

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 Andrew Beatty titled “Why the World Is watching Australia’s Tussle With Big Tech” was posted at afp.com on Feb. 12, 2021. Following is the article.

Australia has moved a step closer to introducing legislation that would force tech giants to pay for sharing news content, a move that could change how people worldwide experience the internet

Facebook’s decision to pull news from its platform in Australia comes in response to legislation that would force tech giants to pay for sharing news content.

Here is a look at what the proposed rules are, why companies such as Facebook object, and what it might mean for users:

What is happening?

After two decades of light-touch regulation, tech companies such as Google and Facebook are coming under increased government scrutiny.

In Australia, regulators have zeroed in on the firms’ online advertising dominance and its impact on struggling news media.

According to Australia’s competition watchdog, for every \$100 spent on on-line advertising, Google captures \$53, Facebook takes \$28 and the rest is shared among others.

To level the playing field, Australia wants Google and Facebook to pay for using expensive-to-produce news content in their searches and feeds.

After much back and forth, the House of Representatives has passed slightly amended versions of proposals and the Senate is poised to do the same.

After Facebook decided to pull the news plug Thursday, Australia's Prime Minister Scott Morrison signalled his willingness to press ahead with the legislation regardless.

Why is it getting worldwide attention?

Although the rules would only apply in Australia, regulators elsewhere are looking closely at whether the system works and can be applied in other countries.

Microsoft—which could gain market share for its Bing search engine—has backed the proposals and explicitly called for other countries to follow Australia's lead, arguing the tech sector needs to step up to revive independent journalism that “goes to the heart of our democratic freedoms”.

European legislators have cited the Australian proposals favourably as they draft their own EU-wide digital market legislation.

Facebook's move has also raised questions about countries' “digital sovereignty” after some emergency response Facebook pages used to alert the public to fires, floods and other disasters were inadvertently hit.

The company quickly moved to amend that mistake, but the incident left questions about whether social media platforms should be able to unilaterally remove services that are part of crisis response and may even be considered critical infrastructure.

Why are Google and Facebook opposed?

More broadly, Facebook and Google are pushing back against a slew of potential regulation worldwide that threatens to undermine business models that have allowed them to become some of the biggest and most profitable companies in the world.

Concretely, both companies say they do not have a problem paying for news—and, in fact, both already pay some news organisations for content.

Their main objection is being told how much they have to pay. That goes much further than European legislation, which encourages deals between social media and traditional media companies.

Under the Australian rules, an independent arbiter could decide if the deals reached are fair, to ensure the tech firms are not using their online advertising power to dictate terms.

Opponents have argued the new rules amount to a gift from Australia's conservative government to allies in Rupert Murdoch's News Corp, the country's biggest media group, to prop up his struggling newspapers.

What does it mean for me?

World Wide Web inventor Tim Berners-Lee has warned introducing the precedent of charging for links could open a Pandora's Box of monetary claims that would break the internet.

"Links are fundamental to the web," he told an Australian Senate inquiry. "If this precedent were followed elsewhere, it could make the web unworkable around the world."

Both Facebook and Google have argued that the proposals would spell the end of some of their most popular products.

But Facebook's move to block news in Australia would be difficult to repeat in larger markets such as the United States and Europe as a whole—potentially hitting the company's bottom line.

Google Australia had made similar threats to pull its search service in Australia, but pulled back from the brink—instead making deals to pay several Australian media groups.



"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.

■ An article by Mark Burton, Ranjeetha Pakiam and James Thornhill titled "Copper at Highest Since 2012 as Global Equities Extend Gains" was posted at bloomberg.com on Feb. 15, 2021.

■ A video and an article by Hank Berrien titled "Watch: Psaki Asked If Israel Is Important Ally of U.S.; She Doesn't Answer" were posted at dailywire.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "Israel Suggests It May Ignore Joe Biden on Iran, After Biden Ignores Netanyahu" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 16, 2021.

■ An article by Julian Borger titled "Iran Nuclear Deal: US Agrees to Join Talks Brokered by EU" was posted at theguardian.com on Feb. 19, 2021.

