

## SHELD OF FAITH

"Take Up the Shield of Faith" - Paul

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The last consequence of a dying Christianity is a dying people. Not one post-Christian nation has a birth rate sufficient to keep it alive....The death of European Christianity means the disappearance of the European tribe, a prospect visible in the demographic statistics of every Western nation. — Pat Buchanan

## Suicide of a Superpower

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One regret of mine is not supporting Pat Buchanan for President. In retrospect it may not have been imprudent for me, at that point in my career, to resign my post in Christian politics to join the Buchanan Brigade. He made quite a stir that year when he told the truth about the "social issues" to Republicans at their convention. With Christians who cared about the truth behind him he would have prevailed over the Bush machine. But, as usual for my lifetime, the Christian leadership sold their political souls for a pittance.

To his credit Pat remained cheerful and focused. With a deep faith in God he marched on with his writing. He was a scribbler from the beginning. He started his career in journalism and earned his spot in national politics writing speeches for President Nixon. He proved to Nixon that he was more than a scribbler. He became a respectable political strategist, and parlayed that skill into a spot atop the television chattering class for decades.

History is proving he was even more than all of us thought when he enjoyed the full powers of manhood. He is a prophet. A few years ago God gave me the time while delivering packages for FedEx to listen through his book "Suicide of a Superpower." Published in 2011 it was subtitled, "Will America Survive to 2025?" I predict that it won't.

I remember not disagreeing with anything he pointed out in the book. He made an unassailable argument in support of his title. We are committing suicide, and it is not likely our nation — perhaps our civilization — will survive past mid-decade.

The book is described on the Amazon page advertising it, "America is disintegrating. The 'one Nation under God, indivisible' of the Pledge of Allegiance is passing away. In a few decades, that America will be gone forever. In its place will arise a country unrecognizable to our parents." The only reason my parents still think that old America exists at all is because they watch FoxNews and remain entertained by mainstream sources like televised sports. My 85 year old father gets his news from the printed newspaper.

Every American who is unplugged from those old controlled sources of news and culture know how fragile the American nation now is. I think it is beyond fragile. I think it is totally controlled from the top by an absolutely corrupt cabal. And it, like a fish, is rotting from the head down. This is true of all Western nations ... especially the old powerhouses of Christendom. Even the Vatican, nay, especially the Vatican, is controlled by forces that work night and day for the destruction of orthodox Christianity.

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Will populism and nationalism be enough? I hope so, but I doubt it. One take away from five hundred years of giving all our passions to the pursuit of the latest fads in politics, ideology, philosophy, and science ought to be that individuals and tribes ignore religion at their peril. I heard something yesterday that terrifies me. A man born and raised in Islamic Egypt said without qualification that Islam could very well prove to be God's judgment on America for her sins.

We speak English because America's culture, religion and politics are English. France and Spain both contested England's claim three to four hundred years ago. They lost. The English speaking world's capitol city, London, is now led by a Muslim. Official England is proud of that fact. We are ignorantly bringing them here by the tens of thousands. They've installed one of their women into our Congress. Interesting that it's a woman, given the patriarchal nature of Islam. It proves the point many make about their "religion." The same Egyptian I quoted above says Islam is not a religion. He calls it a "savage cult." Their cult makes the dominant culture think they are harmless and peaceful until they have power. Once they have power Sharia law replaces local law and custom and it's off with the infidel heads.

And ... for heaven's sake ... why not? If religion is no more potent than culture then what do we have to fear? Religion, in fact, is merely a cultural artifact from a despicable colonialist past where white men were allowed to dominate all the peoples of the earth. If Islam gains the upper hand through democratic means who are we to object! Freedom!! Liberty!!! Allahu Akbar! What do we have to fear? It's all religious gobblygook anyway.

This sure turned out to be a gloomy column. No apologies. Truth is neither good or bad. It's just the truth. My hopes for the future of my children and grandchildren are rooted in the Christian Church — not populism, nationalism, religion, philosophy, science or politics. The leader of the Christian Church is Jesus Christ. He famously declared that the gates of hell will not prevail against His Church. I believe that with my whole heart.

My faith is not founded in a creed, or the material world only. It is firmly rooted in the Triune loving personhood of God. The unique fellowship of our Christian faith is the first and final hope of Western Civilization. And that is as it should be because theology is, indeed, the queen of the sciences.

Amen.