

Yo!

We're Playing Through

Does the Christian Church Have the Courage
To Play Through the Illusions Being Created
By The Shadow Government
and
Their Democrat Accomplices?



*"THE LORD drove the sea back with a strong wind.
The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through to safety
on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and left."*

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By now, we should have a thorough understanding of the course layout and the competition. So, nothing should surprise us. We are aware of the illusions, and now it's time to find our game and shape an unshakable game plan we will stick with no matter what we may encounter from the competition. It is evident by now; they will lie, cheat, steal, slander; in other words, go as low as they have to.

As mentioned previously, conspiracies are nothing new; they have battered the Church ever since Jesus walked the narrow streets of Jerusalem. Spiritual battles have challenged Christians to stand firm on God's Word and resist the ways of the world. Today the battles rage more fiercely in the U.S. than ever before.

In a 1973 sermon entitled, "America, Is The Handwriting On The Wall," Reverend Billy Graham spoke to a packed auditorium of America's declining values and morality. He told the crowd firmly, "God said ***'I will not be mocked.'*** For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. ***There's a point beyond which the patience of God will go no further. A line in the sand that will be carried out.***" Are we here? Only God knows. However, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

I recently saw a news clip where a member of congress was speaking and dared mention "the will of God." Jerold "Tattoo" Nadler, Representative from New York who is the head of the committee in session, quickly rebukes the comment saying, "*There is no place for the will of God in this chamber.*" WOW! I think that fits the definition of mockery; what about you?

In the Book of Micah 7:6, it is written, "*For a son dishonors his father, a daughter rises up against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law a man's enemies are the members of his own household.*" Similarly, in the Book of Matthew 10:35, it is written, "*For I have come to turn a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law...*"

When the prophet Micah spoke, he stated the way things had become in the land for God's people. No one was good, and no one could be trusted. It seems that Jesus would later refer to these words in a slightly different context. He (meaning himself) will turn some hearts to believe in him, but that will put them at odds with members of their own household who do not believe and have been deceived into believing "*the rulers, the authorities, the powers of this dark world. That the battle is against flesh and blood rather than the spiritual forces of evil in the world.*"

Sound at all like the state of affairs today? Social Media, an evil spiritual force in today's dark world, has taken the minds of our youth hostage. Evil saw its opening and slithered through unnoticed. Oh, it bit us alright with a venom causing a delayed reaction, that when identified, it would be too late to do anything about it.

It's said, "*Money is the primary competitor with Jesus Christ for Lordship in the lives of believers.*" Many churches have over-built, causing them to go inward to protect themselves, resulting in the body of Christ becoming isolated and divided. At a time when unity was and is needed more, we've divided more than usual.

Many of us Boomers entered into marriages that were no more than power struggles for equality. This writer has heard professional women on numerous occasions say, "*why can't I do such-n-such and still have it all?*" The answer, because something has got to give. In this case, it was the children. Abandoned, Vulnerable, and VERY angry. They first were being fostered by academia to only later receiving the final bite from Big Tech. It's said, "the youth are our future," well, we gave our futures away. We gave our futures away to the exact culprit we were told we would – KNOWLEDGE, and if we don't act, it looks like the U.S. as we knew it "will surely die," as we were warned in Genesis 3.

Who is to blame? WE ARE! COME ON! THAT'S RIGHT – WE ARE, AND IT'S FOR THIS EXACT REASON AND THE ILLUSIONS WE HAVE BOUGHT INTO THAT WE MIGHT HAVE TO PICK UP OUR BALL AND WALK OFF THE COURSE.

We spent decades riding on the train to gain and grandiosity. In order to get us to attend a religious service, churches had to kowtow - to us. Worship times had to be adjusted to meet the schedule of Todd and Brittany's lacrosse games. In the summer, worship times were shortened. Church was no longer attended out of reverence – but convenience. Faith became casual. We began wearing shorts to mass or service, and of course, hydration was critical since most couldn't make it an hour without sucking on stylish water bottles. Why? MONEY! Convict people? How dare we. I think back to a church where our ministry had an office and a sermon I heard. When I got in my car, I asked myself, "Did I just attend a church or Pastor Dave's neighborhood?" No one so much had a glove laid on them – but they loved everyone. Talk about a kumbaya moment!

I used to attend a men's group on Friday mornings where I heard an Afghan missionary speak while he was here cooling off in America because his life was severely under threat; this was during the height of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. He explained how the war was a religious war for the Iraqis and Afghans because evil America worshiped their God so casually.

He said they couldn't understand why we had so many versions of the Bible and why we were so irreverent. They viewed us as phonies and viewed our worship as Satanic.

Patriotism! I bet it's safe to say five out of ten people couldn't name a Supreme Court justice, and eight out of ten couldn't name a member of the cabinet. All this was occurring while Alinsky's serpents were slithering around picking up our missing pieces as they made hollow promises to the least of those that God commanded us if we did for them, we would be doing for Him. WE WERE TOO BUSY and IMPORTANT? After all, the church was worshipping our checkbooks and positions. We bought into these illusions, and we missed our "Target" by a mile as we pompously think all we have to do is conveniently pray (or say we would pray), and God will take care of us.

As we boomers go out of this life into wherever we have "assigned" ourselves, we may very well be leaving things on the "Eve of Destruction." WE MUST STOP BLAMING. To use a golf analogy, we hit it where it now is. We must own it and play it AND END OUR MOCKERY.

