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Controlling Elitism, Fascism & Totalitarism

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Through the Process of Abstraction the 2021 Thesis outlines how the Global Macro is presently on a well defined path towards a global Fiat Currency Failure and the emergence of a New World Order. 2021 will be highlighted by social unrest during a period of heightened conflict and tension. As economic growth declines and chronic unemployment becomes even more broad based on the world stage, Macro Prudential Policies of Financial Repression will accelerate. Increasing centralized planning and control by sovereign government will further push advanced societies through Social Suppression towards collectivism and Statism.

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"A Republic If You Can Keep It!" Benjamin Franklin

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The following problems and changes are cocktails for Social Unrest & a Shift towards Social Suppression:

MEDIA

- 1. Media is a Commodity that is now bought,
- 2. News is now Propaganda in the form of Narrative. It is not intended to Inform but to Influence the Electorate,
- 3. Media is seen in Totalitarian States as a Tool or Weapon for Social Suppression,

POLITICS

- 4. Political Polarization,
- 5. Rampant Inequality,
- 6. Growing Ungovernable Populism,
- 7. Uni-polar versus Multi-polar

ECONOMICS

- 8. Global Trade & Labor Arbitrage Imbalances,
- 9. Free Market Capitalism versus State Controlled, Planned & Directed,

FINANCE

- 10. Unsupportable Global Debt & Leverage Levels,
- 11. Globalization & Financialization
- 12. Creditism for Consumption versus Capitalism for Productive Investment,

We see the proof of this in the following:

10 YEARS OF EVOLVING THESIS PAPERS

- A progression of Economic & Financial Security worries, followed by Physical and Health Safety fears, has resulted in an increasing surrender of Personal and Economic Freedoms,
- Major unresolved Global problems have shown themselves in Financial and Economic crisis at the Domestic and Regional levels and now have become Global political resolution problems,
- The world's modern post WWII financial system is built on two bedrocks which are under assault:
 - US DOLLAR: The World's Reserve Currency & Trade Currency is the US Dollar.
 - RISK FREE BENCHMARK: The US Long Bond is still considered the benchmark for the pricing of risk.

LONG CYCLES & THE FOURTH TURNING

- All the major cycles are converging in an unprecedented fashion between 2018-2023 with many centered on 2020-2022, marking a period of social turmoil and major global change.
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 and dependencies.
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- Human history manifests cycles of social disintegration and integration in which the impulse to cooperate in large social structures waxes and wanes.
- Technology Innovation (AI, Robotics, and Biotech) will increasingly be the central driving catalyst.
- On the other side of the coming turmoil & discord is likely to be the greatest acceleration in productivity, innovation and global standard of living in the history of mankind.



All of the above longer term issues are now resulting in the following:

ROAD TO STATISM & TOTALITARIAN CONTROL

- We have witnessed Aldous Huxley warning of increasing state control occurring through <u>MANIPULATION</u> of our perceptions & images and the fulfillment of our desires and wants, in addition to George Orwell's view of increasing <u>REPRESSIVE</u> measures such as surveillance, fear, ordered compliance and the control of the fulfillment of our needs.
- We have witnessed in the last decade the inevitable progression from MANIPULATION towards REPRESSION through a 'TRANSITION' visible in the form of increasing authoritarian control. This came in the form of increasing government Central Planning, Regulations, Rules and Control.
- We have witnessed the power of Human Cycles in the form of current events and public policy reactions.
- We have witnessed the destruction of many myths regarding our Beliefs, Freedoms and Rights over the last decade.
- Our Constitution, Bill of Rights and Separation of Powers are now under attack with the potential for changes regarding 'Packing of the Courts", Changes in the Electoral College, and Congressional Procedures.

FINANCIAL REPRESSION v SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

- We are presently experiencing the double forces of Financial Repression and Social Suppression occurring simultaneously.
- <u>FINANCIAL REPRESSION</u>: Good-intentioned objectives by government & central banks translate into policies, financial reform and regulations which collectively cause unintended consequences ultimately resulting into the adverse risks to investors and retirees.
- <u>SOCIAL SUPPRESSION</u>: Forms of Personal Freedoms Under Attack:
 - Americans' constitutional rights as safeguarded by the Bill of Rights.
 - Freedom of Speech,
 - Right to Bear Arms
 - Religion
 - o The Rule of Law and Equal Justice to All,
 - Public Heath Safety,
 - Moral Courage, Values and Compassion being taught by our Educational Institutions,
 - Rulers and Those Ruled have common interests.
 - o The Mainstream Media and Social Media can be trusted & are "on the side' of the Public,
 - o Politicians rule with the "consent of the governed".
 - o Personal Physical Freedoms of Travel and Congregation,
 - The People's Voice.

TODAY'S SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

- US Economic Inequality could become so severe, wealth concentrated in the hands of so few, that it is contaminating the political realm, where those vast wealth disparities are rendering political rights and legal equality illusory.
- When the First Amendment was written, the media, our elected representatives and "We the People" were on the same side. The Amendment was intended to protect "We the People" from the encroachment of government on our in-alien-able rights. It therefore also protected the freedom of the press as watchdogs on government for "We the People".
- Today:
 - "We the People" have lost our Voice,
 - Politicians Are Controlled by Party & Media Coverage,
 - Unelected Party Bosses Are In Control,
 - · Campaign Funding Dictates Policy,
 - We now have Top Down versus Bottom up Control Messaging & Public Consensus,
 - The Government Has Stopped Listening & As Such Is Freed From Accountability,
 - A Bureaucracy of Unelected or Appointed Officials In Control
- We have witnessed a dangerous consolidation of the US Media which now sells Narrative and Censors
 Opposing Narrative.
- Economic power has become so concentrated in the hands of such a small number of U.S. corporate giants and mega-billionaires, and that this concentration in economic power has ushered in virtually



unchallengeable political power in their hands and virtually none in anyone else's, that the U.S. resembles more oliqarchy than anything else,

- Economic elites and organized groups representing business interests have substantial independent impacts on U.S. government policy, while mass-based interest groups and average citizens have little or no independent influence.
 - The Media is now an Extension of the Political Apparatus,
 - The Media Now Sells Narrative and Censors Opposing Narrative.
 - Media is Now a Commodity that can be (and is) bought,
 - Propaganda (Narrative) is not News nor does it actually inform the electorate,
 - Media is now a tool for the "Powers to Be" to Sell their desired agenda,
- We no longer have free market capitalism rewarding innovative titans, but rather crony capitalism that
 is abusing the power of the state to crush small competitors, lavish corporate giants with ever more
 wealth and power, and turn millions of Americans into vassals whose best case scenario is working
 multiple jobs at low hourly wages with no benefits, few rights, and even fewer options.
 - Those most disgusted by this outcome should not be socialists but capitalists,
 - This is a classic merger of state and corporate power —- also known as a hallmark of fascism in its
 most formal expression that abuses state interference in markets to consolidate and centralize
 authority in a small handful of actors in order to disempower everyone else.
 - Those trends were already quite visible prior to Trump and the onset of the pandemic, but have accelerated beyond anyone's dreams in the wake of mass lockdowns, shutdowns, prolonged isolation and corporate welfare thinly disguised as legislative "relief".

"The dominant strain of U.S. Neo-Liberalism — the ruling coalition that has now consolidated power again — is **Authoritarianism**. They view those who oppose them and reject their pieties not as adversaries to be engaged but as enemies, domestic terrorists, bigots, extremists and violence-inciters to be fired, censored, and silenced. And they have on their side — beyond the bulk of the corporate media, and the intelligence community, and Wall Street — an unprecedentedly powerful consortium of tech monopolies willing and able to exert greater control over a population that has rarely, if ever, been so divided, drained, deprived and anemic".

THREE CONTROLLING INFLUENCES

"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves". - President Abraham Lincoln

"America's Biggest Weakness is Corruption" - Chinese Military Strategist

THE THREE DRIVING FORCES OF SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

THE GLOBALISTS (The Davos Crowd)

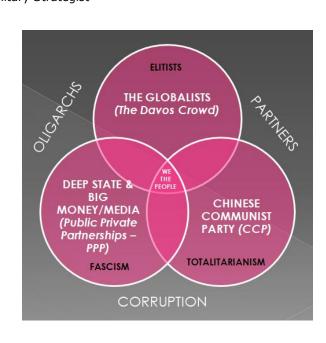
- WEF, WHO, UN, World Bank, IMF
- Proponents: The Great Reset

CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY (CCP)

- A "Slow US Coup"
- "Implementing" a New Form of `Color Revolution'

DEEP STATE & BIG MONEY/MEDIA (Public Private Partnerships – PPP)

- Deep State (CIA, NSA, FBI, DOJ, MI),
- Crony Capitalists (Big Media: Big Tech + MSM),
- The Unelected Permanent Bureaucracy,
- Think Tanks (Creators of Bills, Narrative, Spin and Talking Points),





CONCLUSIONS

"A Society Not Built on TRUTH is built on TYRANNY!" Our founding fathers & framers of the Declaration of Independence

What is Actually Under Attack?

- Importance (Value & Rights) of the Individual in Self Determination,
- The foundational understanding that political power comes from the 'Consent of the Governed',
- The understanding and appreciation of the unwritten 'Social Contract' between the electorate and the elected,
- The Global 'Beacon of Light' & Moral Compass which the US Constitutional Democratic Republic has been the world holder for everyone alive today.

How Does Something Like This Change?

It starts with the generational change of young minds.

- First through Revisionist History,
- Secondly through Educational Indoctrination (Mandated "Diversity Training")
- Thirdly through Media Control
- Fourth through Corruption

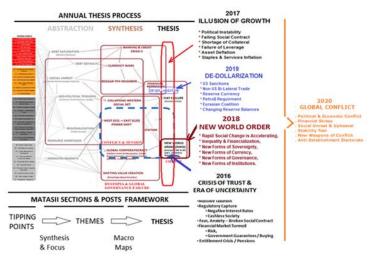




10 YEARS OF EVOLVING THESIS PAPERS

10 Years of Thesis Papers:

- 2010 Extend & Pretend,
- 2011 Currency Wars,
- 2012 Financial Repression,
- 2013 Statism,
- 2014 Globalization Trap,
- 2015 Fiduciary Failure,
- 2016 Crisis of Trust,
- 2017 Illusion of Growth.
- 2018 New World Order,
- 2019 De-Dollarization,
- 2020 Global Conflict,



What we have witnessed throughout this progression of Annual Thesis papers is the continuous surrender of both Personal and Economic Freedoms. These freedoms were eroded out of fear and desire by 'We the People' for the perceived guarantees of security and safety.

ECONOMIC SECURITY

First it was Economic Job Security after the Dotcom Bubble implosion as Corporations:

- Outsourced,
- Downsized / Right-Sized,
- Off-Shored.

And Mom & Pop Businesses and Downtown merchants were lost to Corporate Franchisers, Malls and Big Box Stores.

FINANCIAL SECURITY

Then we experienced financial pressures in the form of:

- Skyrocketing College Costs / Student Debt,
- Shift from Defined to Contributory Pensions with the loss of Pensions,
- Benefit Reductions and Soaring Medical Costs with reduced hours worked.

PHYSICAL SAFETY

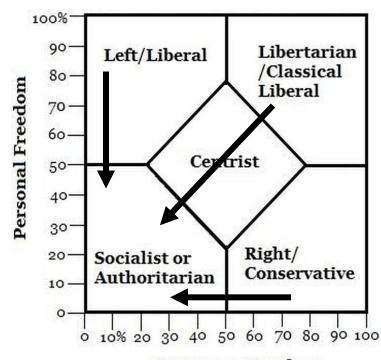
Then after 911, Terrorism and our Physical Safety altered as the world changed due to:

- Bin Laden & El-Quida,
- ISIS,
- Domestic School Shootings

HEALTH SAFETY

Now it is a Pandemic and the safety of the Health of family and friends.

- Covid-19 Pandemic,
- Social Distancing and Lockdowns



Economic Freedom

The following chronology is how Poor Policy Prescriptions, Expanding Government Control and a Reserve Currency & Risk-Free Benchmark problem have set the stage for a 'Cocktail' of Social Unrest & Shift towards Social Suppression.



WAS THIS AN ORCHESTRATED PROGRESSION?

The above man-made initiatives were as a result, and contributors to the following list of mounting Globalization problems. In turn these developments pushed the political landscape further towards the bottom of the Nolan Chart, illustrated to the right.

We will come back to this in more detail (See: Financial Repression v Social Suppression)

THE GLOBALIZATION PROBLEM

- I. Lack of Global Growth,
- II. Insufficient Need for Labor (AI Robotics),
- III. Population Becoming Unsupportable,
- IV. Unfundable Entitlements & Pensions,
- V. Unsustainable Global Debt & Leverage,
- VI. Global Trade Imbalances,
- VII. UniPolar to Multi-Polar World.

SPREADING & GROWING GLOBAL FALLOUT

The Global problems listed above manifested themselves in the form of the following crisis (see schematic at the bottom), spreading from:

DOMESTIC: FINANCIAL - 2008-2009

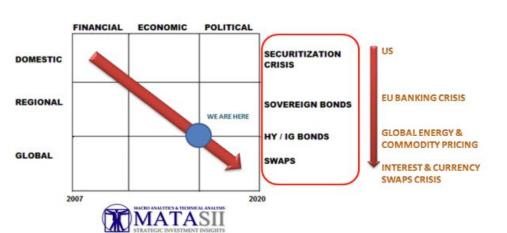
US Mortgage Market – Started as a collapse in Credit Default Swaps (CDSs) underpinning Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDOs) which supported the US Mortgage Market through Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (which forced both into government guaranteed Conservatorship).

ECONOMIC: REGIONAL - 2012-2014

EU Banking Crisis – It started in Greece, spread to Cyprus and then the southern peripheral countries labeled the PIGS (Portugal, Italy, Greece & Spain) before being halted by and exploded in the EU Target2 payment system.

POLITICAL: GLOBAL - 2018-2020

Global Central Banks – An explosion of over \$15T in Global Central Banks' balance sheet to supply liquidity to a collateral short lending edifice unable to maintain credit growth sufficient to continue to rollover



debt and fund sufficient debt growth.

A GLOBAL-IZATION PROBLEM

anarchist

market liberal

Christian

rightistconservative

Personaliberty

Cononic Security

progressive



EARLY PART OF LAST DECADE

Our Annual Thesis papers documented the above evolution within the context of crisis strategic developments.

2010 THESIS

2012 THESIS

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In the early part of the last decade we witnessed the following Thesis papers:

2010 Extend & Pretend Rather than address issues,
our elected officials chose to
avoid the tough decisions and
to "Kick-the-Can-Down-TheRoad".







2011 Currency Wars

EXTEND & PRETEND

CURRENCY WARS

FINANCIAL REPRESSION

The <u>easy way</u> to gain competitive advantage (short term) was to adopt "Beggar-The-Neighbor" policies of Currency manipulation.

2012 Financial Repression

The <u>easy way</u> to solve a lack of productive investment (short term) is to implement macro-prudential policies of Financial Repression which misprices the price of risk and cripples effective market price discovery.

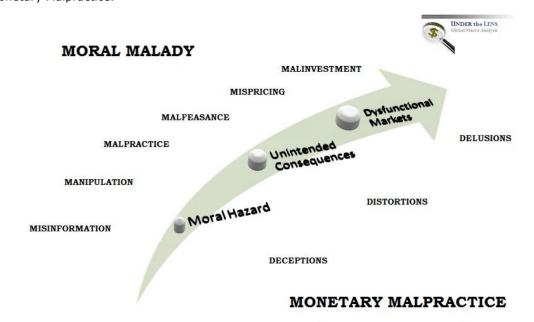
POOR POLICY PRESCRIPTIONS

MORAL MALADY

We witnessed policies that fostered Misinformation, Data Manipulation, Monetary Malfeasance, Mispricing of Risk and other short term "quick fix" approaches, all of which led to Malinvestment.

MONETARY MALPRACTICE

As a result we saw the emergence of Moral Hazard, Unintended Consequences and Dysfunctional Markets. The Deceptions, Distortions and Delusions that occurred can only be labeled as an Era of Monetary Malpractice.



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MIDDLE YEARS OF LAST DECADE



In the middle years of the last decade we witnessed with the following Thesis papers:

2013 Statism

A failing Economic System as a result of Unsound Money forced governments as a consequence to enforce *Control* in lieu of a natural self correcting system.

2014 Globalization Trap Mounting Trade Imbalances, as a result of developed economies consuming more than they produced, distorted current account balances and balance of payments resulting in unsupportable debt balances.

2013 THESIS

2014 THESIS GLOBALIZATION TRAP

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STATISM

THE GLOBALIZATION
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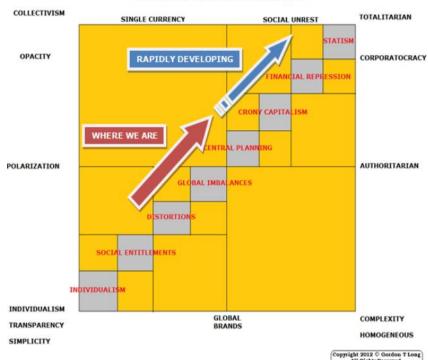
FIDUCIARY FAILURE **CRISIS OF TRUST**

- 2015 Fiduciary Failure
 Developed economies became increasingly burdened and trapped by <u>Unfundable Entitlement</u> programs which were left to worsen and become the problem of future political administrations.
- 2016 Crisis of Trust An inevitable <u>Loss of Trust</u> of politicians, the government, financial institutions and the Status Quo grew within the electorate as populism grew. With it came new political leaders with socialist, nationalist and anti-government philosophies.

EXPANDING GOVERNMENT CONTROL

The above developments led to a shift towards Statism in the progression outlined below.

FORCES OF SOCIAL GLOBALIZATION





LAST PART OF THE DECADE

In the latter part of the last decade we witnessed with the following Thesis papers:

- 2017 Illusion of Growth -Government Deficit Borrowing is being double counted as "G' and "C" in the GDP formula hiding the degree of Insufficient Real Growth occurring over the last 3 decades.
- 2018 New World Order -The US is no longer the Unipolar controlling power in a new significantly changing Multi-Polar World





2018 THESIS

NEW WORLD ORDER

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2020 THESIS



ILLUSION OF GROWTH

NEW WORLD ORDER

DF-DOLLARIZATION

GLOBAL CONFLICT

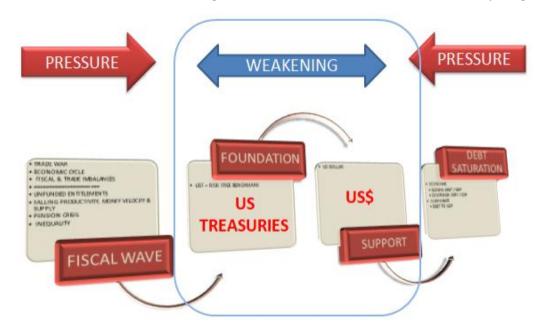
- 2019 De-Dollarization -
 - The US' use of economic sanctions has effectively "Weaponized the US\$", thereby forcing targeted countries (and their trading partners) to reduce their US\$ dependency. Additionally, BRICS have steadily been reducing their US\$ currency reserves along with many countries adopting bi-lateral trade agreements using their own currencies.
- 2020 Global Conflict

Not since the Cold War have tensions been higher around the world. From the South China Sea, to Taiwan, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Syria, Yemen/Sudan, these conflicts continue to go unresolved with escalating **Power Tensions**.

