

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 Gabrielle Olya titled “Hubble Examines Asteroid That’s Worth More Than the Global Economy” was posted at yahoo.com on Oct. 27, 2020. Following is the article.

The Hubble Space Telescope has captured a new, clear picture of the 16 Psyche asteroid—one of the most valuable asteroids we know to be in existence, Forbes reported. Some estimates place the value of the asteroid at \$10,000 quadrillion. To put that in perspective, the global economy was worth about \$142 trillion in 2019.

What makes the asteroid so valuable? Well, for starters, it’s huge—it’s about 140 miles wide. And it appears to be made out of pure metal, which is very rare for an asteroid.

“We’ve seen meteorites that are mostly metal, but Psyche could be unique in that it might be an asteroid that is totally made of iron and nickel,” Dr. Tracy Becker, a planetary scientist at the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio, Texas, told Forbes.

Psyche is located about 230 million miles from Earth and is one of the most massive objects in the solar system’s main asteroid belt, which orbits between Mars and Jupiter. Because it is so dense and metallic, scientists believe that Psyche is actually a “protoplanet”—the leftover core of a planet that failed to fully form.

Many planets, including Earth, have a metal core, typically composed of iron and nickel. Becker believes that Psyche may have been struck by another object during its formation, destroying its mantle and crust.

Although Hubble has been able to get clear images of Psyche, only a visit to its surface will reveal what it's really like. Fortunately, NASA is planning to do just that as part of its Discovery Program.

An orbiter is set to launch from Florida's Kennedy Space Center in August 2022, putting it on track to arrive at Psyche in January 2026. The orbiter will spend at least 21 months mapping and studying the asteroid's unique properties. Visiting Psyche could give researchers more insights into the valuable stuff of which planets are made.



An article by Sadanand Dhume titled "Islamic Governments Condone Radicals in France" was posted at wsj.com on Oct. 29, 2020. Following is the article.

Imam Khan is mad at Emmanuel Macron. In a series of tweets Sunday, the Pakistani prime minister accused the French president of "attacking Islam," encouraging "Islamophobia," and choosing to "deliberately provoke Muslims" by cracking down on radical Islamists.

Turkey's Recep Tayyip Erdogan asserted that Mr. Macron needs mental treatment" and called for a boycott of French products. Some 40,000 protesters in Bangladesh burned Mr. Macron in effigy. Stores in Kuwait and Qatar pulled French goods from shelves. Saudi Twitter users called to boycott the Carrefour supermarkets.

Mr. Macron stood up for French secularism after a grisly murder. On Oct. 16 a Chechen refugee beheaded history teacher Samuel Paty outside his school in Paris. The murderer objected to Paty using cartoons of the prophet Muhammad from the satirical weekly *Charlie Hebdo*, in a lesson on free speech. This Thursday three people were slashed to death at a Catholic church in Nice.

Days after Paty's killing, Mr. Macron eulogized him as a symbol of civic virtue, murdered because he chose to "teach his students how to become citizens" and to "teach freedoms so they could be exercised."

Across France, thousands have marched in rallies honoring Paty. The regional government projected the Hebdo cartoon on public buildings in Toulouse, and in Montpellier French authorities closed a mosque outside Paris and banned a handful of Muslim organizations deemed at odds with secular values. The Interior Ministry announced that it would expel 231 foreigners flagged as radicals, including 180 already in prison.

In a major policy speech before the murder, Mr. Macron had called Islam a religion "in crisis" and urged the forging of an Enlightenment Islam" compatible with French republican values. He announced a ban on almost all home

schooling, ended the import of foreign imams to French mosques and required associations that solicit public funds to sign a charter on secularism.

Hence Mr. Khan's denunciation. It's tempting to shrug one's shoulders at what looks like a minor diplomatic kerfuffle. The leader of Pakistan—a nation that prescribed the death penalty for "blasphemy" and steadfastly ignore Chinese atrocities against Muslims in next-door Xinjiang—lecturing France appears too absurd to take seriously.

But looking away would be a mistake. With roughly six million Muslims, 8.8% of the population, France may hold the answer to a question that affects us all: Can Western democracies integrate large numbers of Muslim immigrants while holding to their own principles?

Radicalization remains a pressing issue. Because Europe has failed to integrate Muslim immigrants while social media have become ubiquitous, strongmen grandstanding for their domestic audiences in Pakistan or Turkey have the ability to reach potential Islamists in the West. Mr. Khan styles himself not merely as the leader of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, but as a representative of Muslims everywhere—except of course China.

Moreover, totalitarian appeals to curb free speech can be superficially persuasive. In a letter to Mark Zuckerberg, Mr. Khan called for a ban on "Islamophobia and hate against Islam," likening them to questioning the Holocaust. A veiled threat invariably accompanies such pleading. Mr. Khan warned Mr. Zuckerberg that "marginalization inevitably leads to extremism."

Faced with this combination of persuasion and coercion, it's not hard to imagine a scenario in which our woke digital overlords at Facebook, Google and Twitter decide to buy peace with submission by banning cartoons of Muhammad.

Anti-Muslim bigotry is real, but Mr. Khan is looking for it in the wrong place. France takes great care to ensure that its rules—such as banning overt religious symbols in state schools—apply equally to all. Contrary to the caricature peddled in Pakistan, Mr. Macron bends over backward to distinguish between ordinary French Muslims and radical Islamists. He has urged his countrymen not to "fall into the trap" of "denouncing all Muslims" and spoken of France becoming a country "that excels in the study of Muslim civilization."

Instead of berating France, Mr. Khan ought to use the tragedy of Mr. Paty's murder to introspect. If Muslim extremists were not quick to violence, Muhammad cartoons wouldn't have become a global test case for free expression. With its rigid separation of state and faith, the French secularists project may not be for everyone. But it demands greater reserves of reason, intelligence and compassion than anything on display in the Islamic world.

Perhaps it's unrealistic to expect Muslim countries to embrace the French tradition of ridiculing any time soon. But this doesn't mean that we should welcome the idea of France becoming more like Pakistan.



A Reuters article by Nadine Awadalla titled "Egypt Says Freedom of Expression 'Stops' When Muslims Offended" was posted at reuters.com on Oct. 28, 2020. Following is the article.

Egypt's President Abdel-Fattah al-Sisi said on Wednesday freedom of expression should stop if it offends more than 1.5 billion people, following the display of images in France of the Prophet Mohammad that Muslims see as blasphemous.

