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### Vultures are Circling by Don Feder

While Sleepy-Time Joe recuperates from the hard work of not getting lost on the White House lawn (Camp David is so peaceful this time of year), the vultures are circling.

The America which flexed its muscles under Reagan and Trump is now prostrate.

The Taliban, Mexican cartels, OPEC, city savages—the sky is full of carrion birds. Signs of weakness always bring them out. With Biden, America might as well be wearing a kick-me sign on its back.

Kabul is a replay of Saigon in '75, with Chinooks and Black Hawk helicopters evacuating personnel from the US Embassy—something fearless leader promised would never happen. Now the human airlift is taking off from the Kabul airport, as long as the Taliban (which controls the situation on the ground) lets us.

When he finally deigned to speak to the American people on Monday, Biden blamed everyone—including the Afghan government, the Afghan military, his predecessors (especially Trump)—everyone but the Taliban and himself. "The buck stops here," he said. But it was a throwaway line.

All agreed that our involvement with Afghanistan had to end. But with his genius for military operations and diplomacy (and supported by a woke general staff), Biden turned a retreat into a rout.

After 20 years pouring a \$1 trillion and the blood of thousands of Americans (dead and wounded) into that lethal sand trap, it was time to go.

Only, did it have to end like this? Trump left US fighter jets and drones at the Bagram airbase. Biden withdrew them on July 5 (without even notifying our Afghan allies), so there would be no air support for the pull out.

The image of helicopters evacuating US Embassy personnel and the bearded butchers celebrating with American weapons in the streets of Kabul will haunt us for years to come, as will the grisly death which will be afforded to any Afghans who helped us.

Closer to home, it took Biden just a few months to turn the US-Mexican border (so secure under Trump) into Disneyland Southwest, with Goofy Mayorkas running the show.

To change the country's demographics forever and cement Democrat power, border crossings are now at a 21-year high. (Demolish it and they will come.) Everyone is welcome, including those infected with COVID. Just as Biden is now begging OPEC to ramp up production, in June, the other half of the White House comedy team was in Guatemala pleading with the government to keep its people home.

With Biden's non-enforcement policy, the drug cartels have found human smuggling an increasingly profitable sideline.

But drug traffic has also increased. In the first half of the year, 41 lbs. of fentanyl were found by the Border Patrol in the El Paso sector, compared to 9 pounds in 2020. One kilogram (2.2 lbs.) can kill 500,000 Americans.

While we import so-called migrants and drugs, we export energy security. Joe the panhandler is imploring OPEC nations (among them regimes which couldn't be more hostile to our interests) to ramp up production.

In the name of combatting climate change, President Green killed the Keystone XL pipeline (that could have carried 830,000 barrels a day south), slapped a moratorium on leasing federal land (which a judge said was illegal), and cancelled Trump-era oil leases. Now he's gone begging to keep gas prices down. Unlike oil from North America, apparently, OPEC's is carbon-neutral.

With the price at the pump up \$1 over last year, and with the 2022 election looming, Biden is desperate for an OPEC bailout.

Someday soon, countries like Saudi Arabia, Russia, and China will present a bill for their cooperation. Anything that threatens our energy-independence (which is quickly slipping away), threatens our national security.

Vultures are circling our major cities, too. Criminals have grown so brazen that they're attacking victims in the shopping areas of major cities in broad daylight.

The week of July 19, there were 915 shootings and 430 deaths across the US. By the beginning of August, there were 777 homicides in New York City so far this year, more than all of last year—with five months left to go.

Democrat mayors and city councils have slashed police funding. Democrat prosecutors let felons go free and lobby to abolish cash bail, except for the most heinous offenses. Biden has yet to criticize those responsible for last year's orgy of lawlessness.

All of this sent a clear signal to those who go into retail stores in San Francisco and walk out with armfuls of merchandise, while helpless staff look on: If the arsonists and looters can get away with it, you can too.