BOTH A GLOBAL RESERVE CURRENCY & RISK FREE BENCHMARK PROBLEM

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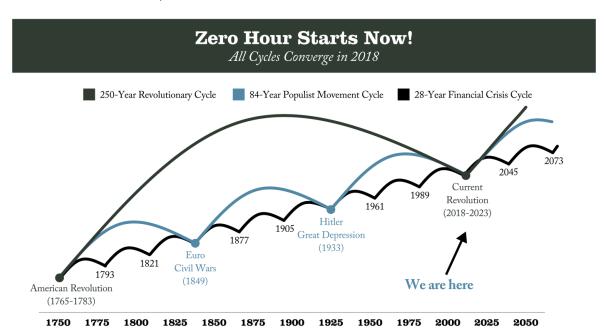
There are many types of long term cycles ranging from the 500 year Empires Cycle to the 7 Year Credit Cycle. We have distilled the cycles most important as we enter the early stages of the next decade.

What we will see is that all the major cycles are converging in an unprecedented fashion between 2018-2023, with many centered on 2020-2022, marking a period of major social turmoil and likely resulting global change.

Three Longer Term Cycles

All three of the following cycles are pointing to a converging era from 2018-2023.

- 250 Year Revolutionary Cycle,
- 84 Year Populist Movement Cycle,
- 28 Year Financial Crisis Cycle.



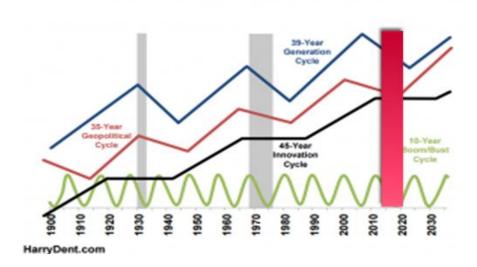


Four Shorter Term Cycles

All four of the following cycles are pointing to a converging era from 2019-2021.

- 45 Year Innovation Cycle,
- 39 Year Generation Cycle,
- 35 Year Geo-Political Cycle,
- 10 Year Boom Bust Cycle.

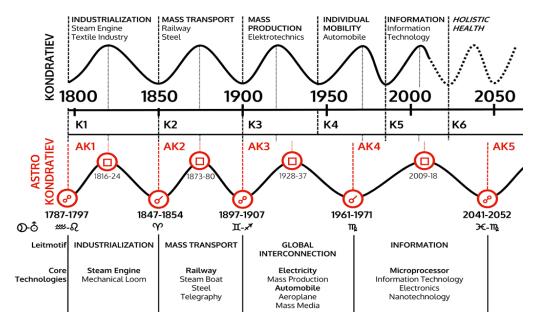
Hierarchy of Macroeconomic Cycles Developed Countries



The Kondratieff Cycle

The well followed Kondratieff Cycle has been greatly distorted due to removal of currencies from Sound Money to "Fiat Currencies", based solely of the "Faith and Good Credit" of their sovereign issuers.

The Kondratieff Cycle is indicating a K5 low in approximately 2025.





FOURTH TURNING & THE AGE OF DISCORD

Fourth Turning

The very popular "American Cycles and Turnings" by Strauss and Howe predicts the Fourth Cycle (Millennial: 1946-2026) and its sub-cycle, the Fourth Turning, to occur during the period from 2008-2026.

and Howe with Its Wars,1704 to present			
<u>Cycles</u>	<u>Turnings</u>	<u>Wars</u>	
1) Revolutionary	1- High; 2- Awakening		
(1704-1794)	3- Unraveling (1748-1773)	French and Indian Wars	
	4- Crisis (1773-1794)	American Revolution	
2) Civil War	1- High; 2- Awakening		
(1794-1865)	3- Unraveling (1844-1860)	Mexican War	
	4- Crisis (1860-1865)	The Civil War	
Great Power	1- High		
(1865-1946)	2- Awakening (1888-1908)	Spanish-American War	
	3- Unraveling (1908-1929)	World War I	
	4- Crisis (1929-1948)	World War II	
4) Millennial	1- High; 2- Awakening		
(1946-2026?)	3- Unraveling (1984-2008)	Iraq Wars	
		War in Afghanistan	
	4- Crisis (2008-2026?)	World War III (?)	

The molten ingredients of the climax should include the following:

Economic distress, with public debt in default, entitlement trust funds in bankruptcy, mounting poverty and unemployment, trade wars, collapsing financial markets, and hyperinflation (or deflation).

Social distress, with violence fueled by class, race, nativism, or religion and abetted by armed gangs, underground militias, and mercenaries hired by walled communities.

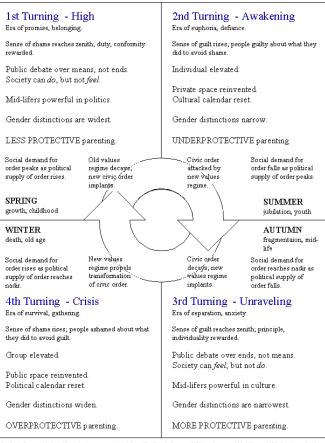
Cultural distress, with the media plunging into a dizzying decay, and a decency backlash in favor of state censorship,

-Technological distress with cryptoanarchy, high-tech oligarchy and biogenetic chaos.

Ecological distress, with atmospheric damage, energy or water shortages and new diseases

Political distress, with institutional collapse, open tax revolts, one-party hegemony, major constitutional change, secessionism, authoritarianism and altered national borders

Military distress, with war against terrorists or foreign regimes equipped with weapons of mass destruction



By Steve Barrera (sharrera@mindspring.com), adapted from The Fourth Turning, William Stanss and Neil Howe, 1997, Broadway Books.



Peter Turchin's "Age of Discord"

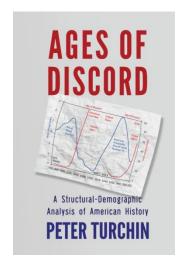
Another well researched work on cycles is the 'Ages of Discord' by Peter Turchin

Turchin advocates that:

"Human history manifests cycles of social disintegration and integration in which the impulse to cooperate in large social structures waxes and wanes".

According to Turchin WE ARE ON THE WRONG TRACK!

Seventy percent of Americans (and counting) think so. The real wage of a US worker today is less than it was 40 years ago, but there are four times as many multimillionaires. As inequality grows, the politics become more poisonous. Every year, more and more Americans go on shooting sprees, killing strangers and passers-by and now, increasingly, representatives of the state.



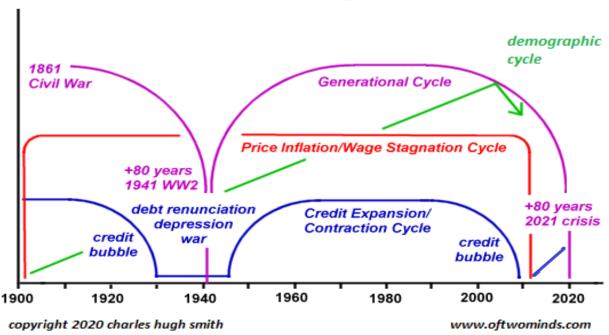
Troubling trends of this kind are endlessly discussed by public intellectuals and social scientists. But mostly, they talk about only a small slice of the overall problem. After all, how on earth can yet another murderous rampage have anything to do with polarization in Congress? And is there really a connection between too many multimillionaires and government gridlock?

Historical analysis shows that long spells of equitable prosperity and internal peace are succeeded by protracted periods of inequity, increasing misery, and political instability. These crisis periods - "Ages of Discord" - have recurred in societies throughout history.

Modern Americans may be disconcerted to learn that the US right now has much in common with the Antebellum 1850s and, more surprisingly, with ancient régime France on the eve of the French Revolution.

Can it really be true that there is nothing new about our troubled time and that similar ages arise periodically for similar underlying reasons? Ages of Discord marshals Structural-Demograpic Theory and detailed historical data to show that this is, indeed, the case.

Intersection of Four Long-Term Cycles





Ray Dalio's 'The Changing World Order'

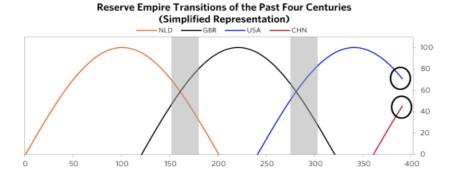
The Changing World Order: The Big Cycles over the Last 500 Years

Ray Dalio is one of the world's largest money managers. He has spent half a century studying global markets. His latest published work 'The Changing World Order' examines history's most turbulent economic and political periods to reveal why the times ahead will likely be radically different from those that we've experienced in our lifetimes.

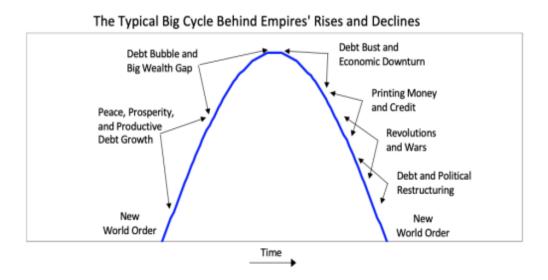
A few years ago, renowned investor Ray Dalio began noticing a confluence of political and economic conditions he hadn't encountered before in his fifty-year career. They included large debts and zero or near-zero interest rates in the world's three major reserve currencies; significant wealth, political, and values divisions within countries and emerging conflict between a rising world power (China) and the existing one (US).

Seeking to explain the cause-effect relationships behind these conditions, he began a study of analogous historical times and discovered that such combinations of conditions were characteristic of periods of transition, such as the years between 1930 and 1945, in which wealth and power shifted in ways that reshaped the world order.

Looking back across five hundred years of history and nine major empires—including the Dutch, the British, and the American—The Changing World Order puts into perspective the cycles and forces that have driven the successes and failures of all the world's major countries throughout history.



Dalio's research reveals the timeless and universal dynamics that were behind these shifts, while also offering practical principles for policymakers, business leaders, investors and others operating in this environment.



2021 Thesis: Social Suppression



ROAD TO STATISM & TOTAL ITARIAN CONTROL

KEY MESSSAGES

- We have witnessed Aldous Huxley warning of increasing state control occurring through <u>MANIPULATION</u> of our perceptions & images and the fulfillment of our desires and wants, in addition to George Orwell's view of increasing <u>REPRESSIVE</u> measures such as surveillance, fear, ordered compliance and the control of the fulfillment of our needs.
- We have witnessed in the last decade the inevitable progression from MANIPULATION towards REPRESSION through a 'TRANSITION' visible in the form of increasing authoritarian control. This came in the form of increasing government Central Planning, Regulations, Rules and control.
- We have witnessed the power of Human Cycles in the form of current events and public policy reactions.
- We have witnessed the destruction of many myths regarding our Beliefs, Freedoms and Rights over the last decade.
- Our Constitution, Bill of Rights and Separation of Powers is now under attack with the potential for changes regarding 'Packing of the Courts', Changes in the Electoral College, Congressional Procedures.

THE ORWELL: HUXLEY TRANSITION

In the previous section we clearly identified that we are in a period of social unrest, political turmoil and major change. The form that it will take is the obvious question. The answer to that question is already clearly presenting itself!

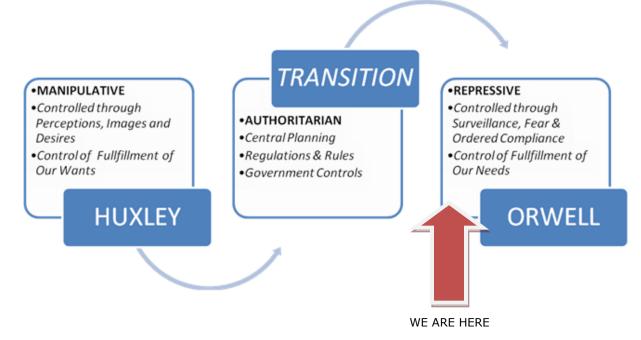
To best position that evidence it is helpful to put it in the context of some well recognized futurists.

WHAT WE OUTLINED IN OUR THESIS - 2013: STATISM

In our 2013 Thesis paper entitled "Statism" I summarized the changes I saw ahead in the context of the work of Aldous Huxley's 'Brave New World' and George Orwell's '1984'.

Huxley saw increasing state control occurring through <u>MANIPULATION</u> of our perceptions & images and the fulfillment of our desires and wants. Orwell on the other hand saw that occurring through <u>REPRESSIVE</u> measures such as surveillance, fear, ordered compliance and the control of the fulfillment of our needs.

I felt there would be an inevitable progression from MANIPULATION towards REPRESSION via transition visible through increasing authoritarian control. This would come in the form of increasing government central planning, Regulations, Rules and control.





COMPARING THESIS-2013 WITH DEVELOPMENTS SINCE TODAY

In the initial section of this paper we described 10 Years of our Thesis papers that highlighted the following powerful forces that affected our views regarding personal Security and Safety.

ECONOMIC SECURITY

First it was Economic Job Security after the Dotcom Bubble implosion as Corporations:

- · Outsourced,
- · Downsized / Right-Sized,
- · Off-Shored.

And Mom & Pop Business and Down Town merchants were lost to Corporate Franchisers, Malls and Big Box Stores.

FINANCAL SECURITY

Then we experienced financial pressures in the form of:

- Skyrocketing Collage Costs / Student Debt,
- · Shift from Defined to Contributory Pensions with the loss of Pensions,
- · Benefit Reductions and Soaring Medical Costs with reduced hours worked.

PHYSICAL SAFETY

Then Terrorism and our Physical Safety after 911 as the world changed due to:

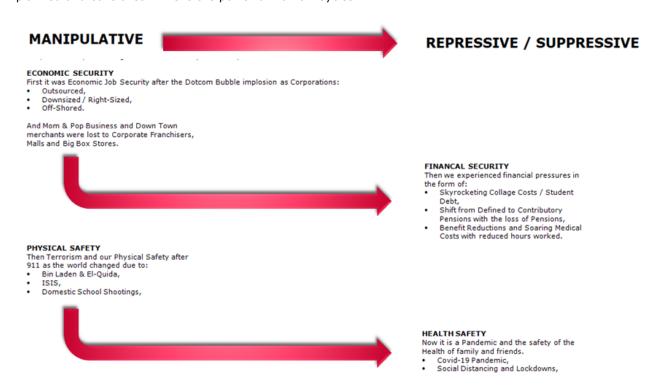
- Bin Laden & El-Quida,
- ISIS.
- Domestic School Shootings,

HEALTH SAFETY

Now it is a Pandemic and the safety of the Health of family and friends.

- Covid-19 Pandemic,
- Social Distancing and Lockdowns,

I have overlaid below the above four categories with our Huxley: Orwell Transition Model Transition. It more clearly illustrates the form that our transition is taking. It is so clear as to almost appear as though it is planned and controlled? This is the power of Human Cycles!



Let me next very briefly revisit some of the background work we did in this regard in our Thesis-2013 paper to better understand the underlying drivers of the Manipulation and Repression.



BACKGROUND FROM THESIS 2013: Huxley: Orwell

NOTE: Some of the following is extracted from Thesis 2013: Statism

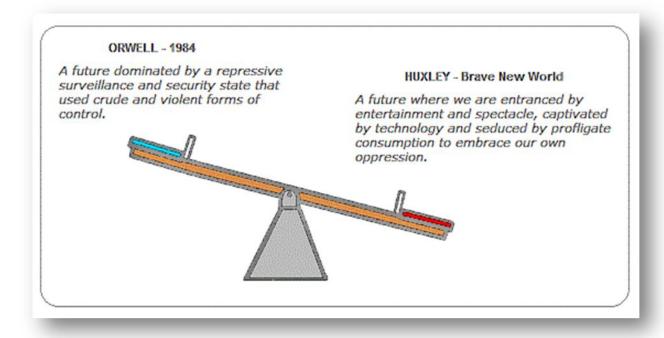
As a young man, I voraciously read George Orwell's "1984", Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World", and Alvin Toffler's trilogy which included "Future Shock"', "The Third Wave" and "Power Shift". I wondered about the future and how it might unfold. Now being considerably older, I can reflect back on my early thinking.

I recently read a paper by Chris Hedges that would have made any English Professor envious, powerfully philosophical but not something an Economics department would pay much attention to. I found it intriguing.

I have borrowed so heavily from it, that I am unsure where the lines diverge. Therefore, below I give full credit to Chris Hedges and take full credit for all the bad ideas.

Chris Hedges of TruthDig.com wrote 2011: A Brave New Dystopia from which the following evolved.

The two greatest visions of a future dystopia were George Orwell's "1984" and Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World." The debate, between those who watched our descent towards corporate totalitarianism, was who was right. Would we be, as Orwell wrote, dominated by a repressive surveillance and security state that used crude and violent forms of control? Or would we be, as Huxley envisioned, entranced by entertainment and spectacle, captivated by technology and seduced by profligate consumption to embrace our own oppression? It turns out Orwell and Huxley were both right. Huxley saw the first stage of our enslavement. Orwell saw the second.



We have been gradually disempowered by a corporate state that, as Huxley foresaw, seduced and manipulated us through:

- · Sensual gratification,
- Cheap mass-produced goods,
- · Boundless credit,
- Political theater and
- Amusement.

While we were entertained,



- The regulations that once kept predatory corporate power in check were dismantled,
- The laws that once protected us were rewritten and
- We were impoverished.

Now that:

- Credit is drying up,
- Good jobs for the working class are gone forever and
- Mass-produced goods are unaffordable,

We find ourselves transported from "Brave New World" to "1984." The state, crippled by massive deficits, endless war and corporate malfeasance, is sliding toward bankruptcy. It is time for Big Brother to take over from Huxley's feelies, the orgy-porgy and the centrifugal bumble-puppy.

We are moving from a society where we are skillfully manipulated by lies and illusions to one where we are overtly controlled.

Huxley	Orwell
- warned of a world where no one wanted to read books.	- warned of a world where books were banned.
- warned of a culture diverted by mindless pleasure.	- warned of a state of permanent war and fear.
 warned of a state where a population, preoccupied by trivia and gossip, no longer cared about truth or information. 	 warned of a state where every conversation and thought was monitored and dissent was brutally punished.
- saw us seduced into submission.	- saw us frightened into submission.
Huxley understood the process by which we would be complicit in our own enslavement.	Orwell understood the enslavement.

Huxley, we are discovering, was merely the prelude to Orwell.

Now that the corporate coup is over, we stand naked and defenseless. We are beginning to understand, as Karl Marx knew:

Unfettered and unregulated capitalism is a brutal and revolutionary force that exploits human beings and the natural world until exhaustion or collapse.

POWER

"The Party seeks power entirely for its own sake," Orwell wrote in "1984."