Sisi also said he firmly rejects any form of violence or terrorism from anyone in the name of defending religion, religious symbols or icons.

"We also have rights. We have the right for our feelings not to be hurt and for our values not to be hurt," he said during an address to commemorate the Prophet Mohammad's birthday.

"And if some have the freedom to express what is in their thoughts I imagine that this stops when it comes to offending the feelings of more than 1.5 billion people," he added in televised remarks.

The Grand Imam of Egypt's al-Azhar university, one of the world's most eminent seats of Sunni Muslim learning, also called on the international community to criminalise "anti-Muslim" actions.

Sheikh Ahmed al-Tayeb, who sits at the head of the thousand-year-old institution, also said that al-Azhar strongly rejects the use of anti-Muslim sentiment to rally votes in elections.

Turkey's leader Tayyip Erdogan has called for a boycott of French goods and Pakistan's parliament passed a resolution urging the government to recall its envoy from Paris.



An article by Lia Eustachewich titled "Ex-Malaysia PM: Muslims Have Right to 'Kill Millions of French People' " was posted at nypost.com on Oct. 29, 2020.

The former prime minister of Malaysia said Muslims have "a right to be angry and kill millions of French people" just hours after an attacker yelling "Allahu akbar!" beheaded one woman and killed two others in a church in France.

The incendiary comments were part of a tweetstorm from Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, who railed against Western culture and French President Emmanuel Macron for refusing to denounce the caricatures of the Prophet Mohammad that have sparked three attacks in two months in France.

Macron has also vowed to fight "Islamist separatism" in the wake of the beheading of school teacher Samuel Paty in a Paris suburb on Oct. 16.

"Macron is not showing that he is civilized. He is very primitive in blaming the religion of Islam and Muslims for the killing of the insulting school teacher. It is not in keeping with the teachings of Islam," Mohamad tweeted.

"But irrespective of the religion professed, angry people kill. The French in the course of their history has killed millions of people. Many were Muslims.

"Muslims have a right to be angry and to kill millions of French people for the massacres of the past."

Mohamad also said "the West" shouldn't impose its views and values on others.

"To do so is to deprive the freedom of these people," he wrote.

Malaysia is home to more than 32 million people, 61 percent of whom practice Islam.

Mohamad's comments come after the third attack France has seen in two months, which left three people dead at the Notre Dame Basilica in Nice. The alleged knife-wielding attacker is in police custody.

Mayor Christian Estrosi called the assailant a "terrorist" who shouted "Allahu akbar!"—Arabic for "God is great"—repeatedly as police arrested him.



An article by Raymond Ibrahim titled "The Gruesome Battle of Sagrajas; Muslims Worship Allah Atop 2,400 Decapitated Christian Heads" was posted at americanthinker.com on Oct. 23, 2020. Following is the article.

Today in history [October 23, 1086], a battle that radical Muslims of the ISIS variety all but venerate took place between Muslims and Christians in Spain, or al-Andalus.

Context: In 1085, Alfonso VI of Leon-Castile captured the Muslim city of Toledo, thereby formally initiating the Reconquista. Great was the lamentation among Muslims and great the rejoicing among Christians. The Muslim emirs of al-Andalus—notorious for their disunity, dissipated lifestyles, and disinterest in jihad—had to act fast, for "the arrogance of the Christian dogs," to quote one Muslim, had "waxed so great."

So they called on their fanatical coreligionists in North Africa, the Almorivades, a sect devoted to waging jihad and enforcing sharia. Their elderly leader was Yusuf bin Tashfin, "a wise and shrewd man," who had "passed the greater part of his life in his native deserts; exposed to hunger and privation, he had no taste for the life of pleasure." Dressed all in black with a veil covering everything but the zeal in his eyes, the 76-year-old sheikh accepted the invitation and entered al-Andalus.

The Moorish emirs quickly "acknowledged his sway," to quote an Arab chronicler, "hoping that he would stop the victorious course of the infidel, and thus open, for the prosecution of jihad, those gates which they had hitherto kept criminally locked," thereby "propping up the tottering edifice of Islam, and humbling the pride of the insolent Christian."

By October 1086, a vast coalition of thousands of Almorivades and Andalusians, under Yusuf's command, found themselves facing Alfonso and his knights at Sagrajas, near Badajoz. (Although exact numbers are unclear, the Muslim army outnumbered the Christian one by roughly three to one.)

■ According to the Muslim chronicler: "When the two armies were in the presence of each other, Yusuf wrote to Alfonso offering him one of the three [conditions] prescribed by the law; namely, Islam, tribute, or death[.] . . . At the receipt of this letter, the unbeliever was highly indignant; he flew into a most violent passion, and returned an answer indicative of the miserable state [of his mind]."

On October 23, 1086, the Christians finally charged at the frontlines of the Muslim army, where Yusuf had placed the Andalusian emirs, while he and his African warriors held the rear. The battle soon "became fiercer than ever, and the furnaces of war burned with additional violence; death exercised its fury." As expected, it was not long before the Moorish frontline began to crumble and retreat before the Christians, who "repeated their attacks with increasing fury."

Yusuf's unperturbed reaction underscored the contempt he held for his "moderate" Muslim allies: "Let the slaughter continue a little while longer," he told a concerned general; "they no less than the Christians are our enemies." Moreover, the Christians would tire themselves out, added the shrewd sheikh, "and we shall vanquish them without great difficulty."

Before long, Alfonso and his knights had penetrated to the rear of the Muslim encampment. Yet Yusuf was nowhere to be found. He had divided his forces into three: one (finally) to aid the nearly routed Andalusians, and one to engage Alfonso; the last, led personally by the wily emir, had circumvented the field of battle. "Advancing with drums rolling and banners flying," they went straight to and put the Christian rear camp to fire and sword.

Realizing he had been outflanked, Alfonso, rather than continuing to rout his foes, ordered an about face back to his own camp. This was a mistake. The Christian knights crashed into their own fleeing men, even as "the Moslems began to thrust their swords into their backs and their spears into their flanks."

Always in the background was "[t]his weird drum beating, which so dumbfounded the Christians." It was, in fact, part of the new tactics brought into play by the Almorivades, whereby military units rhythmically advanced to the beat of drums.

■ As one historian explains: "The thundering roll of the Almoravide drums, now heard for the first time on Spanish soil, shook the earth and resounded the mountains. And Yusuf, galloping along the serried ranks of the Moors, nerved them to bear the fearful sufferings inseparable from holy war, promising Paradise to the dying and the richest booty to those who survived the day."