From terrorist vultures, to border vultures to criminals, the message is clear: Those in positions of authority lack the will to oppose you. Welcome to the free lunch counter. Come on in, the dining (on the remnants of America) is fine.

This is the way civilizations end—when the guardians of public safety and order lack the will to confront the predators.

To continue the animal analogy, lions will circle an antelope herd and single out the old, tired, and cognitively impaired to attack first. The President of the United States has been selected as lunch.

If we're not very, very careful, America could end up the dessert.

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### Feds Promote Critical Race Theory by Scott S. Powell

Nowhere is the abuse of power in directing government manpower and spending more blatant than in the Biden administration's promotion of Critical Race Theory (CRT) training throughout all government agencies. The Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Education (DoE)—two agencies that have the most people under their administration and instruction—have incorporated this divisive Marxist ideology-based indoctrination in the training curricula for their staff members, and to all the enlisted in the case of the military. Given that warfighting capability can be critical to a nation's survival, and that the youth of today represent the nation's future citizens and leaders, these decisions are not without serious repercussions.

The job of teachers and schools is straightforward: It's to train students to achieve competence in the basic subjects of reading, writing, verbal, math, science, history, and geography. Yet according to the latest *Nation's Report Card*, only 23% of 12th-grade public school students in America reach basic proficiency. So with our nation's public school system failing in its primary mission, there is no justification for

diverting resources and manpower away from essential education curricula and teaching to a controversial program like CRT.

Many parents across the country passionately shared this position just months ago when the school year was coming to a close. In May and June, various videos produced by parents meeting and confronting school administrators and school boards demanding that CRT indoctrination programs be dropped went viral, being streamed cross country throughout social media. Yet the two national teachers' unions, the NEA and AFT, whose influence reaches all 50 states, remain committed to supporting their members teaching CRT. As the academic year 2021-2022 gets underway, parents should be aware that the DOE is continuing its state grant programs that provide support for CRT. And while 21 states have introduced bills that would control teaching critical race theory or keep a tab on how teachers can discuss racism and sexism, only six states have passed legislation or had governors deliver executive orders banning explicit CRT curriculum from public schools.

With regard to problems in the military that have resulted from CRT training, Sen. Tom Cotton (R-Ark.), a senior member of the Armed Services Committee recently disclosed that since he launched a whistle-blower tip line in May, hundreds of enlisted soldiers from all branches of the military have reported problems. Numerous sailors say that the Navy brass seems to be prioritizing diversity over combat training. 94% of those interviewed reported that the Navy now has a crisis of leadership. The recurring complaint about CRT training pushed on them is that it sets military members against one another and denigrates patriotism, which has prompted a number of soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, and guardsmen to resign.

In summary, CRT training brings division to the classroom and to military ranks. And in the case of the military, CRT appears to violate the 1976 Supreme Court decision recognizing that a civilian-controlled military requires it to be neutral and apolitical.

When things make no sense, one simply has to dig deeper to find out what's going on.

First, it's essential to understand that the CRT training agenda has all the trappings of a "false flag" operation being run by an enemy. That is, it preys both on peoples' ignorance and their desire to do well, virtue signal, and stand with justice, while the real agenda is hidden and can be best understood by seeing the program's effects. According to program feedback, CRT promotes far more racial division than racial sensitivity. Further, much CRT curricula distort America's history and its progress by the inclusion of incorrect narratives surrounding the 17th-century introduction of slavery, while omitting the accomplishments of Martin Luther King and the civil rights movement of the 20th century.

There is no denying that CRT's ideology is rooted in Marxism and uses race as a means of evoking moral, social, and political division, while also stoking reverse racism by impugning whites as racial supremacists. As for its history component and vision for America, CRT maintains that America is an irredeemably and systemically racist nation, with an illegitimate government based on a constitution written by white founders and ratified by six slaveholding states, which made up nearly half of the original 13 states.

