



SHIELD OF FAITH

"Take Up the Shield of Faith" - Paul

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It was a masterpiece of strategy in which a small force surrounds and defeats a large army. — Fritz Spencer

Stopping the Morbidly Rich

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Jesus Christ commanded his followers to love their enemies. That means that we have enemies. An enemy is, "A foe; an adversary ... A public enemy or foe, is one who belongs to a nation or party, at war with another."

Not once did I hate my sons when I spanked them growing up. I loved them enough to discipline them. A soldier acting under orders is performing an act of love, not hate. He loves his King, nation and/or family.

We hate someone when we ignore truth so that we can get along — when we agree to disagree instead of disagree to agree. Christians MUST disagree with lies. They have a duty to fight for what is right. That's called righteousness.

I've been honoring my late friend Fritz Spencer on my Shield of Faith LIVE show this week. I've been reading the essays he wrote detailing his experience in the battle to save marriage in Maine. Yesterday I read the one that he titled, "The Collapse." He recounts the true story of the League's effort to accurately represent the public's angst over transgender bathroom policies at the state level. Without resorting to violence the League assembled a small group of determined men. They used their voices and their bodies in a public hearing to make it abundantly clear to their representatives just how the public felt about what they were doing.

And you know what? It worked. The policy never saw the light of day after that honest effort, rooted in pursuit of the truth. You really should read the essay or watch the show. That chapter in the story will inspire you. What follows will disgust you.

The leaders of that successful action were "rewarded" with termination. Their opportunity to remain faithful at their post in this most important battle for Western Civilization ended. They were too successful. I know the feeling.

We hear much about the deep state in government. We don't hear enough about how potent it is within the Christian Church in the West. This diabolical power continues to rise inside all the institutions of the West. At the same time sensible people the world over are finding they have much in common. While the oligarchs use money to consolidate their ill-gotten gains the serfs are rediscovering common sense.

My son sent me an article from Salon magazine yesterday and asked for my comments. The article is headlined, "Will America's billionaires start a second Civil War to protect their wealth and power?"

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Observing that America has faced this before the article states, “Each time, forces of massive accumulated or inherited wealth have nearly succeeded in taking full control of our nation, replacing our democracy — where the will of the people is accomplished through their elected representatives — with a form of government where most government functions reinforce the power, wealth and control of the morbidly rich.”

My own personal experience with ministry in America reinforces the idea that the “morbidly rich” are indeed flexing their muscles to an extraordinary degree. During my tenure of over two decades at the century old Christian Civic League of Maine only two “major donors” emerged. I don't think they were morbidly rich. They were rich. The morbidly rich stay further behind the scenes than these donors. One of them sent the note that caused my resignation. They hinted that they were going to stop giving because I had “lost my momentum.” They contributed a fifth of what I needed to meet the annual budget. They were also powerfully networked into the Evangelical pro-family movement at the national level. This development, combined with growing hostility from pastors over my political incorrectness, made it imprudent for me to continue in leadership of the institution.

Notwithstanding the power of the morbidly rich America's future stability as a nation will have less to do with her institutions than with what her people decide to do with the power of the internet. In his book “Life After Google” George Gilder predicts a taming of the technology. He believes the people of the world will humanize the internet, and that righteous developments are in the works. I sure hope so.

In the meantime we all must take to heart the teachings of Jesus Christ. We must stay faithful in the fight.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Amen.