"We are not interested in the good of others; we are interested solely in power. Not wealth or luxury or long life or happiness: only power, pure power. What pure power means you will understand presently? We are different from all the oligarchies of the past, in that we know what we are doing. All the others, even those who resembled ourselves, were cowards and hypocrites. The German Nazis and the Russian Communists came very close to us in their methods, but they never had the courage to recognize their own motives. They pretended, perhaps they even believed, that they had seized power unwillingly and for a limited time, and that just round the corner there lay a paradise where human beings would be free and equal. We are not like that. We know that no one ever seizes power with the intention of relinquishing it. Power is not a means; it is an end. One does not establish a dictatorship in order to safeguard a revolution; one makes the revolution in order to

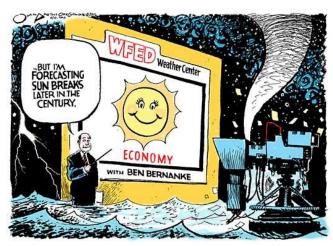


establish the dictatorship. The object of persecution is persecution. The object of torture is torture. The object of power is power."

NOTE: The following is <u>taken directly from the 2013 Thesis</u>
<u>Paper.</u> Notice how dominant all of this is in our world
<u>nearly 8 years later!</u>

INVERTED TOTALITARIANISM

The political philosopher Sheldon Wolin uses the term "inverted totalitarianism" in his book "Democracy Incorporated" to describe our political system. It is a term that would make sense to Huxley. In inverted totalitarianism, the sophisticated technologies of corporate control, intimidation and mass manipulation, which far surpass those employed by previous totalitarian states, are effectively masked by the glitter, noise and abundance of a consumer society. Political participation and civil liberties are gradually



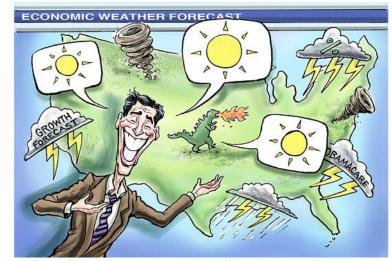
surrendered. The corporation state, hiding behind the smokescreen of the public relations industry, the entertainment industry and the tawdry materialism of a consumer society, devours us from the inside out. It owes no allegiance to us or the nation. It feasts upon our carcass.

MEDIA & SPIN

The corporate state does not find its expression in a demagogue or charismatic leader. It is defined by the anonymity and facelessness of the corporation. Corporations, who hire attractive spokespeople like Barack Obama, control the uses of science, technology, education and mass communication. They control the messages in movies and television. And, as in "Brave New World," they use these tools of communication to bolster tyranny. Our systems of mass communication, as Wolin writes, "block out, eliminate whatever might introduce qualification, ambiguity, or dialogue, anything that might weaken or complicate the holistic force of their creation, to its total impression."

The result is a monochromatic system of information. Celebrity courtiers, masquerading as journalists, experts and specialists, identify our problems and patiently explain the parameters. All those who argue outside the imposed parameters are dismissed as irrelevant cranks, extremists or members of a radical left. Prescient social critics, from Ralph Nader to Noam Chomsky, are banished. Acceptable opinions have a range of A to B. The culture, under the tutelage of these corporate courtiers, becomes, as Huxley noted, a world of cheerful conformity, as well as an endless and finally fatal optimism. We busy ourselves buying products that promise to change our lives,

make us more beautiful, confident or successful as we are steadily stripped of rights, money and influence. All messages we receive through these systems of communication, whether on the nightly news or talk shows like "Oprah," promise a brighter and happier tomorrow. This, as Wolin points out, is "the same ideology that invites corporate executives to exaggerate profits and conceal losses, but always with a sunny face." We have been entranced, as Wolin writes, by "continuous technological advances" that "encourage elaborate fantasies of individual



prowess, eternal youthfulness, beauty through surgery, actions measured in nanoseconds: a



dream-laden culture of ever-expanding control and possibility, whose denizens are prone to fantasies because the vast majority have imagination but little scientific knowledge".

Our manufacturing base has been dismantled. Speculators and swindlers have looted the U.S. Treasury and stolen billions from small shareholders who had set aside money for retirement or college. Civil liberties, including habeas corpus and protection from warrantless wiretapping, have been taken away. Basic services, including public education and health care, have been handed over to the corporations to exploit for profit. The few who raise voices of dissent, who refuse to engage in the corporate happy talk, are derided by the corporate establishment as freaks.

Attitudes and temperament have been cleverly engineered by the corporate state.

The façade is crumbling. As more and more people realize that they have been used and robbed, we will move swiftly from Huxley's "Brave New World" to Orwell's "1984". The public at some point will have to face some very unpleasant truths.

- The good-paying jobs are not coming back.
- The largest deficits in human history mean that we are trapped in a debt peonage system that
 will be used by the corporate state to eradicate the last vestiges of social protection for citizens,
 including Social Security.
- The state has devolved from a capitalist democracy to neo-feudalism. And when these truths become apparent, anger will replace the corporate-imposed cheerful conformity.
- The bleakness of our post-industrial pockets, where some 40 million Americans live in a state of poverty and tens of millions in a category called "near poverty", coupled with the lack of credit to save families from foreclosures, bank repossessions and bankruptcy from medical bills, means that inverted totalitarianism will no longer work.

We increasingly live in Orwell's Oceania, not Huxley's The World State. Osama bin Laden plays the role assumed by Emmanuel Goldstein in "1984." Goldstein, in the novel, is the public face of terror. His evil machinations and clandestine acts of violence dominate the nightly news. Goldstein's image appears each day on Oceania's television screens as part of the nation's "Two Minutes of Hate" daily ritual. Without the intervention of the state, Goldstein, like bin Laden, will kill you. All excesses are justified in the titanic fight against evil personified.

The psychological torture of Pvt. Bradley Manning — who has now been imprisoned for seven months without being convicted of any crime — mirrors the breaking of the dissident Winston Smith at the end of "1984". Manning is being held as a "maximum custody detainee" in the brig at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia. He spends 23 of every 24 hours alone. He is denied exercise. He cannot have a pillow or sheets for his bed. Army doctors have been plying him with antidepressants. The cruder forms of Gestapo torture have been replaced with refined Orwellian techniques, largely developed by government psychologists, to turn dissidents like Manning into vegetables. We break souls as well as bodies. It is more effective. Now we can all be taken to Orwell's dreaded Room 101 to become compliant and harmless. These "special administrative measures" are regularly imposed on our dissidents, including Syed Fahad Hashmi, who was imprisoned under similar conditions for three years before going to trial. The techniques have psychologically maimed thousands of detainees in our black sites around the globe. They are the staple form of control in our maximum security prisons, where the corporate state makes war on our most politically astute underclass — African-Americans. It all presages the shift from Huxley to Orwell.

"Never again will you be capable of ordinary human feeling," Winston Smith's torturer tells him in "1984". "Everything will be dead inside you. Never again will you be capable of love, or friendship, or joy of living, or laughter, or curiosity, or courage, or integrity. You will be hollow. We shall squeeze you empty and then we shall fill you with ourselves".

The noose is tightening. The era of amusement is being replaced by the era of repression.

- Tens of millions of citizens have had their e-mails and phone records turned over to the government.
- We are the most monitored and spied-on citizenry in human history.
- Many of us have our daily routine caught on dozens of security cameras.
- Our proclivities and habits are recorded on the Internet.
- Our profiles are electronically generated.
- Our bodies are patted down at airports and filmed by scanners.
- Public service announcements, car inspection stickers and public transportation posters constantly urge us to report suspicious activity. The enemy is everywhere.



Those who do not comply with the dictates of the war on terror, a war which as Orwell noted is endless, are brutally silenced.

The draconian security measures used to cripple protests at the G-20 gatherings in Pittsburgh and Toronto were wildly disproportionate for the level of street activity. But they sent a clear message — DO NOT TRY THIS. The FBI's targeting of antiwar and Palestinian activists, which in late September saw agents raid homes in Minneapolis and Chicago, is a harbinger of what is to come for all who dare defy the state's official Newspeak. The agents — our Thought Police — seized phones, computers, documents and other personal belongings. Subpoenas to appear before a grand jury have since been served on 26 people. The subpoenas cite federal law prohibiting "providing material support or resources to designated foreign terrorist organizations". Terror, even for those who have nothing to do with terror, becomes the blunt instrument used by Big Brother to protect us from ourselves.

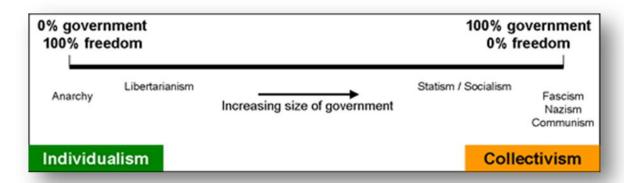


"Do you begin to see, then, what kind of world we are creating?" Orwell wrote.

"It is the exact opposite of the stupid hedonistic Utopias that the old reformers imagined. A world of fear and treachery and torment, a world of trampling and being trampled upon, a world which will grow not less but more merciless as it refines itself".

Hayek & Collectivism

In' The Road to Serfdom', F.A. Hayek showed how governments, supported by a collectivist mindset, always tend towards totalitarianism. Even the most libertarian government thus far created, the government of the United States, has slipped incrementally towards totalitarianism over the past two centuries. This is because it is an inherent trait of a government.



The degree of socialism in the United States increased substantially after the establishment of the Federal Reserve System (1913) and the measures taken during the Great Depression (1929-46), which it created. Ever since the early 1900's the United States has had a two-party system dominated by 'socialists'. The Republican Party has always advocated conservative socialism. The Democratic Party, which in the 19th century favored libertarianism, advocates social-democratic socialism. So long as people are divided by Left and Right, Democratic and Republican, the US is prone to being influenced by factions who transcend party politics and from behind the scenes could possible exert strong control over the United States. They could do this by maintaining power over public opinion and hence over the course of government. Steadily, the United States has been



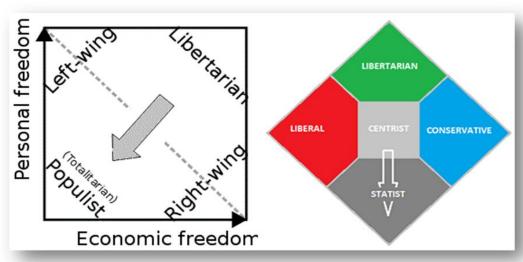
travelling down the road to totalitarianism, and many people have not noticed, possibly because they are only looking at the position on the Left-Right paradigm.

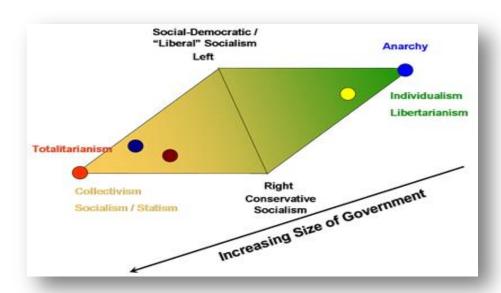
Upon further analysis, it is clear that Left, Right and Centre, are all forms of socialism(1). In particular, we may call them "social-democratic socialism" (the Left) and "conservative socialism" (the Right). They are both socialism because they both share the principle that the government should "run" and "mold" society, by using legal force and intervention to transfer property and personal wealth as part of the political scientists' process of 'redistribution of wealth'.

The differences are only in the particular ways the government should run society - the methods it should use, and who, exactly, should be the recipients of government wealth transfers and who should pay. In particular:

- Social democrats tend to prefer heavy taxation, large wealth transfers to the poor and nationalized industries, and oppose price controls, regulations and behavioral controls.
- Conservatives tend to prefer lower taxation, a smaller welfare state, regulated (cartelized) industries, price controls, product and behavioral controls.

Nolan Charts: Personal Freedom versus Economic Freedom



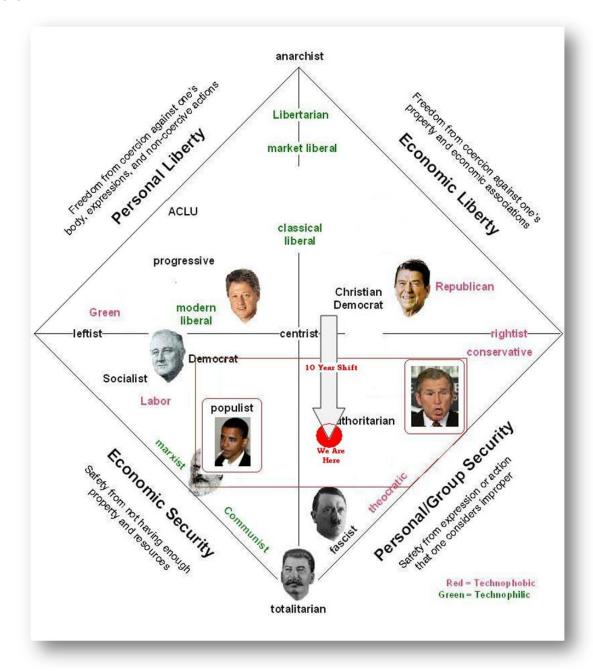




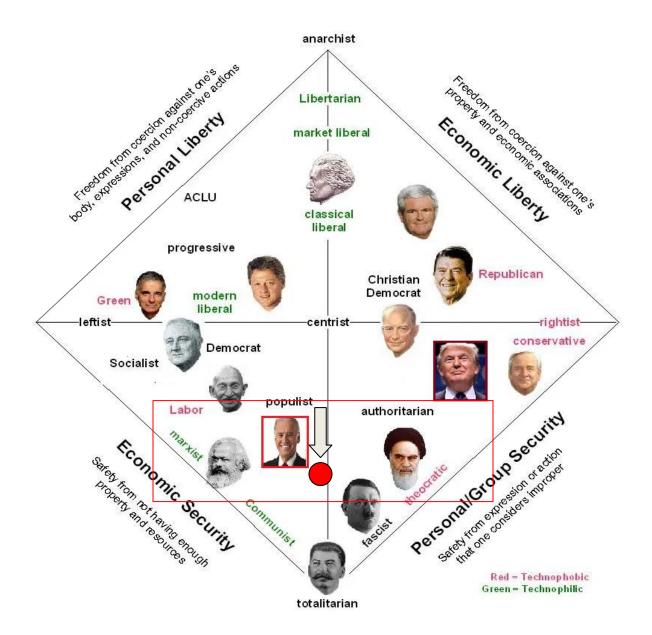
CONTINUUM: 2013 versus 2020

The modern Republican Party is Center-Right on the Left-Right paradigm. As with the Democratic Party, this obscures the huge range of views Republicans hold on how powerful and how much control the State should be allowed. Their 2008 presidential nominee John McCain, like Barack Obama, strongly favored socialism, though with Right-wing flavors. Barack Obama (blue circle) and John McCain (red circle) are positioned in the accompanying graphic. Thus, the two main candidates at the 2008 Presidential election represented a false choice - really no choice at all. One candidate, Ron Paul (yellow circle), stood in stark contrast to the candidates favored by the mainstream media and political establishment. As would be expected, he was neutralized by the mainstream media outlets as a zealot with an unsound political view of America.

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CRONY CAPITALISM

Regulatory Arbitrage

FASCISM

"Marriage of Corporation and Government" - Mussolini



Dystopia

Dystopia is the idea of a society being in a repressive and controlled state, often under the guise of being utopian. It is characterized in books like <u>Brave New World</u>, <u>Nineteen Eighty-Four</u>, <u>The Iron Heel</u> ("the earliest of the modern Dystopian").

Dystopian societies feature different kinds of repressive social control systems, various forms of active and passive coercion.

Ideas and works about dystopian societies often explore the concept of humans abusing technology and humans individually and collectively coping, or not being able to properly cope, with technology that has progressed far more rapidly than humanity's spiritual evolution.

Dystopian societies are often imagined as police states, with unlimited power over the citizens.

NOTE: Later we will talk about the "Great Reset" lead by the World Economic Forum (WEF). Here is what they were writing and discussing in 2012: World Economic Forum Meets to Discuss Capitalism, Dystopia, and Other Big Ideas

Details: Written by <u>Rick Cohen</u> Created on Thursday, 26 January 2012

Source: The National

Not many **NPQ** Newswire readers and certainly no one from the **NPQ** staff are invited to the annual World Economic Forum (WEF) meeting in Davos, Switzerland. The annual meeting of this global nonprofit organization is a time for what the press calls a gathering of "the world's elite politicians, businessmen, economists and intellectuals", representing what some have called 'Davos man' to discuss the world's economic concerns.

This year, the topic in Davos is the future of capitalism. The 73-year-old founder of the WEF, Klaus Schwab, is clear on that subject. "Capitalism in its current form has no place in the world around us", he says. "A global transformation needs to take place urgently and it must begin by restoring a form of social responsibility".

Not surprisingly, "Occupy WEF" protesters are building igloos in the small Alpine town, and some, according to the *National*, are "planning to disrupt the five-day event". There are 5,000 security personnel deployed in the Davos-Klosters region to protect the more than 2,600 official participants, who include heavy hitters like Bill Gates, George Soros, Muhammad Yunus (Grameen), Niall Ferguson, Vikram Pandit (Citibank) and politicians such as Germany's Angela Merkel, the UK's David Camerson, Russian's Dmitry Medvedyev and U.S. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner.

One of the official WEF documents for this annual meeting addresses — not unsympathetically, mind you — the issues that Occupy Wall Street (OWS) has put on the international agenda, expressing concerns for trends <u>leading the world toward dystopia</u>.

Consequently, one of the first WEF panels apparently addressed the "seeds of dystopia," with the discussion led by New York University economist Nouriel Roubini (known for having predicted the collapse of the housing markets). The corporate and political executives who fund WEF had to have been shaken by some of the conclusions reached by Roubini and his co-panelists, particularly Roubini's belief that the term dystopia "accurately describes today's world".

The evidence presented sounds like it could have come from an international version of the OWS playbook: 225 million people across the globe unemployed (or one out of every three people on earth poor or unemployed) and one percent of the world's population owning 40 percent of the wealth.

The dytopia panel summary, according to the **National** "In the perpetual tug of war between labor and capital, capital is running away with the game." —Rick Cohen



Figure 11: Seeds of Dystopia Constellation Mismanaged Chronic labour market imbalances urbanization Backlash against globalization Unsustainable population growth Severe Income disparity Critical fragile states Mismanagement of population aging Chronic fiscal imbalances Origin Risk Manifestation Mismanaged demographic challenges: Overextended states unable to ease the pressures Dystopian scenarios of social unrest and retrenchment. age, population size and location. of increasing competition for jobs, healthcare and security exacerbate growing income disparity. Source: World Economic Forum





Constitution and Rule of Law Being Corrupted & Called Into Question

James Bovard via The American Institute for Economic Research,

Thanks in large part to Covid lockdowns, this year has left vast wreckage in its wake, with ten million jobs lost, more than 100,000 businesses and dozens of national chains bankrupted or closed. Up to 40 million people could face eviction in the coming months for failing to pay rent and Americans report that their mental health is at record low levels.

But the casualty list for 2020 must also include many of the political myths that shape Americans' lives.