What is most astonishing about the CRT project is that it shows how gullible and out of touch so many liberal elite administrators and officers are and how disrespectful they are toward the vast majority of people they oversee and serve. The debacle in Afghanistan reflects the utter failure of the armed services leadership in their main mission to manage military power to protect both strategic national interests and the welfare and American servicemen and women. The fact is that race relations among the enlisted are often exemplary, with blacks having a fast-track for promotion based on merit and blacks being overrepresented relative to their numbers as a percentage of the civilian population. It's hard to believe that the Pentagon brass doesn't know the state of affairs among the troops they oversee. A majority of military enlistees who go through boot camp, combat and teamwork mission training, and live and sleep in barracks or in tight quarters on ships almost all say that their experience makes the military one of the least racist institutions in America.

So if CRT training takes time, manpower, and resources away from the main missions of schools and the military, while also demoralizing most of its participants in the process, why is this happening in America at this time?

Xi Van Fleet, a Chinese immigrant mother of a child who went through Loudoun County, Virginia public schools, thinks she knows. She had a déjà vu with CRT and "wokism" being analogous to what she witnessed in Mao Zedong's Cultural Revolution in China that displaced and caused the death of some 20 million during the 1960s and 1970s. At a raucous public meeting in June 2021with the Loudoun County School Board, Van Fleet spoke up, drawing parallels between what she had witnessed in China and what she sees going down with CRT in the US today." The Communist regime used the same critical theory to divide people," she said. "The only difference is they used class instead of race."

"Growing up in Mao's China, all of this seems very familiar," she said, describing how the Cultural Revolution caused "students and teachers to turn against each other, and school names changed 'to be politically correct,' as they were taught to denounce our heritage." Going further, Van Fleet said, "The Red Guards destroyed anything that is not Communist—statues, books, and anything else."

Although her time to speak was cut short by the Loudoun County School Board, Van Fleet was tracked down by a reporter the next day and summed up her feelings: "To me, and to a lot of Chinese, it is

heartbreaking that we escaped communism and now we experience communism here."

The takeaway from so many who have lived through communist revolutions is that it appears that communists are now emboldened to commence the end game against America. They have adopted the terminology of being woke and high-minded sounding programs like Critical Race Theory, but it's the same old playbook of the four overlapping stages of communist revolution: first, demoralize society; second, bring about societal division and destabilization; third, bring on crisis and collapse; and fourth, bring about a new normalization of the communist *fait accompli*.

The reach of Chinese communism into the United States is far greater today than Soviet communism ever was, when at its peak there were at most about 150 Soviet agents working mainly in the federal government, with high-profile people like Alger Hiss serving as FDR's key trusted advisor at Yalta. The chief reason for the blooming of woke culture and CRT acceptance throughout the United States may in part be related to far larger numbers of Chinese agents operating in the US. Analyst Charles High reports that there may be as many as 100,000 Chinese working within US companies, mainly in the technology sector. Some of those conduct conventional spying to steal US intellectual property and military secrets, while others are sleepers or agents of influence, whose purpose is to protect and promote various narratives in the interest of China.

Additionally, there are direct parallels between what happened in China during the Cultural Revolution and what is happening right now in America. And this is all the more disturbing with our current president, Joe Biden, who seems to have been more "installed" than elected and now—with declining mental competence—appears controlled by people behind the scenes. And of course, the real question is who has the most control over Joe Biden. The silence about the implications of Chinese money received through son Hunter's \$1.5 billion Chinese "private equity deal" on father Biden's presidential administration is troubling and has no good explanation.

Americans have overcome many daunting challenges throughout their nation's past, often waking up at the 11th hour before taking action and prevailing. Protecting our citizens' freedom and saving America as a beacon of freedom in the world should be our top priority. That starts with overcoming denial about enemies foreign and domestic. Then we need to deal with these enemies with courage and dispatch, and proceed with correctives using skill and resourcefulness greater than that of the destroyers, but with none of their malice.

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## The Longest War

During an interview regarding the recent suicide attack on Kabul airport, a former Navy SEAL quipped that no one making military decisions for the United States seems to have read a history book. Lack of knowledge, he implied, is partly why America is suffering a humiliating and unconscionable defeat in Afghanistan.

