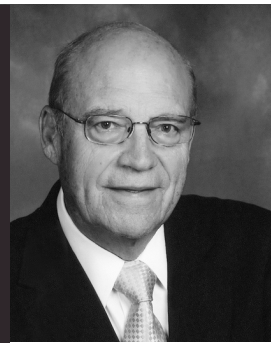




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Tucker Goes to Moscow by Monica Showalter

Tucker Carlson is a longtime opinion journalist, and journalists go places and talk to people to see for themselves all sides of an issue.

But somehow that escapes the neocon and swamp left, which has been having an absolute cow since Carlson departed for Moscow to talk with Russia's president, Vladimir Putin: [sample from X]

From TaraBull808: Ex-Congressman Adam Kinzinger says Tucker Carlson is a traitor.
Bill Kristol says Tucker shouldn't be allowed to return to the US
They praised Barbara Walters, so why are they so afraid of this interview with Putin?

From olex_sherba: Tucker interviewing Putin—it'll be like Goebbels interviewing Jack the Ripper. Post-truth, post-decency, post-reason. What a time to be alive!

From Avindman: Tucker is aiding and abetting the enemy. The same enemy that threatens us with nuclear weapons, interferes in our elections, and allies with Iran, North Korea, and Hamas. This is who Tucker courts.

What kind of lunacy is this? All he wants to do is talk to the guy, ask questions, find out how Putin thinks. It's a reasonable endeavor, given the blackouts of news coverage from Russia, the shutoff of travel, the shutdown of most diplomatic relations, and the double-blackout very few people knowing the Russian language to start with here in the states. Russia is so isolated and such an interesting story that anyone who can go there and get any kind of perspective ought to be praised for doing so. Yes, it's dangerous, Carlson could get arrested as that poor *Wall Street Journal* correspondent was. But someone needs to try.

That so many of these swamp parties, all of which have interest in big, bigger, biggest aid packages for Ukraine and all their consultant contracts, want to shut off free journalistic inquiry is nothing short of outrageous.

The Biden White House even sicced the National Security Council onto Carlson the first time he tried to interview Putin, invading his emails and text messages and leaking them to the press. It was a disgusting abuse of power.

For the record, Putin is a normal guy. We have known him for years, he has never been a problem to us and there were so many things we could have worked with him on and didn't. He's not the Minotaur. He's not nine feet tall. The swampies put such a mythical status on him when in fact he's probably someone we should have been talking to years ago because we certainly could have done business with him. Pull him westward so he won't have to move eastward, it's such a simple thing to try for. But the Soros-y bunch and the Russia-haters have always had the upper hand. Then Ukraine happened and all hell broke loose.

Is it really the catastrophe the swampies claim if Carlson just goes to Moscow to talk to Putin? I think we know the answer to that one.

One voice of reason comes from an unexpected source, non-swamp outsider presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., who has defended Tucker's visit:

The legacy media is in shambles because we've caught onto their lies and propaganda. Tucker Carlson has every right to interview Putin.

We need more transparency instead of less. It used to be understood journalists would interview world leaders, even those with whom we were at war.

As for the rest, what are they so scared of? That the truth will get out?
—*American Thinker*, February 5, 2024

Communism + Postmodernism=Wokeism

by David A. Noebel

I just finished reading four books from cover to cover on the subject of Wokeism. They were Thomas Sowell's *Social Justice Fallacies*, Helen Pluckrose and James Lindsey's *Cynical Theories*, Ted Cruz's *Unwoke*, and Vivek Ramaswamy's *Woke, Inc.*

Being the original author of *Understanding the Times: A Survey of Competing Worldviews*—an analysis of the six major evangelistic worldviews (Christianity, Islam, Communism, Humanism, Postmodernism, New Age) influencing the world's eight billion population, I am extremely interested in knowing exactly where the religion of Wokeism fits into the scheme of things.

The four authors agree that Marxism plays its part in Wokeism along with Postmodernism (namely through Michel Foucault and his game to make homosexuality normal). Foucault, of course, was a homosexual who ultimately died of its disease.