Soon even the effete Moorish kings who had been driven off the field had returned to the fray. Now "the clash between the two kings was terrific." Now "the earth quaked under the hoofs of their horses," writes a Latin chronicler; "the sun was obscured by the clouds of dust rising under the feet of the warriors; the steeds swam through torrents of blood. Both parties, in short, fought with equal animosity and courage."

Muslim accounts agree: "the stormy din of drums, the clash of clarion and trumpet, filled the air; the earth quaked [under the weight of the warriors], and the neighboring mountains echoed the thousand discordant sounds."

At just the right moment, Yusuf unleashed his elite black guard—4,000 bellowing Africans, armed with light blades, spears, and hippo-hide covered shields—toward where Alfonso and the bulk of his most stalwart knights were holding ground.

■ He ordered them “to dismount and join the fight, which they did with awful execution, cutting the horses’ houghs, spearing their riders when on the ground, and throwing confusion into the enemy’s ranks,” writes the chronicler.

■ He continued: “In the middle of the conflict Alfonso attacked, sword in hand, a black slave who had spent all his javelins, and aimed at his head; but the black avoided the blow, and, creeping under Alfonso’s horse, seized the animal by the bridle; then, taking out a khanjar [J-shaped dagger] which he wore at his girdle, he wounded the Christian king in the thigh, the instrument piercing both armor and flesh, and pinning Alfonso to his horse’s saddle. The rout then became general, the gales of victory blew, and Allah sent down his spirit to the Moslems, rendering the true religion triumphant.”

Exhausted, bloodied, and now impaled, Alfonso and his few remaining men—just 500, almost all of whom were seriously wounded—retreated, even as the relentless Muslims gave chase deep into the night and slaughtered some more.

■ In the words of the historian al-Maqqari, Alfonso “fled from the field of battle like the timid hare before chasing dogs, and reached Toledo, beaten, dejected in spirits, and wounded.”

■ Meanwhile, a grisly scene was unfolding on the field of battle. In keeping with the modus operandi of four centuries of Islamic heroes and caliphs, stretching back to Muhammad’s treatment of the Banu Qurayza, “Yusuf caused the heads of all the Christian slain [to the number of 2,400] to be cut off and gathered together in massive piles.”

And from the tops of those gruesome minarets the muezzins called to morning prayers the victorious soldiers, now worked into a frenzy by the sight of this bestial treading under-foot of human remains, “In the name of Allah, the Compassionate, the Merciful.”

The emir later had the now rotten heads hauled off in carts to the kingdoms of al-Andalus as material proof of victory—and a reminder of the fate of all who resist Islam.

Yusuf bin Tashfin is still revered among Muslims, particularly of the jihadist bent, for his pious exploits at this battle. Indeed, with the exception of perhaps the battle of Yarmuk, few if any other jihads of Islamic history are as extolled in Muslim historiography as Sagrajas, though it is known by a different name in Arabic: the battle of al-Zallaqa, meaning “slimy,” a reference to the slippery conditions caused by the copious amount of blood shed on the battlefield.

■ This was echoed by an Arab chronicler: “For many years after the field of battle was so covered with carcasses of the slain, that it was impossible to walk through it without treading on the withering bones of some infidel.”

In the end, “this memorable battle and defeat of the Christian forces . . . inspired new life into the body of [Andalusian Islam]” and set the stage for the next century and a half, which saw the absolute fiercest fighting between Christian and Muslim in Spain. But that is another story.



“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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- A Reuters article by Christian Lowe and Tuvan Gumrukcu titled “Turkish Leader Backs Boycott of French Goods Over Cartoon Row [Concerning Images Being Displayed in France of the Prophet Mohammad]” was posted at reuters.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - An article by Bill Bostock titled “France Pulled Its Ambassador From Turkey, and Arab States Are Boycotting French Products, After Macron Said He Wanted to Regulate Islam” was posted at businessinsider.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - An article by Chris Tomlinson titled “French Websites Targeted by Alleged Islamist Cyber Attacks” was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - A Reuters article titled “Pakistan Summons French Envoy Over Prophet Cartoons” was posted at reuters.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - An article by Julhas Alam titled “Thousands in Bangladesh Protest Against French Cartoons” was posted at apnews.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
 - An article by Frances Martel titled “40,000 in Bangladesh Burn Macron in Effigy Over France’s Crackdown on Jihad” was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
 - An article by Simon Kent titled “UK Urges NATO Allies to Challenge Turkey: Back French Support of Free Speech” was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 28, 2020.
 - An article by Deb Riechmann and Matthew Lee titled “Sudan to Join UAE, Bahrain in Recognizing Israel” was posted at apnews.com on Oct. 23, 2020.
 - An article by Shannon Tiezzi titled “In Korean War Commemoration, Xi Warns That China Will ‘Use War to Prevent War’ ” was posted at thediplo-mat.com on Oct. 24, 2020.
 - A Reuters article by Tim Kelly titled “Japan and U.S. Begin Major Military Exercise As Concern About China Grows” was posted at reuters.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - An article by John Hayward titled “China Sanctions Lockheed Martin, Boeing [Defense, Raytheon and Others] Over Arms Sales to Taiwan” was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - An article by Hau Dinh titled “Vietnam Evacuating Low-Lying Areas As Strong Typhoon Nears” was posted at apnews.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
 - An article by Peter Aitken titled “Russia’s Putin Appears to Defend Hunter Biden Business Dealings in Ukraine: ‘I Don’t See Anything Criminal’ ” was posted at foxnews.com on Oct. 26, 2020.

- An article by Matthew Harries titled "Will America Help Britain Build a New Nuclear Warhead?" was posted at warontherocks.com on Oct. 22, 2020.
- An article by Meghann Myers titled "Are Troops Really Leaving Germany? It's Not Totally Clear" was posted at militarytimes.com on Oct. 23, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Giuseppe Fonte and Elvira Pollina titled "Italy Vetoes 5G Deal Between Fastweb and China's Huawei: Sources" was posted at reuters.com on Oct. 23, 2020.
- An article titled "Italy Protests Over Latest Coronavirus Crackdowns Turn Violent" was posted at foxnews.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
- An article by Kelsey Vlamis titled "Protesters Storm Churches in Poland on the 4th Day of Unrest After a Court Ruling Tightened the Country's Already-Strict Abortion Laws" was posted at businessinsider.com on Oct. 25, 2020.
- An article by Ben Kew titled "Venezuela: Socialist Warlords Take Over Amid Gasoline Shortages" was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 24, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Temilade Adelaja and Alexis Akwagyiram titled "More Nigerian Protests Against Police Brutality As Reforms Fail to Convince" was posted at reuters.com on Oct. 14, 2020.
- An article titled "Nigeria Deploying Anti-Riot Police As Curfew Imposed in Lagos" was posted at Aljazeera.com on Oct. 20, 2020.
- An article titled "Nigerian Police Kill Protesters Defying Curfew in Lagos, Amnesty Says" was posted at France24.com on Oct. 21, 2020.
- An article titled "Magnitude 7.0 Earthquake [in Aegean Sea] Hits Coastal Turkey, Greece" was posted at USA Today.com on Oct. 30, 2020.



