medicare by transitioning to a premium-support system and making key reforms to meet demographic, fiscal, and structural challenges; cap federal contributions to Medicaid and give states greater flexibility in designing benefits and administering the program; give states more responsibility in running welfare programs; and make critical reforms to Social Security to ensure seniors are protected from poverty in retirement while accounting for increased life expectancy and reducing the growth in benefits.

3. Prioritizing essential discretionary spending and cutting wasteful programs.

The Heritage budget would reject the irresponsible spending increase that resulted from the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, reducing nondefense discretionary spending by almost \$200 billion in fiscal year 2019 alone. This would be achieved by getting rid of programs that benefit special-interest groups at the expense of taxpayers; programs that would more effectively be run by the private sector or state and local governments; and programs that don't fall under the federal government's core constitutional responsibilities.

By moving resources away from less critical domestic programs, the blueprint is able to prioritize defense funding to ensure our military is properly equipped to handle rising global tensions.

4. Permanently extending the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

The Heritage blueprint would permanently extend the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, giving taxpayers more than \$400 billion in additional tax cuts over the next decade. The blueprint also calls for additional tax reform measures, such as moving to a consumption tax base rather than the hybrid income-consumption base currently used. This would help businesses as well as American workers and families while boosting economic growth.

5. Fixing the broken budget process.

The blueprint would take immediate steps to create a more accurate, accountable, and transparent budget process. Major reforms include: a statutory spending cap on all spending, enforced by sequestration; cracking down on budget gimmicks; stopping spending on unauthorized programs; and accounting for interest cost when providing budget estimates of legislation, among others.

These reforms would go a long way toward ending the dysfunction that now dominates our budget process.

For too long, Congress has kicked the can down the road on these critical reforms. Now, we are quickly running out of road.

Heritage's "Blueprint for Balance" contains the changes our budget has long needed. It would put the budget back on a path toward balance, and our nation on a path toward fiscal health.



An article by Michael Patrick Leahy titled "The Eight States That Will Determine Which Party Controls the House of Representatives" was posted at breitbart.com on June 10, 2018. Following are excerpts of the article.

The majority of the 99 seats in the House of Representatives identified by the Cook Political Report as "competitive" in 2018 are in eight states: California, Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, and Michigan.

Of the 435 seats in the lower chamber of Congress, 336 are not competitive—180 held by Democrats, 156 held by Republicans, according to the Cook Political Report's ratings.

Only 15 of the 99 competitive seats are currently held by Democrats, while 84 are held by Republicans.

The simple math—24 more non competitive seats are held by Democrats than are held by Republicans—and the Republicans have 69 more seats at risk in competitive districts than Democrats—suggests that the Democrats are well positioned to secure the net gain of 23 seats they need to secure a narrow 218 to 217 majority in the November 2018 mid-term elections.

Fifty-one of the 99 competitive races are in those eight states—California (10), Pennsylvania (9), Florida (7), Ohio (5), Minnesota (5), New Jersey (5), New York (5), and Michigan (5).

Only eight of those 51 seats are currently held by Democrats, while 43 are held by Republicans.

Minnesota is the only state in the country where more Democrat held seats are competitive (3) than Republican held seats (2).

Five of these eight states—Pennsylvania, Florida, Minnesota, Ohio, and Michigan—were battleground states in 2016 (though Democrats and the mainstream media did not realize Minnesota was a battleground state until election day, when Hillary Clinton squeaked to a narrow victory there).

Two of the states—California and New York—are extreme blue states with pockets of intrastate red resistance.

One state—New Jersey—has been a consistently blue state for decades, but—at least for the 2018 midterm elections—can be considered a battleground state because one of the state’s two Senate seats is in play this year.

The outcome of each of these competitive House races will be influenced by three types of issues.

- Some that are local and specific to that district
- Some that are statewide and specific to that state
- Some that are national in nature.



An article by Ann Coulter titled “Meanwhile, 10 Miles From the White House . . .” was posted at anncoulter.com on June 13, 2018. Following is the article.

Now that Trump has solved Northeast Asia’s problems, maybe he can get to a problem in our country—in fact, within 10 miles of the White House.