Before going any further, however, let me list the various parts of Wokeism as explained in the above four works. Put these parts together and you will have an accurate understanding of this latest edition of Marxism (communism) and Postmodernism.

The parts and pieces of Wokeism are the following: White Supremacy, Critical Race Theory, evil white heterosexual males, white-adjacents (Asians), BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color), LGBTTQQIAP+, Transgender, Queer Theory, defund the police, no objective truth, race and gender, oppressor/victim, green new deal, health equity, United States founded on slavery, climate change, modern science based on white men, Black Lives Matter, destroy capitalism, praise socialism, moral relativism, pedophilia, social justice, deconstruct woman, fat studies, diversity, equity, inclusion, race is everything, etc.

While you might think such a list could never be taken seriously, the raw truth is this list has captured America's educational system, our overall culture, and our US government including its military (see the January issue of *The Schwarz Report*—US Air Force Academy Goes Woke).

The present President of the United States has possibly announced that America's greatest threat is "White Supremacy." He even placed on the Supreme Court a woman who could not define woman (right out of the Woke playbook!).

In Vivek Ramaswamy's book *Woke, Inc.*, he spends 300 pages showing how Woke has completely overrun America's leading corporations. He says that the battle has been completely won by the Woke crowd! And he is talking about some of our largest corporations who have

study programs for their employees on diversity, equity, and inclusion. Some U.S. airlines (e.g. United and Alaska) have already declared half their pilots will be screened through the DEI funnel over the next few years.

But Woke's biggest problem is with Asians—now referred to as "white-adjacents." This includes Chinese, Japanese, Indian and Korean groupings. Says Thomas Sowell, "These Asians also have higher media per capita incomes of white Americans." Sowell wants to know where the white supremacy charge fits in. His chapter 2 destroys all the foundation stones of: Critical Race Theory, white male heterosexuals are devils, oppressors are always white, and all else are victims!

After putting most of its Woke pieces together into a religion of sorts (sinners are white heterosexual moles) and saviors are to be found amongst the LGBTQ+ crowd. It is my conclusion that Wokeism is a stepchild of Communism + Post-Modernism. For an in-depth study of both, along with the other four worldviews (Christianity, Islam, Humanism and New Age), read carefully *Understanding the Times* by Jeff Myers and David Noebel.

Remember this when the first plane load of diversity, equity, and inclusion pilot-driven planes go down—don't blame white, heterosexual men!

Wokeism in the Classroom

by David A. Noebel

The journey of radical leftism (wokeism) into the blood stream of America has many contributors: there is Rousseau (man is born free, but everywhere he is in chains), Marx (abolish private property and take God, too), Goethe (all that exists deserves to perish), Marcuse (negative thinking and the praxis guided by it), and the less known Paulo Freire and his *Pedagogy of the Oppressed*.

Freire brought his Brazilian communism into America's classrooms thanks to Harvard University who offered him a two-year lecture post. The result of this invitation ended in Providence, Rhode Island and Paulo Freire's Charter Schools.

For a brilliant analysis of Freire's role in subverting America's education, apart from John Dewey and the Frankfurt School, pay attention to *The Marxification of Education: Paulo Freire's Critical Marxism and the Theft of Education* by James Lindsay.

Lindsay's 200 page work explains in detail how the Marxist have invaded our educational system with ingenious approaches—Drag Queen Story Hour in the school's library, homosexual books by the boat load, how to live queerly, praising the LGBTQ+ agenda,

Queer Theory along with Critical Race Theory, Fat Studies, and a dozen others.

I have tried to open up Freire's overall approach in communizing America's classrooms with such ingredients as the following—

1) Replace faith in God with perpetual cultural revolution and make sure the ten commandments are placed in the dustbin of history.

2) Replace Jesus Christ with Che Guavara and Mao. Make double sure no student comes close to Humberto Fontova's *Exposing The Real Che Guavara*.