Here, then, is a short skeletal history of Muslim-Christian relations beginning with Islam's founding in 622 AD by Muhammad, an Arab military leader intent on unifying the Arab world and conquering the rest. The lessons learned might put us on the right path forward.

Muhammad died in 632 and, soon thereafter, his followers began Muslim military advances into the Christian Levant. In your mind's eye, if you can picture the Mediterranean Sea on your left, the landmass to its right—Syria, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, and part of Turkey—is known as the Levant, which means the place where the sun rises. A great trading center in ancient and medieval times, conquering the Levant was the Muslims' first great conquest over the Christian Greeks at the Battle of Yarmuk, in 636, only four years after Muhammad's death. Jerusalem surrendered in 638.

Islam pushed on vigorously after this battle, sweeping over North Africa, uniting Arab countries, and setting its sights on conquering Constantinople, the Greek capital. Today, Constantinople is known as Istanbul and is part of Turkey. In 717, however, at what is known as the Siege of Constantinople, 80,000 Muslim troops and 1,880 galleys laid siege to the city. Possessing the equivalent of napalm, a fire that is very difficult to put out, the Greeks set fire to the galleys and after a year of siege and attack without success, Muslim forces retreated.

This Christian victory is thought to have slowed Muslim conquest of Europe, but Islam penetrated Europe by crossing the Gibraltar Strait into Spain. Not content, in 732, Muslim forces moved north into what is now France. At this time France, western Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, and the Netherlands were part of the Frankish Empire, led by Charles Martel, or Charles the Hammer, and his victory over the Muslim attack at the Battle of Tours, in France, is credited with reversing Islam's spread in Europe. Christianity, not fully established in Western Europe at this time, began to unify Western Civilization around the Roman Catholic Church

So, here is one of the great moments of history. Were it not for Charles Martel, Europe would have been swept up in the advance of Islam instead of the advance of Christianity. One of the differences is Christianity's mental openness to science and intellectual inquiry—

hence the rise of the great universities of Europe and Europe's eventual influence on America.

The story does not end here. The struggle continued back and forth for another 1,289 years. Muslim Turks defeated the Christian Greeks at the Battle of Manzikert in 1071. The Greeks had re-conquered the Levant in the 1100s but lost again at the Battle of Hattin in 1187. Back and forth it went. Muslim victories—then Christian victories—finally ending at the Siege of Acre in 1291 when the last of the Crusader influence was dispelled from the Holy Lands and the Hospitallers moved to Cyprus and Rhodes, where they held out until 1523.

Islam had conquered Spain. Islam had conquered the Holy Lands. Islam had conquered the Levant.

Islam laid siege to the Greek capital, Constantinople, which surrendered in 1453. That surrender marks the end of the Roman Empire and a victory for the Muslim Ottomans

Painstakingly, Western Civilization began to fight back. Spain was re-conquered at the Battle of Navas de Tolosa in 1212. A fleet of the Holy League, mostly from Spain and Venice, fought the last rowing naval battle at Lepanto, in 1571, routing the Muslims. Finally, in 1683, the Muslim Ottoman Empire and the Habsburg Holy Roman Empire fought it out literally at the gates of Vienna. The Ottoman defeat there meant that Islam ceased to be a menace to the West, especially with the Ottoman Empire's and caliphate's final dissolution on March 23, 1924, after World War I.

America was colonized by Christian Europe, specifically Protestant Christian Europe, beginning in 1607 at Jamestown, Virginia, and Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1620. Americans take for granted the intense battle for humanity's mind that this history represents. The notion of natural individual rights through a Creator; the notion of the development of the person (male or female); the notion of personal Liberty; the notion of people as a reflection of the divine—the undergirding of our way of life is the result of being on the Western side of this war.

We are now at the Battle of Afghanistan, 2021. Because our military and political leaders have not read a history book, they deem it a 20-year war, but they are wrong. It is a thirteen-hundred-and-eighty-nine-year war that we will lose because we do not know we are in it.