For some reason, *The Washington Post* recently ran an article on something important—the MS-13 gang presence at a public school on the outskirts of our nation’s capital, William Wirt Middle School in Prince George’s County, Maryland.

The media’s usual approach to the diversity being inflicted on us is: Don’t report this! It’s better if no one knows. Maybe the left has decided it’s too late to do anything about the transformation of our country into a Third World hellhole, and Trump couldn’t stop it even if he wanted to.

The Post reported that, like many schools up and down the East Coast, MS-13 has turned Wirt into a battleground. There have been near-daily gang fights, rampant drug dealing, one reported rape, gang signs on the walls, one shooting—more in nearby schools—and teachers afraid to be alone with their students. At least two students are required to have security officers assigned to them, walking them from class to class and watching them during lunch hour, on account of MS-13 threatening to kill them.

How many different categories of immigrants require special law enforcement officers devoted to them?

Thanks to mass Muslim immigration, the FBI has terrorist watch lists in ALL 50 STATES. That’s why whenever there’s a terrorist attack, the FBI says, Oh yeah, we were watching that guy. And now we have police bodyguards for kids at schools wherever “unaccompanied minors” have been dumped by our government.

In addition to the free school lunches, transportation, housing and health care to pay for all this wonderful diversity, immigrants are also massively ratcheting up law enforcement costs.

It would be enraging enough if bad things were happening to our country and the immigrants were paying for it. But we're paying for it. Wait—you are offering to bring gang warfare, drug cartels and terrorism? We'll go top dollar for that! Put your wallet away! Your money's no good here!

Having made the odd decision to report factual information about immigration, The Washington Post was careful to include the gigantically irrelevant, painfully idiotic cliché: The "vast majority" of poor Latin Americans pouring into our country "enroll in school and stay out of trouble."

Yes, and the vast majority of boa constrictors stay out of trouble too. Let's put them in our schools! In fact, far fewer boa constrictors kill Americans each year than Latin American immigrants do. Less than one a year. And boa constrictors don't undercut you at the construction site.

We never hear that "vast majority" argument about the policies that liberals like. The "vast majority" of gun owners never shoot up a school. The "vast majority" of smokers will never get lung cancer. The "vast majority" of Americans do not benefit from Wall Street profits.

Why are we subjecting ourselves to mass immigration at all?

Hey, everyone, let's all get an HIV injection! Don't worry, the vast majority of us won't get AIDS!

We're certainly not doing it to be nice to Hispanics. They've been polled and polled and polled, and it turns out they DON'T want more people being brought in to take their jobs and drive down wages. Recent immigrants probably don't want their useless brother-in-law from Chiapas sleeping on the couch either.

In the 2012 presidential campaign, Obama's Spanish language ads didn't make a peep about immigration. Instead, he bragged about giving everyone free health care.

(Sidebar: Unmentioned were the millions of people who lost their health care, thanks to all that free health care for immigrants.)

Less than two years ago, Republicans watched the most anti-immigrant politician in a century be elected president, with every major institution in America against him. Trump won more of the Hispanic vote than any Republican in a generation.

The Chamber of Commerce knows that Hispanics didn't come here to have their wages driven down by an unending stream of unskilled workers just like themselves. Republicans and Democrats know it.

The only people who don't know it are Americans who don't want to hurt anyone's feelings by opposing the constant importation of unskilled, poverty-stricken immigrants.

The reason for this transformation of our country, our culture and our politics is to flood the market with low-wage workers and Democratic voters.

Obviously, those are losing arguments, so the beneficiaries of mass Third World immigration lie. They claim that anyone who doesn't want to supply the rich with cheap labor must hate Hispanics.

Trump thought North Korea was hard?

With immigration, we have all of the most influential forces in our culture on the same page. Immigration is a great unifier of the rich and powerful.

The rich are like sharks—all appetite, no brain. With their cheap labor voting 7-3 for the Democrats, it won't be long until Democrats have a lock on government.

What do you think they'll do then, Business Roundtable?