■ An article by Patrick Goodenough titled "U.S. Alone in Sanctioning Burma, Despite Repeated Vow to Work With 'Allies and Partners' " was posted at CNSnews.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Gabrielle Reyes titled "Accidental Blast During Bomb-Making Class Kills 30 Taliban Fighters" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 16, 2021.

■ An article by Victoria Friedman titled "BBC World News Banned From Airing in China" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

■ An article by Wendel Husebo titled "Joe Biden Aims to Erase Donald Trump's Policies in Combating China" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 16, 2021.

- An article by John Hayward titled “China: Texas Freeze Shows U.S. Is a Failure” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Feb. 18, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Yew Lun Tian and Tony Munroe titled “Texas Weather Crisis Deepens Chinese Belief They’re ‘On Right Path’, Says Foreign Ministry [Spokeswomen Hua Chunying]” at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on Feb. 19, 2021.
- An article by Lucas Nolan titled “Australia’s Challenge to Google, Facebook Draws Bipartisan Political Support” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Feb. 16, 2021.
- An article by Ben Gilbert titled “Facebook Is Banning Australian Users From Sharing News After the Country Proposed a Law Forcing Tech Companies to Pay News Outlets” was posted at [businessinsider.com](https://www.businessinsider.com) on Feb. 17, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Neha Arora and Krishna N. Das titled “India, Pharmacy of the World, Falls Behind on Vaccinations at Home” was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on Feb. 12, 2021.
- An article by Kurt Zindulka titled “Boris Johnson Admits Vaccine Passports Will Become ‘Inevitable’ ” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Feb. 16, 2021.
- A Reuters article titled “Merkel Promises Lockdown Will Not Last a Day Longer Than Necessary” was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on Feb. 11, 2021.
- An article by Breitbart London titled “France Votes on Government Oversight of Mosques Law, Islamism Crackdown” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Feb. 16, 2021.
- An article by David Agren titled “Mexico Was Once a Climate Leader—Now It’s Betting Big on Coal” was posted at [theguardian.com](https://www.theguardian.com) on Feb. 15, 2021.
- An article by Thomas D. Williams titled “Christian Pastor Jailed for Holding Church Services in Canada” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Feb. 18, 2021.
- An article by Lucas Nolan titled “Bill Gates: ‘Rich Countries’ Should Be Eating 100% Synthetic Beef” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Feb. 16, 2021.
- An article by Arata Yamamoto and Adela Suliman titled “Magnitude 7.3 Earthquake Strikes Near Site of Japan’s Fukushima Nuclear Disaster” was posted at [nbcnews.com](https://www.nbcnews.com) on Feb. 13, 2021.



An article by Allen West titled “Attacks on Second Amendment Trigger Tyranny” was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on Feb. 12, 2021. Following is the article.

The election swept in a legion of Second Amendment foes. Americans can expect them to take James Madison’s statement that disarming the people is “the best and most effective way to enslave them” as less of a warning and more of a directive.

During the campaign, Joe Biden was asked by CNN’s Anderson Cooper if a Biden administration would mean “they are going to come for my guns,” and Biden responded, “Bingo.”

Vice President Harris proudly supports “mandatory buy-backs” which is just a euphemism for outright confiscation.

President Biden’s Domestic Policy Council Chair Susan Rice announced that the Administration will partner with gun-grabbing organizations. And Judge Merrick Garland, President Biden’s nominee for Attorney General, has a long judicial history of suppressing Second Amendment rights.

The freedom to possess firearms will be attacked by the feds and the states through legislation, taxation, punitive fees, red flag laws, and pressure on banks and credit card companies. The restrictions will be aimed, as they always are, at law-abiding citizens and not the criminals responsible for gun violence.

In Congress, Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee has introduced a slew of alarming bills. Realizing it is a lot of work to strip Americans of their God-given right to defend themselves from harm, she introduced a bill to hire 200 additional Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives agents and investigators.