The Navy SEAL was right. Our political and military leaders make decisions without a clue. We had a stable and neutralized position in Afghanistan, with very few troops, that served as a check on Islamic Jihad and the rise of an Islamic caliphate and harsh Sharia Law.

We do not need to be there to nation-build—something that anyone who knows history knows cannot be successful. We are there because Islam decided to attack the West once again in 2001. We are there to save Western Civilization. We cannot allow a humiliating defeat.

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## Global Warming vs. Global Cooling

by Jack Hellner

It feels like I am beating a dead horse but since the public is inundated every day with misinformation about humans, CO2, and fossil fuels causing global warming/climate change, some of us must persist in giving facts before our great country is intentionally destroyed from within.

Currently, Democrats are working as fast as they can to pass a slush fund in their \$1 trillion infrastructure bill and its Bernie Sanders-crafted \$3.5 trillion reconciliation package, which has lots of kickbacks to their political supporters and a great focus on intentionally destroying thousands of industries and millions of jobs relating to oil.

We are constantly told the lie that the current period on Earth has unprecedented warming, yet scientific data show that the Earth has been much warmer throughout its history than today. There have been several lengthy warming periods that were clearly natural.

#### What's the hottest Earth's ever been?

Modern human civilization, with its permanent agriculture and settlements, has developed over just the past 10,000 years or so. The period has generally been one of low temperatures and relative global (if not regional) climate stability. Compared to most of Earth's history, today is unusually cold; we now live in what geologists call an interglacial—a period between glaciations of an ice age.

The most recent warming period lasted around 600 years and ended around 1300. The temperatures during that period were similar to today, and the warming was attributed to natural causes.

Climate explained: what was the Medieval warm period?

This Medieval period of warming, also known as the Medieval climate anomaly, was associated with an unusual temperature rise roughly between 750 and 1350 AD (the European Middle Ages). The available evidence suggests that at times, some regions experienced temperatures exceeding those recorded during the period between 1960 and 1990.

The most likely cause of the regional changes in temperature was related to a modification of the El Niño–Southern Oscillation.

We are constantly told the lie that droughts in California are worse than ever. Common sense should tell people that the reason so much of the western United States is covered by deserts is because of extremely long droughts.

There was a 240-year drought and a 150-year drought during the medieval warming periods.

The Washington Post is an active spreader of misinformation on global warming and climate change yet had an article in 2016 that recognized a 5,000-year drought in California.

California drought: Past dry periods have lasted

more than 200 years, scientists say.

There's also this: The researchers found that California experienced a dry period starting around 8,000 years ago and lasting for the next 5,000 years.

After the Medieval warming period, we went to an over 500-year period called the Little Ice Age where there was some natural cooling.

#### Little Ice Age

Starting in the late 1800's to today we have had a period of 150 years of minor warming. Instead of attributing this warming to a natural, cyclical warming after a cooling period like previous warming periods, the warming has suddenly, without scientific evidence, been attributed to humans, fossil fuels, and CO2. There is no data to support this contention yet the warnings become more dire every day. No matter how wrong previous predictions have been, they just double down.

Despite rapidly increasing CO2, population, and fossil fuel use, the Earth had a thirty-year cooling period from 1940's to the 1970's. The cooling was significant enough that we were warned on the first Earth Day in 1970 that a catastrophic ice age was coming.

When temperatures fall while the other variables are rapidly rising that shows a zero or negative correlation among the variables.

And this:

After rising rapidly during the first part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, global average temperatures did cool by about 0.2°C after 1940 and remained low until 1970, after which they began to climb rapidly again.

The public is pounded with misinformation every day. Here are some examples from a book by Steven Koonin—a physicist as undersecretary for science in Obama Energy Department.

\* "The warmest temperatures in the US have not risen in the past fifty years," Koonin writes, according to the US government's Climate Science Special Report.

\* "Humans have had no detectable impact on hurricanes over the past century," according to the 2014 National Climate Assessment.