The late Charles Colson of Watergate fame was quoted in his later ministry years saying, *"the church is the world incarnate, and if the world is a mess, you will find the church is a mess too."* We would find the Catholic church up to their ears in a priest pedophile scandal while the grandiosity high on mega-churches gripped the Protestant side of the aisle. In the past, the church was where we turned in times of trouble. However, it was no longer an option for many for two reasons. One, the church had lost credibility. Two, it was part of "the establishment" we protested against, so it wasn't really an option for the superior intellect we had acquired.

We've taken the liberty to paraphrase a quote by Brennan Manning from his book the Raggamuffin Gospel. *"The bending of the mind by the power of this world has twisted the gospel into religious bondage and distorted the image of God into an external, small-minded bookkeeper. The Christian community resembles a Wall Street exchange of "works" where the elite are honored, and the ordinary ignored. As we build our affluent denominational ghetto's, the institutional Church has, for the most part, become a wound-er of the healers rather than a healer of the wounded. **Most unfortunate is the world continues to see us for what we are against but unfortunately hasn't been shown what we were really intended to be about.**"*

"Putting it bluntly, the American Christian church today accepts grace in theory but denies it in practice. We say we believe that the fundamental structure of reality is grace – not works, but our lives refute our faith. By and large, the gospel of grace is neither proclaimed, understood, nor lived. A do-it-yourself spirituality has become the American fashion."

"God has become a benign old spectator in the bleachers of our lives who cheers when we show up for morning prayer on any consistent basis. The result is a bunch of grandiose buildings made up of people fighting and Church hopping. The clergy seem only too happy to take in the hoppers rather than going through the pain in their own lives that will enlighten and empower them to fulfill God's purpose by making new followers."

Shaping A Game Plan

- REPENT by facing our demons/swing flaws. There's no possible way to win a competition like the one we're up against if we do not identify our character defects.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." -1 John 1:9

- BE REAL by living God's word rather than throwing scripture verses around while our hypocrisy is so evident to others yet, unseen by us.

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- ELIMINATE the words *"I Can't Believe..."* from your vocabulary and realize we all walk with clay feet. The competition we are up against has clearly shown they are capable of anything.

"Joe Biden should not concede under any circumstances because I think this is going to drag out, and eventually, I do believe he will win if we don't give an inch." Prophetic? Doubtful! This was an August 20th, 2020 quote by none other than Hillary Clinton. Think she knew something?

- STOP making fun of Biden's cognitive condition. Someday that might be us.

Repent! As John The Baptist preached. Get rid of your secrets - NOW. Visiting people in nursing homes, I have witnessed them "unconsciously" cleaning their slates when no longer able to cover up due to their impairment, devastating families. A clean heart is a powerful weapon.

- STOP the whining about Kamala not going to the border.

SHE'S NOT GOING and LOVES HEARING THE WHINING.

- STOP the whining about *"If the Republicans Did It...."*

Whining hasn't changed a narrative in 60 years – STOP!!!! - we're getting laughed at.

- SHUT OUT all the propaganda media.

Let them fight their rating wars alone. We'll hear what we need to hear. Nothing must distract our focus. Besides, the nonsense that comes out of their mouths is solely for their egos.

- REACH OUT and touch someone. Emulate Mother Theresa.

"Find someone hard to love and love that person."

- PREPARE TO GET ACTIVE. 67% of liberals have participated in a protest and or signed a petition versus 23% of conservatives.

Change the rules of the battle as David did against Goliath.

- I admit that I am a powerless person in the vastness of the universe, and living in my power will render my life unmanageable.

"There is a Power in me GREATER than any power that can come against me."

- I must make a decision to turn my Life and my Will over to the care of the Good Orderly Direction that directs a joy-filled and fruit-filled life.

Restoring order through a courageous self-surrender will be critical.

- I will quiet myself before God and make a *searching* and *fearless* moral inventory of myself and confront the cover-up I've been living.

This process is where your slate begins to get cleaned. Think of how a caterpillar becomes a butterfly. If you have the guts to enter the cocoon, you will emerge with a newfound feeling of freedom with the right person doing the probing. A gift few possess. The more thorough your preparation, the freer you will emerge. In other words, you will reap what you sow. Knowing your weak spots is critical to winning a competition like we're facing.

There is "Light" at the end of the tunnel if we have courage-real courage to put aside human power. It's been recently learned that former President Ronald Reagan and Pope John Paul II met secretly on several occasions to discuss how communism was vulnerable. It's been further revealed during one of those meetings Pope John Paul said to President Reagan, "*Communism is like an elephant with legs of clay, more apt to fall due to spiritual rather than tactical reasons.*" Thus, the rest is history.

Now, after decades of living in our safe places, we come to realize we are deep into a real battle. The opposition is well trained, and their crafty infiltration has been moving in slowly, steadily, and strategically. Equality Act H.R.5 endangers all houses of worship. It encourages the suppression of religious freedom along with possible forced abortion, and we have no plan in

place to fight it. Instead, our conservative legislators choose to fight each other as usual while being united through a pompous justified hatred for a former leader. My gut tells me churches will become more isolated than ever, concerned only with their individual survival. Jesus told us clearly in the gospels, "I CAME TO DIVIDE" – NOT YOU! I can just hear President Reagan saying to Pope John Paul, *"Well, J.P. - There They Go Again!"*

NEXT ON "Y.O.!" WE'RE PLAYING THROUGH: "Yo! We're Playin Through!"