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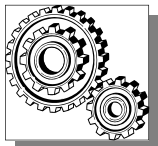
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For the past two years, a number of reputable, conservative, pro-Christian values organizations have been writing about the coming NAFTA Superhighway, a super toll road system which will bisect the United States from north to south, from Mexico to Canada, and provide de facto economic opening and integration of the borders and economies of the three countries of North America. We have both received extensive mailings and/or online research on this issue from such organizations as the *Mountain States Legal Foundation*, *Selous Foundation for Public Policy Research*, *Eagle Forum* president Phyllis Schlafly, *Concerned Women for America*, *The Conservative Caucus*, *The DeWeese Report*, as well as articles from the newspapers *Human Events* and *The Washington Times*.

There are some basic facts Christians should know about the proposed North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) superhighway system. It has received nominal and sporadic coverage in the national media, but it appears that “the whole truth” is being downplayed. We felt it urgent that we present what information we have available at this time to our readers, and let our readers draw their own conclusions.

According to research done by the Mountain States Legal Foundation, within the past two years the powerful Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) published a report that called for the formation of a North American Union overseen by



See back for an additional map
of the NAFTA Superhighway

an Inter-Parliamentary Group. This Group would have some limited (at first) actual governing authority over the three North American countries. One of the signers of this CFR Report, Robert Pastor, was former President Jimmy Carter’s National Security Advisor for Latin America and the Caribbean. Pastor has

written a book titled *Toward a North American Community*, in which he advocated replacing the currencies of the US, Canada, and Mexico with a new currency called the “Amero”. This would be similar to the current “Euro” of a now united Europe --- no mere fantasy in 2008. *Wall Street Journal* editor Robert Bartley also wrote: “I think the nation-state is finished. NAFTA should evolve into something like the European Union, with open borders not only for goods and investment, but for people.” Other CFR members who also favor this “open borders” policy are Madeline Albright, former Secretary of State under President Bill Clinton; and veteran TV news reporter Tom Brokaw. Former Massachusetts Republican Governor William Weld also supports the idea of a North American Union. Additionally, U.S. President George W. Bush, the president of Mexico, the prime minister of Canada, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce all share this “open borders” philosophy. So, in varying degrees, have the Democrat and Republican front-running candidates on the ballot in this year’s presidential primary elections. Don’t listen just to what they say; watch what they do, and have done, in regards to the open borders and amnesty issues. For Christians, incremental moves to-

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ward global government and the dissolving of borders among nations should rivet our attention. Look up, for the time is drawing nearer, and God promised that His children would not be taken unaware.

The NAFTA Superhighway is part of the plan to gradually dissolve the borders of the US, Canada, and Mexico. The economic borders will essentially be removed first, followed later by the political borders. It may take decades, but we can even now look to Europe to see what a similar plan for North America would look like. Here are some facts concerning the NAFTA Superhighway, as presented by *The Selous Foundation*, based in Washington, DC.

- The 1994 NAFTA agreement called for the construction of a massive trade corridor (the NAFTA superhighway) which would allow foreign-made goods to flow into America through a SENTRI system of fast toll lanes which would do only an electronic security check on vehicles. Our understanding at the current time is that local and state police in the various states would not have the authority to stop trucks flowing along this free trade superhighway for the purpose of visually inspecting their cargo. This will create a potential security nightmare within the U.S.
- The “customs center” for official checks of these vehicles will be located in Kansas City, Missouri --- roughly

1,000 miles from either the Mexican or Canadian borders. From there, the vehicles and goods will be allowed to fan out across the nation via a new 4,000 mile system of rail and roadways. These massive new toll roads will begin with the Trans Texas Corridor (TTC-35), which will encompass both new highways and improvements to existing highways.

- Thousands of homes, ranches, farms, and small businesses will need to be cleared from these new highway routes through “*eminent domain*”.
- Taxes and tolls will go up across the U.S. to help fund the foreign highway construction, as well as the highway construction within the U.S. borders. The Mexican government has already claimed that they cannot afford to pay for their portion of the superhighway, so U.S. taxpayers will likely bear that burden also.
- There will be reduced security on what was once our borders, and reduced ability to prevent the entrance of radical Islamic terrorists and other enemies who wish to do harm to the United States and its citizens.
- The TTC-35, whose construction has already begun, is only the beginning. Also planned are a CANA-MEX corridor that will span the west from Mexico to Canada through Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, and Montana; and TTC-69 that will run from Texas to Tennessee to Michigan to Toronto, Ontario.
- Eventually there will be 80 tolled “trade corridor” high-

ways crisscrossing the U.S., Mexico, and Canada, which will all but eliminate any form of borders between the three nations. The citizens of these three nations are not being allowed to vote on these plans.