MYTH: Americans' constitutional rights are safeguarded by the Bill of Rights.

Perhaps the biggest myth to die this year was that Americans' constitutional rights are safeguarded by the Bill of Rights. After the Covid-19 pandemic began, governors in state after state effectively placed scores of millions of citizens under house arrest – dictates that former Attorney General Bill Barr aptly compared to "the greatest intrusion on civil liberties" since the end of slavery. Politicians and government officials merely had to issue decrees, which were endlessly amended, in order to destroy citizens' freedom of movement, freedom of association and freedom of choice in daily life. Los Angeles earlier this month banned almost all walking and bicycling in the city, ordering four million people "to remain in their homes" in a futile effort to banish a virus.

MYTH: The Rule of Law

The Rule of Law is another myth impaled by 2020's dire developments. Courts have repeatedly struck down sweeping restrictions. Federal judge William Stickman IV invalidated some of Pennsylvania's restrictions in a September ruling: "Broad population-wide lockdowns are such a dramatic inversion of the concept of liberty in a free society as to be nearly presumptively unconstitutional". After the Michigan Supreme Court effectively labeled Governor Gretchen Whitmer a lawless dictator, she responded by issuing "new COVID-19 emergency orders that are nearly identical to her invalidated emergency orders", as the Mackinac Center noted. How many governors and mayors have you seen on the television news being led away in handcuffs after their arrest for violating citizens' rights this year? None.

MYTH: Public Health Safety

Another myth that 2020 obliterated was the notion that politicians spending more than a hundred billion dollars every year <u>for science</u> and that <u>public health</u> would keep Americans safe.

The Centers for Disease Control <u>utterly botched the initial testing</u> regime, <u>sending out boqus</u> tests to state and local health departments and taking a month and a half to do what the Thai government achieved in one day. The Food and Drug Administration helped turn the coronavirus from a deadly peril into a national catastrophe. Long after foreign nations had been ravaged and many cases had been detected in America, the FDA <u>continued blocking</u> private testing. The FDA continued forcing the nation's most innovative firms to submit to its command-and-control approach, notwithstanding the pandemic.

MYTH: Benevolence and compassion of public school teachers

The benevolence and compassion of public school teachers was another myth that 2020 obliterated. Teacher unions helped barricade school doors the same way that segregationist governors in the 1950s and 1960s refused to obey federal court orders to admit black students. The Chicago Teachers Union proclaimed: "The push to reopen schools is based in sexism, racism, and misogyny".

Black and Hispanic students suffered <u>much larger learning losses</u> due to school shutdowns, leading former Education Secretary John King to warn of a "lost generation of students". Despite a deluge of studies that showed that schools posed little risk of fueling the pandemic, teachers insisted that they were entitled to both their salaries and to stay at home as long as they considered necessary.



MYTH: Rulers and Those Ruled have common interests.

This was part of the collapse of the broader myth that the rulers and those ruled have common interests. Among other splits, the response to the pandemic divided Americans into those who work for a living and those who "work" for the government. Government employees in most states and at the federal level have been the Untouchables, continuing to draw full pay even when they were no longer required to show up for work. One exception to this trend is government tax collectors, who continue commandeering as much as ever from citizens and property owners regardless of the collapse in public services in many places this year.

MYTH: Social media and the Internet could be a powerful propellant of free information

Another myth that perished in 2020 was that social media and the Internet could be a powerful propellant of free information. Instead, the biggest players pulled the most strings to suppress criticisms or dissent from the latest Covid policies promulgated by officialdom. On March 18, Twitter announced that, in response to Covid-19, it would ban tweets guilty of "denial of expert guidance" or "misleading content purporting to be from experts or authorities".

The World Health Organization initially overestimated the Covid <u>fatality rate by 50-fold</u> but they remain Twitter-approved. Facebook recently launched <u>far more aggressive policies</u>, including directly contacting anyone who liked or commented on a piece that was later ruled erroneous by Facebook guardians and is refusing any ads that <u>discourages people from</u> getting vaccinations. Will they ban WHO's chief scientist Soumya Swaminathan for declaring on Monday that there was "no evidence to be confident [vaccine] <u>shots prevent transmission</u>" of Covid? Google sought to suppress any doubts about lockdowns: "Most users in English-speaking countries, when they google '<u>Great Barrington Declaration'</u>, will not be directed to the declaration itself but to articles that are critical of the declaration," <u>a Spiked-Online analysis</u>" noted.

MYTH: Politicians rule with the "consent of the governed."

This year's presidential election put a helluva dent in the credo that politicians rule with the "consent of the governed". The pandemic provided the pretext to radically change voting procedures, spurring 65 million mostly unverified mail-in ballots. The New York Times warned in 2012 that "fraud in voting by mail is... vastly more prevalent than the in-person voting fraud that has attracted far more attention". Many states solved that problem by "defining down fraud" and expunging the verification procedures previously used to routinely invalidate 20% or more of mailed-in ballots. The controversies around mail-in ballots, questionable software, ballot harvesting and other practices mean that a record number of Americans will doubt Joe Biden's legitimacy even before he takes his oath of office.

MYTH: Personal Freedom

Perhaps the saddest casualty of 2020 is the myth that average Americans cherish their personal freedom. Politicians continually shifted the rationale for lockdowns – from flattening the curve, to ending "community spread", to reducing cases to near zero. Regardless of the proclaimed rationale, most people submitted without a fight, and usually without even a whimper. Politicians and bureaucrats fanned mass fears which quickly ripened into hatred of anyone who did not comply with the latest edict.

States and cities across the country set up snitch lines that were soon <u>deluged with complaints</u> of people outside without a mask, <u>meeting friends</u>, or having more visitors in their homes than could fit in a phone booth. Many, if not most, people quickly acquiesced to the "new normal" where any government hack who recited the phrase "science and data" became entitled to rule their lives with an iron fist.

As the Harvard International Review warned, "The very methods that liberal democracies are currently using to effectively fight the virus are the same tactics that authoritarian leaders use to dominate their people. The tools that have been temporarily deployed in the fight against a once-ina-lifetime disease may become permanent". That was written on May 23, more than 15 million Covid cases ago – proof of the failure of lockdowns and pervasive restrictions to make Covid-19 vanish. But the miserable batting average of officialdom will vanish into the Memory Hole if politicians launch a campaign to make Covid vaccinations mandatory, complete with boundless vilification of anyone who balks at the injection.



MYTH: We live in a self-governing republic rather

Perhaps it has long been a myth that we live in a self-governing republic rather than a Leviathan Democracy where citizens merely make cameo appearances every few years at the voting booth. It is still possible that the catastrophic and pointless losses imposed by Covid crackdowns will finally awaken enough people to their growing subjugation. But the most dangerous myth is that Americans will finally become safe after they cease making any efforts to leash their rulers.

I INCREASINGLY SEE AND READ THIS DURING PROTESTS:

We are patriots. We love the U.S.

Rather than trying to subvert the constitution, we are calling for its **enforcement**.

We are NOT calling for lawlessness. We are calling for an **end** to lawlessness and lack of accountability and a **return** to the rule of law.

We are NOT calling for ANY SORT of overthrow of the government. In fact, we are calling for the **reinstatement** of our government.

We DON'T seek to destroy or attack America ... we seek to restore her to strength, prosperity, liberty and respect.

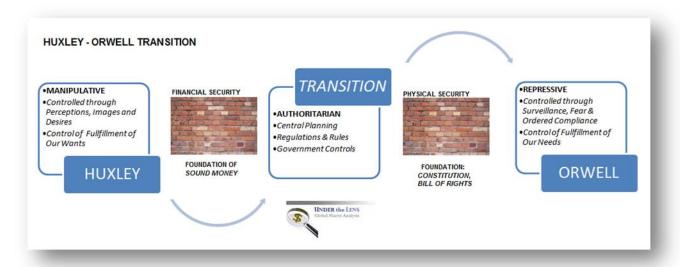
The nation's top legal scholars say that draconian security laws which violate the Constitution should *not* apply to Americans.





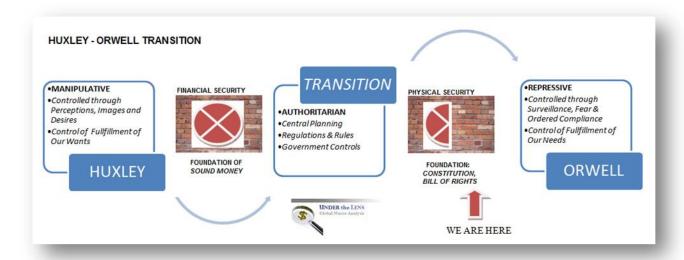
PROTECTIVE WALLS OF CIVIL LIBERTIES

- The Great Huxley-Orwell Transition
- From Manipulative to Repressive



ROADBLOCKS

- Financial Security through Sound Money
- Reduced Personal Freedoms through a Crisis Event ON GOING
- Reduced Personal Security through a Constitutional Crisis A 2020 Presidential Worry



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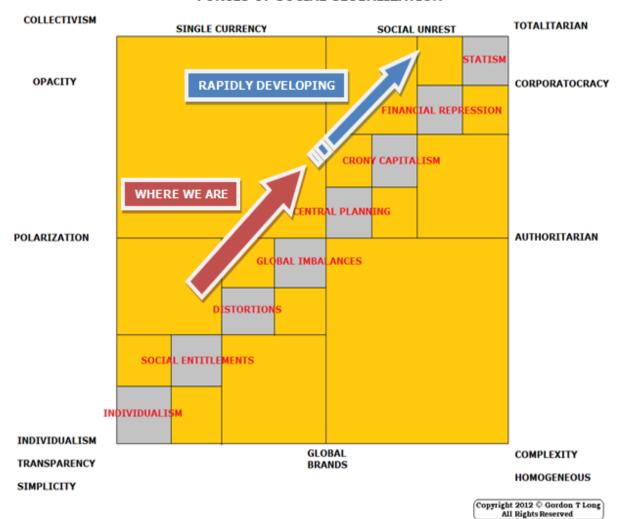


DRIVERS

- Globalization & Complexity
 - o Fragile versus Robust Systems
 - Interconnectivity and Counter Party Dependency
- The Productivity Paradox
 - o Creative Destruction & Job Creation

ROADMAP

FORCES OF SOCIAL GLOBALIZATION





FINANCIAL REPRESSION v SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

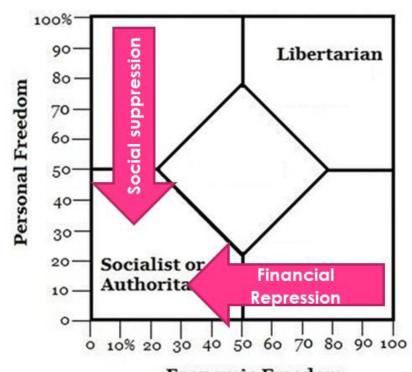
KEY MESSAGES

- We are presently experiencing the double forces of Financial Repression and Social Suppression occurring simultaneously.
- <u>FINANCIAL REPRESSION</u>: Good-intentioned objectives by government and central banks translate into policies, financial reform and regulations which collectively cause unintended consequences ultimately resulting into the adverse risks to investors and retirees.
- SOCIAL SUPPRESSION: Forms of Personal Freedoms Under Attack:
 - Americans' constitutional rights as safeguarded by the Bill of Rights.
 - Freedom of Speech,
 - Right to Bear Arms
 - Religion
 - The Rule of Law and Equal Justice to All,
 - Public Heath Safety,
 - o Moral Courage, Values and Compassion being taught by our Educational Institutions,
 - Rulers and Those Ruled have common interests,
 - o The Mainstream Media and Social Media can be trusted & Are "on the side" of the Public,
 - o Politicians rule with the "consent of the governed",
 - o Personal Physical Freedoms of Travel and Congregation,
 - The People's Voice.

ECONOMIC v PERSONAL FREEDOMS

What we have witnessed throughout this progression of Annual Thesis papers is the continuous surrender of both Personal and Economic Freedoms. These freedoms were eroded out of fear and desire by 'We the People' for the perceived guarantees of security and safety.

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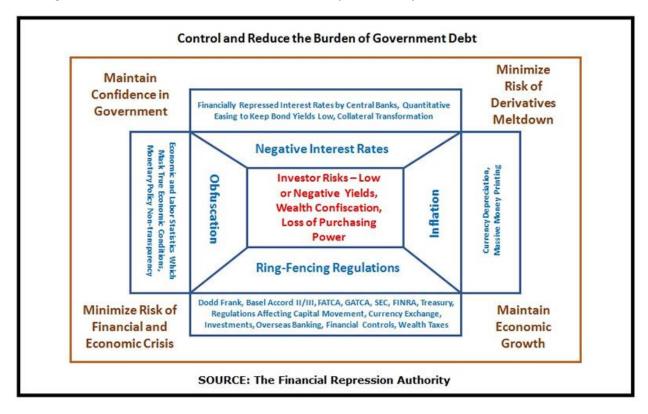
FINANCIAL REPRESSION

Financial Repression is not a conspiracy theory; it is rather a collective set of macroprudential (good-intentioned) policies and regulations focused on controlling and reducing excessive government debt through 4 pillars:

- 1. Negative interest rates,
- 2. Forced inflation,
- 3. Ring-fencing regulations and
- 4. Data Obfuscation
- ... Which effectively transfer purchasing power from private savings.

This concept was introduced in 1973 by Stanford economists Edward S. Shaw and Ronald I. McKinnon.

This chart shows how the good-intentioned objectives by government and central banks translate into policies, financial reform and regulations which collectively cause unintended consequences ultimately resulting into the adverse risks to investors and retirees (see the core).



Financial Repression is the Macro-Prudential Economic concept where governments significantly limit the choices of savers. By doing so the government is able to push down, or repress the price of savings to be used in investing. Specifically, the government limits the transmission process that uses money market funds, credit markets, mortgage markets, capital financing and so on. This pushes down the price that governments have to pay for loans as well as what banks have to pay to gain deposits.

At which point the banks can lend the money out again, largely to preferred corporations as well as local, state and federal governments at low prices. This is the point and aim of the limitations on where people may park their savings. Currently the one year deposit rate is around 0.15-0.80% and the inflation rate is a shade under 2%. This is absurd for anyone buying food, renting, financing a house or car, paying student loans, have an outstanding credit card balance or compare their budget on a year over year basis!

This clearly increases political power over the allocation of savings and other economic assets. It's also, in the long term, something that makes a country poorer than it would be without such a system. Market prices guiding investment and allocation decisions are what make a place richer.



SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

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KEY PILLARS

- 1. Fear is the most powerful force with which to enslave people,
- 2. People will willingly surrender Personal Freedoms if their Safety and Security are threatened,
- 3. People will demand government's restrictions on others (as well as themselves to achieve this), if any threat is perceived to place their family is at risk.

Hypothetically, what would you conclude if I was to describe a situation where the following was occurring?

- -Millions have been deprived of individual freedoms at the hands of authoritarian leaders.
- -Millions have witnessed the destruction of their businesses and livelihoods.
- —Millions have been denied the opportunity to work and have endured severe economic hardship as a result.
- -Millions have been living under strict mandates and social dictates.
- -Millions have been forced out of their places of worship.
- -Millions have been barred from attending school.
- -Millions have had curfews imposed upon them.
- —Millions have had neighbors, co-workers, members of the community and digital devices monitor them and report them to the authorities.
- -Millions have had their speech curtailed on social media platforms.

I am sure you would call it totally unacceptable and a deeply Authoritarian state of Social Suppression. Instead we call it Covid-19! Don't confuse the "rationale" with the actual. It is the same as never confusing what a politician says versus what they actually do!

FORMS OF PERSONAL FREEDOM CURRENTLY EVIDENCED AS UNDER ATTACK

- I. Americans' constitutional rights as safeguarded by the Bill of Rights,
 - a. Freedom of Speech
 - b. Right to Bear Arms
 - c. Religion
- II. The Rule of Law and Equal Justice to All,
- III. Public Heath Safety,
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- V. Rulers and Those Ruled have common interests,
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- VII. Politicians rule with the "consent of the governed",
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NOTE: See page 27-28 for further narrative



TODAY'S SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

KEY MESSAGES

- US Economic Inequality could become so severe with wealth concentrated in the hands of so few that it is contaminating the political realm, where those vast wealth disparities are rendering political rights and legal equality illusory.
- When the First Amendment was written, the media, our elected representatives and "We the People" were on the same side. The Amendment was intended to protect "We the People" from the encroachment of government on our in-alien-able rights. It therefore also protected the freedom of the press as watchdogs on government for "We the People".
- Today:
 - "We the People" have lost our Voice,
 - Politicians Are Controlled by Party & Media Coverage,
 - Unelected Party Bosses Are In Control,
 - Campaign Funding Dictates Policy,
 - We now have Top Down versus Bottom up Control Messaging & Public Consensus,
 - The Government Has Stopped Listening & As Such Is Freed From Accountability,
 - A Bureaucracy of Unelected or Appointed Officials Are In Control
- We have witnessed a dangerous consolidation of the US Media which now sells Narrative and Censors
 Opposing Narrative.
- Economic power has become so concentrated in the hands of such a small number of U.S. corporate giants and mega-billionaires, that this concentration in economic power has ushered in virtually unchallengeable political power in their hands and virtually none in anyone else's, and that the U.S. more resembles oligarchy than anything else.
- Economic elites and organized groups representing business interests have substantial independent impacts on U.S. government policy, while mass-based interest groups and average citizens have little or no independent influence.
 - The Media is now an Extension of the Political Apparatus,
 - The Media Now Sells Narrative and Censors Opposing Narrative,
 - Media is Now a Commodity that can be (and is) bought,
 - Propaganda (Narrative) is not News nor does it actually inform the electorate,
 - Media is now a tool for the "Powers to Be" to Sell their desired agenda.
- We no longer have free market capitalism rewarding innovative titans, but rather crony capitalism that
 is abusing the power of the state to crush small competitors, lavish corporate giants with ever more
 wealth and power, and turn millions of Americans into vassals whose best case scenario are working
 multiple jobs at low hourly wages with no benefits, few rights and even fewer options.
 - Those must disgusted by this outcome should not be socialists but capitalists.
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 - Those trends were already quite visible prior to Trump and the onset of the pandemic, but have accelerated beyond anyone's dreams in the wake of mass lockdowns, shutdowns, prolonged isolation and corporate welfare thinly disguised as legislative "relief".

"The dominant strain of U.S. Neo-Liberalism — the ruling coalition that has now consolidated power again — is **Authoritarianism**. They view those who oppose them and reject their pieties not as adversaries to be engaged but as enemies, domestic terrorists, bigots, extremists and violence-inciters to be fired, censored and silenced. And they have on their side — beyond the bulk of the corporate media, the intelligence community and Wall Street — an unprecedentedly powerful consortium of tech monopolies willing and able to exert greater control over a population that has rarely, if ever, been so divided, drained, deprived and anemic."



FIRST AMMENDMENT DANGERS

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The First Amendment

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or of the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

But times have changed. Instead of a bottom up system we effectively have a TOP DOWN system with "We the People" protectors having SWITCHED SIDES!

