

THE UNSHAKABLE KINGDOM #19

“The Atheistic Nature of Socialism”

Part Two

I. Introduction

A. Sheep Among Wolves

1. Jesus warned His disciples of days like we’re living in today...

Matthew 10:16

"Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves.

a. He speaks here of days of great danger; when His sheep will find themselves surrounded by wolves, the deadliest enemy of the sheep.

b. The rest of the verse reads...

Matthew 10:16

"Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves."

Adam Clarke

“This is from a proverbial saying in Hebrew rabbinic literature: The holy blessed God said to the Israelites, ‘Ye shall be toward Me as upright as the doves; but, toward the Gentiles, as cunning as serpents’.”

2. The church has been good at being harmless as doves; not so good at being wise as serpents.

3. The rest of the chapter has more warnings. Attacks will come from the religious world and the political world.

Matthew 10:17-20

But beware of men, for they will deliver you up to councils and scourge you in their synagogues. 18 You will be brought before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles. 19 But when they deliver you up, do not worry about how or what you should speak. For it will be given to

you in that hour what you should speak; 20 for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.
(Notice: God will give us special guidance in this hour!)

a. He tells us to expect to be ridiculed:

Matthew 10:24-25

A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more will they call those of his household!

b. There are 8 places in the Gospels where this occurred! (Matt 9:34; Matt 12:24; Mark 3:22; Luke 11:15; John 7:20; John 8:48; John 8:52; John 10:20)

4. Jesus tells us what to do when all these things happen:

Matthew 10:26

Therefore do not fear them. For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known.

a. Another version says...

Matthew 10:26 NLT

But don't be afraid of those who threaten you. For the time is coming when everything that is covered will be revealed, and all that is in secret will be made known to all.

5. Don't get down! The Lord is about to uncover all their plans and schemes!

Matthew 10:27-28

What I tell you now in the darkness, shout abroad when daybreak comes. What I whisper in your ear, shout from the housetops for all to hear! "Don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

6. This is what we must endeavor to do. Listen to God in the dark and shout it in the daytime; hear it in the ear and shout it from the housetops! God is 'exposing' the works of darkness and calling us to join him.

Ephesians 5:11-14

And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

7. Jesus closes the passage in Matthew 10 with this:

Matthew 10:34-36

"Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law'; and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.'"

8. Our sword is the word of God; it is truth and it brings light to darkness!

II. Shining the Light

A. What We're Up Really Up Against

1. We are not wrestling with flesh and blood!

Ephesians 6:12

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

2. We are wrestling with the 'rulers of darkness', with spiritual wickedness in high places, which we have identified as...

The spirit of antichrist at work in those who seek to turn America into a Socialist nation.

3. Many Christians are confused as to the cause of all the evil springing up around us; but the confusion can be cleared up by the light... Wherever there is socialism there is atheism.

Remember This!

Socialism and atheism are inseparable. Socialism is atheism masquerading as political philosophy.

4. This is why every nation that has given embraced socialism, (Stalin's Russia, Hitler's Germany, Mao Zedong's China), has always embraced atheism.

Larry Alex Taunton

“Socialism begins with the premise that there is no God.

5. This is the opposite of Christianity that begins with the premise that there is a God and that the Bible is His holy word.

6. Think about how the Bible begins; Genesis 1:1; I call it ‘the most important verse in the Bible:

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

a. Why most important? Because if this one verse is true the rest must be true! If it is not true how can we trust any the rest of it is true?

7. America's founding fathers believed in God and that is reflected in our nation's founding documents, such as the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

8. This is what socialists seek to overturn.

Gary DeMar

“Their goal is to remake the world in terms of ethics not economics. To do this, the old order must be completely dismantled.”

9. The Christian believes in God and is bound by biblical ethics; but the socialist does not believe in God and has no ethical boundaries in his pursuit of power.

10. Socialists will not play fair!

Socialistic atheism will not hesitate to justify evil activity in its quest for power.

11. When you don't believe in God, (as Dostoevsky said), 'all things are permitted.'

B. The Roots and Fruits of Socialistic Atheism

A. The Roots of Socialism are Atheistic

1. Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels are 2 of the 'fathers' of modern socialism; this is what they said...

Karl Marx/Friedrich Engels, "The Communist Manifesto"

"Our program abolishes eternal truths. It abolishes all religion and all morality; it therefore acts in contradistinction to all past historical experience."

2. The writings of the socialistic German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche greatly influenced the young Adolf Hitler.

