



SHIELD OF FAITH

"Take Up the Shield of Faith" - Paul

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"The Bible tells us to love our neighbors, and also to love our enemies; probably because they are generally the same people." — G.K. Chesterton, 1910

Corona Virus: The End of Communism

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We've believed a lie. Identity politics, the media, entertainment and the ease of travel have created the fiction that enemies are never nearby. American Christians have become accustomed to hop from church to church avoiding enemies. Whenever a person or small group in our social circle becomes an enemy we simply hate, and forget, them instantly.

This is not either a Christian idea, or a Christian way to live. God Himself in the person of His Son, Jesus Christ, actually *became His enemy*. For thirty three years God took on the flesh of the creation who'd decided to reject Him. Born of the virgin Mary into a Jewish family with royal blood coursing through their veins the Holy Family lives as the eternal example of family life.

Jesus was tortured and murdered by His chosen people, the Jews. They expected a less mundane sort of royal. They anticipated a political savior, not a simple carpenter's son. The Jews certainly didn't expect a Messiah who, in dying at their hands, would pay sin's price for all humanity. They were God's chosen people. Over the past few thousand years they'd learned a lot about their enemies. Their Messiah, they thought, was going to give them the power to overcome their enemies.

The Messiah did give them, and everyone who chooses to believe in Him, the power to overcome all enemies everywhere — through love. Jesus Christ was not a political leader, though His teachings — His gospel — works like leaven in a body politic to unleash miraculous power in a civilization. It works from both the bottom up and the top down to humanize all layers of society. The gospel of Jesus Christ is reason itself according to the gospel writer, John. He chose to open his explanation of the God-Man's life with these words, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

It is helpful for me to replace that English word "Word" with the English word "Reason." The verse then reads, "In the beginning was Reason, and Reason was with God, and Reason was God." Impressive technological changes made possible by science in the last couple centuries, combined with intellectual/religious malaise in the populace, brought us to the point where we think Reason has nothing to do with Religion — especially Christianity. Nothing could be further from the truth.

I am finding miraculous helps for my mind in the historic teachings, and observations, of the Roman Catholic

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Church. As I continue to write these COLUMNS, and produce my videos, I hope to introduce you to some of the thinking of the Popes, especially, as the West fell under the spell of radical egalitarianism, modernism and feminism. Say what you will about the ancient Church that maintains a written record of leadership going back to the Apostle Peter. It is big enough to take it. After creating the Bible it conquered Rome. Then it preserved learning through the collapse of that Empire. Now it appears down for the count under the current sex-crazed, womanish and faithless hierarchy.

But it isn't. The crown has not fallen from the head of Jesus Christ, who sits at the right hand of the FATHER. No, the manufactured Corona (meaning crown) crisis isn't going the way Gates, Fauci and scarf lady intend. The people of the world continue to pursue goodness, TRUTH and beauty in whatever way they can. I would argue moreso now than ever before in my lifetime. They are shaking off the wicked effects of the multi-layered global ideological political attack waged against them by insanely rich and powerful culturally Marxist oligarchs.

This global corona 19 pandemic is the final chapter for communism in the world. I don't know what will follow, but I know it won't be communist.

We can make a positive contribution to ending this hyper-ideological and ferociously anti-God era, born in the West, by choosing to love our enemies today. As I deliver packages for FedEx I see families outside playing together. They need to take the next step and start talking across the backyard fence to the neighbor. So what if they are your enemy. They are still your neighbor. And besides, then I wouldn't get that blank stare when I stop to ask for the names of their neighbors so that I can find numberless homes.

Jesus Christ told us that we must choose to love both our neighbor and our enemy.

Love everyone enough to tell them the truth. That's the example that Jesus Christ set for us. He showed us that we must choose to do that even if it means torture and death. That's the significance of the cross.

China is America's enemy, but we — possessed by demonic globalist insanity — gave them all our manufacturing. We must bring that work home, but during the decade or two it takes to do that we should choose to love our enemy. Nobody wants either nuclear annihilation or another World War. The world must become nations again. We must celebrate, as Dr. Michael Savage says so eloquently, our own borders, language and cultures.

Amen.