WARCH DOG ELECTED REP. INFORMED PUBLIC SPOKE FOR

WE THE PEOPLE

What has evolved is:

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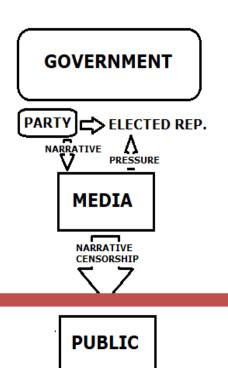
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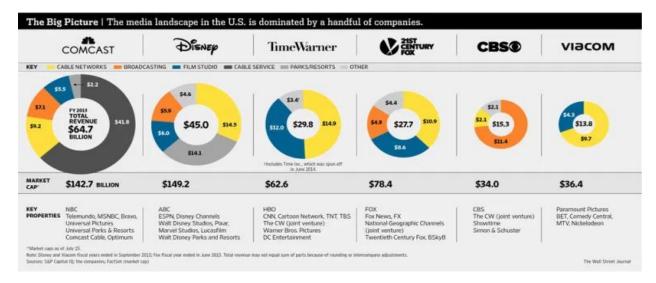
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What we have recently witnessed from the media is the disappearance of national newspapers as a major source of news. Instead we have replaced it by a massive new media consolidation controlling what we see and read.

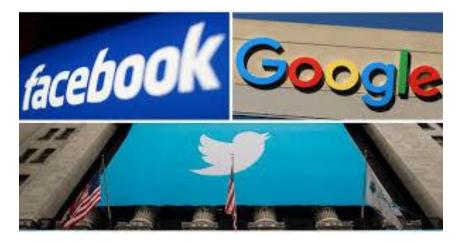
Mainstream Media

- Six Big News Networks,
- With Only Three remaining Major Newspapers (Washington Post, NY Times, Wall Street Journal),
- All dependent on Three dominant Newswires (Reuters, Associated Press, Bloomberg).



Social Media

.. in concert with Three Big Social Media Platforms.





OLIGARCHY: BIG MEDIA (BIG TECH & MSM)

The following was excerpted from: Glenn Greenwald via greenwald.substack.com,

A <u>much-discussed 2014 study</u> concluded that economic power has become so concentrated in the hands of such a small number of U.S. corporate giants and mega-billionaires, and that this concentration in economic power has ushered in virtually unchallengeable political power in their hands and virtually none in anyone else's, that the U.S. more resembles oliqarchy than anything else:

The central point that emerges from our research is that economic elites and organized groups representing business interests have substantial independent impacts on U.S. government policy, while mass-based interest groups and average citizens have little or no independent influence. Our results provide substantial support for theories of Economic-Elite Domination and theories of Biased Pluralism, but not for theories of Majoritarian Electoral Democracy or Majoritarian Pluralism.

The U.S. Founders most certainly did not envision or desire absolute economic egalitarianism, but many, probably most, <u>feared</u> — long before lobbyists and candidate dependence on corporate SuperPACs — that economic inequality could become so severe, wealth concentrated in the hands of so few, that it would <u>contaminate the political realm</u>, where those vast wealth disparities would be replicated, rendering political rights and legal equality illusory.

But the premises of pre-Trump debates over how grave a problem this is have been rendered utterly obsolete by the new realities of the COVID era. A combination of sustained lockdowns, <u>massive statemandated transfers of wealth</u> to corporate elites in the name of legislative "COVID relief" and a radically increased dependence on online activities has rendered corporate behemoths close to unchallengeable in terms of both economic *and* political power.

The lockdowns from the pandemic have ushered in a collapse of small businesses across the U.S. that has only further fortified the power of corporate giants. "Billionaires increased their wealth by more than a quarter (27.5%) at the height of the crisis from April to July, just as millions of people around the world lost their jobs or were struggling to get by on government schemes", reported The Guardian in September. A study from July told part of the story:

The combined wealth of the world's super-rich reached a new peak during the coronavirus pandemic, according to a study published by the <u>consulting firm PwC and the Swiss bank UBC</u> on Wednesday. The more than 2,000 billionaires around the world managed to amass fortunes totaling around \$10.2 trillion (€8.69 trillion) by July, surpassing the previous record of \$8.9 trillion reached in 2017.

Meanwhile, though exact numbers are unknown, "roughly one in five small businesses have closed", *AP* <u>notes</u>, adding: "restaurants, bars, beauty shops and other retailers that involve face-to-face contact have been hardest hit at a time when Americans are trying to keep distance from one another".

Employees are now almost completely at the mercy of a handful of corporate giants which are thriving, far more trans-national than with any allegiance to the U.S. A Brookings Institution study this week — entitled "Amazon and Walmart have raked in billions in additional profits during the pandemic, and shared almost none of it with their workers" — found that "the COVID-19 pandemic has generated record profits for America's biggest companies, as well as immense wealth for their founders and largest shareholders—but next to nothing for workers".

These COVID "winners" are not the Randian victors in free market capitalism. Quite the contrary, they are the recipients of enormous amounts of largesse from the U.S. Government, which they control through armies of lobbyists and donations, and which therefore constantly intervene in the market for their benefit. This is not free market capitalism rewarding innovative titans, but rather crony capitalism that is abusing the power of the state to crush small competitors, lavish corporate giants with ever more wealth and power, and turn millions of Americans into vassals whose best case scenario is working multiple jobs at low hourly wages with no benefits, few rights and even fewer options.

Those must disgusted by this outcome should not be socialists but capitalists: this is a classic merger of state and corporate power —- also known as a hallmark of fascism in its most formal expression — that abuses state interference in markets to consolidate and centralize authority in a small handful of actors in order to disempower everyone else. Those trends were already quite visible prior to Trump and the



onset of the pandemic, but have accelerated beyond anyone's dreams in the wake of mass lockdowns, shutdowns, prolonged isolation and corporate welfare thinly disguised as legislative "relief".

What makes this most menacing of all is that the primary beneficiaries of these rapid changes are Silicon Valley giants, at least three of which — Facebook, Google, and Amazon — are now classic monopolies. That the wealth of their primary owners and executives — Mark Zuckerberg, Jeff Bezos, Sundar Pichai — has skyrocketed during the pandemic is well-covered, but far more significant is the unprecedented power these companies exert over the dissemination of information and conduct of political debates, to say nothing of the immense data they possess about our lives by virtue of online surveillance.

Stay-at-home orders, lockdowns and social isolation have meant that we rely on Silicon Valley companies to conduct basic life functions more than ever before. We order online from Amazon rather than shop; we conduct meetings online rather than meet in offices; we use Google constantly to navigate and communicate; we rely on social media more than ever to receive information about the world. And exactly as a weakened population's dependence on them has increased to unprecedented levels, their wealth and power has reached all new heights, as has their willingness to control and censor information and debate.

That Facebook, Google and Twitter are exerting more and more control over our political expression is hardly contestable. What is most remarkable and alarming, is that they are not so much grabbing these powers as having them foisted on them, by a public — composed primarily of corporate media outlets and U.S. establishment liberals — who believe that the primary problem of social media is not excessive censorship but *insufficient* censorship. As Sen. Ed Markey (D-MA) told Mark Zuckerberg, when four Silicon Valley CEOs appeared before the Senate in October, "The issue is not that the companies before us today are taking too many posts down. The issue is that they're leaving too many dangerous posts up".

As I <u>told the online program *Rising*</u> this week when asked what the worst media failings of 2020 are, I continue to view the <u>brute censorship by Facebook</u> of incriminating reporting about Joe Biden in the weeks before the election as one of the most significant and menacing political events of the last several years. That this censorship was announced by a Facebook corporate spokesman, who had spent his career previously as a Democratic Party apparatchik, provided the perfect symbolic expression of this evolving danger.

These tech companies are more powerful than ever, not only because of their newly amassed wealth at a time when the population is suffering, but also because they <u>overwhelmingly supported the Democratic Party candidate</u> about to assume the presidency. Predictably, they are being <u>rewarded</u> with <u>numerous key positions in his transition team</u> and the same will ultimately be true of the new administration.

The Biden/Harris administration clearly intends to do a great deal for Silicon Valley, and Silicon Valley is well-positioned to do a great deal for them in return, starting with their immense power over the flow of information and debate.

The dominant strain of U.S. neoliberalism — the ruling coalition that has now consolidated power again — is authoritarianism. They view those who oppose them and reject their pieties not as adversaries to be engaged but as enemies, domestic terrorists, bigots, extremists and violence-inciters to be fired, censored and silenced. And they have on their side — beyond the bulk of the corporate media, the intelligence community and Wall Street — an unprecedentedly powerful consortium of tech monopolies willing and able to exert greater control over a population that has rarely, if ever, been so divided, drained, deprived and anemic.

All of these authoritarian powers will, ironically, be invoked and justified in the name of stopping authoritarianism — not from those who wield power but from the movement that was just removed from power. Those who spent four years shrieking to great profit about the dangers of lurking "fascism" will — without realizing the irony — now use this merger of state and corporate power to consolidate their own authority, control the contours of permissible debate and silence those who challenge them even further. Those most vocally screaming about growing authoritarianism in the U.S. over the last four years were very right in their core warning, but very wrong about the real source of that danger.



SHIFT IN REPORTING

What this concentration has fostered is a change in news reporting.

- Gone are the days of Walter Cronkite
- Gone are the Days of Who, What, When, Why, & How Journalism

WHAT WE HAVE IS MODERN JOURNALISM WHICH NOW TEACHES ADVOCACY JOURNALISM



Advocacy Journalism

- The term advocacy journalism describes the use of journalism techniques to promote a specific political or social cause.
- Advocacy journalism is a genre of journalism that (unlike simple propaganda) is fact-based, but supports a specific point of view on an issue.
- The term is potentially meaningful only in opposition to a category of journalism that does not engage in advocacy, objective journalism.
- It teaches the reporting of One Side of a Story or Advocacy Positioning
- Narrative is the Side Being Advocated
- Exactly the same as a Lawyer who argues one side, but does not tell, avoids and ignores the other side
- The Goal is to promote a directed "Narrative"

INDICATIONS ARE THAT IT HAS NOW MIGRATED EVEN FURTHER - WITH WHAT IS CALLED 'FAKE NEWS'

- No Sources,
- Not Collaborated,
- > Circular Reporting

Advocacy Journalism As 'Narrative'

The wall between editorial and marketing/advertising departments that was once the industry standard has decayed. Corporate media transparently lavishes coverage on big advertisers' sectors (luxury goods, real estate, etc.) and ignores or gives short shrift to whatever doesn't generate revenues.

We now witness what I will call "Unified Messaging"

- Same Message across Media Platforms,
- Identical "Talking Points".
- Identical "Dog Whistle Rhetoric".

FALL 2020 EXAMPLES:

- Trump News Coverage
 - Mueller Report
 - 'Russian Hoax'
 - Trump Impeachment
 - Ukraine Call
- Coverage of "Protests" v Riots
 - ANTIFA & BLM Violence
- Election Issues



- Where's Hunter?
- President-Elect Biden
- Campaign Fraud

Most alarming however, is that we are seeing CENSORSHIP. Instead of Freedom of the Press we are witnessing it using its Freedoms to censor what "We the People are allowed to see and hear"!

DECLINE OF THE "FREE-RANGE" INTERNET

- Where opinions were unrestrained,
 - It was up to users to sort the wheat from the chaff,
 - This was the Web in the early 2000s before the dominance of social media platforms and Google's monopoly on search.

This loss of diversity has led to:

- Group-Think -- a manifestation of Orwell's 1984
- A homogenization of the "happy story" being pushed by the corporate media
- A manifestation of Huxley's "Loving Our Servitude"

BLACK BOX CENSORSHIP

Censorship applied by privately owned social media/search corporations is "Black Box Censorship":

- · No one outside the corporations knows what algorithms or filters are being applied,
- There is no legal recourse to the corporations' censorship, as everyone has "terms of use" which grants complete control over all user-provided data, photos etc. and dictatorial power over what is allowed and what is banned.

This Opaque Censorship is Private-Sector Totalitarianism:

- This is the complete lack of recourse for those who have been blocked or banned.
- This is a simulation /simulacrum of a free press; we've lost a genuine free press.
- This is very much like the former USSR, hence my term for America, USSA, the "United Simulacra States of America".

Censorship

My observation is we allowed censorship starting with its apparent claims to be addressing Hate Speech and Fact Checking.

It leads to:

- Shadow Banning,
- De-Monetization,
- Other Emerging Methods,

We now see forced self censorship through:

- Cancel Culture,
- Political Correctness,
- Woke

Gas Lighting

This consolidation, select coverage and narrow spectrum of what's presented as "news" and "investigative reporting" create a widening disconnect with the reality we see with our own eyes:

Is the economy "recovering nicely with soaring GDP" as the media promotes or is it coming apart at the seams as we see with our own eyes?

It's a Kafkaesque world where the decisions and processes are hidden from us and we're wandering in a hall of mirrors -- a truly crazy-making experience.



THREE CONTROLLING INFLUENCERS

KEY MESSAGES

"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves" - President Abraham Lincoln

"America's Biggest Weakness is Corruption" - Chinese Military Strategist

THE THREE DRIVING FORCES OF SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

THE GLOBALISTS (The Davos Crowd)

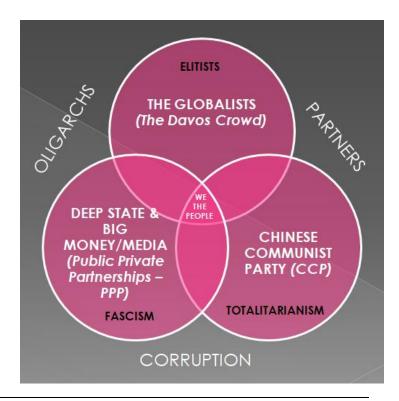
- WEF, WHO, UN, World Bank, IMF
- Proponents: The Great Reset

CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY (CCP)

- A "Slow US Coup"
- Implementing a New Form of 'Color Revolution'

DEEP STATE & BIG MONEY/MEDIA (Public Private Partnerships - PPP)

- Deep State (CIA, NSA, FBI, DOJ, MI),
- Crony Capitalists (Big Media: Big Tech + MSM),
- The Unelected Permanent Bureaucracy,
- Think Tanks (Creators of Bills, Narrative, Spin and Talking Points),





FOLLOW THE MONEY

Social Media platforms and Google make money not just from ads but from selling data harvested from users.

They're optimized to "engage" audiences via

- Polarizing content,
- Emotional triggers,
- Addictive FOMO (fear of missing out) on the latest Tweet, Instagram post, etc.

All these behaviors are extremely profitable for the Big Tech monopolies but destructive to the users and society. This is an entirely new dynamic in the media.

Because of the Polarization of views by the media "Narrative" & Censorship, it creates markets which allow Campaign Finance Laws to be circumvented.

For example, the media by censoring, is in effect doing "in-Kind" Giving to a select view. They do this to get anti-trust protection and favorable regulatory arbitrage ruling.

It allows Foreign Influence. It is reported that China gave the US voting machine company \$400M two weeks before the US election. If true, that begs some serious questions especially with the broad assertions of voter fraud by these machines.

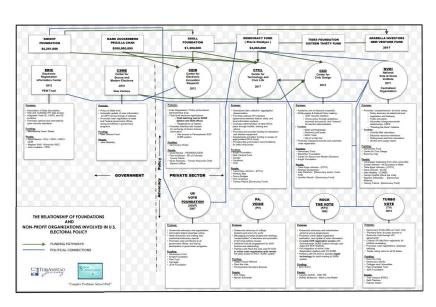
We also now have activist tax deductible Charitable Organizations.

- Activists are <u>weaponizing</u> charitable giving, transforming nonprofits into tools of division and blatant partisanship.
- Much of the campaign finance activity that is now illegal in the campaign world has shifted to the nonprofit sector.
 - Social welfare nonprofits, known by the <u>IRS designation 501(c)(4)</u>, have become a conduit for dark money political campaign contributions.
 - Donors can give unlimited amounts without disclosure.
- New questions are raised by information found in tax filings of 501(c)(3) charities.
 - This type of tax filing provides tax write-offs and is prohibited from political activity.
- Donations meant for charity may be finding their way to political activities despite strict campaign finance regulations on charities.
- If this activity is allowed to proliferate, partisan political activity may swing the results of elections using the very methods Congress has criminalized on the campaign side.

For Example: Massive BLM Contributions flow from 501s to Democratic Party to Mainstream Media for "News Narrative"

This allows Mark Zuckerman of Facebook to gift tax free with other coordinated activist charities to contribute \$500M in the last election for specific county and city changes to the election process (Chart to right and the Amistad Report). This is well documented and in the courts but receives little to no media coverage. It is called "exculpatory" evidence to their "narrative".

What does this mean to us today? "We the People" may be even losing our voice at the polls! Our last possible bastion for expressing our views!





THREE DRIVING FORCES OF SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves"

President Abraham Lincoln

"America's Biggest Weakness is Corruption"
Chinese Military Strategist

THE THREE DRIVING FORCES OF SOCIAL SUPPRESSION

THE GLOBALISTS (The Davos Crowd)

- WEF, WHO, UN, World Bank, IMF
- Proponents: The Great Reset

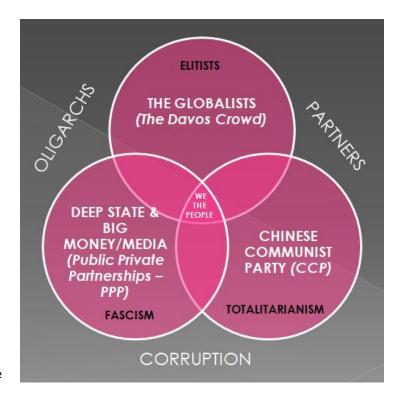
CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY (CCP)

- A "Slow US Coup"
- Implementing a New Form of 'Color Revolution'

DEEP STATE & BIG MONEY/MEDIA (Public Private Partnerships – PPP)

- Deep State (CIA, NSA, FBI, DOJ, MI),
- Crony Capitalists (Big Media: Big Tech + MSM),
- The Unelected Permanent Bureaucracy,
- Think Tanks (Creators of Bills, Narrative, Spin and Talking Points)

They were all temporarily aligned to achieve the removal of President Donald J Trump.





A SHOCKING PERSPECTIVE

The following eight pages contain two research article clips that you need to read in their entirety to gain some possible unappreciated insights. I am not endorsing the work, but rather I think it is important to assist you in developing your own views regarding what possibly is at the center of the current "push" towards Social Suppression. What are the possible motives, how is it organized and how could it have emerged?

The opening comments of this section (above) are my own, as is the rest of this section, where a lot of my own views seem interestingly to have some similar correlations to the following:

Clip #1: Taken from the extensive work by:
Global Intel Hub, Second Sight Analysis - Crediblock.com 1/1/2021

THE GLOBALISTS (The Davos Crowd)

They are Globalists. They are anti-nation state. They don't believe in Nationalism. They believe that people are stupid, and that it's their job to make the decisions for people. The only thing standing in their way of global domination is a strong United States.