An article by John Carney titled "U.S. GDP Grew 33.1% in Third Quarter, Fastest Expansion Ever" was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 29, 2020. Following is the article.

The U.S. economy grew at the fastest pace ever recorded in the third quarter, expanding at an annualized pace of 33.1 percent, the U.S. Commerce Department said Thursday.

The economic rebound means the U.S. recovered significant ground following the record-breaking collapse of output due to lockdowns intended to stem the spread of the coronavirus. Despite the third-quarter gains, the economy is still 3.5 percent smaller than it was as the year began.

Economists had expected the economy to grow 30.9 percent, according to Econoday. Some economists, however, had been expecting a bigger expansion following the release this week of positive data in recent news on durable good data and international trade. The Atlanta Fed's GDPNow had third-quarter growth at 37 percent.

The third-quarter GDP gain was fueled by a record 40.7 percent increase in consumer spending. Business investment surged 20.3 percent during the quarter, reflecting a 70.1 percent jump in investment in equipment. The housing market is booming: residential investment grew at a rate of 59.3 percent.

The standard formula for calculating GDP in the U.S. annualizes the quarterly changes, which can exaggerate the changes. Absent annualization, the economy grew at 7.4 percent in the third quarter, by far the largest quarterly gain in records that began just after World War II. The previous record was 1950's 16.7 percent rate of growth, a 3.9 percent quarterly gain.

The third-quarter growth follows a 31.4 percent decline in the second quarter, a 9 percent contraction on a quarterly basis, and a five percent annualized (1.3 percent non-annualized) contraction in the first quarter.

The economy is still expanding, albeit at a slower pace. Economists expect the economy will grow in the fourth quarter but still register a contraction for the full-year.



"Eye on the World" comment: When Donald Trump encouraged Republican governors to open up their state economies, the national economy got better. However, Joe Biden and Democratic governors continued to talk about lockdowns. Notice the following 7 headlines.

■ Looking back to August, an article by Frances Mulraney titled "I Would Shut America Down Again': Joe Biden Says He Would Start Second Lockdown to Fight Coronavirus Pandemic If Scientists Recommend As He Slams Trump for Not Working to 'Fix the Virus' " was posted at [dailymail.co.uk](https://www.dailymail.co.uk) on Aug. 22, 2020.

■ Looking back to August, an article by Sam Dorman titled "Dr. Marc Siegel Calls Biden's Willingness to Lock Down US This Winter 'Very Disturbing' " was posted at [foxnews.com](https://www.foxnews.com) on Aug. 21, 2020.

■ Looking back to August, an article by the Editorial Board titled "Biden's Lockdown Mistake" was posted at [wsj.com](https://www.wsj.com) on Aug. 23, 2020.

■ Looking back to September, a video titled "Joe Biden Falsely Claims He Didn't Say He Would Lock Down the Country" was posted at [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) on Sept. 18, 2020.

■ Looking back to September, an article by Ebony Bowden titled "Trump Says Biden Will 'Destroy Country' With Lockdowns at First Presidential Debate" was posted at [nypost.com](https://www.nypost.com) on Sept. 29, 2020.

■ An article by Craig Bannister titled "Geraldo Rivera: GDP Grew 'Stunning' 33%, Jobless Claims Down 'Significantly'—Will Donald Trump Be 'Blamed'?" was posted at [cnsnews.com](https://www.cnsnews.com) on Oct. 29, 2020.

■ An article by Joseph A. Wulfson titled "CNN, MSNBC Prime-Time Shows Skip Historic 33.1% GDP Growth Amid Economic Recovery" was posted at [foxnews.com](https://www.foxnews.com) on Oct. 30, 2020.



An article by Walter Williams titled "Is Getting Trump Worth It?" was posted at jewishworldreview.com on Oct. 28, 2020. Following is the article.

President Donald Trump is not the first president to be hated by a large segment of the American population. In more recent times, there was considerable hate for President Ronald Reagan.

Even though the Democratic Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill and Reagan were polar opposites in their politics, they could be friends. Once, when Reagan confronted O'Neill about nasty things that he said about him in a newspaper, O'Neill replied, "That's just politics, after 6 o'clock we're buddies—we're friends."

Politics today has become something not seen in our history. The true tragedy is that many Americans have bought into the hate, destructiveness and plain nastiness and are seemingly ignorant or uncaring about its long-term consequences for our nation.

Democrats say that if they win the presidency, they would increase the size of the U.S. Supreme Court by appointing justices who would do their bidding—packing the court. One wonders whether they think that a future Republican president would simply ignore what they have done. I doubt it. A future Republican president would resort to the same tactic and appoint justices that would do his bidding. The U.S. Supreme Court would become no less than a super-legislature, subject to the will of politicians.

Last June, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill in favor of D.C. statehood. The measure was dead on arrival at the Republican-controlled Senate. But should Joe Biden win the presidency and bring with him majorities in the House and Senate, he would make statehood for D.C.—and Puerto Rico—a political priority. That would give the Democrats four more seats in the U.S. Senate, therefore guaranteeing them a solid majority.

But would Republicans accept that without a response?

What about splitting up strong Republican states, such as Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah and Idaho. For example, create a West Oklahoma and East Oklahoma or a North Utah and South Utah. That would give the Republicans four additional senators thereby offsetting the new Democratic senators.

You say, "Williams, dividing up states to get greater representation in the House of Representatives and the Senate would violate the Constitution."

The fact of the matter is that making Washington, D.C., a state would violate the Constitution. Article I, Section 8, clause 17 of the U.S. Constitution provides explicitly for a national capital that would not be part of a state nor treated as a state, but rather a jurisdiction under the exclusive authority of Congress, a neutral "district" in which representatives of all the states could meet on an equal footing to conduct the nation's business.

