## Are you "woke" or "awake"?

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Romans 13:11 Do this, knowing the time, that <u>it is already the hour for you to awaken from sleep</u>; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we first believed.

Now that we have the "woke" culture bearing down on everyone in the world, without regard to your right of belief and self-expression, I thought it might be appropriate to compare this overbearing current worldview with the worldview of God as expressed in His word. Let's compare.

(1) The world says we need to get to "net-zero" carbon since climate change is one of the most important issues we must address.

The Bible says:

Genesis 1:14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and they shall serve as signs and for seasons, and for days and years;

God created the seasons. During summer it is hotter, in winter it is colder. The earth has been going through "climate change" since the beginning and there have been years where it has been hotter or colder than the normal average, and even decades where temperature averages were above or below normal. The amount of CO2 produced by vehicles and industry pails in comparison to even one volcanic eruption which has been happening for millennia. The ocean also absorbs CO2. "The ocean is an enormous carbon sink with the capacity to hold thousands more gigatons of carbon dioxide."

(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ocean\_storage\_of\_carbon\_dioxide) The earth has survived before man was created and it will continue till the end when God ends it.

(2) The world says because of "climate change" the glaciers are melting and Antarctica is shedding its ice mass, which is causing the ocean levels to rise. This is said to be due to manmade pollution of carbon gas.

Genesis 6:17 Now behold, <u>I Myself am bringing the flood of water upon the earth</u>, to destroy all flesh in which there is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall perish.

Genesis 7:19 <u>And the water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered.</u>

After the Flood, the atmosphere was exposed to space whereas previously there had been a vapor cloud around the earth that dissipated and fell on the earth as rain. The Floodwaters greatly increased the oceans. That first winter some of the water high in the mountains froze to become glaciers (glaciers did not come from snow). Since that time the glaciers have been slowly melting. The oceans continue to rise, not in response to pollution, but as a normal consequence of the Flood. Antarctica was formed after the Flood as well and continues to melt through time. This melting process has continually raised the ocean level, the ocean having been created by the flood of waters that came from the atmosphere and under the earth.

Genesis 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the sky were opened.

There is no cause for undue alarm about oceans rising except for the normal precautions we need to take that are as a result of the effects of the Flood.

(3) The world says we must all unite in purpose to create a one-world Utopia, using the principles of Karl Marx.

The world is being brainwashed with the principles of socialism and Marxism. This is being done by people who think that getting people to think alike and affirm the principles of communism will bring in a new paradigm where Utopia will finally be achievable. But because of this push, those who disagree are told to be silent ("Cancel Culture") and are demonized and ostracized. True Biblical Christians, however, do not agree that people can create a Utopia.

It is important to note that "heaven comes to earth" only through God's miraculous intervention and re-creation. <u>No</u> amount of human effort, as noble is it may be in some cases, will ever be able to create "heaven on earth." We cannot manufacture a utopia. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, Christians have access to God and experience freedom from many of the effects of sin, but we still only have a glimpse of what is yet to come. (https://www.gotquestions.org/heaven-on-earth.html)

A utopian society is something that mankind naturally longs for. We all sense, on some level, that the world is broken as it is, and we all yearn to fix it. But it takes a perfect Being to create a perfect society, and that is why all man-made utopias are doomed to failure from the start. We need more than careful planning, lofty philosophies, and social reforms; we need our Creator. In humility, acknowledging our own brokenness, we turn to Christ and His perfection. In gratitude, praising the Lord, we trust the One who will someday turn the whole world into a Utopia for His glory. (https://www.gotquestions.org/utopianism.html)

Only Jesus Christ, when he returns, will create a Kingdom (Utopia) that will last 1000 years. That is the difference between that who call themselves "Christians" who subscribe to "Kingdom Now" Dominionism, and those believers who pray the prayer:

## Matthew 6:10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

Many apostate churches have bought into Dominionism, which is a copy of what the world wants in seeking Utopia, except for doing it under the banner of Jesus. The problem is there is no mandate for Christians to take over the world. Our job is to establish the Kindom of God by preaching the Gospel (Matt. 24:14, Mark 16:15) and discipling believers from every nation (Matt. 28:19), thereby establishing the spiritual Kingdom of God. Only Jesus Christ can establish the physical Kingdom upon His return in the Millenium.

(4) The world says a person can declare what he or she is biologically and no one is allowed to disagree with them.

Genesis 1:27 So <u>God created man in His own image</u>, in the image of God <u>He created</u> him; male and female He created them.

Mark 10:6 But from the beginning of creation, <u>God CREATED THEM MALE AND FEMALE</u>.

