



# SHIELD OF FAITH

"Take Up the Shield of Faith" - Paul

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*He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. — Psalm 2:4*

## Evil Politics Complicit Religion

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Why must I read about it in a blog published by a Brazilian who speaks broken English. Why isn't it on the front page of the New York Times? Why isn't it trending on Twitter? Why isn't the news viral on YouTube? Why isn't National Review leading the way in helping the world understand what is going on here?

<https://lastdayswatchman.blogspot.com/2019/08/western-leaders-including-boris-johnson.html>

Here's my blogger friend's headline, "Western Leaders, Including Boris Johnson and Mike Pompeo, 'Bless' Islamic Holiday." The blogger Julio Severo details in his informative article recent tweets of "conservative" political leaders.

U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, for example, tweeted, "I would like to send all Muslims around the world warm wishes on Eid al-adha. May this Eid bring you all joy and happiness as you celebrate with friends and family. Eid Mubarak!"

Severo states, "With waves of Islamic terror hitting Western nations, the obligation of Western leaders was to denounce Islam, not 'bless it.' But that is not happening. With waves of gangs of Muslim rapists in the United Kingdom calling British girls 'white trash,' the obligation of Western leaders was to denounce Islam, not 'bless it.' But that is not happening. With Islamism leading the killing of nearly 100,000 Christians a year worldwide, the obligation of Western leaders was to denounce Islam, not to 'bless it.' But that is not happening. "

Other leaders who went out of their way to praise the "religion of peace" include Boris Johnson, the freshly minted Prime Minister of England, and Ivanka Trump. Severo concludes his article asking, "How does the West expect to prevail over Islam if it cannot stop pampering it?"

Indeed.

But then the West stopped thinking in terms of following Jesus Christ many generations ago. We twisted the idea of "secular" into viciously anti-Christian. Secular among Catholics still refers to religious orders that mix with the laity — the parish priest for example. And all secular people in Christianity are still called to be in the world, but not of it.

The perversion of this word is typical of what we have done to ourselves.

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Religion is mostly pretend in the West. At least Christianity is treated that way. It is no more significant than children playing pretend — playing make believe. In the West we live as if all religions are make believe ... superstitions.

Western politicians pander to the religious the world over. They really think that if they simply find ways to praise all religions equally the world will not descend into another bloody world war. That is what this latest spat of pandering is about. We believe that our globalist infatuation with democracy at the expense of religion will head off the next global cataclysm.

In a way I hope they are right. No right thinking person would want a repeat of the last war with modern weapons. It is this fear that keeps us moving down the broad path of spiritual acedia — malaise and indifference.

They are *not* right. This war on Christianity, led by institutional leadership in the West, is dangerous. The people who mouth canards like these on twitter are insulated from the fallout of their addiction to ideology. Their world is still ordered by the evaporating etiquette of Christendom. The rest of us are beginning to live with the wicked consequences of their dabbling with rabid Left wing ideologies like cultural Marxism. All of our leaders are either openly pushing evil now, or they are ferociously complicit.

These tweets are just another example, on a list that extends to infinity and beyond, of how the West is diabolically oriented.

The Psalmist observes, “The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.” The bands and cords are the restraints of the Christian religion. We are clearly seeing, in Tweets like these, evidence of the rulers of the world taking counsel together against God and his anointed.

Psalm 2 concludes, “Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.”

Jesus Christ is the judge. His religion is not just one among many in the world. Jesus Christ is reason itself. That is the meaning of verse one in John’s gospel. John married the Greek notion of “logos” with the person of God’s Son, Jesus Christ.

Over centuries of theological and philosophical work this idea propelled the West to unimaginable heights of knowledge, power and material wealth. The science that we worship developed in the Christian incubators of knowledge called universities at the end of the middle ages. Universities are supposed to bring unity out of diversity. The post modern West has flipped that on it’s head. There isn’t any unity anymore. All we care about is diversity — even if it means worshipping foreign gods.

The God I worship is laughing at our foolishness. The Psalmist writes, “He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.”

Amen.