Rep. Lee’s H.R. 127 is particularly outrageous as it requires licensing for firearms and some ammunition, registration of all firearms, new and already owned, and a host of other bad ideas. Requirements for a general license include a psychological evaluation done by a psychologist approved by the Attorney General, using standards determined by the Attorney General. It also mandates interviews with the spouse and two friends or family members of the applicant, training as determined by the Attorney General, and purchase of liability insurance through the Attorney General’s office for \$800 per year.

The cost of background checks, fees, and insurance will be prohibitive for low-income Americans who will be left defenseless as they are effectively stripped of their rights.

Rep. Lee also introduced H.R. 130, which will make it impossible for Americans to defend themselves in their own homes. This law mandates that firearms must be stored unloaded, separate from ammunition, in an Attorney General approved safe with an Attorney General approved trigger guard. Good luck defending yourself against an intruder, when police and the Attorney General of the United States are nowhere to be found.



An article by Dennis Prager titled “Given How Flawed Human Nature Is, America Has Been a Remarkable Moral Achievement” was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 16, 2021. Following is the article.

Given how flawed human nature is, America has been a remarkable moral achievement.

This is the truism that separates the wise man from the fool.

This is the truism that separates the left from the anti-left.

Those who acknowledge how flawed human nature is compare America to reality. Those who do not, compare America to some utopian image: a country free of inequality, prejudices, intolerance, sexual misbehavior, greed, etc. This divide helps explain why those who hold a biblical worldview—usually religious Jews and Christians—are more likely to appreciate America than those who do not. It is fundamental to Judaism and Christianity that “the will of man’s heart is evil from his youth” (Genesis 8:21).

I offer a partial list of bad traits inherent to human nature. When perusing it, one can only marvel at how good a country America became.

No. 1: A yearning for power over others.

This yearning is what has animated nearly every political leader in history. There are people who do not have a personal craving for power and seek positions of power solely because of a calling. But these people are rare.

The American Founders understood this. They created a unique political system to minimize power and to maximize checks on power. That is the reason for the division of power among three coequal branches of government and the reason states were given so much power. Thus, America was established to be a republic, not a pure democracy. In addition, the Founders did not trust the majority with great power, which is the reason for two nondemocratic institutions: the Electoral College and the Senate. And that is why the left, which is rooted in a desire for power—and therefore a desire for evermore powerful government—loathes the Electoral College and the Senate.

No. 2: A yearning for fame and recognition.

This, along with the yearning for power, is what drives and has driven nearly all politicians in world history, but it is hardly isolated to politicians. For example, it is largely what animates Hollywood actors. That is one reason no other profession gives itself as many awards as does Hollywood. Increasingly, however, being a star is also what animates journalists and, to the extent possible, academics and other intellectuals.

No. 3: A yearning to feel and be considered important and morally superior.

This is nearly universal. People—historically men, but increasingly women—ache to believe they are important. There is nothing inherently wrong with this yearning. However, it can lead people to engage in irresponsible, even evil, behavior—solely because it makes them feel important. This explains why the left fights largely nonexistent evils such as “systemic racism,” “white supremacy,” “white privilege” and “capitalism.” Fighting evil, even make-believe evils, makes one feel important and morally superior to those who do not fight these evils.

No. 4: The sex drive.

Consider how many men have lost everything—their money, reputation, livelihood, even their family—in order to gratify their sex drive. The reason there has been so much irresponsible and sometimes evil sexual behavior is not because of “sexism” or “patriarchy,” but because of this drive. The won-

der is not how much sexual impropriety exists in America; the wonder is how little there is compared to the past, compared to virtually every society in history and compared to many societies today.

This has largely been the result of the influence of Judeo-Christian ethics. Prior to the baby boomer generation, most American men were raised to believe that manhood was defined by marriage and by taking care of a family. With the left's assault on Judeo-Christian religions, more and more young men feel free to revert to their animallike sexual nature, which is not monogamous and not naturally inclined to getting married and making a family.

No. 5. Greed.