\* "Since the middle of the twentieth century, the number of significant tornadoes hasn't changed much at all, but the strongest storms have become less frequent," according to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration data (NOAA).

\* "The rate of global sea-level rise 70 years ago was as large as what we observe today," according to the U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

\* Instead of droughts, "the past fifty years have been slightly wetter than average" in the United States, according to NOAA figures.

Rather than famine, "in the fifty years from 1961 to 2011, global yields of wheat, rice, and maize. . . reach more than doubled," according to the IPCC.

Where is the evidence that humans, CO2, and fossil fuels cause warming and climate change?

Shouldn't policies be based on scientific evidence instead of computer models before thousands of industries and millions of jobs are destroyed and everyone's lifestyle is turned upside down?

Why would we trust the people who lied that we could keep our doctors, keep our health plan, and our premiums would go down to control temperatures, sea levels, and storm activity forever if we just allow them to destroy the oil and coal industry and give them trillions of dollars?

Why would we trust anyone who silenced discussion of the Wuhan lab as the cause of over 600,000 deaths?

Why would we trust anyone who covered up for and genuflected to New York's Gov. Andrew Cuomo no matter what he did?

Why would we trust Biden on anything when he said Cuomo was a great governor this week? Is Biden's mind so shot that he doesn't remember Cuomo forcing nursing homes to accept sick people, which was effectively a death sentence to many?

Why would we trust anyone who won't enforce immigration laws and let in people with COVID while lecturing the rest of us?

Why would we trust anyone who looked the other way or cheered while radical leftists destroyed cities and killed and maimed people?

Why would we ever trust anyone who intentionally spread the lies about Russian collusion for years to tell us the truth about the climate?

What should we call journalists who intentionally spread misinformation that will destroy the lives of millions while silencing and seeking to destroy anyone who disagrees with the radical leftist policies? Isn't the enemy of the people an appropriate term for those who repeat the lies?

—American Thinker, August 18, 2021

## Global Warming in Trouble by Vijay Jayaraj and E. Calvin Beisner

Last week, a group of scientists sent shock waves through the climate-science community. They boldly pointed out that current climate models exaggerate greenhouse warming. In other words, they confirmed what climate skeptics have been arguing all along: that most computer climate models forecast unrealistic warming—warming not observed anywhere in the real world.

Could this be a turning point for climate science? Has the hitherto staunch resistance to any kind of scrutiny regarding the dangerous warming narrative come to an end?

#### **Scientific Method**

Science is not a body of facts. It is a method of finding facts—a method that is inherently skeptical. Not cynically skeptical, but humbly skeptical. It insists, as the motto of the Royal Society, *nullius in verba*, roughly translated "take nobody's word for it," that a scientist's every claim be tested—over and over and over. Thus, as the philosopher of science Robert K. Merton put it in 1938, "Most institutions demand unqualified faith; but the institution of science makes skepticism a virtue."

A scientific hypothesis is carefully studied and checked against available evidence. The process of establishing a scientific truth involves the scientific community's continuous effort to falsify it until so many such efforts have failed that the community provisionally accepts it—with emphasis on provisionally.

In the age of celebrity culture, though, people easily assume that theories celebrated scientists—or large numbers of scientists, or scientists associated with government authorities—embrace are above challenge. Yet even theories universally embraced (for example, that continents don't move, or that all ulcers are caused by excess stomach acid arising from too-acidic foods or anxiety) are not immune from new challenges or improvements and have been discarded.

Even the most celebrated scientists have been wrong. As *EarthSky* editor Deborah Byrd notes,

Einstein's [General] Theory of Relativity implied that the universe must either be expanding or contracting. But Einstein himself rejected this notion in favor of the accepted idea that the universe was stationary and had always existed. When [Edwin] Hubble presented his evidence [the red shift] of the expansion of the universe, Einstein embraced the idea. He called his adherence to the old idea "my greatest blunder."

It is now understood that the universe is constantly expanding.