Problem: Trump

<u>Reaction</u>: Trump is a liar and evil dictator, and needs to be removed 'by any means necessary', meaning even if by force or illegally. We need to throw the constitution out, and legal system if needed.

<u>Solution</u>: Global dictatorship, one single Crypto currency for the whole world, managed by not one dictator but a group of 12 wise men (Swiss system) where individual nations have no sovereignty or rights, all under the auspices of 'saving the planet.'.

As paraphrased by a leading think tank of the new world order, the World Economic Forum, "You will own nothing, have no privacy, and be much happier".

CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY (CCP)

To be clear, the Elite are using China to erode the US from within.

The GLOBALISTS themselves simply doesn't have the resources. They needed to make a deal with China and it was a very synergistic partnership because China wants the same thing.

- They want US property,
- They want to expand their Empire,
- They want a seat at the table of 12 seats.

In exchange, China allows the Elite to do whatever they want in China (like release the Wuhan Virus) and it's completely secret, China is a black hole. Perhaps in the terms of the deal they gave China Hong Kong.

This de-nationalization process already happened in the European Union starting in 1990ish and culminating in 1999 with the Euro. A country is a currency, without a currency, there is no sovereignty. The Euro was great for European Elites and terrible for the masses, another proof of what's going on in the U.S. domestically.

The same group of people, call them what you will, Globalists, has done the same thing in hundreds of countries. The plot is the same.

- First you send in the bankers, who offer you loans which would be illegal under U.S. usury rules, 20% interest and so on. For billions of dollars.
- They find a corrupt dictator and bribe him. He gets millions, they default on the loans, and the bankers get the collateral, which can be oil, water, factories, or some other resources.
- If the bankers don't work, they send in the jackals (hitmen) and if that fails, such as in Iraq, in comes the US Army 'Coalition of the Willing.'



• We must remember that the US is not the brains behind this system; the brains and planners are the British. The US is the muscle, the vast resources.

So you see, if this same plot was to be carried out domestically, a foreign power like China was necessary. US military soldiers will never turn on their own no matter how much you pay them. You can pay Americans to kill Iraqis, but never their own brothers in another state. So for operation US Coup, China is the muscle and the black hole where they could release Wuhan Flu and launch a digital currency:

- China may be the first major country to launch a central bank digital currency or CBDC.
- The Chinese CBDC, named DCEP, will strengthen the position of the central bank and help to further modernize the Chinese economy.
- The DCEP will probably also be available for China's trade partners, to begin with Africa.
- The DCEP may strengthen the international position of the renminbi to the detriment of the euro.
- The arrival of the DCEP should be a strong wake-up call for Western, especially European, policymakers.

The Chinese are not innovators, they are being supported by major US and global interests in the technology and banking sectors. For technology, Google has invested billions of dollars in Artificial Intelligence for the Chinese Military, and that has been flagged by Palantir founder Peter Thiel. Goldman Sachs is playing banker for the Chinese, and they have been rewarded for their efforts being the first company to buy out their Chinese partners, being the first western bank to own 100% of their own Chinese company:

Goldman Sachs Group Inc. is moving to acquire 100% ownership of its securities joint venture in China, deepening its investment in the world's second-largest economy after partnering with a domestic brokerage for 17 years.

If you look at a single news piece such as the above WSJ article, you may not connect the dots. The critical mass which tipped this to the point of alarm is the fact that in investigation of the election fraud, there is an overwhelming amount of evidence pointing to China. China did not design the fix, they implemented it, they are the muscle. They built the voting machines, supplied special paper ballots and activated their US spies to disrupt the physical election process. Finally, they bought Dominion Voting Systems from Staple Street Capital thirty days before the election, in a deal organized by UBS Hong Kong.

Bombshell SEC Form D filing, showing that their STAPLE STREET CAPITAL III, L.P. fund sold \$400,000,000 worth of securities to global investment bank UBS Securities on October 8, 2020. Note that this is a notice of sale of securities, it does not mean that a transaction took place. But under the circumstances you wouldn't file a form D unless you absolutely had to (transaction is imminent). We've downloaded a PDF copy should this vanish from the SEC's site on the Global Intel Hub Library. Another piece of critical info we don't have - what is included in the STAPLE STREET CAPITAL III, L.P. What we do know is the rough size of the 2018 transaction, about \$265 Million, according to a Pitchbook story: Staple Street Capital has purchased Dominion Voting Systems alongside company management. Dominion is a provider of election tabulation services for state and local governments in the US and Canada. Funds for the investment came via Staple Street's second flagship vehicle, which closed on \$265 million in 2015.

This accomplished a few things, it paid off Staple Street in a sweet profit on a multi-year investment, but it more importantly washed the hands of Staple Street in any wrongdoing. It also clouds the ownership structure so no one can be held accountable. Who the investors were in Staple Street we don't know, it's Private Equity. But we know who signed off on the deals, Stephen Owens and Hootan Yaghoobzadeh (Iranian).

DEEP STATE & BIG MONEY/MEDIA (Public Private Partnerships - PPP)

You may be thinking at this point, where is the CIA? Don't we spend billions on intelligence in order to prevent this kind of infiltration? It's a valid question, but one needs to further understand what the CIA is and its origins. It was a product of the global power shift after World War 2, a real Globalist institution. The fact that it is financed by US taxpayer money is really only a financial relationship, part of the Marshall Plan. The CIA offers no accountability, no transparency to its activities. But based on what we see from the outside, the CIA is a private intelligence service that supports Globalism and the business of Empire. The first example of this was in 1954 when a CIA backed coup overthrew the democratically elected Arbenz, who



was swapped out for US backed brutal military dictator Carlos Armas. Why would the US support an authoritarian dictatorship? Simple, it's easier to work with a single powerful dictator, which is basically a local Monopoly. The US wanted bananas. To this day, Guatemala is the largest source of US bananas. In the process, the US business Elite got rich. Blue blood <u>Bradley Palmer</u> created United Fruit, which was represented by corporate lawyer John Foster Dulles, creator of the CIA:

John Foster Dulles, who represented United Fruit while he was a law partner at Sullivan & Cromwell – negotiated that crucial United Fruit deal with Guatemalan officials in the 1930s – was Secretary of State under Eisenhower; his brother Allen, who did legal work for the company and sat on its board of directors, was head of the CIA under Eisenhower; Henry Cabot Lodge, who was America's ambassador to the UN, was a large owner of United Fruit stock; Ed Whitman, the United Fruit PR man, was married to Ann Whitman, Dwight Eisenhower's personal secretary. You could not see these connections until you could – and then you could not stop seeing them.

The motto of the CIA which is engraved on the entrance to the main building is "The truth will set you free". It is true that they will take out a foreign operation, but only when it suits US interests. In other words, the CIA is a business, which eliminates the competition. This is done through fixing elections, sponsoring coups and revolutions, spreading pro-America propaganda throughout the world and sponsoring bloody dictatorships such as Augusto Pinochet (Chile), Saddam Hussein (Iraq) and hundreds of others. The list is so long, Wikipedia has an entire entry on "Regime Change" by the United States.

In other words, the Globalists have a history of regime change, but it has never happened before in USA. So the Globalists needed the Chinese, as a scapegoat and operational partner. As far as the CIA, it was not a purely American operation from day one. The Americans simply didn't have the experience in skullduggery, that's a British game invented hundreds of years prior. When Bill Donovan created the CIA, it was done in partnership with Churchill and Britain's MI6:

Donovan began to lay the groundwork for a centralized intelligence program. It was he who organized the COI's New York headquarters in Room 3603 of <u>Rockefeller Center</u> in October 1941 and asked <u>Allen Dulles</u> to head it; the offices that Dulles took were on the floor immediately above the location of the operations of Britain's <u>MI6</u>. [45]

The full extent of the CIA's partnerships with foreign intelligence services will never be known unless the agency is broken up, because everything is 'classified' and whistleblowers typically have heart attacks or car crashes.

But the results of how the CIA works with foreign intelligence to create business is all public. Another bright example you can read about in the book by Anthony Sutton Wall Street and the Bolshevik Revolution where NY bankers, Rockefeller interests and even the Federal Reserve Bank provided money, supplies, and diplomatic cover without which the Red Revolution would not have succeeded in 1917. This is hard to understand as it goes against the commonly taught narrative, why would Capitalists finance Communists? The reason is because they became a single Monopoly customer. Billionaires like Armand Hammer made large fortunes selling Soviets pencils. In fact, the Soviet Union was a great customer for US weapons manufacturers, as outlined in the book "The Best Enemy Money Can Buy" – not only did the US provide the Soviets with military technology (for a fee) – but the Soviet Union bought products like IBM mainframes, through proxy country Yugoslavia. So you won't see US-Soviet trade reported in official figures, because it was all done on a black market. The point was that US bankers wanted brutal communist dictators because they were good customers without 'problems' i.e. human rights. In the case of China, the side benefit is manufacturing without pesky labor rights laws.

If the CIA was in bed with China, it would not be surprising, and it would fit the pattern of behavior over the last 50 years.

But the sale and purchase of Dominion is just one layer. Many of the parts of the voting machines not only dominion but also for competitor ES&S are made in China (what isn't made in China today):

"The voting machine lobby, led by the biggest company, ES&S, believes they are above the law," said Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., a member of the Intelligence Committee who co-signed the letter. "They have not had anybody hold them accountable even on the most basic matters." December 2019



There were alarms raised in 2017, 2018, 2019, all before the election. And now during forensic audits, it is now confirmed that during elections, packets of wireless traffic have been detected leaving the voting machines en route to Chinese IP addresses. The conclusion of the experts in Georgia that were monitoring the systems during a live election concluded that remote access and manipulation was possible. Someone was remotely reading and writing the Linux based operating system, in real time, as votes were being tabulated. Furthermore, baked into the design of the voting machines, is an insecure file/server architecture whereby once the votes are counted, they are uploaded by the machines to an open FTP server via flat text file, a server in Spain or Germany, that was found to have no security (blank username/password)! That means anyone with the IP address could not only change the votes, they could change the audit logs, so there would be no trace of them changing the votes. Unfortunately there are not enough Computer Science majors in the world to understand how ridiculous this election fraud is. Your free Gmail account has more security.

For a great resource on the technicalities of the election fraud, <u>refer to this page from Softpanorama</u> (a software developer).

Not surprisingly, Bill Gates has ties to China that go back to his father's law office having a major presence there. Bill Gates Sr. was a partner in law firm Preston Gates & Ellis founded in 1883, with offices in Seattle, China and Taiwan. In 2007 the firm ceased to exist, and in that same year the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation opened an office in China. The manager of the office there, Steve Davis, has ties to the Rockefeller Foundation and the WHO, also funded by Bill Gates:

He is a lecturer in social innovation at the Stanford University Graduate School of Business and serves as a Distinguished Fellow with the World Economic Forum. He also co-chairs the WHO's Digital Health Advisory Group serves on the boards of Philanthropy University and The Trinity Challenge, and sits on the advisory board or consults with a range of institutions and initiatives, including the Rockefeller Foundation, the New York University School of Global Public Health, Challenge Seattle, the International Digital Health & Artificial Intelligence Research Collaborative (I-DAIR), and the World Economic Forum.

NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS (NGOs)

What's important to understand is the method in which the Elite rule the world - through NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations). Since the end of World War 2, the rise of NGOs has created a new type of Globalist shadow power that didn't exist before. Popular NGOs include the WHO, Rockefeller Foundation, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Clinton Foundation (Clinton Global Initiative) and hundreds of others (see this list on the UN site that excludes private foundations).

While NGOs like the Rockefeller Foundation aren't listed as NGOs, they clearly are non-governmental sources of power. They wield extreme influence by lobbying politicians, manufacturing public consent (Chomsky) and influencing the influencers. Politicians cultivate policy advisors from these circles, and they are all connected. It's useful for the Elite because they provide a total cover to their activities. In the past 50 years in America, transparency in government has been a huge issue. Freedom of Information Act requests have become commonplace. Campaign donations and even purchases need to be disclosed. For this reason, most activities that wish to remain private, stay away from operating in the public sphere which has become extremely transparent.

Publicly traded companies for example have huge due diligence burdens and disclosure liabilities. Not only are <u>insider trades reported to the SEC</u>, but they are publicly available by the SEC via RSS or API. There are large data services like <u>spiking.com</u> and <u>whalewisdom.com</u>, who have made successful trading signals businesses just out of these disclosure requirements. But what happens in BVI, stays in BVI. For this reason, tax loopholes and legal offshore tax havens and other programs will continue to exist. Of course, billionaire Democrats want to raise taxes – they're never going to pay it. If they really wanted to raise money for the US Treasury, the answer is closing the loopholes and collecting monies that would be due under fair rules, if the AMT was strictly enforced. But the thinking of the Elite is to tax the middle class in order to oppress the poor.

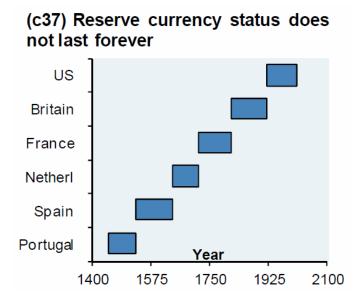
Another point, we tried to hammer across in Splitting Pennies – it is also counterintuitive to 99% of the population the mindset of investment banking. If you have a billion dollars in your account, and you have a bank license, you have the ability to create assets at will – literally. Banks in the United States are required to have an account at the Federal Reserve which means zero interest loans are just a phone call away. The discount window is always open to a member in need. Banks don't want to get rich and they don't want to grow wealth – they want to make their potential competitors poor.



Take COVID for example – in the past 12 months, the Elite have raked in more than \$1 Trillion in profits (individuals) but your average small business is struggling, broke, bankrupt, or somewhere in between. Stimulus payments are literally the difference between real civil revolt and a continuation of the status quo. Stimulus must continue to a battered and abused lower class.

The IQ of this complex system is impossible to measure it's so high, because IQ is a bell curve averaged against your peers. The Elite function as one group, even though not all of them participate actively in these games, they do not have peers or competitors. There is not a single one of them saying "Globalism is bad, let's go back to Nationalist Mercantilism." Perhaps Donald Trump, Peter Thiel, and Patrick Byrne are a few voices of the Elite who do not buy in to the standard line, but look at the reaction they are getting, an onslaught of crap thrown on them.

For 10 years we have listened to talk of a global currency system, some have speculated based on SDRs or Special Drawing Rights backed by the IMF. Some have claimed that China would replace the US Dollar as the world reserve, frequently re-posting this chart:



The problem is that each of these nations were stronger economically and militarily when they seized the torch from the previous runner. Currently, the US maintains global military and economic supremacy. China is a toxic house of cards on the verge of collapse, a topic for another article – they are not a contender to replace the United States as the world's banker. They need another 50 years at least to hope to try, and they are not going in the right direction. They need a solid legal system, open and free markets, advanced technology that's home grown (and not copied/imported), and a track record of success managing capital markets. Say what you will about the United States, the stock markets are the most robust in the world. The Federal Reserve system, although it has created inflation and widened the wealth gap, has maintained stability of the US Dollar and enabled the USD to remain the only trade currency in the world.

So, in reference to this above chart, the only thing to make the US pass the global currency regime to another party, would be to lose a major kinetic war, default on the US debt obligations, and have massive damage domestically. That may happen as the insane leaders in DC such as Neo Cons and other warmongers would do anything to make a buck, but it remains a small probability. Without the US being defeated in a kinetic war – not an information war (that's already happening!) – the USD is going to be the global reserve for the rest of our lifetimes – with one big catch.

It looks likely they are going to roll out a new global digital currency created by the central banks, but the USD is going to be the primary currency in the basket. It may even be called the digital dollar. In other words, the new one world currency is going to be a derivative of the USD, and perhaps the EUR as well, but not GBP or other dissenting nations. America can easily absorb countries like Japan, Canada, Latin America into the trade bloc if they wanted. The seeds of this were planted by Globalist Bill Clinton in the 1990s with NAFTA, the most ridiculous anti-trade deal ever to be concocted. Instead of buying tomatoes from the guy 20 miles outside your city, you will buy them from Mexico, shipped in by trucks (a huge majority of the



tomatoes will spoil during shipping, for various logistic reasons, so they have created mitigation strategies such as GMO and/or picking them a week before they are ripe and injecting them with red dye).

The Globalists have turned the world upside down and want us to thank them for it. They created COVID and now they want to sell us a vaccine. Hilarious! If you can be objective and see the humor in it, one must conclude that the British at least have a major role in the design of this plan.

RUSSIA

Russia is the interesting wildcard in our current geopolitical scenario. In the view of this author, they are the only country capable – and certainly more capable than China, of launching a global reserve currency. Firstly because of their military power, which may be 2nd to the US but it's 2nd in the world. 3rd place is far behind. Also, they have massive natural resources, and a homogenous culture that they maintain strictly (unlike the Europeans who want to be a melting pot like the US). Also, they are one of the only countries in the world not controlled by the Elite as we have been describing in this article. Globalists do not explicitly control Russia, in fact they have kicked out the powerful Soros NGO in 2015. But Russia has its own domestic problems and growing pains, a huge brain drain issue. Russia is strong but has too many problems to solve to worry about running a global empire. Also, historically, Russia has never been interested in Colonialism. Their few attempts at establishing colonies sadly failed, including settlements in California and Alaska.

Russia is used as a scapegoat, fake villain, and fake enemy by US Elite's in order to justify their means, such as getting rid of Trump. As the evidence finally showed, Trump knows nothing about Russia. Although he was entrapped and the FBI tried to bribe him, corrupt him, he always refused. But Russia remains a major prize the Elite have had at the top of their list for hundreds of years. One theory as to why many prominent Jews like the Rothschild's backed Hitler, was to support his domination of Russia.

In any event, Russia is not a player in this game – they have nothing to gain and everything to lose. There is a reason that the Elite have blamed Russia for various hacks including putting Trump in office (it's not possible that people actually support someone other than a Globalist). It's to hide the real enemy: China. Unlike Russia that has no plans for global domination, China needs to expand. It needs land, resources, etc. They say in China there is only one thing stopping it from expanding: The United States.

The conclusion is frightening; there is nothing we can do about this situation other than spread the word.

Spinning the narrative on its head, basically - China is a serious threat to our way of life, and they are investing in a PR campaign saying the opposite. The fake threats of COVID, Russia, etc. are meant as a distraction to confuse unsuspecting sheeple who don't understand how the game is played. Only knowledge and wisdom can effect change, revolution only replaces a brutal regime with a more brutal one (historically). The renaissance was financed by de' Medici, or in other words, Euopean civilization shifted from the dark ages to the age of enlightenment because of the financing of the Elite at that time. Today's Elite invest in weapons and social control technologies, rather than funding a new renaissance. The contention of many in the 'silent majority' is not that the Elite should be tarred and feathered, although there are many who believe so; it is that the current trend of Globalism is deeply flawed, and will have more negative unintended consequences than they can foresee, even with their AI. By pushing an agenda artificially, it's putting opinion and bias before science. They are 'making' the science to fit their opinion, rather than modeling optimal scenarios and building on that framework. It's going to be a disaster what they are trying to do. As one terrifying example, using rNA 'vaccine' which is untested can have unknown teratogenic effects on your DNA, which means people can grow a 3rd ear or start to have an oversized foot. It's a complex system where zero mathematical modeling has been done and Genetic science is too new to make any speculations on what may come out of these grotesque experiments on the population.