Answer: Make it impossible to do business. Google "California."

With the Chamber of Commerce, the Business Roundtable and the Koch brothers' incessant lobbying for more and more cheap labor, we see exactly what Lenin said about the capitalists: They will sell us the rope with which to hang them.

The rich don't care. They can't think beyond next quarter's earnings.



An article by Walter Williams titled "Diversity and Inclusion Harm" was posted at jewishworldreview.com on June 13, 2018. Following is the article.

In conversations with most college officials, many CEOs, many politicians and race hustlers, it's not long before the magical words "diversity" and "inclusiveness" drop from their lips.

Racial minorities are the intended targets of this sociological largesse, but women are included, as well. This obsession with diversity and inclusion is in the process of leading the nation to decline in a number of areas.

We're told how it's doing so in science, in an article by Heather Mac Donald, a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute, titled "How Identity Politics Is Harming the Sciences."

Mac Donald says that identity politics has already taken over the humanities and social sciences on American campuses. Waiting in the wings for a similar takeover are the STEM fields—science, technology, engineering and math. In the eyes of the diversity and inclusiveness czars, the STEM fields don't have a pleasing mixture of blacks, Hispanics and women.

The effort to get this "pleasing mix" is doing great damage to how science is taught and evaluated, threatening innovation and American competitiveness.

Universities and other institutions have started watering down standards and requirements in order to attract more minorities and women.

Some of the arguments for doing so border on insanity.

A math education professor at the University of Illinois wrote that “mathematics itself operates as Whiteness.” She says that the ability to solve algebra and geometry problems perpetuates “unearned privilege” among whites.

A professor at Purdue University’s School of Engineering Education published an article in a peer-reviewed journal positing that academic rigor is a “dirty deed” that upholds “white male heterosexual privilege,” adding that “scientific knowledge itself is gendered, raced, and colonizing.”

The National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health are two federal agencies that fund university research and support postdoctoral education for physicians. Both agencies are consumed by diversity and inclusion ideology. The NSF and NIH can yank a grant when it comes up for renewal if the college has not supported a sufficient number of “underrepresented minorities.”

Mac Donald quotes a UCLA scientist who reports: “All across the country the big question now in STEM is: how can we promote more women and minorities by ‘changing’ (i.e., lowering) the requirements we had previously set for graduate level study?”

Mac Donald observes, “Mathematical problem-solving is being deemphasized in favor of more qualitative group projects; the pace of undergraduate physics education is being slowed down so that no one gets left behind.”

Focusing on mathematical problem-solving and academic rigor, at least for black students at the college level, is a day late and a dollar short. The 2017 National Assessment of Educational Progress, aka The Nation’s Report Card, reported that only 17 percent of black students tested proficient or better in reading, and just 7 percent reached at least a proficient level in math.

In some predominantly black high schools, not a single black student scored proficient in math. The academic and federal STEM busybodies ought to focus on the academic destruction of black youngsters between kindergarten and 12th grade and the conferring of fraudulent high school diplomas.

Black people should not allow themselves to be used at the college level to help white liberals feel better about themselves and keep their federal grant money.

Mac Donald answers the question of whether scientific progress depends on diversity. She says: “Somehow, NSF-backed scientists managed to rack up more than 200 Nobel Prizes before the agency realized that scientific progress depends on ‘diversity.’

Those ‘un-diverse’ scientists discovered the fundamental particles of matter and unlocked the genetics of viruses.”

She might have added that there wasn’t even diversity among those white Nobel laureates. Jews constitute no more than 3 percent of the U.S. population but are 35 percent of American Nobel Prize winners.

One wonders what diversity and inclusion czars might propose to promote ethnic diversity among Nobel Prize winners.



An article by Timothy Philen titled “Trump Vs. the Media” was posted americanthinker.com on June 10, 2018. Following are excerpts of the article.

The jobs report numbers for May were stunning: unemployment dropped to an 18-year low of 3.8 percent, an unexpected 223,000 non-farm jobs were added, and year-on-year wage gains rose to 2.7 percent.