So, far as dividing up states, Article IV of our Constitution, in part, says, “but no new State shall be formed or erected within the Jurisdiction of any other State; nor any State be formed by the Junction of two or more States, or Parts of States, without the Consent of the Legislatures of the States concerned as well as of the Congress.”

By the way, in 1863, President Abraham Lincoln, who claimed that he was fighting against secession, violated the U.S. Constitution when he proclaimed the admission of West Virginia into the Union. The Virginia state legislature did not vote to support West Virginia’s secession from Virginia.

The bottom-line question is whether our nation can survive the divisions that we see today. Too many people want to blame it all on Trump.

How much blame can be put on Trump for the riots, looting and, as Axios estimated, the close to \$2 billion in losses from property destruction?

What about the murder and shooting of civilians and law enforcement officers?

What about the tearing down of monuments, not only those of Confederate generals but of Abraham Lincoln, Christopher Columbus, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and abolitionist Frederick Douglass?

Perhaps the most tragic aspect of today’s division is that much of it is a byproduct of our education system where young people are taught to hate our nation’s founders and founding principles.

However, it is these principles, though practiced imperfectly, that have created the freest and richest nation in mankind’s history. The question is if our nation can survive the widespread anti-Trump hate.



An article by Thomas Sowell titled “Black Education Matters” was posted at creators.com on Oct. 29, 2020. Following is the article.

Most Americans would probably be shocked and angry if they knew all the dirty tricks used to sabotage charter schools that are successfully educating low-income minority children.

This is not “systemic racism.” It is plain old selfishness on the part of traditional public school officials and teachers unions protecting their own vested interests.

Most of us might see charter schools that succeed where traditional public schools have failed as welcome news, especially in minority communities where there is so much bad news.

But, when there are a million public school students on waiting lists to get into charter schools nationwide, that amounts to many billions of dollars a year that traditional public schools would lose, if all those students could actually transfer.

That would represent a lot of jobs lost in traditional public schools. It would also represent a lot of union dues lost, because most charter school teachers do not belong to a union. The success of many charter schools is definitely unwelcome news to both traditional public school officials and teachers unions.

The law gives parents the right to transfer their children from traditional public schools to charter schools. But how many can actually exercise that right depends on how much capacity the charter schools have. All across the country, traditional public school officials and teachers unions do all they can to keep charter schools from expanding their capacity.

In many states, there is simply a law putting an arbitrary numerical limit on how many charter schools will be permitted. It doesn't matter whether the charter schools are good, bad or indifferent. Or whether the traditional public schools are good, bad or indifferent.

In other words, this is not about the quality of education for students. It is about protecting traditional public schools from a mass exodus of the students they have failed to educate.

A numerical limit to the number of charter schools is not enough by itself. After all, existing charter schools could expand their capacity. But, for that, they would need more classrooms—and classrooms and school buildings are controlled by existing public school officials.

Even in cities where many school buildings have been completely vacant for years, charter schools have been prevented from using those buildings, by various tricks.

Some of these buildings have been sold, with explicit provisos in the deeds that they cannot subsequently be used again as schools, but only for residential or other purposes.

Some school officials have openly admitted that they are trying to keep those buildings from falling into the hands of charter schools. In Milwaukee, this was spelled out officially. In Detroit, a school board member said, "there is no way we should be sustaining our competition."

Similar policies have been followed in Chicago, Washington, Cleveland, Indianapolis, and elsewhere. Some vacant school buildings have simply been demolished, making sure they cannot be used by charter schools.

These are just some of the tactics used against charter schools by traditional public school authorities, who constantly declare their devotion to the students. But actions speak much louder than words.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio has denounced and obstructed charter schools repeatedly. Yet, when he ran for mayor in 2013, a poll showed that 96% of black voters favored him.

This is what can happen when the vast majority of black votes automatically go to one party. Under these conditions, neither party has much incentive to serve black interests.

This year, Joe Biden told a black man that, if he didn't vote for him, he wasn't black. How is that for taking the black vote for granted?

Both Vice President Biden and Senator Kamala Harris have declared their support for teachers unions.

Teachers unions supply millions of votes and millions of dollars to politicians, mostly Democrats. They don't do that automatically, but require politicians to do something in return.

Unless black voters take the same attitude, their interests—and the future of their children—will be sacrificed for the political support of teachers unions.

This year the Republicans are making an effort to get more black votes. Record high average incomes for blacks and record low unemployment rates for blacks are part of this administration's record.

But support for charter schools, including awarding more than \$9 million to the Success Academy schools in Harlem and other minority communities may be even more important for the future.

Everything depends on how well Republicans inform black voters and how receptive those voters are to breaking their old voting habits.



An article by Michelle Malkin titled "The Mobilization of the Mob" was posted at creators.com on Oct. 27, 2020. Following is the article.

Ready or not, here they come. The ground troops of the anti-Donald Trump resistance aren't just biding their time until Election Day for Hidin' Joe Biden. Hell no. They're making their direct action checklists and checking them twice. They're training for instigating.

No matter the outcome at the ballot box, the left-wing mob is prepared to disrupt and destroy nationwide in the name of preserving "democracy."

Four weeks ago, I exposed the pot-bangers and lawn-crashers of the Sunrise Movement. That's the constantly morphing, full-time front group for the Sierra Club that nurtures rent-a-rioters to agitate for everything from the "Green New Deal," to Black Lives Matter and the "defund the police" movement, to the attacks at private homes of Senate Republicans—who just delivered the confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett.

Another key social justice player, ShutDown D.C., is teaming with Sunrise Movement guerrilla warriors to mobilize students, community organizers and even federal employees to take to the streets on Nov. 3.

ShutDown D.C. anticipates that 10,000 protesters from a motley assortment of affinity groups will converge at Black Lives Matter Plaza to engage in "civil resistance" if President Trump tries to "steal the election."

A "Flying Bike Squad" is "coming together as a rapid response team," according to organizers. If it's anything like the skateboard squads and soup can squads who've used everyday items as weapons to beat Trump supporters, look for more blood to spill in the name of "peaceful protest."

Mass disruptions are planned at train stations and airports, on highways and in residential neighborhoods for at least the first full week after Election Day.

"We'll keep it going until Trump concedes," ShutDown D.C. threatens in its outline of a "No More Business As Usual" blockade across the country. "We could be in the streets throughout the fall and into the winter—maybe as lots of rolling waves of action or possibly as a few major tsunamis! In other parts of the country, as vote counts conclude, our focus will turn from protecting the vote counts to themselves being ungovernable."