The good news is that in the past 12 months millions of people around the world are waking up to reality, which is not as seen on TV. Based on this, real change is possible, and it's also possible that the plan of the Elite simply will blow up in their face. They will lose nothing, but the world will be freer than before. The other good news is we can stop wasting precious time and resources on b.s. 'fake' problems like "COVID" and "Terrorism."

The China issue needs to be looked at in a number of ways by our institutions but more importantly by people. Take a look at the next time you see China mentioned in the news or conversation, and bear this background in mind. If you want to understand their thinking, read the book all traders have read:

SunTzu - Art of War.



Clip #2: Taken from the Part III of work by:

Michael Rectenwald via The Mises Institute, Read Part I: Reduced Expectations And Bio-Techno-Feudalism here... Read Part II: Corporate Socialism here...

The Great Reset, Part III: Capitalism With Chinese Characteristics

Several decades ago, when China's growing reliance on the for-profit sectors of its economy could no longer be credibly denied by the CCP, its leadership approved the slogan "socialism with Chinese characteristics" to describe the Chinese economic system. Formulated by Deng Xiaoping, the phrase became an essential component the CCP's attempt to rationalize Chinese capitalist development under a socialist-communist political system.

According to the party, the growing privatization of the Chinese economy was to be a temporary phase—lasting as long as a hundred years according to some party leaders—on the way to a classless society of full socialism-communism. The party leaders claimed, and still maintain, that socialism with Chinese characteristics was necessary in China's case because China was a "backward" agrarian country when communism was introduced—too early, it was suggested. China needed a capitalist booster shot.

With the slogan, the party was able to argue that China had been an exception to the orthodox Marxist position that socialism arrives only after the development of capitalism—although Marx himself deviated from his own formula late in life. At the same time, the slogan allowed the CCP to confirm the orthodox Marxist position. China's communist revolution had come before developed industrial capitalism—an exception to orthodox Marxism. Capitalism was thus introduced into China's economic system later—a confirmation of orthodox Marxism.

Stripped of its socialist ideological pretensions, socialism with Chinese characteristics, or the Chinese system itself, amounts to a socialist-communist state increasingly funded by capitalist economic development. The difference between the former Soviet Union and contemporary China is that when it became obvious that a socialist-communist economy had failed, the former gave up its socialist-communist economic pretenses, while the latter did not.

Whether the CCP leaders believe their own rhetoric or not, the ideological gymnastics on display are nevertheless spectacular. On its face, the slogan embeds and glosses over a seemingly obvious contradiction in an attempt to sanctify or "recommunize" Chinese capitalist development as a precondition of full socialism-communism.

However, the Chinese slogan does capture an essential truth about communism, one that is either unrecognized or unacknowledged by the CCP and denied by Western Marxists. Contrary to the assertions of communist leaders and followers, and even contrary to the claims of many who oppose it, socialism-communism is not essentially an economic but rather a political system.

Once in power, socialist-communist leaders recognize that given their control over resources, they have effectively become the new owners of the means of production (whereas, as Ludwig von Mises suggested, consumers effectively hold the power of economic disposal in free markets). In attempting to implement a socialist-communist economy, they recognize that, in the absence of prices, large-scale industrial production requires supervisory decision-making. Likewise, decision-making is not democratic in the sense promised by socialist-communist ideologues. Decision-making must be centralized, or at least bureaucratized, to a great extent. Democratic decision-making is precluded by state-owned and controlled production and distribution.

Socialism-communism is a political system in which resource allocation is commanded by the state and thus effectively controlled by the state leaders, the real ruling class. The latter retain control through ideology and force.

As opposed to a fully implemented economic system, socialism-communism is always only a political arrangement. This is why socialism-communism can be combined with "capitalism" under such forms as "state capitalism" or corporate socialism. Its economic pretensions will be jettisoned as capitalist development is introduced and cleverly rationalized, as in China. If such pretentions are maintained for long, they will wreck society, as in the former Soviet Union. In either case, the socialist-communist leadership will learn that wealth production requires the accumulation of privately held capital—whether they understand why or not.

Enter Corporate Socialism



A socialist-communist sequel is coming to a theater near you. Some of the same old characters are reappearing, while new ones have joined the cast. While the ideology and rhetoric sound nearly the same, they are being put to slightly different ends. This time around, the old bromides and promises are in play, and a similar but not identical bait and switch is being dangled. Socialism promises the protection of the beleaguered from the economically and politically "evil," the promotion of the economic interests of the underclass, a benign banning of "dangerous" persons from public forums and civic life, and a primary or exclusive concern for "the common good." China's "One Belt, One Road" initiative may hang the takers in Africa and other underdeveloped regions as if from an infrastructural noose. A different variety is on the docket in the developed world, including in the US.

The contemporary variant is corporate socialism, or a two-tiered system of "actually existing socialism" on the ground, coupled with a parallel set of corporate monopolies or would-be monopolies on top. The difference between state socialism and corporate socialism is merely that a different constituency effectively controls the means of production. But both depend on monopoly—one the state and the other the corporate monopolization of the economy. And both depend on socialist-communist ideology of democratic socialism, or, in a recent variant, "social justice" or "woke" ideology. Corporate socialism is the desired end, while democratic socialism and woke capitalism are among the means.

China is the model for the economic and political system being promoted in the West, and the Great Reset is the most forthright articulation of that system - although its articulation is anything but perfectly forthright.

The Great Reset represents the development of the Chinese system in the West, only in reverse. Whereas the Chinese political elite began with a socialist-communist political system and implemented "capitalism" later, the elite in the West began with "capitalism" and is aiming to implement a socialist-communist political system now. It's as if the Western oligarchy looked to the "socialism" on display in China, and said, "yes, we want it."

This explains many otherwise seeming contradictions, not the least of which is the leftist authoritarianism of Big Tech. Big Tech, and in particular Big Digital, is the ideological communications apparatus for the advancement of corporate socialism, or capitalism with Chinese characteristics.

The Chinese characteristics that the Great Reset aims to reproduce in connection with Western capitalism would resemble the totalitarianism of the CCP. It would require a great abridgement of individual rights—including property rights, free expression, freedom of movement, freedom of association, freedom of religion, and the free enterprise system as we understand it.

The Great Reset would implement the political system in much the same way as China has done—with 5G-enabled smart city surveillance, the equivalent of social credit scores, medical passports, political imprisonment, and other means of social and political repression and control.

In the end, socialism with Chinese characteristics and capitalism with Chinese characteristics would amount to the same thing.



THE GLOBALISTS: Elitists

As paraphrased by the World Economic Forum,

"You will own nothing, have no privacy, and be much happier!"

The media is now the catalyst for creating change to support globalist views like the "Great Reset" which they are propagating.

HOW IT IS BEING SOLD

The Great Reset agenda would have three main components.

- 1. The first would steer the market toward fairer outcomes.
- 2. The second component of a Great Reset agenda would ensure that investments advance shared goals, such as equality and sustainability.
- 3. The third and final priority of a Great Reset agenda is to harness the innovations of the Fourth Industrial Revolution to support the public good, especially by addressing health and social challenges.

OUR TRANSLATION:

1- STEER THE MARKET:

Capitalism Steers the Market

ADVANCE SHARED GOALS:

A Globalist Agenda

3- HARNESS INNOVATIONS for SOCIAL CHALLENGES:

A Coming Social Credit System

THE REQUIRED CENTRAL ROLE OF THE MEDIA FOR THE GREAT RESET

- Create Catalysts for Change
- Slant Events to Support Direction Covid-19
 - Lockdowns (Similar to 911 'Terrorist' & Patriot Act)

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- Government Mandates (Control)
- Placing Chosen Leadership in Power,
 - Biden-Harris
- Condition Public Expectations,
 - Bigger Government & Reliance
 - Government Assistance / Dependency

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20 Minutes with 29 supporting slides

UnderTheLens - 11-25-20 - DECEMBER -The Great Reset

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CHINA: Chinese Communist Party

"The greatest way to fight a war, in the Chinese way of thinking, is not to have to fight at all. That's what they've done here" Byrne & Corsi

What we have is a new form of a 'Color Revolution' that was so ably orchestrated by the US CIA against other regimes in this millennium. The Chinese regime is fully engaged in "a slow coup" of the USA.



The Chinese regime has proven to be as treacherous and ungrateful as anyone could have imagined. What the Chinese did is they studied us, and they saw that corruption is our weakest point. They then infiltrated us, and corrupted exactly the institutions that they needed to corrupt in order to allow what's going on now to happen.

Sun Tzu AT HIS BEST

Traders and Wall St. people can understand the Chinese strategy, common people including Silicon Valley cannot. Patrick Byrne has summarized this best:

The greatest way to fight a war, in the Chinese way of thinking, is not to have to fight at all. That's what they've done here. Though we spend a trillion dollars a year between our military and our intelligence, national security circles ... that trillion dollars we have and we've built, you know, things that can stop all their planes and their missiles and all kinds of things. But we missed the one they use, which is not a fight at all, not firing a bullet or missile at all, but **taking us out from within**. And that's what's going on."

Byrne studied Chinese history at Beijing Normal University from 1983 to 1984. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Chinese studies from Dartmouth College and speaks Chinese fluently. He built Overstock.com on his understanding of China.

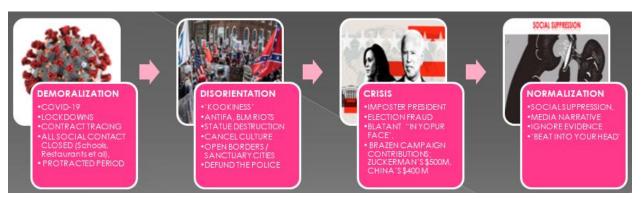
Patrick Byrne on Communist Chinese Interference in US 2020 Election



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"In 10 years, there'll be prison camps with organs being harvested just as there are in western China, so we cannot bend a knee to this under any circumstance." Patrick Byrne





FOUR STAGES

DEMORALIZATION: PANDEMIC SCARE

- Demoralization is what happened in 2020 with COVID-19,
- What we had was an unusually bad flu season. (FDA Admits PCR Tests Give False Results),
- China is almost Covid free with no lockdowns WHY?

DISORIENTATION

- ANTIFA and BLM open rioting,
- Defunding Police, Disbanding ICE, Open Borders, Sanctuary Cities,
- Illegal aliens criminals allowed to vote and receive public benefits,
- Buildings and police stations being lit on fire with no consequences nor government actions,
- People being harassed for their political views while dining out with no consequences,
- This intent is to disorient you. It's to tell you, 'You are not living in the America you thought you were living in'.

CRISIS

- "In your face" events which questions the very fabric and belief system of the country,
- · A Fraudulent Election and Illegal President,
- Brazen election contributions: \$500M by Facebook's Zuckerman and \$400M by China's CCP.

NORMALIZATION

- Open Censorship of what the public is allowed to see (Facebook, Twitter and Google Actions),
- The Media is violating every precept of journalistic integrity by ignoring the evidence that has been presented claiming election fraud.

EVIDENCE:

Some Recent Emerging Background Details (Censored By the Mainstream Media [MSM]):

REVEALED: Full List Of Western Media Outlets Participating In Chinese Communist Propaganda Events

REVEALED: The Senior U.S. Officials Taking CCP-Subsidized Trips, Dinners for 'Favorable Coverage' (LIST)

REVEALED: Hillary Clinton Met With CCP 'Undercover Intel Ops' Group While Bill Floated Paid Speeches

STUNNING: All Major Western Media Outlets Take 'Private Dinners', 'Sponsored Trips' From Chinese Communist Propaganda Front

Biden CIA Appointee Worked With CCP Propaganda Org Conducting 'Undercover Intel Ops', Appears On China State Media

'Republicans for Biden' Headliner Visited China On CCP-Sponsored Trip

Top Biden 'Pick' Led Group Which Took Sponsored Trips To China For Pro-Beijing Org, Co-Authored Reports

RECK: Politicians Are Arguing Over \$600 While China Still Owes Us \$2 Trillion.

Top Pandemic Scientist Admits Emulating Communist Chinese Model To Strip Civil Liberties Away

<u>Evidence China Was Colluding with the Bidens and Providing Information on How to Defeat President Trump</u>

What we have is: AN INFLUENCED MEDIA

AN INFLUENCED POLITICAL CLASS (Washington and State Level)

AN INFLUENCED DEEP STATE



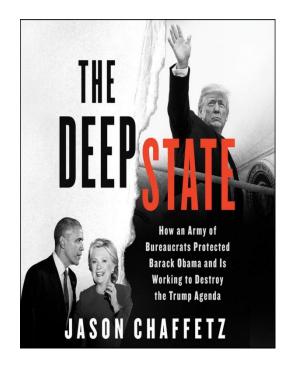
THE OLIGARCHY: Deep State & Big Money

The liberal media loves to characterize the Obama years as free of scandal. They pretend this is true because virtually every office in the executive branch worked to withhold evidence of wrongdoing, silence witness testimony, destroy federal records, classify embarrassing information and retaliate against truth tellers. Yet these same tight-lipped lifers leaked like a sieve once President Trump was sworn in, freely promoting the illusion that everything he does is the new Watergate.

Sometimes even conservatives portray the Deep State as nothing more than dumb inefficient bureaucracy. In fact, it's the opposite; the Deep State is:

- Intentional,
- Unconstitutional,
- Organized.

It is an entrenched leadership within the civil service that resists exposure, accountability and responsibility. At the highest levels, they fight back, outlast and work the system for their own advantage. And they certainly don't like disruptive forces such as Donald Trump.



THE DEEP STATE

In *Deep State*, by Jason Chaffetz highlights the Deep State's tactics, illuminates the problems and offers a way to fight back and win. It is important to expose the stories, but if the American People are going to win, Congress is going to have to do things differently. As Chairman of the House Oversight Committee, Chaffetz was the tip of the spear challenging the Deep State and trying to hold them accountable. He and his colleagues took on the powerful forces at the IRS, the EPA, the DOJ, the Department of State and more. The deeper he dove in, the more shocking he found the brazen approach by the power brokers.

The balance of power has shifted. The Deep State has gotten used to operating anonymously and without

consequence. This is a problem bigger than we can even imagine and getting worse.

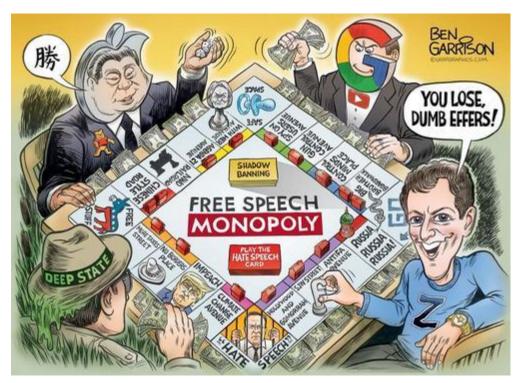
Unless we do something dramatic to wrest back control, we risk losing the ability to successfully challenge wrongdoing by the most powerful bureaucracy in the world.

This book helps the concerned citizen understand what must be done--so they can demand real change.



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WHY IT ALL BECAME HURRIED & OBVIOUS IN 2020

The Hundred-Year Marathon by Michael Pillsbury reveals China's secret strategy to supplant the United States as the world's dominant power, and to do so by 2049, the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic. He offers an inside look at how the Chinese really view America and its leaders – as barbarians who will be the architects of their own demise.

Recently China brought that date forward to 2030 as it aggressively began implementing its <u>Belt & Road Initiative</u>. Many of its stealth plans for combating US "Imperialism" were taking hold (See Strategy: <u>Un-Restricted Warfare</u>) which included 15 types of new warfare being employed in order to avoid the standard military conflict. They included:

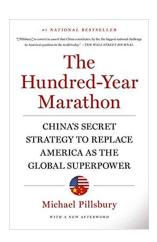
- · New Terror Warfare,
- Drug Warfare,
- · Smuggling Warfare,
- Economic Aid Warfare,
- Cultural Warfare,
- Media Warfare.

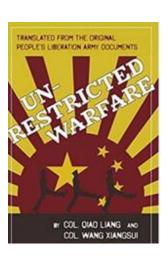
In Unrestricted Warfare, the authors specifically state, "the goal should be to use all means whatsoever ... to force the enemy to serve one's own interests".

COVID-19 & THE US PRESIDENTIAL CYCLE

A major 'push forward' opportunity presented itself for China with the Covid-19 Pandemic. It both allowed the ability to accelerate existing strategies but also to use the pandemic to significantly undermine the US Presidential race and the US politics position. There is strong evidence that China invested \$400M in the Dominion / SolarWinds / Systematics voting machine technologies.

Sensing the same opportunity, the Globalists launched the "Great Reset" and the Deep State went full force against the Trump Administration with Mark Zuckerman's \$500M consortium of investments into the US election process.







CONCLUSION

"A Society Not Built on TRUTH is built on TYRANNY!"

Founding Fathers & framers of the Declaration of Independence

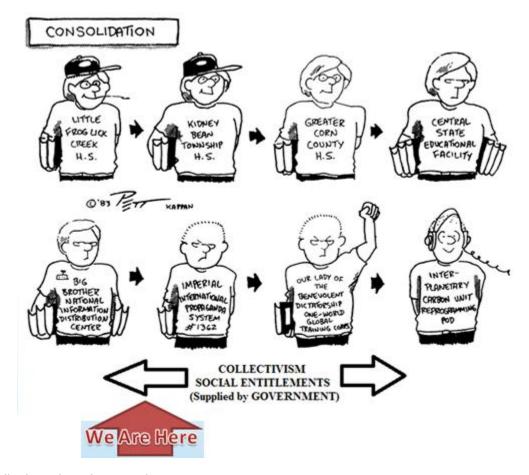
WHAT IS ACTUALLY UNDER ATTACK?

- I. Importance (Value & Rights) of the Individual in Self Determination,
- II. The foundational understanding that political power comes from the 'Consent of the Governed',
- III. The understanding and appreciation of the unwritten "Social Contract" between the electorate and the elected.
- IV. The Global 'Beacon of Light' & Moral Compass which the US Constitutional Democratic Republic has been the world holder for everyone alive today.

How Does Something Like This Change?

It starts with the generational change of young minds.

- I. First through Revisionist History,
- II. Secondly through Educational Indoctrination (Mandated "Diversity Training")



- III. Thirdly through Media Control,
- IV. Fourth through Corruption.

The Russian and Chinese (amongst others) have all concluded that America's Achilles Heel is not its military or economic system but rather its <u>susceptibility to corruption</u>.



"A REPUBLIC IF YOU CAN KEEP IT!"

As we discussed earlier in this paper, the dystopian novel "Brave New World" was written in 1931 by visionary Aldous Huxley. In his book, the author describes what life is like in a society that is under complete domination of a group of hardened autocrats. It's a tyrannical tale with a twist, however.