Black unemployment dropped to a record 5.9 percent, a month after Hispanic unemployment hit a record low of 4.9 percent.

The only thing more stunning was the mainstream media’s announcement of this economic milestone, typified by NBC News’s blaring headline: “Trump Breaks Protocol with Jobs Report Tweet.”

It seems obvious now that we’ve reached a tipping point where the mainstream news media are so thoroughly intoxicated with animus toward this president that their journalistic sobriety is in a state of permanent collapse.

- Evenhanded reporting is evidently seen as capitulation to the enemy.
- Defending Trump in any way would, no doubt, be considered treasonous.
- This isn’t media bias anymore. This is war.

Media bias is PBS using David Brooks of the *New York Times* as its resident “conservative” and packing its “Washington Week in Review” panel with left-leaning reporters.

War is Phil Griffin of MSNBC waging an all-out assault on the Trump administration—peppering every daytime and prime-time show with pundits, Watergate prosecutors, and turncoat Republicans who pontificate from a presumption that President Trump is a corrupt obstructor of justice worthy not only of impeachment, but of criminal indictment afterward.

The raison d’être for an MSNBC show these days is to explore in detail the who, what, and when of this forgone conclusion.

And according to the May Nielsen ratings, it’s working.

Griffin’s policy of relentless propaganda without any dissenting voices challenging the host—something CNN and Fox News don’t stoop to—keeps MSNBC’s faithful watching, and his use of GOP shills to deliver anti-Trump messaging has proven equally effective.

Ex-Bushie Nicole Wallace's Deadline: White House, a daily love-in for Trump-haters, routinely challenges and sometimes beats the ratings of Fox's Neil Cavuto and CNN's Jake Tapper in the 4:00 P.M. time slot.

MSNBC analyst Steve Schmidt, former counselor to Vice President Dick Cheney, is famous for his fully automatic bursts of signature sanctimony about the moral depravity of the Trump White House and the Republican Party.

Still, Griffin's sharpest weapon—and the most difficult for any conservative to watch being used—is that venerable icon of the right, George Will.

Will's highbrow jeremiads against President Trump delivered on cue to a smirking Lawrence O'Donnell or solemnly nodding Chuck Todd are hard to witness. One almost expects him to hold up a copy of the day's newspaper to prove he's still an alive and happy hostage.

It doesn't stop there.

The liberal media have even managed to tar and feather President Trump with the Roseanne debacle. At the same time, they've twisted themselves into pretzels worthy of Bill Clinton with their tortured distinctions between Roseanne Barr's racist tweet and Samantha Bee's unconscionable vulgarity aimed at the president's daughter.

The show Roseanne was summarily terminated for Barr's transgression, but Bee's show was not canceled, solely and not surprisingly because the object of the comedian's feckless humor was named Ivanka and not Chelsea.

Progressives also viewed the revelations of MSNBC's Joy Reid's prior postings of homophobic remarks, 9-11 truther sympathies, and a cartoon likening war hero John McCain to the Virginia Tech shooter, as hardly worth a raised eyebrow.

Why? Because Reid is a rising star: an icon of color in training for the liberal elite. Her apology for her reactionary words, which included conservative positions on immigration, had to merit instant redemption and reconciliation, even though the apology was accompanied by a knowing lie that someone had hacked into her account and written those same quotes for which she apologized—a ludicrous claim that has been completely debunked.

She hasn't blamed President Trump or the Russians for the hacking yet, but if the Wayback Machine finds more scurrilous sentiments and heretical political views of that "other Joy Reid," anything's possible.

What's not possible is any lessening of the fury of these political battles in the toxic climate of 2018, at least not until after the midterm elections, which are likely to be the most contentious non-presidential contests, with the highest voter participation ever recorded, in our nation's history.

On the left will be candidates of every liberal stripe, buoyed by a swell of progressive outrage and lionized by a complicit news media, all fighting passionately against one opponent on the right whose name doesn't appear on any ballot: Donald Trump.

That's because he's a political lightning rod like no other we've seen—a president who has eschewed virtually every protocol of the modern chief executive as he delights in operating a 19th-century White House in the manner of Andrew Jackson.