The desire for more money and material possessions is built into the human condition. There is nothing wrong with wanting to make more money and have a nicer home. In fact, it is usually a good thing; it is what animates people to work hard and invent things. Greed, however, is the word we use to describe a yearning for material wealth so great that it overpowers moral considerations—which it has throughout history. It is the reason for corruption, an evil that constitutes the single greatest reason countries do not develop. Like every other country, America has always had its share of greedy individuals, but there has generally been far less corruption in America than elsewhere—a major reason for America's unique prosperity.

This, too, is rapidly changing. Like the other negative impulses of human nature, greed was held at least somewhat in check by religion. Every Bible-based religion taught its followers self-control. With the demise of religion, the only thing left to control people is the state. But when the state becomes a substitute for religion in attempting to control human nature, one ends up with a police state, which may well happen here.

No. 6: Ingratitude.

Gratitude is not built into human nature. That's why good parents tell their children thousands of times, "Say 'thank you.'" Gratitude needs to be cultivated. And throughout American history, it was. The great majority of Americans and new immigrants to America were profoundly grateful to be American. Of course, many Blacks had legitimate reasons not to be grateful to be American. But, over time, that has changed. However, the left has told every group other than white males that they should have no gratitude for being American. One could say that most college and graduate school degrees today are degrees in ingratitude. The left knows it can only win elections when the majority of Americans are ungrateful.

Given human nature, America has been an extraordinary accomplishment. However, given the left's largely successful elimination of Judeo-Christian and middle-class values—and the consequent unleashing of human nature—that accomplishment may not survive.



An article by Michelle Malkin titled "Pregnant Women: Beware of Covid Shots" was posted at creators.com on Feb. 17, 2021. Following is the article.

Twenty years ago, when I was pregnant with my first child, I transformed into a total health nut. A lifelong couch potato, I started exercising, enrolled in Lamaze classes and even took vitamins for the first time. I halted my consumption of caffeine, Doritos, Spam and sushi. After decades of obliviousness to food labels, I began scrutinizing every additive and preservative listed in the teeny-tiny font on each item of my grocery list.

Now, imagine if our culture encouraged women of childbearing age to be as vigilant about the effects of Big Pharma's experimental drugs on themselves and their unborn babies as they are about our diets. We know all about gluten and carbs, trans-fats and Omega-3 fatty acids, mercury in fish and heavy metals in baby food. But do you know what's in the covid-19 vaccines that an estimated 100 million Americans are expected to inject into their bodies by this spring?

In December, I flagged concerns raised by Dr. Michael Yeadon, former vice president and chief scientific officer at Pfizer Global, regarding two additives in the Pfizer covid-19 vaccine: polyethylene glycol and mNeonGreen. Yeadon and his colleagues warned of potential fertility-specific risks involving antibodies against "spike proteins" that could disrupt the development of placenta in vaccinated women. It is "unclear," they warned, "what if any instructions/information" that clinical trial subjects received regarding those risks.

Bear in mind that none of the clinical trials conducted by the vaccine-makers to win emergency use authorization from the federal government included pregnant women. That has been historically true of drug trials because, as Dr. Simone Gold of America's Frontline Doctors explained to me in an interview last week, the "cascade of events that has to go on in the human body to get pregnant and maintain a pregnancy is incredibly complicated" and "we don't know all the details of what we don't know." Gold called it "shocking" that medical professionals and pregnant women or women of childbearing age "would be advocating" taking "anything experimental."

Yes, let's be clear and accurate in our description of the covid-19 vaccines. They are wholly experimental treatments manufactured and marketed by multinational corporations that are immune from liability for their products being tested, approved and distributed at warp speed. An important white paper by America's Frontline Doctors reminds citizens that covid-19 vaccines manufactured by Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca are considered "investigational" in status and fall under legal standards for experimental medications. The trials are ongoing and enrollees are tracked for at least the next two years. "We do not know the effect on the pregnant or soon to be pregnant," Gold and her colleagues report. "There is no actual data at all for an enormous percentage of the population, probably more than half."