Romans 1:26-28 For this reason God gave them over to <u>degrading passions</u>; for their women exchanged natural relations for that which is <u>contrary to nature</u>, and likewise the men, too, abandoned natural relations with women and burned in their desire toward one another, males with males <u>committing shameful acts</u> and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their <u>error</u>. And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God, <u>God gave them up to a depraved mind</u>, to do those things that are not proper,

Even medical professionals are not allowed to state that a person is either male or female, which is the accurate truth. I have seen doctors bowing to this "woke" culture myself. We are no longer allowed to say that God created two types of humans, male and female. Therefore we are not allowed to acknowledge that God created us in His image, namely body, soul, and spirit. We are forced to subscribe to an evolutionary model that states that a male or female can choose to be other than they are. We are also not allowed to state what the Bible says about those who choose to engage in sex between their same sex, even though the Bible

states those practices are "degrading", "contrary to nature", "shameful" and grave "error". We cannot say that those who believe this stuff have a "depraved mind" or else we risk persecution, lawsuits, and even imprisonment.

If you believe what the Bible says, then you are awake.

Proverbs 4:4 He taught me and said to me, "Let your heart take hold of my words; <u>Keep my commandments</u> and live;

If we refuse to keep His commandments, then we will die. Would you rather die or speak the truth and live?

(5) The world says all white people are racists, thus Critical Race Theory (CRT) must be implemented.

Those who preach this message, and I am also talking about a growing number of pastors, are broad brushing every white person with the same brush. That is foolish. Not all white people are bigots. I think they would find that a very small minority are bigoted. Also, the black population in America forget that they were being persecuted and killed back in their homeland long before slave traders brought them to the shores of North America. They also ignore the fact that, as a group, they are in the minority of people who have been enslaved, imprisoned, and killed worldwide, which were mainly who they consider to be "white" people but are really of every diverse background and culture.

Yakubu Gowon (1.1M deaths)



**BREAKDOWN** 

1 million civilians on the wrong side of a blockade caused by a war of secession in Nigeria and 100,000 soldiers who died in that war.

Mengistu Haile Mariam (400K–1.5M deaths)



**BREAKDOWN** 

As president of Ethiopia and colonel of "the Derg" (communist militia), Mengitsu systematically killed those against him in the "Red Terror" campaign.

Kim Il Sung (1.6M deaths)



## **BREAKDOWN**

Unpopular among his people Kim used the U.S. as a scapegoat and forced the country to believe in his delusion or else.

Pol Pot (1.7M deaths)



**BREAKDOWN** 

Forced city folk to relocate to farms and forced them into hard labor.

Ismail Enver Pasha (2.5M deaths)



BREAKDOWN

1,200,000 Armenians (1915) 350,000 Greek Pontians 480,000 Anatolian Greeks (1916-22) 500,000 Assyrians (1915-20)

Hideki Tojo (5M deaths)



BREAKDOWN

Waged unprovoked wars against China, USA, Netherlands, and France.

Leopold II of Belgium (2-15M deaths)



**BREAKDOWN** 

Created a colony called the "Congo Free State", enslaved its people, and forced them into labor plants.

Adolf Hitler (17M deaths)



BREAKDOWN

Concentration camps and civilians in WWII, focused on Jews.

Jozef Stalin (23M deaths)



**BREAKDOWN** 

The great purges and Ukraine's famine.

Mao Zedong (49-78M deaths)



**BREAKDOWN** 

Policy reforms like the Great Leap Forward and the Cultural Revolution.

"Cultural revolution"? Sounds vaguely familiar according to the pronouncements of the left. Is this the endgame for those of us who disagree? We know it is, according to the prophecies of the Bible regarding the end times. What is going on now is only a preamble to the one-world government coming and the woman who rides the beast, namely the apostate churches.

(6) The world believes they have the right to teach children and youth whatever they want to teach in schools. They add a curriculum that was not there before and teach it as a fact to vulnerable kids. They take out white history and replace it with black history. They teach kids to accept LGBTQ. They teach CRT. They teach children to believe that their parents generation doesn't know what they are talking about and that as soon as they die the world will be able to progress to a Utopian socialist paradise.

All this is reminiscent of Nazi Germany where the young "Brown Shirts" were programmed to think as Hitler wanted. In case we forget, world wars were fought over this type of stuff. The current progressive agenda with much of the news media in line with disceminating the propaganda of the left is no less fascist than the Third Reich. And yet we are expected to sit by and allow the teacher's unions to disctate what the government wants to program into our kids? When even previously innocuous theme parks are starting to jump on the LGBTQ/CRT bandwagon, we should be able to recognize we have a problem. Unfortunately, the voices of reason from parents are sadly muted compared to the noise being made in the media, on television, and elsewhere. The fact is being lost that not only do our elders have a lot of wisdom to impart, but they fought for the Biblical precepts we were raised on against godless tyrants.

We all need a wake-up call and this is it. Time to proclaim the Word of God to a culture that is on the brink of death.

Ephesians 5:14 For this reason it says, "Awake, sleeper, And arise from the dead, And Christ will shine on you."