Today, climate science finds itself in turmoil. Theories of catastrophic global warming driven by carbon dioxide emissions have long escaped careful scrutiny—just as the theories of acid-caused ulcers and stable continents long did.

#### Climate Scientists: Yes, the Models are Wrong

Some climate scientists, like Roy W. Spencer and Judith Curry, point out that many warming theories depend on computer models that are badly flawed. If the empirical, observational evidence—which Nobel Prize-

winning physicist Richard Feynman called "the key to science"—doesn't keep these theories standing, what does? It appears that it's the veneer of authority embodied in the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

However, now scientists deeply embedded in the IPCC have admitted that the models exaggerate warming. They raise concerns about the implausibility of the exaggerated warming levels.

Science noted, "But as climate scientists face this alarming reality, the climate models that help them project the future have grown a little too alarmist. Many of the world's leading models are now projecting warming rates that most scientists, including the modelmakers themselves, believe are implausibly fast."

These new admissions reaffirm findings in 2014 and 2019 that most models exaggerate warming—though the evidence is that they exaggerate not "a little" but a lot.

Scientists identified these unrealistic exaggerations by comparing model performance with real-world temperature data. A study published in 2020 analyzed 38 Coupled Model Intercomparison Project Version 6 (CMIP6) models and concluded, "For lower-troposphere and midtroposphere layers both globally and in the tropics, all 38 models over-predict warming in every target observational analog, in most cases significantly so, and the average differences between models and observations are statistically significant."

Thus, solid empirical evidence shows that belief in dangerous greenhouse warming is unwarranted, based on faulty computer climate models.

That scientists working within the IPCC now acknowledge models' errors could be a first step for climate science's return to normalcy—that is, to the skepticism that is a hallmark of science—after decades of adherence to the doomsday narrative.

But there are obstacles in the way. The same *Science* article that reported the IPCC scientists' admission that the models run hot also quoted NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies Director Gavin Schmidt as saying, "It's become clear over the last year or so that we can't avoid this"—a slip that suggests that he and others have, contrary to the skepticism inherent in genuine science, been trying to avoid it for a long time. So long as that mentality prevails, "climate science" will fall short of the true measure of science: honest, humble self-skepticism.

It remains to be seen how the UN will approach this complex and delicate matter. Bold, outright admission could deflate public trust and so undermine the agenda of global "decarbonization."

Nevertheless, the admission gives hope to climate science's future. Far too many scientists have been afraid to test climate doomsday narratives. This might give them courage.

Honest scientists follow the evidence wherever it leads. But to stand up and own the truth, scientists must also be freed from political pressure. Funding for the climate-science community flows largely through entities that seek to gain politically from climate fear. This must stop, and academic institutions must no longer function as public relations agencies for fearmongering political narratives.

—American Thinker, August 12, 2021

## Harvard's Race to the Bottom by Fletch Daniels

So, Harvard University named Greg Epstein, an atheist, as their head chaplain because, apparently, nothing makes more sense to them than turning over the spiritual direction of their students to someone whose entire belief system is built around the belief that there is no God.

At least Epstein is somewhat honest about his belief system, which is more than I can say about the more than 40 religious leaders of apparently 20 different faiths who gave unanimous consent to this grotesque travesty.

Most of America's universities have been post-Christian, if not openly hostile to Christianity, for many years, so Harvard is just putting their stamp of approval on what they see as the natural progression.

I remember being a young lieutenant in Europe in the 1990s and noticing that it was largely a post-Christian continent, a fact that was hard to miss. I marveled at the many beautiful monuments that stood as silent witnesses of its Christian past.

This was not without tremendous cost for Europe. The lack of a real belief system left Europe defenseless to deal with the rise of Islam that is now crashing through their society like a wave while they can muster little more than acquiescent apologies for not surrendering to it faster. After all, you can't stop a primal force armed with nothing but a weird concoction of aimless guilt and dangerously incoherent slogans about diversity and inclusion.

At the time I was wandering through largely empty cathedrals, I wondered if the same thing could happen here, even as some people assured me that it could not.