On top of all that uncertainty and lack of data, the "mechanism of action of the experimental mRNA vaccines includes a possible auto-immune rejection of the

placenta. In layman's terms, the vaccine may permanently interfere with a woman's ability to maintain a pregnancy." In fact, as the labeling on covid-19 vaccine vials itself acknowledges: "(I)t is unknown whether covid-19 mRNA VaccineBNT162b2 has an impact on fertility. And women of childbearing age are advised to avoid pregnancy for at least two months after their second dose."

Nevertheless, Dr. Anthony Fauci is now downplaying the risks of covid-19 jab complications in pregnant women and claims there are "no red flags," while the World Health Organization has warned that "very little data are available to assess vaccine safety in pregnancy."

Let me give you the bottom line on the "expert" consensus about whether the covid-19 vaccines are safe for pregnant women: They just don't know. Yet, those who dare dissent from Big Pharma orthodoxy have been branded "conspiracy theorists" and are being pushed off social media. Merely noting that the experts don't know what they don't know is smeared as "misinformation" or "disinformation." (You may remember I first warned you about this global censorship of vaccine dissidents in March 2019.)

The National Vaccine Information Center's VAERS database tracker has identified 23 cases involving covid-19 vaccines and reported miscarriages, fetal death, premature delivery or stillbirth. The background miscarriage rate is about 10-15%, so you would expect some miscarriages to happen regardless of the vaccine. But extreme caution is still advised. Alex Berenson, former New York Times reporter and covid-19 watchdog, asks: "Where's the safety data?" He reports that animal studies on covid jabs have shown "much higher rates of lost fetuses"—and to date, the only such trials have been conducted on pregnant rats.

In the meantime, federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System data on human covid-19 vaccine recipients have disclosed "multiple cases of apparently healthy late-term fetuses lost days after vaccinations," Berenson adds. "Healthy pregnant women are at next to no risk from covid; why on earth would anyone try to shame them into getting this vaccine?"

For moms and moms-to-be, we must always follow the oath that so many covid Inc. experts have abandoned: First, do no harm.



An article by Ben Shapiro titled "It's Time to Uncancel Americans" was posted at creators.com on Feb. 17, 2021. Following is the article.

This week, actress Gina Carano made headlines when Disney+ and Lucasfilm decided to cancel her from their hit series "The Mandalorian" over controversial social media posts. It is perfectly obvious that the corporations had been looking for an excuse to get rid of Carano thanks to her conservative politics—The Hollywood Reporter uncovered a source who snarked, "They have been looking for a reason to fire her for two months, and today was the final straw."

What, precisely, was Carano's sin? After the 2020 election, she put up a social media post decrying voter fraud and then put up a post referring disparagingly to elite-driven mask culture. This week, she put up a post pointing out that the Holocaust did not begin with mass murder but with neighbors turning on one another thanks to politics. The Holocaust comparison may have been overwrought, but it was certainly not anti-Semitic. "Nonetheless," Lucasfilm stated, "her social media posts denigrating people based on their cultural and religious identities are abhorrent and unacceptable."

Carano's cancellation came the same week as the cancellation of "The Bachelor" host Chris Harrison. Harrison's sin: He said that one of the contestants on this season of "The Bachelor" ought to be given "a little grace" over having attended a sorority party with an antebellum theme several years ago. Harrison said, "I have seen some stuff online—this judge, jury, executioner thing—where people are just tearing this girl's life apart and diving into, like, her parents, her parents' voting record. It's unbelievably alarming to watch this." And the woke authoritarians emerged to deem him racist.

Carano's and Harrison's responses, however, were polar opposites.

Harrison immediately kowtowed to the mob. He issued a mewling statement, no doubt at the behest of his corporate overlords, in which he suggested that he is now following a "path to anti-racism" and explaining, "My words were harmful. I am listening, and I truly apologize for my ignorance and any pain it caused you." Not a single person could have explained how asking for "a little grace" for a young woman who had sinned by wearing a Scarlett O'Hara-style dress had harmed anybody. But that didn't matter. The only one harmed was Harrison, whose apology was deemed insufficient. He has self-banished to the cornfield for at least this season, and maybe forever.