3) Abolish private property and its lust to possess.

4) Abolish White Supremacy and whiteness in general...emphasis all white male heterosexuals are evil.

5) Reading, writing, math, history, science must be seen as secondary. In fact, "White Eurocentric" view of mathematics needs to be replaced with feminist physics. All subjects must be seen thru a Marxist political lense.

6) Socialism is the goal of all education.

7) Leftist political content is the goal.

8) Destroy Capitalism.

9) Denounce current oppressive world especially America.

10) Destroy all that's normal and enhance the abnormal, negative, queer, trans, men to women, redefine woman.

11) Ruthless criticism of all that exists.

12) Revolution is natural and permanent.

13) Abolish the culture—destroy founding fathers statues, paintings, and documents.

14) Praise the 1619 project making slavery central and make sure no student reads Thomas Sowell's writings on slavery.

15) Praise Black Lives Matter and march to its dictates.

16) Emphasize the fact that we can not know what the future looks like. There are many twists and turns within the dialectic.

17) Emphasize race and gender and remember only whites and white-adjacents (Asians) can be racist. People of color can never be racist. Whites are always the oppressors/people of color are always the oppressed.

18) Remember to always emphasize the negative—poor, poverty, misery, starvation, oppression, injustice, wealth.

19) Paint America in the worst possible light—the mother of all evils. Paint Christians with the same brush. Jews, too! Conservatives, too!

Dr. Lindsay's conclusion: "Our kids currently go to Paulo Freire's schools. These schools are unambiguously Marxist in their architecture, pedagogy, methods, and goals. They have abandoned the idea of educating American children to grow toward becoming successful and prosperous adults in American society

because they want to undermine, destroy, and replace American society."

Communist Cuba Update

by Silvio Canto, Jr.

There is something eerie about January 1 for Cubans of my generation. My brother, sister, and I always find a minute to hear another story of that fateful January 1, 1959, when our lives were turned upside-down. We ended up in the US and are super grateful to this wonderful land that embraced and adopted us. Nevertheless, we remember those conversations with our late parents and wonder how it all happened.

The events of that day were not as depicted in *The Godfather II*. People did not rush to their boats. You didn't have suicide bombers among the anti-Batista rebels. Most Cubans spent the early hours on the phone or following the news on radio and TV. My specific memory is watching my father on the phone and my mom listening to his conversations when we were having breakfast.

Cuba became an independent country in 1902. You can divide the island's history into two periods: the pre-Castro years and the current regime's period in power since 1959.

I was born in the last decade of pre-Castro Cuba. My story is so typical of the other kids born in the 1950s. We were the grandchildren of immigrants from Spain or elsewhere. In my father's case, his family came from Spain in the 1840s and settled in Sagua La Grande, a town in the central part of the island. On my mother's side, they came from Asturias, Spain and settled around the island. They got off the boat with no money and became successful entrepreneurs, from owning a hardware store to managing several coastal restaurants. All that was "nationalized" in the name of the revolution.

Our ancestors came to Cuba because it was a prosperous island, an attractive place for Spaniards seeking a better life, for Jewish refugees from Europe, hardworking Asians, and others. It was a young and vibrant country with hope and a future. In other words, the island of Cuba attracted people rather than drove its citizens away looking for a future. They came rather than leave.

It is really sad to watch Cuba today. The young escape and look for a better life, preferably in the US. The old get stuck and left behind.

As I saw recently, Cuba is on track to have the oldest population in Latin America. Too many free abortions and young couples who literally do not want to bring a new life into this misery. It wasn't that way before.

It is even more painful when you realize that pre-Castro Cuba attracted thousands of immigrants from all over the world, as our friend Dr. Carlos Eire wrote:

- Between 1900 and 1930, the first three decades of Cuban independence, about one million immigrants flooded into the island, mostly European, and mostly northern Spaniards. This population tsunami also included Asians, Levantines, and Jews. These immigrants doubled the population of the island and changed its complexion, literally. Tens of thousands of immigrants continued to flow into Cuba every year after that, up to 1958. Immigration from the US was comparatively slight, but in 1958 there were more Americans living in Cuba than Cubans in the [USA]. Emigration from Cuba was minimal during this half[-]century.