Here's what has me especially concerned: The "deep state" Trump-haters are openly gearing up to do everything they can from inside the federal government to assist the resistance.

ShutDown D.C. is conducting online training this week with public employees in the nation's capital to undermine election integrity and the day-to-day work of the Trump administration.

A protest guide lists the following subversive federal worker groups as key partners: Takoma Park Mobilization, Alt National Park Service, Alt Ed, AltFDA, Alternative NOAA, Alt U.S. Forest Service, AltEPA and BadHombreLands National Park Service.

The ShutDown D.C. crew is schooling its forces in intentional slowdowns to "reduce the pace" of activities they oppose ideologically and on how to participate in "nonviolent direct action protests/rallies" (which serve as cover for violent riots and assaults by antifa and Black Lives Matter brethren).

Another tactic: "Fed Flu" actions by U.S. government workers to "coordinate sick days across workforces."

More "tools in the toolbox" of "Never Trumpers" employed in federal police enforcement, research and development, the U.S. Armed forces, administrative management and political appointments:

- Refuse orders.
- Strike in coalition.
- Slow-walk enforcement and gum up bureaucratic processes.
- Publicly denounce "attacks on democracy."
- Leak information.
- Publicly resign.

Are federal authorities as locked and loaded as are these shutdown infiltrators?

Is the Trump administration ready to purge these infiltrators from the bowels of the federal bureaucracy before it's too late?

I'll repeat my warning from four weeks ago.

- They may look and sound like pesky, snot-nosed toddlers having harmless temper tantrums in black pajamas (and three-piece suits).
- But these professionally organized punks provide obstructionist boots on the ground for globalist Democratic billionaires and strategic cover for their violent antifa and Black Lives Matter comrades.
- Wake up, smell the manufactured chaos and vote to put these "deep state" moles and trolls out to pasture.



An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "Fact Check: 19 False Claims in Barack Obama's Speech for Joe Biden in Florida" was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Oct. 24, 2020. Following is the article.

President Barack Obama delivered a speech in Florida on behalf of Joe Biden's presidential campaign on Saturday [Oct. 24], in the course of which he stated at least nineteen false claims about President Donald Trump and his record.

From the transcript:

1. "He doesn't have a plan" for coronavirus.

Obama cited the presidential debate on Thursday. However, the president did, in fact, specifically mention Operation Warp Speed, his plan to develop and distribute a coronavirus vaccine quickly.

2. Trump couldn't answer Leslie Stahl of 60 Minutes when she asked, "What's your priority in your second term?"

In fact, Trump answered her: "The priority now is to get back to normal, get back to where we were, to have the economy rage and be great with jobs and everybody be happy. And that's where we're going and that's where we're heading."

3. "He doesn't even acknowledge that there's a problem" (i.e. coronavirus).

This is obviously not true, and provably so. Trump even talked about coronavirus in his State of the Union address, which Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) ripped in two.

4. Trump said "if you put some bleach in you, that might clean things up."

Trump never said that. He mentioned new, experimental technologies in UV light, and also specifically said he was not talking about putting bleach inside anyone.

5. "America created 1.5 million more jobs in the last year of the Obama-Biden administration than in the first three years of the Trump-Pence administration."

Obama seems to be saying that more jobs were created in 2016 than in 2017, 2018, and 2019 combined, which is demonstrably untrue. New revisions earli-

er this year indicated that slightly more jobs were created in 2016 than in any particular subsequent year. However, seasonally adjusted data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics show that more people were employed in each of the first three years of Trump's presidency than in Obama's last. In addition, Trump faced a different task. It is arguably easier to add jobs in the early stages of a recovery than it is to add jobs during a recovery already eight years old. The Obama-Biden recovery was the slowest since the Second World War.

6. Black unemployment went down, but "not because Donald Trump did anything."

It is possible to credit several Trump policies with lowering black unemployment, especially immigration enforcement. A 2007 paper by the National Bureau of Economic Research noted: "immigration has more far-reaching consequences than merely depressing wages and lowering employment rates of low-skilled African-American males: its effects also appear to push some would-be workers into crime and, later, into prison." Trump's focus on domestic manufacturing capacity also arguably played a role.

7. "The only people truly better off than they were four years ago are the billionaires who got Trump tax cuts."

A Gallup poll recently found that 56% of registered voters said they were better off than they were four years ago, which is a record high. (That's a lot of billionaires.) In fact, a majority of Americans received a tax cut from Trump's 2017 tax law.

8. "He barely pays income taxes."

In fact, Trump pays tens of millions of dollars in taxes, despite losses in some years.

9. Trump has "secret Chinese bank accounts."

The Trump hotel chain used a legal bank account to pay taxes in China when it made licensing deals. It is not a personal account and the account has reportedly been inactive for five years.

10. "His first year in the White House he only paid \$750 in federal income tax."

Trump paid over seven million dollars in taxes in 2017, but used a tax credit from an earlier year to pay it. Also, he donated his entire salary to the government.

11. Trump has no plan "when it comes to preexisting conditions."

The president has constantly promised to provide health insurance for people with pre-existing conditions; he issued an executive order laying out his plan in September.

12. Trump "drove up costs" under Obamacare.

Actually, Obamacare premiums have been falling under Trump.

13. Trump said: "We hope the Supreme Court takes your health insurance away."

Trump never said that. He said he hoped the Supreme Court would end Obamacare ("I hope that they end it"), noting his desire to replace it with a better plan.

14. Trump is "MIA" when "Russia puts bounties on the heads of our brave soldiers in Afghanistan."

The Pentagon said that there was never "corroborating evidence" of a supposed Russian program to pay bounties for killing U.S. soldiers.

15. "Joe Biden would never call the men and women of our military suckers and losers."

Neither would Trump, because it never happened. Biden did call U.S. troops "stupid bastards," however. (He claimed that he had been joking.)

16. Trump asked if we could "nuke hurricanes."

Even Snopes.com regards this claim as "unproven." Obama also claimed that Trump had suggested selling Puerto Rico, which even the source for that claim says was never seriously considered.

17. Trump "cannot call out or even criticize white supremacists." This divisive, false claim is also easily disproven.

18. Trump "threatens people with jail for just criticizing him."

This does not appear to have ever happened. Trump did threaten a reporter with prison time—after he defied instructions not to photograph a classified letter from Jim Kong-un.

It was the Obama administration, that tried to prosecute journalist James Risen of the *New York Times*, and which jailed an obscure filmmaker after it blamed an obscure anti-Islamic YouTube video for the Benghazi terror attack in September 2012.