Carano, by contrast, took down the Holocaust post because she realized it was overwrought. But she didn't apologize. And, more importantly, she made a ballsy move: She signed a deal with my company, The Daily Wire, to produce and star in a new film. She explained: "I am sending out a direct message of hope to everyone living in fear of cancellation by the totalitarian mob. I have only just begun using my voice which is now freer than ever before, and I hope it inspires others to do the same. They can't cancel us if we don't let them."

We at The Daily Wire are dedicated to that simple proposition. It's time for the American people to stop allowing themselves to be canceled. The institutions of American culture are arrayed against individuals who think differently, from Hollywood to corporate America to the establishment media. But dissenters can band together, too, and support one another. Those who believe in open dialogue—people across the political aisle—need to come together. Otherwise, the authoritarians will continue their march toward woke dystopia.



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Deficit

■ An article by Tyler Van Dyke titled "Federal Deficit to Hit \$2.3 Trillion in 2021, Second-Largest Shortfall Since World War II" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

Comments about abortion

■ An article by Quinn Weimer titled "YouTube Bans Pro-Life LifeSiteNews, Shuts Out 300,000 Followers" was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Leah Barkoukis titled "Texas's New 'Sanctuary for the Unborn' [Is Goldsmith, Texas]" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 15, 2021.

■ An article by Michael W. Chapman titled "Cardinal Burke: Codifying Roe v. Wade in Federal Law Is Part of the Evil One's 'Program of Lies and Death' " was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 16, 2021.

■ An article by Katie Yoder titled "Actress Jameela Jamil: Abortion Made My Life 'A Million Times Better' " was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 17, 2021.

Rich people are getting richer

■ Looking back to December 2020, an article by Liz Hoffman and Jennifer Maloney titled "For Many Big Businesses, 2020 Was a Surprisingly Good Year" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 18, 2020.

■ Looking back to December 2020, an article by John Romano titled "Small Businesses Like Mine Didn't Cause Covid, But Governments Are Making Us Pay for It" was posted at thefederalist.com on Dec. 18, 2020.

■ Looking back to January, an article by Yelena Dzhanova titled "Jeff Bezos and Elon Musk Increased Their Wealth by \$217 Billion in 2020; For This Amount, Over 100 Million Americans Could Get \$2,000 Checks" was posted at businessinsider.com on Jan. 2, 2021.

Tragedies of lock-down

■ Looking back to November, an article by Brad Polumbo titled "4 Life-Threatening Unintended Consequences of the Lockdowns" was posted at fee.org on Nov. 25, 2020. (The four consequences are: (1) Massive Spikes in Suicide Rates and Mental Health Crises, (2) Uptick in Drug Overdoses and Substance Abuse, (3) Economic Devastation Leads to Hunger and (4) Surge in Domestic Violence Under Covid-19 Lockdowns.)

Comments about teacher unions

■ An article by Collin Anderson titled "House GOP Accuses Biden of Rejecting Scientific Consensus on School Reopenings" was posted at freebeacon.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

■ An article by Jordan Lancaster titled "Biden Administration Threw CDC Director [Rochelle Walensky] Under the Bus After She Said Teachers Can Return to School" was posted at dailycaller.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Reagan McCarthy titled "Sen. Rick Scott: Senate Democrats Are Siding With Teacher Unions Over CDC Data on Reopening Schools" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 17, 2021.

Finances

■ An article by Jon Harper titled "Federal AI Spending to Top \$6 Billion" was posted at nationaldefensemagazine.org on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ An article by Brad Polumbo titled "Why the New York Stock Exchange Could Soon Flee the State" was posted at fee.org on Feb. 11, 2021.

■ An article by Hugh Son titled "Feeling the Heat From Employees, Wall Street Banks Get Closer to Adopting Bitcoin" was posted at cnbc.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Thomas Franck titled "Oil Hits Pandemic High As Winter Storm Pushes Demand and Poses Production Risk" was posted at cnbc.com on Feb. 16, 2021.