- Rates of immigration as high as this and of emigration as low require a robust and growing economy, and a considerable degree of political stability.

The regime is still in power, but it is dying minute by minute. The young look for a raft to get out. The old just die off.

To wither is to shrivel, fade, decay, or lose the freshness of youth. Cuba is indeed withering today but the communists still have the guns and the tanks to keep everybody in line.

—*American Thinker*, January 1, 2024

Wind Turbines Meet Cold Weather

by Peter Imanuelsen

Maybe they would work better if we had more global warming?

Here is something you will not hear about on the mainstream media.

Lately, Sweden has seen record cold temperatures. We just had the COLDEST temperatures of the century. In a town outside Arjeplog, it was a chilling -48,8C (almost -56 Fahrenheit).

It was too cold for the new “green” electric buses in Sweden. In one city, they had to cancel most of the bus routes because they couldn’t handle the cold weather.

Turns out that they don’t like the cold weather very much either.

It’s now being reported that ice on the wind turbine blades has caused a massive loss in electricity production during the cold weather.

During several days, they lost more than 1,000 MW of power because of ice on the blades. Essentially the wind turbines froze.

On the 5th of January, seven wind power parks reported a loss of 1 110 MW out of their total production capacity of 2 316 MW.

In other words, the wind turbines froze and lost almost 50% of their capacity in the cold weather. Perhaps if we had some global warming and the temperatures were a little warmer they would work better.

These unreliable wind turbines cause electricity prices to go up in winter, when people need it the most to heat their homes.

You are paying the bill for the insane climate policies.

And this isn’t the first time that the cold weather has caused troubles for wind power. Back on the 15th of December, one wind park in Åmot-Lingbo reported the following: “Weather conditions give icing on wind park. Current icing level gives 100% reduced availability”

You literally cannot make this up.

It’s so cold that the wind power turbines are freezing and severely reduces their electricity output.

Where will the electricity come from to power all the new electric busses and cars?

Why is nobody in the media telling you about the problems with wind power in the cold weather?

Well, that is why I wrote this article to tell you about it!

—*The Gateway Pundit*, January 13, 2024

Red Canada vs. Jordan Peterson

by Mary Anastasia O’Grady

In their latest bout with the Leviathan, Canada’s little guy and gal came away with a victory: Judge Richard Mosley ruled last week that Prime Minister Justin Trudeau’s 2022 use of emergency powers to break up protests against COVID-19 restrictions and mandates was unjustified and “infringed” on the constitution. Truckers 1, Nanny State 0.

But don’t break out the Molson yet. The government says it will appeal, and the case could end up at the Supreme Court. As clinical psychologist and University of Toronto professor emeritus Jordan Peterson can attest, that doesn’t augur well for Canada’s Forgotten Man.

If not for the wide latitude the high court has given the administrative state across Canada, an Ontario regulator wouldn’t have the power it’s now using to punish Mr. Peterson for his political beliefs. As Bruce Parry, executive director of Toronto-base Rights Probe and a professor at Queens University in Kingston,

explained in an August op-ed for the *National Post*, “judicial deference grants control not to a monarch but to a professional managerial class.”

That “broad discretion in the hands of administrative bodies,” Mr. Pardy wrote, “has become the foundation of our modern, system of government.” The Peterson case is only the latest example of creeping Canadian authoritarianism.

Mr. Peterson hasn’t seen patients since 2017. He makes a living as speaker, author, and podcaster. He calls himself an “online educator.” He has five million followers on Twitter. He is, in a word, influential.

He’s also controversial in that he bucks the academy. According to Ontario court documents, he’s been the subject of complaints since 2018 about his public statements “on topics of social and political interest, including transgender questions, racism, overpopulation, and the response to COVID-19, among others.” The complainers—none of whom seem ever to have been his patients—mainly tweeted their objections to the provincial licensing board known as the College of Psychologists of Ontario.