Thirty years later, it is clear we've largely followed Europe's disastrous example.

The problem is that once Christianity is driven into the corners of society, people will believe the most noxious things and what once would have been considered the very definition of insanity becomes the norm. As I watch our cultural heritage being shredded and thrown away like valueless shreds of paper, I often think on the admonition in the Bible in 1 Timothy 4:1 that "... in later times some will abandon the faith and

follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons." That "some" that Paul warned about has metastasized into quite a cancer.

The elevation of a chaplain at what is still considered America's most prestigious university should make obvious the fact that atheism is a religion, one that places man at the center of the universe unbound from any moral limits. It has long had its own tenets of faith that start to resemble the worst religions of ancient times.

The ancient people who sacrificed their children to Chemosh and Molech have nothing on today's death cultists who consider the unwavering belief in the goodness of the killing of unborn babies to be a tenet of their being, a clear sign that this "new" religion is brought to us courtesy of the same demons of old.

Most of today's "isms" are all part of this same new religion that is really nothing more than age-old enmity towards God repackaged with a modern spin. Humanism, Marxism, Secularism, Racial Justice Theory, Leftism, Post-Colonialism, the latest crazy university "ism" of the day . . . it's all essentially a competing religion that has at its roots opposition to God.

It was only a matter of time before cultural elites started to declare their own high priests, and what better place to start than at universities, which have been the epicenter of America's decline. Harvard just wanted to ensure that they were the first to get credit for elevating godless chaplains into leadership roles.

Harvard is the nation's oldest college and was founded to educate the clergy back in 1639. It educated some of the greatest thinkers in early American history, men with a profound respect for their creator who had a God-centered view of the universe, men who set this nation on its course. How far it has fallen to where today Harvard's idea of spiritual guidance is to tell students that they are alone in the universe but fear not, you can be the change you are waiting for.

It is notable that not a single chaplain objected to the elevation of a man who doesn't believe in God to be the spiritual honcho, indicating that Bible-believing chaplains have largely already been purged in favor of the new caste of "diversity is our strength" types that seem to now be dominant caste in so many institutions, to include the military. Apparently, the chaplain core is so diverse in these schools that not a single dissenting viewpoint existed. Diversity indeed.

I don't even need to read about this new "atheist" head chaplain at what was once America's top university to know what he likely believes. His belief system is

almost certainly in lockstep with nearly every professor at that university.

We recently returned from dropping off our last daughter who is starting as a freshman at Hillsdale College. As they do every year, the college had a wonderful convocation in which they promised to help the students achieve their best selves in partnership with God above as the students embarked on their educational journey. It was the perfect start to her college education and a profound contrast to the direction Harvard has chosen.

My daughter's roommate was accepted to both Hillsdale and Harvard and chose Hillsdale. Wise decision.

I firmly believe the battle for the future of America must take place in America's schools and universities that have been the source for the pathologies that are ripping America apart at the seams.

Andrew Breitbart, that great observer of American culture, once observed, "You send your kids off to college. They love you. You walk away with a Cornell mom T-shirt. You are walking away going this is great, and come Thanksgiving, your kid tells you that you are an imperialist and a racist and a homophobe. That is not worth \$120,000."

No, it is not, but it might be worth that much to avoid. Many kids never recover from that level of indoctrination. Meanwhile, Americans scratch their heads and wonder why today's young people seem so listless and depressed, even as we tell them that they are the source of goodness in a world without God.

It's long past time for parents across America to start wising up and stop sending their most treasured inheritance, their children, to America's propaganda factories, where putting an atheist in charge of the spiritual development seems like a grand idea. This is where the battle for the soul of America will be won or lost. If something doesn't change quickly in how parents and their children choose colleges, the battle against the corrosive culture will remain a rearguard action that will end in defeat. The grassroots pushback against Critical Race Theory is a start but that type of momentum at demanding reform in our educational system will need to be sustained.

Expect more universities to follow Harvard's example in today's America where the number of good colleges committed to providing a first-rate education is growing smaller by the year.

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