- A timetable for the “full economic integration” of Canada, the U.S. and Mexico was originally planned for the year 2010, but this date appears much too ambitious. Perhaps it will take longer. Full economic integration also includes the so-called “Social Security Totalization” program – a plan to give Social Security credit and benefits to former illegal immigrants under an amnesty program that will credit them for work done in the U.S. while they were illegal. The numbers of years worked, the type of work, and the salaries earned would be almost impossible to prove, since they were done “under the table”, so our government would simply have to rely on the honesty of the former illegal workers’ sworn statements.
- This full economic integration also includes a program of planned “harmonization” --- which would force the laws of all three countries to “harmonize”. American law would have to bend to harmonize itself with the more socialist laws of Canada, and the very different (and often more corrupt) laws and law enforcement in Mexico. This is one reason why the “benefits” of so-called “Universal Health Care” are being sold to the citizenry in the U.S. --- to bring us in line with the Canadian system. The United Nations

also has passed a resolution urging all governments of the world to institute “Universal Health Care” for their citizens. These trends can clearly be seen as even some members of our own U.S. Supreme Court have been public and open supporters of bringing U.S. judicial decisions into harmony with foreign laws and U.N. regulations. If these plans come to full fruition, it will spell the end of the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights as we know them today.

We present these developments surrounding the evolution of NAFTA not to frighten our readers, but to urge them to begin looking into these issues and facts for themselves. First, pray for wisdom and ask God to show you the truth. Visit the online websites of the groups mentioned at the beginning of this article and do your own research. We don’t claim that we have the whole truth in these matters. We know only what we have read and learned during the past several years. We pray that God keeps us from serious error in these matters. We are open to correction as new facts come to light. We believe that world trends support the events that Scripture has prophesied, and that the current unwillingness of our own government to enforce its national borders is part of the coming move toward global government. Only time will tell.

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“The taxpayer: That’s someone who works for the federal government but doesn’t have to take the civil service examination.” *President Ronald Reagan*

God Bless the Tsar

By
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In *Fiddler On the Roof*, the rabbi is asked, “Is there a blessing for the tsar?”

“A blessing for the tsar? Of course: God bless and keep the tsar... far away from us!”

We may think we see a Christian counter-part to this when Paul tells Timothy to pray “for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.” (I Timothy 2:2; all scripture quotes are from the KJV.)

“God bless and keep the king, and all that are in authority, far away from us: that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.”

The problem is, though the king and all those in authority may be far away from us, the consequences of their decisions and their actions are *not* far away from us.

“Satan... provoked David to number Israel ... And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he smote Israel ... So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.” (I Chronicles 21:1-14)

When those 70,000 were dying, did they know why a fatal pestilence had befallen them? Did they see any connection between what was going on in the palace and in their own lives? More importantly, does God judge nations today for actions of “kings and all that are in authority?”

In the fall of 1991, the “Perfect Storm” wreaked damage from Maine to Florida. Lives were lost; homes disappeared from beachfronts. Do you know what those in authority were doing? 270 deaths were attributed to the “Storm of the Century” in March of ’93. Damage affected 26 states. What was our government doing? Through damage to ports and oil refinery, Katrina affected the entire nation and New Orleans was compared to a third world disaster area. Closer to home, the ice storm of January of ’98 affected thousands here in Vermont. What was your government doing?

Scripture tells us, “Surely at the commandment of the LORD came this upon Judah, to remove them out of his sight, for the sins of [King] Manasseh, according to all that he did; And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; which the LORD would not pardon. (2 Kings 24:3-4)

Some cite civilian casualties of the wars we are involved in; others cite the millions of abortions committed in this nation. By any reckoning, America has shed a sea of innocent blood. There is no shortage of reasons for God to judge America, but He promises, God *promises*, He will curse those that curse Israel.

“Wait,” you say, “that promise was made to Abraham, not to the modern state of Is-

rael.” (Genesis 12:3)

True, but read the words of the apostle Paul, “...my brethren, my *kinsmen according to the flesh*: Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises;” (Romans 9:3-4) The covenants and promises pertain to modern, even non-believing, natural descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. They are “beloved for the fathers’ sakes.” (Romans 11:28)

But don’t take my word for it. Those four “natural” disasters cited above, as well as *dozens* of others, all occurred on the same day or within 24 hours of American involvement in the “land for peace roadmap.” White House correspondent William Koenig has documented this in his book, [Eye to Eye, Facing the Consequences of Dividing Israel](#). His website, <http://watch.org>, will keep you abreast of the most current.

“Wait, how can God be opposed to working for peace in the Middle East?”

God is not opposed to peace on His terms. But there will not be peace on earth until the Prince of Peace reigns from His throne in Jerusalem. The “roadmap” leads to disaster. Israel is expected to accept indefensible borders in exchange for insincere, empty promises of peace.

“Hear the word of the

LORD, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock.” (Jeremiah 31:10) A shepherd does not keep his flock by giving the heart of the land to wolves or even to other sheep.

“... Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy. And I am very sore displeased with the heathen that are at ease: for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.” (Zechariah 1:14-15) We might want to apply this passage just to Zechariah’s day but should our government “forward affliction” on Israel?

“Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.” (Proverbs 14:34)

“The king’s heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.” (Proverbs 21:1)

God bless and keep the president, and all that are in authority. Turn their hearts to righteousness and away from sin. Incline them to decisions and actions that do not displease Thee, which do not invoke Thy judgment. Grant that we may lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty. Amen.

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“The Constitution was made to guard the people against the dangers of good intentions.”

Daniel Webster

What can I do?



Faith without works is dead James 2:17

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