The boards’ job is to regulate for competence, not for political views. Nevertheless it assigned a committee to investigate the complaints. In March 2020 the committee recommended no action, though it said Mr. Peterson’s “manner and tone” were of concern.

The griping continued. In August 2022 the board wrote to Mr. Peterson on behalf of its panel of investigators about his “demeaning, degrading, and unprofessional” public statements and the “harm” they could cause people. He could solve the problem, the bureaucrats said, if he would agree to attend a re-education camp of its choosing.

Mr. Peterson declined the offer—though he wrote in a letter to the board that he had turned to people in his life he trusts for advice and counseling. The board said failure to be re-educated its way “may constitute professional misconduct.” This is all the more surprising because there was no disciplinary hearing, a necessary step in a judgement of misconduct.

Mr. Peterson took the board to the Ontario Divisional Court, which ruled against him in August. Earlier this month the Ontario Court of Appeal said it wouldn’t hear his case. That’s the end of his legal road. Either he agrees to provincial rehabilitation or he might lose his credential.

It’s hard to escape the conclusion that it’s Mr. Peterson’s worldview, not his delivery, that has gotten him into trouble with the authorities. After all, online snark isn’t yet a crime in Canada. Court documents cite instances of name-calling politicians and his refusal to use pronouns other than those that correspond to biological sex. In May 2022, court documents say, “he commented on a *Sports Illustrated* Swimsuit Edition

cover with a plus-sized model, tweeting: ‘Sorry. Not Beautiful. And no amount of authoritarian tolerance is going to change that.’”

In his willingness to fight back, Mr. Peterson may be an outlier. Many Canadians undoubtedly prefer self-censorship to the risk of getting crosswise with the Red Guard or being reported to human resources. But Mr. Peterson is a polemicist who is unafraid. This makes him a problem for the mob and a danger to a system that relies on cultural repression to advance its agenda.

It isn’t necessary to decide whether Mr. Peterson is correct in his views, or in the way he expresses them, to decry this bullying from on high. In a free society there is a right to be wrong. Sardonic commentary is an age-old rhetorical weapon. Mr. Peterson is entitled to his politics as much as the butcher or the baker.

If only Mr. Peterson’s treatment were an exception to the administrative state’s *modus operandi*. In 2018 the law societies of Ontario and British Columbia refused to credential Trinity Western University’s law school because the university makes students take a vow not to engage in sex outside marriage, traditionally defined. This would seem to be a matter of religious freedom. But the court said the regulator was acting in the public interest.

A court that cancels liberty has lost its way and the nation can’t be far behind.

—*The Wall Street Journal*, January 29, 2024

Marxist Pope Digs Deeper

by Monica Showalter

Of all the things Pope Francis has on his plate—from an apparent pervert in the Grand Inquisitor’s chair, to looming schisms, to dioceses bankrupted by sex abuse payouts, banking scandals, lavender mafias, and empty churches save in Africa, dialogue with avowed Marxists seems like something that ought to be very low on the papal to-do list.

But here we are, the pope suddenly in “dialogue” with members of the world’s biggest failed philosophy, holding a mano-a-mano as if the two were equals, and that includes a pep talk.

According to *LifeSiteNews*:

VATICAN CITY (*LifeSiteNews*)—Hosting a Marxist-Christian dialogue group at the Vatican on Wednesday, Pope Francis urged them to “be open, in dialogue, to new ways,” while avoiding reiterating the Church’s consistent condemnation of Marxism.

Shortly before his weekly general audience on January 10, Pope Francis received a small

delegation from the DIALOP group. DIALOP, according to its own description, is a “project of dialogue between Socialists/Marxists and Christians, involving intellectuals, academics, politicians, activists, and students from several European Countries.”

In his address, the pope urged the Marxist and Christian attendees to “never lose the ability to dream.”