Minimum wage

■ An article by Evie Fordham titled "Biden's \$15 Minimum Wage Could Hike Child Care Costs by 21% on Average: Expert" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

■ An article by Emma Riley titled "CBO: Raising Minimum Wage to \$15 and Hour Will Kill Jobs for 1,400,000 Workers; But Lift 900,000 Out of Poverty" was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Billy Binion titled "Romney and Cotton Want to Punish Businesses With Minimum Wage Hike and More Immigration Paperwork" was posted at reason.com on Feb. 16, 2021.

Keystone pipeline

■ An article by Lucas Manfredi titled "Gas Hits Highest Price in 12 Months As Progressives, Celebrities Pressure Biden to Cancel More Pipelines" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

Stimulus checks

■ An article by Anna Giaritelli titled "Activists Push Democrats to Give Stimulus Checks to 9 Million Taxpaying Noncitizens" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

■ An article by Caitlin Emma titled "Biden's Stimulus Gamble: Massive Cuts to Medicare, Farm Aid" was posted at politico.com on Feb. 13, 2021.

■ An article by Kit Ramgopal, Andrew Blankstein, Tom Winter, Stefan Sykes and Adiel Kaplan titled "How Billions in Pandemic Aid Was Swindled by Con Artists and Crime Syndicates" was posted at nbcnews.com on Feb. 13, 2021.

Green New Deal

- Looking back to 2019, an article by Adam Shaw titled “AOC’s Top Aide Admits Green New Deal About the Economy, Not Climate” was posted at foxnews.com on July 12, 2019.
- An article by Paul J. Gessing titled “Hurting the Economy Without Helping the Climate? We’ve Got This Inside-Out” was posted at nationalreview.com on Feb. 12, 2021.
- An article by Samantha Dravis titled “Biden’s Electric Vehicle Mandate Won’t Improve Environmental Outcomes—But Will Raise Energy Costs” was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 17, 2021.
- An article titled “Biden’s \$2 Trillion Green Plan [of Building 550,000 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations] Could Send This Stock Soaring” was posted at oil-price.com on Feb. 17, 2021.

Winter storm in South

- An article by Will Wade, Naureen S. Malik and Brian Eckhouse titled “Frozen Wind Farms Are Just a Small Piece of Texas’s Power Woes” was posted at bloomberg.com on Feb. 15, 2021.
- An article by Penny Starr titled “Winter Storm Exposes Texas Power Grid Vulnerabilities” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 16, 2021.
- An article by Erin Snodgrass titled “‘I Got No Defense’: Ted Cruz Responds After Viral Tweet Mocking California Energy Policies Resurfaces Amid Texas Storm” was posted at businessinsider.com on Feb. 16, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Shabad titled “‘Obviously a mistake’: Sen. Ted Cruz Says He Regrets Going to Cancun While Texans Froze” was posted at nbcnews.com on Feb. 18, 2021.
- An article by Yaron Steinbuch titled “At Least 23 Dead as Brutal Cold From Historic Storm Ravages Texas” was posted at nypost.com on Feb. 17, 2021.
- An article by Peter Weber titled “Texas Governor Walks Back Fox News Comments on Green New Deal; Says Gas, Coal Failed in Texas Freeze” was posted at theweek.com on Feb. 17, 2021.
- An article by Bob Price titled “Texas Power Grid Was ‘Seconds or Minutes’ From Catastrophic Failure, Say Officials” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 18, 2021.
- An article by Phil Helsel, Saphora Smith, Wilson Wong and Suzanne Gamboa titled “Power Comes Back for Most in Texas, But Other Problems Pile Up” was posted at nbcnews.com on Feb. 19, 2021.

News about the media

- An article by Anne Stych titled “Christian Talk Show Host Eric Metaxas Named in Slander Lawsuit” was posted at ministrywatch.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

- An article by Warner Todd Huston titled “NFL Hemorrhaging Young Viewers; Under 50 Super Bowl Viewership Declines for Ninth Straight Year” was posted at breitbart.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Morin titled “White House Deputy Press Secretary [TJ Ducklo] Suspended for 1 Week After Threatening [Politico] Reporter Over Story” was posted at usatoday.com on Feb. 12, 2021.
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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.”