- Members of this society are kept in a state of perpetual bliss, despite having every aspect of their lives from birth to death controlled by a power-drunk ruling class.
- It's a society in which power is concentrated in the hands of a few, communication of information is meticulously managed, and endless distractions prevent people from thinking, reasoning or imagining.
- A drug is routinely dispensed to the masses (soma), so as to facilitate the exile of perceptible sensations of pain, stress or anxiety.
- Unhappiness is avoided through excessive indulgences in materialism, sexual promiscuity and altered states of mind.
- A synthetic religion substitutes for authentic faith.
- Technology is God, and as such is worshiped and adored ("Ford's in his flivver"). Pre-conditioned slaves delight in their own enslavement.
- Enduring human connections are reflexively thought of as repulsive.
- The optimum relationship status is summed up in seven short words of the state maxim: "Every one belongs to everyone else."

Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, recently appeared on Prager U's "The Book Club" to discuss Huxley's "Brave New World". In an engaging discussion with host Michael Knowles, the senator pointed out that slogans of the government "sound wonderful but **they're all about destroying self, destroying who you are**".

The ultra-totalitarian state in Huxley's fictional world is splattered with virtuous sounding slogans. But as Sen. Cruz explained, global governance, the likes of which is seen in "Brave New World," is "designed to produce a subservient collective".

Sen. Cruz also talked about the many parallels in Huxley's "Brave New World" to the communism of today, explaining that:

- In the modern world, communism "is the ultimate totalitarian communal state".
- It just so happens that, in the real world, there is a group called the World Economic Forum (WEF). The group is comprised of a number of ruling class elites, who meet on a regular basis to determine the political, ideological and societal direction of the world.
- Attendees of the WEF include a host of global government advocates, such as chief executives of Big Tech, the U.N. secretary general, the president of the European Central Bank, the secretary general of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, the managing director of the International Monetary Fund, union leaders from select countries, and representatives of leftwing political and environmental organizations.
- Klaus Schwab, founder and executive chairman of the WEF, recently wrote an article titled: 2021 Should be Year of the 'Great Reset'.
 - o In the article, Schwab proposed that 2021 be designated as the new "Year Zero."
 - Schwab borrowed the term "Year Zero" from the year immediately after World War II, a time when the world had to be rebuilt following the devastation that had occurred in wartorn regions.
 - "This time [2021] the focus is on the material world but also on so much more. We must aim for a higher degree of societal sophistication and create a sound basis for the wellbeing of all people and the planet," Schwab wrote.
 - He contends that free markets and limited government, which have actually produced decades of prosperity and progress, constitute instead a model that, in his words, has "broken down."
 - Consequently, the world, in his opinion, is in dire need of The Great Reset, and 2021 is the perfect year for the launch.

Eerily, the model that the Davos elites are proposing is strikingly similar to the one that Huxley previewed for us all. One word, albeit unspoken, hangs over all of the cunningly crafted phrases that describe The Great Reset. **That word is** *control***.**

The final outcome that promoters of The Great Reset envision is one of:

A highly regulated society,



- A massively intrusive government,
- The annihilation of individual liberties, and
- A centrally planned economy.

At the June 2020 meeting of the group, members expressed the idea that:

- The COVID pandemic could be used as a means of implementing their radical agenda.
- While at the meeting, Prince Charles said, "We have a golden opportunity to seize something good from this crisis."
- In June of 2020, Schwab wrote the following: "The pandemic represents a rare but narrow window of opportunity to reflect, re-imagine, and reset our world."
- He also disclosed the expansive nature of the reset, suggesting that "all aspects of our societies and economies must be revamped, from education, to social contracts and working conditions."

Much like the society in "Brave New World" the WEF envisions a populace that is sufficiently content with being manipulated. A video promoted by the WEF declares that by 2030, "You'll own nothing and you'll be happy."

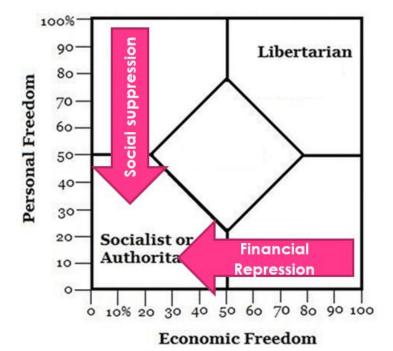
Let's stop and take a brief look at what has happened over the past ten months to so many people here in our own country and around the world:

- -Millions have been deprived of individual freedoms at the hands of authoritarian leaders.
- -Millions have witnessed the destruction of their businesses and livelihoods.
- —Millions have been denied the opportunity to work and have endured severe economic hardship as a result.
- -Millions have been living under strict mask mandates and social distance dictates.
- -Millions have been forced out of their places of worship.
- -Millions have been barred from attending school on campus grounds.
- -Millions have had curfews imposed upon them.
- —Millions have had neighbors, co-workers, members of the community and digital devices monitor them, and report them to the authorities.
- -Millions have had their speech curtailed on social media platforms.

The list of infringement upon our freedoms at the hands of modern day autocrats goes on forever.

I think in order to avoid our own "Brave New World," we need to counter The Great Reset with The Great Return.

The return to freedom.





Ryan McMaken via The Mises Institute,

How Big Is the Cultural Divide in America?

For now, the cultural divide in the United States today has yet to reach the proportions experienced during the revolution — or, for that matter, during the 1850s in the lead-up to the American Civil War.

But if hostilities reach this point, there will be little use in discussions over the size of the tax burden, mask mandates or the nuances of abortion policy. The disdain felt by each side for the other side will be far beyond mere compromises over arcane matters of policy.

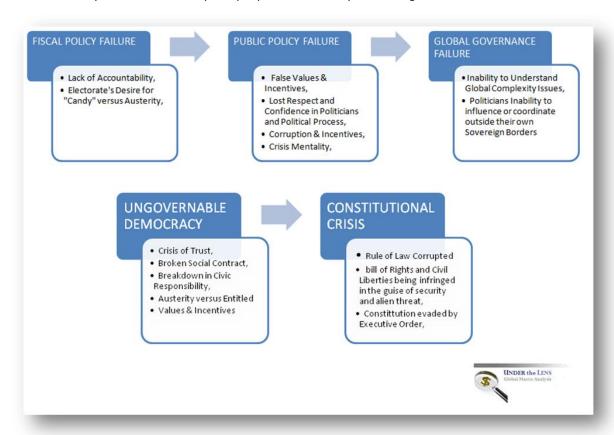
And just as discussions over "taxation without representation" miss the real currents underlying the American rebellion, any view of the current crisis that ignores the ongoing culture war will fail to identify the causes.

Yet, the culture war has also likely progressed to the point where national unity is unlikely to be salvaged even by charismatic leaders and efforts at compromise. When it comes to culture, there is little room for compromise.

It is increasingly apparent that the only peaceful solution lies in some form of radical decentralization, amounting to either secession or self-rule at the local level with only foreign policy as "national" policy. Had the British offered these terms in 1770, bloodshed would have likely been avoided. Americans must pursue similar solutions now before it is too late.

CONSTITUTIONAL PRESSURES

The above discussion has placed us on a roadmap to a Constitutional Crisis - a crisis that may not be resolved by the people but rather by the emergence of a Statist Government.



We are seeing many clues of this possibility emerging.



We have outlined this in DETAIL in a six part video series a year ago:

6 PART VIDEO SERIES

Unsound Money Jeopardizes Constitutional Rights

Constitutional Pressures

Inequality Precedes Social Unrest

Instability & Political Turmoil Lay Ahead

An Un-Governable Democracy

The Fiscal Cliff & Constitution in Crisis



Extracted from: The Frogs Will Boil Themselves by <u>Jeff</u> Thomas via InternationalMan.com,

... Eventually, the American people on both sides of the fence may well not only suggest, but demand that the matter (any social conflict of ideas) be sorted.

At that point, the Government may announce that a Constitutional Review will be undertaken. It would not matter that most of those making the demand are the pundits on the media networks. What would be presented would be that "a majority of Americans demand that the review take place as soon as possible".

Although at the time, the propaganda may imply that the review will be focused on one part of the Constitution, such as the Second Amendment, Americans will soon discover that the entire document is up for grabs. Under the terms of the review, all facets of the Constitution may be questioned.

Each side will hope that their elected representatives will emerge as the heroes, but that is not how politics works.

In truth, elected leaders do not seek to serve the public but to dominate them. Invariably, their recommendations for change will be whatever transfers greater power to themselves.



Both Democratic and Republican members will argue forcefully for the rights of the American citizen. However, in the end, a "compromise" shall be made — one in which the rights of the populace are diminished and the Government has new powers to allow it to bypass the electorate in the future.

If this does occur, the public will, in effect, "boil themselves." They will have demanded that the Government act, and, when the dust has settled, each side will claim some sort of victory but will fail to understand that they have brought about their own loss of rights.

It is hoped that, when the day comes, a Constitutional Review is proposed, Americans will refuse to take the bait.



POSITIONING WHERE WE ARE

Identification of Fascism

CRONY CAPITALISM -> CORPORATOCRAY -> FASCISM

Fourteen Characteristics of Fascism

EARLY STAGES

- 1. **Powerful and Continuing Nationalism** Fascist regimes tend to make constant use of patriotic mottos, slogans, symbols, songs and other paraphernalia. Flags are seen everywhere, as are flag symbols on clothing and in public displays.
- 2. **Controlled Mass Media** Sometimes media is directly controlled by the government, but in other cases, the media is indirectly controlled by government regulation, or sympathetic media spokespeople and executives. Censorship, especially in war time, is very common.
- 3. **Supremacy of the Military** Even when there are widespread domestic problems, the military is given a disproportionate amount of government funding and the domestic agenda is neglected. Soldiers and military service are glamorized.
- 4. **Obsession with National Security** Fear is used as a motivational tool by the government over the masses.
- 5. **Corporate Power is Protected** The industrial and business aristocracy of a fascist nation often are the ones who place the government leaders into power, creating a mutually beneficial business/government relationship and power elite.
- 6. **Rampant Cronyism and Corruption -** Fascist regimes almost always are governed by groups of friends and associates who appoint each other to government positions and use governmental power and authority to protect their friends from accountability. It is not uncommon in fascist regimes for national resources and even treasures to be appropriated or even outright stolen by government leaders.

MID STAGES

- 7. **Obsession with Crime and Punishment** Under fascist regimes, the police are given almost limitless power to enforce laws. The people are often willing to overlook police abuses and even forego civil liberties in the name of patriotism. There is often a national police force with virtually unlimited power in fascist nations.
- 8. **Fraudulent Elections** Sometimes elections in fascist nations are a complete sham. Other times, elections are manipulated by smear campaigns against or even assassination of opposition candidates, use of legislation to control voting numbers or political district boundaries, and manipulation of the media. Fascist nations also typically use their judiciaries to manipulate or control elections.



(Remember: Bush II Election Against Al Gore and the Florida Debacle)



WE ARE HERE

- 9. **Identification of Enemies/Scapegoats as a Unifying Cause** The people are rallied into a unifying patriotic frenzy over the need to eliminate a perceived common threat or foe: racial, ethnic or religious minorities, liberals, communists, socialists, terrorists, etc.
- 10. **Labor Power is Suppressed** Because the organizing power of labor is the only real threat to a fascist government, labor unions are either eliminated entirely or are severely suppressed.

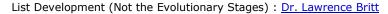
LATE STAGES

11. **Disdain for the Recognition of Human Rights** - Because of fear of enemies and the need for security, the people in fascist regimes are persuaded that human rights can be ignored in certain cases because of "need." The



people tend to look the other way or even approve of torture, summary executions, assassinations, long incarcerations of prisoners, etc.

- 12. **Disdain for Intellectuals and the Arts** Fascist nations tend to promote and tolerate open hostility to higher education and academia. It is not uncommon for professors and other academics to be censored or even arrested. Free expression in the arts and letters is openly attacked.
- 13. **Religion and Government are Intertwined** Governments in fascist nations tend to use the most common religion in the nation as a tool to manipulate public opinion. Religious rhetoric and terminology is common from government leaders, even when the major tenets of the religion are diametrically opposed to the government's policies or actions.
- 14. **Rampant Sexism** The governments of fascist nations tend to be almost exclusively male-dominated. Under fascist regimes, traditional gender roles are made more rigid. Divorce, abortion and homosexuality are suppressed and the state is represented as the ultimate guardian of the family institution.





WHAT SHOULD WE NOW EXPECT?

John Whitehead via The Rutherford Institute,

"Twelve voices were shouting in anger, and they were all alike. No question, now, what had happened to the faces of the pigs. The creatures outside looked from pig to man, and from man to pig, and from pig to man again; but already it was impossible to say which was which."

George Orwell, Animal Farm

What should we expect in 2021?

So far, it looks like this year is going to be plagued by more of the same brand of madness, mayhem, manipulation and tyranny that dominated 2020.

Frankly, I'm sick of it: the hypocrisy, the double standards, the delusional belief by Americans at every point along the political spectrum that politics and politicians are the answer to what ails the country; when for most of our nation's history, politics and politicians have been the cause of our woes.

Consider for years now, Americans, with sheep-like placidity, have tolerated all manner of injustices and abuses meted out upon them by the government (police shootings of unarmed individuals, brutality, corruption, graft, outright theft, occupations and invasions of their homes by militarized police, roadside strip searches, profit-driven incarcerations, profit-driven wars, egregious surveillance, taxation without any real representation, a nanny state that dictates every aspect of their lives, lockdowns, over-criminalization, etc.) without ever saying "enough is enough."

Only now do Americans seem righteously indignant enough to mobilize and get active, and for what purpose? Politics. They're ready to go to the mat over which corporate puppet will get the honor to serve as the smiling face on the pig for the next four years.

Talk about delusion.

It's so ludicrous as to be Kafkaesque.

A perfect example of how farcical, topsy-turvy and downright perverse life has become in America: while President Trump doles out medals of commendation and presidential pardons to political cronies who have done little to nothing to advance the cause of freedom, Julian Assange rots in prison for daring to blow the whistle on the U.S. government's war crimes.

You'd think that Americans would be outraged over such abject pandering to the very swamp that Trump pledged to drain, but that's not what has the Right and the Left so worked up. No, they're still arguing over whether dead men voted in the last presidential election.

Either way, no matter which candidate lost to the other, it was always going to be the Deep State that won.

And so you have it:



- Reduced to Technicalities,
- Distracted by magician's con games, and
- Caught up in the manufactured, highly scripted contest over which beauty contestant wears the crown.
- ... We have failed to do anything about the world falling apart around us. Literally.

Our economy—at least as it impacts the vast majority of Americans as opposed to the economic elite—is in a shambles. Our infrastructure is falling apart. Our government has been overtaken by power-hungry predators and parasites. And our ability—and fundamental right—to govern our own lives is being usurped by greedy government operatives who care nothing for our lives or our freedoms.

Our ship of state is being transformed into a ship of fools.

We stand utterly defenseless in the face of a technological revolution brought about by artificial intelligence and wall-to-wall surveillance that is re-orienting the world as we know it. Despite the mounting high-tech encroachments on our rights, we have been afforded a paltry amount of legislative and judicial protections. Indeed, Corporate America has more rights than we do.

We stand utterly powerless in the face of government bureaucrats and elected officials who dance to the tune of corporate overlords and do what they want, when they want, with whomever they want at taxpayer expense, with no thought or concern for the plight of those they are supposed to represent. To this power elite, "we the people" are good for only two things: our tax dollars and our votes. In other words, they just want our money.

We stand utterly helpless in the face of government violence that is meted out, both at home and abroad. Indeed, the systemic violence being perpetrated by agents of the government — inflicted on unarmed individuals by battlefield-trained SWAT teams, militarized police and bureaucratic government agents trained to shoot first and ask questions later—has done more collective harm to the American people and their liberties than any single act of terror or mass shooting.

We stand utterly silenced in the face of government and corporate censors and a cancel culture that, in their quest to not offend certain viewpoints, are all too willing to eradicate views that do not conform. In this way, political correctness has given way to a more insidious form of group think and mob rule.

We stand utterly locked down in the face of COVID-19 mandates, restrictions, travel bans and penalties that are acclimating the populace to unquestioningly accede to the government's dictates, whatever they might be (as long as they are issued in the name of national security), no matter how extreme or unreasonable.

We stand utterly intimidated in the face of red flag laws, terrorism watch lists, contact tracing programs, zero tolerance policies and all other manner of police state tactics that aim to keep us fearful and compliant.

We stand utterly indoctrinated in the collective belief that the government — despite its longstanding pattern and practice of corruption, collusion, dysfunction, immorality and incompetence — somehow represents "we the people".

Despite all of this, despite how evident it is that we are mere tools to be used. abused and manipulated for the power elite's own diabolical purposes, we somehow fail to see their machinations for what they truly are: thinly veiled attempts to overthrow our republic and enslave the citizenry in order to expand their power and wealth.

It is a grim outlook for a new year, but it is not completely hopeless.

If hope is to be found, it will be found with those of us who do not rely on politicians that promise to fix what is wrong but instead do their part, at their local levels, to right the wrongs and fix what is broken. I am referring to the builders, the thinkers, the helpers, the healers, the educators, the creators, the artists, the activists, the technicians, the food gatherers, distributors and every other person who does their part to build up rather than destroy.

As I make clear in my book *Battlefield America: The War on the American People*, "we the people" are the hope for a better year. Not Trump. Not Biden. And not the architects and enablers of the American Police State.



Until we can own that truth, and until we can forge our own path back to a world in which freedom means something again, we're going to be stuck in this wormhole of populist anger, petty politics and destruction that is pitting us one against the other.

In that scenario, no one wins.

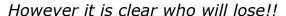
There's a meme circulating on social media that goes like this:

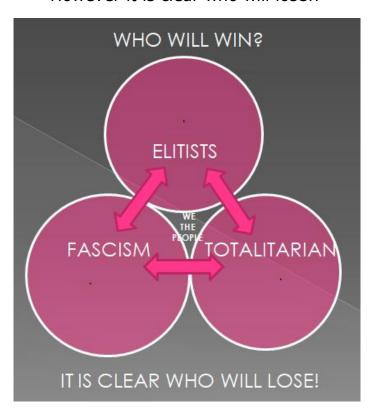
If you catch 100 red fire ants as well as 100 large black ants, and put them in a jar, at first, nothing will happen. However, if you violently shake the jar and dump them back on the ground, the ants will fight until they eventually kill each other. The thing is that the red ants think the black ants are the enemy and vice versa, when in reality, the real enemy is the person who shook the jar. This is exactly what's happening in society today. Liberal vs. Conservative. Black vs. White. Pro Mask vs. Anti Mask. The real question we need to be asking ourselves is who's shaking the jar ... and why?

Whether red ants will really fight black ants to the death is a question for the biologists, but it's an apt analogy of what's playing out before us on the political scene and a chilling lesson in social engineering.

So before you get too caught up in the circus politics and conveniently timed spectacles that keep us distracted from focusing too closely on the government's power grabs, first ask yourself: who's really shaking the jar?

It may not be clear who will eventually win.





In the end God always wins!

HOPE has two daughters: Anger and Courage

Without TRUTH there is no light. DEMOCRACY Dies in darkness!



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