“Today, in a world divided by war and polarization, we run the risk of losing the ability to dream. We Argentines say, “no te arrugues,” meaning “don’t back off.” This is my invitation to you as well: Don’t back off, don’t give up, and don’t stop dreaming of a better world.”

Francis stated that “it is in imagination, the ability to dream, that intelligence, intuition, experience, and historical memory come together to make us be creative, take chances, and run risks.”

What an amazing load of garbage. Since when have Marxists, once ensconced in power, have ever permitted the ability to dream, let alone use intelligence, intuition, experience, or historical memory? Name one Marxist regime that ever allowed it.

Marxist regimes are big on destroying statues and erasing people from official photos as regards that historical memory part. They throw creative artists in jail or drive them into exile. Natalia Goncharova was unavailable for comment but one could probably ask Mikhail Baryshnikov who, like her, was an artist who fled the Marxist USSR for artistic freedom. Meanwhile, anyone who takes “risks” in a communist regime—such as going to Church—ends up a ‘non-person,’ if not in front of a firing squad, in a mental hospital, thrown into a Gulag, shoved into a laogai, or else experiences a turba mob screaming, surrounding, and flinging excrement at his home.

Marxism, recall is famous for its death count, its mass revolts, its created poverty, and its refugees. People flee Marxist regimes wherever they are found—and now Marxists are turning up in the Vatican.

The dialogue thing is absolutely ridiculous. The group he’s dialoguing with, DIALOP, is a European Marxist group that says it wants a RESET, which isn’t too popular these days.

Now, one may argue that the pope is just trying to bring all sorts of souls into the Church fold as they are in order to “save” them, same way he is trying to bring

in the gays. It may just be politics, such as he and his minions are playing with gay couples.

But if it were, it’s a preposterous move. Right now, voters all over Europe are electing people like Geert Wilders and Giorgia Meloni, who are profoundly anti-communist. In every European country, the anti-communists are the wave of the future, as the commies say. Why he’s reaching out to the loser side that has been thoroughly discredited by the experience of having them in power is quite a mystery.

The include-them-all argument falls apart further because we don’t see any “dialogue” from the pope with traditional Church Catholics, or hardcore libertarians. How about some dialogue with Nazis while he’s at it, given his attraction to pariah philosophies? He could even combine the Marxists with the Nazis, given that both are socialists.

It’s such a strange thing, suggesting that Marxism is this pope’s comfort zone, given all of his other misguided statements, to the exclusion of all other ideas. Even Pope John Paul II was curious about the libertarians, having once asked someone to bring him some of atheist Ayn Rand’s books for him to read. But not this pope. Recall his bad treatment of the Heartland Institute’s people who tried to “dialogue” with him. He didn’t give them the time of day, and as for traditional Catholics, they are being suppressed.

LifeSite points out that all popes until he came along have sent out a firm message about the incompatibility of Catholicism and Marxism.

Catholic teaching against Communism is very clear. Writing in *Quadragesimo Anno*, Pope Pius XI warned the entire Church about “the impious and iniquitous character of Communism.” Describing Socialism as slightly less violent, Pius XI firmly prohibited any attempts to marry Socialism and Catholicism:

“Whether considered as a doctrine, or an historical fact, or a movement, Socialism, if it remains truly Socialism, even after it has yielded to truth and justice on the points which we have mentioned, cannot be reconciled with the teachings of the Catholic Church because its concept of society itself is utterly foreign to Christian truth.”

Pius XI also penned such words in *Divini Redemptoris*:

“Communism is intrinsically wrong, and no one who would save Christian civilization may

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collaborate with it in any undertaking whatsoever. Those who permit themselves to be deceived into lending their aid towards the triumph of Communism in their own country will be the first to fall victims of their error. And the greater the antiquity and grandeur of the Christian civilization in the regions where Communism successfully penetrates, so much more devastating will be the hatred displayed by the godless.”

Pius’ words merely built on the constant teaching of his predecessors. Pius IX’s 1846 encyclical *Qui pluribus* described Communism as “a doctrine most opposed to the very natural law,” which would usher in “complete destruction of everyone’s laws, government, property, and even of human society itself.”