19. The EPA is "giving polluters free reign to dump unlimited poison into our air and water."

Demonstrably untrue. Obama delivered several other attacks on members of Trump's Cabinet in the same vein ("declared war on workers" etc.).



An article by Michael Brown titled "Culture May Change but God's Word Does Not Change" was posted at townhall.com on Oct. 23, 2020. Following is the article.

There is a concept in the modern world that says that the newer something is, the better it is. This applies to the human race as well: We are getting better. We are evolving. We are smarter. And we have higher standards.

That would allegedly apply to contemporary America as well. Slavery is behind us. Segregation is behind us. Outmoded religious dogmas are behind us.

We have become more tolerant. More accepting. More inclusive. We are better today than we were yesterday.

Except for one thing. We are not.

Human nature doesn't change

The truth be told, in many ways, we are no better than previous generations while, in some ways, we are worse. That's because human nature doesn't change.

That's why the 20th century was the bloodiest century in world history. That's why there is still a nuclear arms race, since one nation cannot trust another nation to act peacefully. That's why human trafficking is flourishing. That's why violent crime and rape and theft continue unabated. That's why we celebrate our "right" to kill more than 60 million babies in the womb. That's why oppressive, totalitarian regimes continue to grow. And that's why the cancel culture thrives in the name of tolerance. Human nature doesn't change.

No one has to teach us to be greedy. Or dishonest. Or lustful. Or hateful. Or violent. Or selfish. Or judgmental. Or hypocritical. Or prideful. That is simply part of human nature.

And, while there are many noble human qualities, including love and loyalty and courage and goodness, we are, at best, quite mixed.

That's because we were created in God's image and likeness but we rebelled and went our own way. As paraphrased in *The Message*, "God made men and women true and upright; we're the ones who've made a mess of things" (Ecclesiastes 7:29).

Effective documentary

And that's why we must get back to the divine blueprint if we are to be blessed as a people and a nation.

On Tuesday, American Family Studios released a watershed documentary, *In His Image: Delighting in God's Plan for Gender and Sexuality*. (I had the privilege of hosting the movie, which has been getting rave responses from viewers in its first days of release.)

Not only does it share powerful stories of men and women who formerly lived as gay and trans. Not only does it share compelling scientific data. But it also lays a solid scriptural foundation for what, exactly, it means to be created in God's image.

- In particular, what did God intend for men and women?
- What is His plan for marriage?
- How do we best flourish as human beings and families?
- How should the gift of sexuality be expressed?

The One who designed us knows best, and the Bible, God's Word, is the Creator's instruction manual.

Some people of faith disagree

Of course, there are many who would differ with this assessment, including people of faith. It is now reported that the pope has stated that same-sex couples should be granted civil unions. Perhaps this is an example of more-enlightened thinking? Perhaps this is proof of positive, human evolution? Perhaps we are growing in our understanding?

Not according to Catholic Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò. He said quite plainly (and rightly): "One does not have to be a theologian or a moral expert to know that such statements are totally heterodox and constitute a very serious cause of scandal for the faithful."

Culture may change. God's standards do not.

Bible is clear

Commenting on my book *Can You Be Gay and Christian? Responding With Love and Truth to Questions about Homosexuality*, a critical reviewer on Amazon wrote: "Let me make a rather bold admission—the author is correct but not necessarily right. I have read the Bible enough times to conclude that, yes, homosexuality as we know it is a prohibited practice for Christians."

So the reviewer is honest enough to say that, yes, the Bible is clear on this subject.

But, he continues, "I also know that Christianity has made so many compromises since its founding, what we know as Christian practices today would be completely alien to 1st century Christians. None of that matters to the author anyway—to him, verses that promoted slavery, just 'seemed' to promote it."

But is the Bible right?

Put another way, he was saying: Yes, the Bible is clear on the subject of homosexual practice, but who says the Bible is right? After all, the Bible sanctioned slavery, which all of us reject today. And Christian practices have changed over the years. So why uphold the Bible as if its moral standards are sacrosanct?

It's because they are sacrosanct. It's because thousands of years of human history point to the reliability of biblical standards. It's because the wisdom of the Word is unchanged.

Accordingly, when Scripture consistently condemns a behavior or practice, both in the Old and New Testament, we can be sure that the behavior or practice is wrong and destructive.

Conversely, when Scripture consistently promotes a behavior or practice, both in the Old and New Testament, we can be sure that the behavior or practice is good and helpful.

Not ignoring slavery

When it comes to the subject of slavery, the Scriptures never promoted it as an ideal. To the contrary, the Word of God celebrates liberation from slavery

and points to that as a final goal for humanity. Not only so, but the slavery that was sanctioned under the Sinai covenant was a far cry from the barbarous African slave trade of the not-so-distant past.

So we cannot compare the Bible's teaching on sexuality and marriage with the Bible's teaching on slavery. In many ways, we are comparing apples and baseballs. They're not even in the same category, and to point to the one to avoid the other is to make a costly, even fatal, mistake.

Following God's blueprint

Instead, following God's blueprint, we find life and health and wholeness. Deviating from that blueprint we find death and pain and confusion.

Discarding the pattern of male and female as God's intended norm, we end up with a mind-boggling array of gender options, leading to Google questions such as, "What are the 72 genders?"

Multiple options created

That's why, already in 2015, one website listed the following as categories of people who believe they have multiple gender identities.

- Ambigender
- Bigender
- Blurgender
- Collgender
- Conflictgender
- Cosmicgender
- Crystagender
- Deliciagender
- Duragender
- Demiflux
- Domgender
- Fissgender
- Gemelgender
- Gendercluster
- Genderfluid
- Gendersea
- Genderfuzz

- Genderfractal
- Genderspiral
- Genderswirl
- Gendervex
- Gyaragender
- Libragender
- Oligender
- Pangender
- Polygender
- Trigender

Simple truth

This is what happens when we depart from the simple truth that God created us in His image, male and female. And it is a man and a woman that He joins together in marriage. And it is for the best.

Culture may change. God's Word does not.



"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.

Deficit

- An article by Craig Bannister titled "Biden: Founders 'Allowed the Federal Government to Deficit-Spend to Compensate for the United States of America' " was posted at cnsnews.com on Oct. 23, 2020.

Federal reserve

- An article by Enda Curran and Finbarr Flynn titled "Fed Cements Dollar Dominance, Fueling Record Overseas Borrowing" was posted at bloomberg.com on Oct. 23, 2020.