He's "Old Hickory" in a Brioni suit, every bit as repugnant to the David Gergens and Richard Haasses and Mitt Romneys of the world as he is to the Noam Chomskys, and every bit as audacious as General Jackson at the Battle of New Orleans.

And he's going to keep it that way, because he can.

The president knows, as James Carville famously taught, that it's the jobs, wages, and consumer confidence numbers that determine victories in November, not the Rachel Maddows or Chuck Schumers or Robert Muellers.



"Eye on the World" comment: The following list of articles consists of headlines of extra articles, which involve the United States. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

Finances

- A Reuters article titled "US Weekly Jobless Claim Total 218,000, vs. 224,000 Expected" was posted at cnbc.com on June 7, 2018.
- An article by Suzanne Woolley titled "Millionaires Now Control Half of the World's Personal Wealth" was posted at bloomberg.com on June 14, 2018.
- An article by Patti Domm titled "Trump's Forecast of 4% GDP Growth Close to Coming True As Americans Spend Tax-Bill Proceeds" was posted at cnbc.com on June 14, 2018.
- An article by Bob Davis and Peter Nicholas titled "Donald Trump Approves Tariffs on About \$50 Billion of Chinese Goods" was posted at wsj.com on June 14, 2018.
- An article by Mark Moore titled "Canadians Boycott US Products, Cancel Vacations to America" was posted at nypost.com on June 14, 2018.

Illegal immigration

- Looking back to April, an article by Adam Shaw titled "Nearly 150 Illegal Immigrant Gang Members Freed by Sanctuary Cities Last Year" was posted at iheart.com on April 18, 2018.
- An article by Emilie Cochran titled "Pelosi on Illegals Suppressing U.S. Wages: 'That's Not the Point'" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2018.

Comments about weapons

- An article by Awr Hawkins titled "Jodie Foster is 'Much More Comfortable Having Robots' Own Guns" was posted at breitbart.com on June 8, 2018.

■ An article by Stephen Gutowski titled “American Medical Association Calls for More Gun Control Including Gun Bans, Confiscation” was posted at free-beacon.com on June 14, 2018.

Comments about Trump support

■ An article by Jim Holt titled “Trump Approval Rating Better Than Obama and Reagan at Same Point in Their Presidencies” was posted at thegateway-pundit.com on June 9, 2018.

Comments about Trump opposition

■ An article titled “Sanders: Our Socialist Ideas are Winning” was posted at grabienews.com on June 7, 2018.

■ An article titled “ ‘He’s Willing to Destroy the World’: Billionaire Investor and Liberal Donor George Soros Blasts Trump’s Presidency Saying ‘Everything That Could God Wrong Has Gone Wrong’ ” was posted at dailymail.co.uk on June 9, 2018.

■ An article by Rebecca Rubin titled “Robert De Niro Says ‘F***Trump’ at Tony Awards, Gets Standing Ovation” was posted at variety.com on June 10, 2018.

■ An article by Chuck Ross titled “ ‘Viva Le Resistance’; Mueller Team Attorney Sent Anti-Trump Texts” was posted at dailycaller.com on June 14, 2018.

■ An article by Rachel Stolzfoos titled “FBI Lawyer Told Coleagues to Go Easy on Hillary: ‘She Might Be Our Next President’ ” was posted at thefederalist.com on June 14, 2018.

■ An article by Amie Parnes titled “Dems Say Obama Return From Sidelines is Overdue” was posted at thehill.com on June 14, 2018.

News about the media

■ An article by Mike LaChance titled “If Conservatives Want to Win the Culture War, We Need Our Own ‘Saturday Night Live’ ” was posted at town-hall.com on June 7, 2018.

■ An article by Melanie Arter titled “WH Press Secretary to CNN’s Jim Acosta: ‘I Know It’s Hard for You to Understand Even Short Sentences’ ” was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2018.

General interest

■ An article by Annabelle Timsit titled “American Toddlers are Eating More Sugar Than the Maximum Amount Recommended for Adults” was posted at quartzmedia.com on June 11, 2018.



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 be 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."