It’s not for nothing that communism has been called “the devil’s imitation of Christianity.” Communism creates poverty wherever it goes, and while the Church champions the poor, it shouldn’t be endorsing the manufacturing of more poor people just to champion them. Sharper popes in the past have spotted that false-flag resemblance and hastened to condemn the deceptive and lethal atheistic philosophy to make sure the faithful understood. Not this pope. He sees the imitation and mistakes it for the real thing, and then goes and encourages more of it even as ordinary people run as far as they can from it

—*American Thinker*; January 12, 2024

The Bible and Historical Record

by Andrea Widburg

When I was in high school, my father gave me Werner Keller’s *The Bible As History*. Keller, an engineer, scholar, humanist, and anti-Nazi fighter who barely escaped execution, wasn’t interested in the Bible as a religious book, at least not for the purposes of *The Bible As History*. Instead, he showed that objective history corroborates the Bible’s historical narratives. I was hooked and have enjoyed Biblical history ever since. I just stumbled across a new entrant into the truth behind the Bible stories. This time, archeology shows that, at the time of Sodom and Gomorrah, there really was fire raining down from the skies.

Genesis 19:24-25 describes the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah when the people, rather than welcoming strangers (who happened to be angels in disguise), instead tried to subject them to homosexual gang rape. “Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain,

and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.”

Current estimates are that those two cities, assuming they existed, were destroyed between 2100 and 1900 B.C., during the Bronze Age. One of the theories is that an earthquake occurred but, Wikipedia explains, there’s no contemporary evidence from other cultures that there was such a major earthquake at the time. Of course, the timeline could be wrong, so that may explain the absence of an earthquake.

However, maybe the destruction happened a few hundred years later and wasn’t an earthquake at all. Maybe it really was fire and brimstone raining down from the heavens. That’s because we now know that, roughly 3,600 years ago (around 1600 B.C.), a giant space rock traveling at about 38,000 MPH exploded above a site now called Tall el-Hamman, which was once a city in the ancient Middle East, near the Dead Sea.

Although the article about this discovery (published in *The Conversation*) is about two years old, this is the first I’ve seen of it, so I wanted to share it with you. The article opens by describing the effect this explosion in the sky would have had on the community beneath it:

Flashing through the atmosphere, the rock exploded in a massive fireball about 2.5 miles (4 kilometers) above the ground. The blast was around 1,000 times more powerful than the Hiroshima atomic bomb. The shocked city dwellers who stared at it were blinded instantly. Air temperatures rapidly rose above 3,600 degrees Fahrenheit (2,000 degrees Celsius). Clothing and wood immediately burst into flames. Swords, spears, mudbricks and pottery began to melt. Almost immediately, the entire city was on fire.

Some seconds later, a massive shockwave smashed into the city. Moving at about 740 mph (1,200 kph), it was more powerful than the worst tornado ever recorded. The deadly winds ripped through the city, demolishing every building. They sheared off the top 40 feet (12 m) of the 4-story palace and blew the jumbled debris into the next valley. None of the 8,000 people or any animals within the city survived—their bodies were torn apart and their bones blasted into small fragments.

About a minute later, 14 miles (22 km) to the west of Tall el-Hammam, winds from the blast hit the biblical city of Jericho. Jericho’s walls came tumbling down and the city burned to the ground.

Nor is this just a scene from someone’s imagination. Christopher Moore, who wrote the essay, is an “Archaeologist and Special Projects Director at the Savannah River Archaeological Research Program and South Carolina Institute for Archaeology and Anthropology, University of South Carolina.” He explains that this scenario results from almost 15 years of careful analysis conducted by two dozen scientists.

The contributors to this space rock theory included “archaeologists, geologists, geochemists, geomorphologists, mineralogists, paleobotanists, sedimentologists, cosmic-impact experts and medical doctors.”