News about the media

- Looking back to August, an article by Charlie Spiering titled "Donald Trump: 'My Biggest Opponent' Is 'Corrupt Media,' Not Joe Biden" was posted at Breitbart.com on Aug. 17, 2020.

- An article by Kerry Flynn titled "Glenn Greenwald Is Quitting The Intercept, Claiming Editors 'Censored' His Article About Joe Biden" was posted at cnn.com on Oct. 29, 2020.
- An article by Lauren Fruen and Megan Sheets titled "Snowden Journalist Glenn Greenwald Tells Tucker Carlson 'The Left Is in Bed With a CIA Set on Destroying Trump' " was posted at dailymail.co.uk on Oct. 29, 2020.
- An article by Julio Rosas titled "Joe Scarborough [of MSNBC] Accuses Trump of Wanting to Kill Journalists 'If He Could Get Away With It' " was posted at townhall.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
- An article by John Daniel Davidson titled "The Mainstream Press Is Desperate to Help Joe Biden, Even If It Means a Media Blackout" was posted at thefederalist.com on Oct. 23, 2020.
- An article by John Daniel Davidson titled "Hunter Biden Scandal Has Exposed the Corporate Press's Corruption and Condescension" was posted at thefederalist.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
- An article by Lindsey Ellefson titled "Obama Documentary Lifts MSNBC to Highest-Rated Friday Night Ever" was posted at thewrap.com on Oct. 22, 2020.
- An article by Mike Brest titled "Tucker Carlson Boasts Highest-Rated Month in Cable News History" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
- An article by Aidan McLaughlin titled "Tucker Carlson Says His Documents on Hunter Biden Were Lost in the Mail" was posted at mediaite.com on Oct. 28, 2020.
- An article by Jacob Jarvis titled "Tucker Carlson's Missing Hunter Biden Documents Claim Prompts Disbelief [Among His Enemies]" was posted at newsweek.com on Oct. 29, 2020.
- An article by Zachary Halaschak titled "UPS Found Tucker Carlson's Documents Relating to Biden That Vanished in System" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Oct. 29, 2020.
- An article by Tyler Durden titled "Top 10% of Twitter Users Create 92% of Tweets in US—And 69% of Them Lean Left" was posted at zerohedge.com on Oct. 24, 2020.
- An article by Conrad Black titled "The Media's Smear Job [Against Trump] Campaigning for Joe Biden" was posted at amgreatness.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "MSNBC's Joy Reid: Black Lives Matter Never Advocated for Violence [Although 1 in 20 of U.S. Protests Between May 26 and Sept. 5 Involved Violent Actions Such As Rioting and Looting]" was posted at thefederalist.com on Oct. 23, 2020.
- An article by Melanie Arter titled "Sen. Ted Cruz: Big Tech Interfering in the Election by Blocking Story on Hunter Biden" was posted at cnsnews.com on Oct. 22, 2020.

- A video and an article by Jordan Davidson titled "Watch: Ted Cruz Slams Jack Dorsey for Twitter Censorship and Election Interference" were posted at thefederalist.com on Oct. 28, 2020.
- An article by Michael W. Chapman titled "Sen. Cruz to Twitter CEO: 'Who the [Heck] Elected You' to Decide What News Americans Can See?" was posted at cnsnews.com on Oct. 28, 2020.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "Twitter CEO Explains Why Trump's Tweets Are Labeled, While Communists & Dictators Get a Pass" was posted at cnsnews.com on Oct. 28, 2020.
- An article by Lucas Nolan titled "New York Times [Reported]: Google and Apple Formed Agreement to Control the Internet" was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 26, 2020.
- An editorial by Peter Beinart titled "America May Need International Intervention [With United Nations Oversight]" was posted at nytimes.com on Oct. 6, 2020.
- An article by Marisa Herman titled "CNN Blocks Pro-Trump Ad Rejecting Biden's Middle-Class Tax Hike" was posted at newsmax.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
- An article by Tristan Justice titled "With CNN Contract, Another 'Resistance' Leaker [Miles Taylor Who Previously Wrote an Anonymous Article for the New York Times] Cashed In on Anti-Trump Vendetta" was posted at thefederalist.com on Oct. 28, 2020.
- An article by David Ng titled "Kanye West: Only 'Racist' Liberals Think 'Black People Can't Make Decisions for Ourselves' " was posted at Breitbart.com on Oct. 24, 2020.
- An article by Harriet Alexander titled "Republican Party Spends Nearly \$1 Million to Make Fox News' Sean Hannity a Bestseller" was posted at independent.co.uk on Oct. 23, 2020.
- An article by Melanie Gray titled "Netflix Subscription Cancellations Skyrocket After 'Cuties' Backlash" was posted at nypost.com on Oct. 24, 2020.

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- An article by Brent Schrottenboer titled " 'I Don't Want These Dogs to Suffer': Pet Surrenders Becoming Tragic Part of Pandemic" was posted at usatoday.com on Oct. 28, 2020.

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- An article by Ethan Rotberg titled “Mortgage Rates Dive Even Deeper, Extending a Boon for Borrowers” was posted at yahoo.com on Oct. 24, 2020.
- An article by David Slotnick titled “Airlines Are Using Studies on Covid-19 Spread to Justify Filling Middle Seats, But Critics Say the Science Isn’t So Clear” was posted at businessinsider.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
- An article by Kate Taylor titled “McDonald’s Franchisees Are More Optimistic Than They’ve Been in Years, As Analysts Predict 20% of Independent Restaurants Will Close Across America” was posted at businessinsider.com on Oct. 27, 2020.
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- An article by Patrick Goodenough titled “Biden Says US Must Get to ‘Net-Zero’ Carbon Emissions by 2025; Then Adjusts That to 2050” was posted at cnsnews.com on Oct. 23, 2020.
- An article by Melanie Arter titled “Biden: ‘I Never Said I Oppose Fracking . . . Show the Tape’—Biden on Tape; ‘We Would Make Sure It’s Eliminated’ ” was posted at cnsnews.com on Oct. 23, 2020.

Coronavirus and civil liberties

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■ An article by Joseph A. Wulfson titled "CNN, MSNBC Skip Historic Senate Vote Confirming Amy Coney Barrett to Supreme Court" was posted at FoxNews.com on Oct. 27, 2020.

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- An article by Scott McDonald titled “Texas to Deploy National Guard Troops to 5 Major Cities for Nov. 3 Election” was posted at [newsweek.com](https://www.newsweek.com) on Oct. 26, 2020.
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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.”