The whole article is fascinating, so I strongly suggest you check it out. And if you like this kind of thing, I highly recommend a video called *Patterns of Evidence: Exodus*. In it, Timothy Mahoney suggests that the reason (usually leftist) archeologists insist that the whole Exodus story is fictional is because they’ve misdated it. If you shift the narrative by 400 years, there’s a great deal of corroborative evidence for the Exodus story.

One of the things I constantly fight is the Islamist and leftist narrative that the Jews’ ties to Israel go back only to the late 19th century, while the “Palestinian” Arabs have been there for thousands of years. In fact, the opposite is true. To the extent archeological finds corroborate the Biblical narrative, it’s clear that the Jews’ continuous ties to Israel go back to the Bronze Age, when there were neither Arabs nor Muslims around.

—*American Thinker*, January 12, 2024

Citizen Jack Takes on the Weather

by Jack Hellner

The following are actual pieces of scientific data related to Springfield, Illinois, where I live: “The warmest day recorded in January is 73 degrees Fahrenheit on January 23, 1909, so every day in January, for the last 115 years, has been colder; the warmest day ever in February is February 24, 1930, when temperatures hit 78 degrees; the warmest day in March was March 21, 1907, when the temperature hit 91 degrees.”

The average high temperature in Springfield today is around 36 degrees, and this weekend we are supposed to have highs around 30 degrees below normal, with wind chills around 20 below zero. So, after 160 years of exponential growth of all the things the green pushers say cause warming, we are thirty degrees below normal.

Temperatures have always fluctuated cyclically and naturally. Humans have no control over them, and there is no correlation between CO2 content, crude oil use, number of vehicles, and temperatures.

Yet, [an article] from two days ago, full of worthless information and repeated talking points, all to push the radical green agenda to scare people into capitulation:

Earth shattered global heat record in '23 and it's flirting with warming limit, European agency says

Earth last year shattered global annual heat records, flirted with the world’s agreed-upon

warming threshold and showed more signs of a feverish planet, the European climate agency said Tuesday.

The European climate agency Copernicus said the year was 1.48 degrees Celsius (2.66 degrees Fahrenheit) above pre-industrial times. That’s barely below the 1.5 degrees Celsius limit that the world hoped to stay within in the 2015 Paris climate accord to avoid the most severe effects of warming.

People with common sense and the ability to critically think should have several questions and comments about this article. First, they should point out that it is impossible to get an average global temperature unless they place the weather stations by area throughout the globe.

For example: 70 percent of the earth is covered by water, so 70% of weather stations should be placed over water to get a statistically accurate global temperature. Placing a much higher percentage of weather stations in urban areas, with cement and buildings, obviously skews the statistical results. Basically it is garbage in, garbage out.

Then they should ask why they picked the beginning of the Industrial Revolution as the starting point from which to measure. The Industrial Revolution spanned the period 1760–1840, which was during the little ice age. So, if you pick a cold period to start from, you exaggerate the change to push the agenda.

Why didn’t they start with the medieval warming period, where the temperature was like today? The reason they don’t do that is that it wouldn’t scare people into capitulation.

Why don’t they recognize the cooling period from 1940-1975 as disproving their theory that our use of natural resources causes warming? Because facts haven’t mattered in a long time.

One sentence that I find humorous is where people got together and decided exactly what the earth’s maximum temperature should be: “Earth last year shattered global annual heat records, flirted with the world’s agreed-upon warming threshold....”

Did they have a multiple-choice question? We will be able to adapt. It is pure arrogance when politicians, bureaucrats, the United Nations, and others pretend they can control temperatures, sea levels, and storm activity.

There are too many natural variables that we can’t control or predict. What people will never see in these articles that seek to scare people into capitulation is any actual scientific data that shows a direct link between our use of oil, coal, natural gas, methane, number of gas-powered vehicles, and temperature, or any other climate statistic because... there is none. But they don’t care.

The goal has always been to transfer money and freedom from the people to the government and green pushers. They are greedy! It is a massive scam!

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