Friedrich Nietzsche

"Now at last the mountain of man's future is about to give birth. God is dead. Now it is our will that the superman will live!"

a. The 'superman' is not Clark Kent! It was the doctrine of the German word 'Uebermensch' that inspired Hitler to preach the superiority of the German race and led to the 2nd World War!

b. On a humorous note one noted...

In 1880, Nietzsche pronounced God dead; but 17 years later God pronounced Nietzsche dead!

3. Marx, Engels, Hitler and Nietzsche are long dead; but their doctrine of atheistic socialism lives on; even here in America.

4. In 1963, W. Cleon Skousen, an ex-FBI agent wrote a book to warn Americans of communist infiltration into the culture. The book, "The Naked Communist", was prophetic. Almost everything the book warned about has come to pass. Over 60 years after it came out...

Dr. Ben Carson

“The Naked Communist lays out the whole progressive plan. It is unbelievable how fast it has been achieved.”

5. The book brings to light the atheistic nature of socialism and its first cousin, communism.

W. Cleon Skousen, “The Naked Communist”

“The first major premise of communism is...there is no design. There is no law. There is no God. There is only force, the force of nature. Force is right, force is good, and force is natural.”

a. Remember that atheism has no God, no moral code. This is how socialistic atheists justify the evil things they do.

W. Cleon Skousen, “The Naked Communist”

“The followers of Marx are so desperately anxious to overthrow the recognition of God that they have denied that there is any design in the universe. They refuse to admit that there is order, law, or an intelligent Creator behind the phenomena of nature. They say all these things are the product of accumulated accident.”

b. If there is no God, no creator, there can be no bounds to what they can do in their pursuit of power; including their strategy to destroy the church!

W. Cleon Skousen, “The Naked Communist”

“The fourth major premise of communism is that all religion must be overthrown because it inhibits the spirit of world revolution.”

c. Socialists see the Christian church as a roadblock to their overthrow of the government and their pursuit of power. This explains...

C. The Socialistic Assault on the Church

1. Just think about what has happened in the last 4 months: socialist controlled state and local governments have literally shut down the church.

2. We felt this firsthand back in the spring, even here in God-fearing Tennessee; but churches in other states are still suffering.

a. Like in the State of California, where socialist Gavin Newsom is Governor.

In 2018, Governor Gavin Newsom tried to pass Assembly Bill #2943 that would have left a loophole open to make the Bible a “fraudulent document that could be banned,” because the Bible is opposed to “sexual orientation change.”

L.A. Times 7/13/20

California is largely closing again amid a spike in COVID-19 cases across the state, as Gov. Gavin Newsom announced statewide restrictions Monday to again halt all indoor dining and close bars, zoos and museums... houses of worship, hair salons, malls and other businesses under the new order, which is effective immediately.

Meanwhile Newsom is giving the green light to nail salons, tattoo parlors and massage therapy facilities, which are some of the highest-risk sectors for transmissions.

I can get a tattoo and a massage but I can't go to church?

Here are some of Governor Newsom's new restrictions on churches:

- **Services must be shortened**
- **Attendance must be limited to 50**
- **No visitation to church facilities outside of scheduled services**
- **Strongly consider discontinuing singing, group recitation, and other practices and performances where there is an increased likelihood for transmission from contaminated exhaled droplets.**

b. Thank God for President Trump.

"Some governors have deemed liquor stores and abortion clinics as essential, but not church services. It's not right. So I'm correcting this injustice and calling houses of worship essential. "

c. But that has not stopped the Mayor of Kansas City, MO. Look at this statement:

Mayor Quentin Lucas (D)

“As Kansas City begins reopening, the local government is requiring every church who wishes to provide services to turn in, when asked, a detailed list of

every person who enters their building for services, including name, phone number, and address, so city officials can use it for surveillance and tracking purposes. Failure to comply could result in up to 6 months in jail and the church being completely shut down.”

(This sounds like the Gestapo practices of Nazi Germany!)

3. The socialists used the Corona virus to shut down the church and we went along with it; but now the ‘camel’ has his ‘nose in the tent’; where will it end?

Mario Murillo 5/1/20

“Long after the virus is no longer a viable threat, every State under Democrat rule will keep churches closed as long as possible. And even after they allow us to open, there will be permanent irrational limitations placed on us.”

4. There are reports that many Christian churches in America have accepted money from one of the programs passed for Corona relief.

“With government shekels come government shackles.”

a. My personal testimony on this.

D. The Bible Says Atheism Makes Fools Out of Men

Psalm 14:1

The fool has said in his heart ‘There is no God.’
(They have their own holiday-April Fool’s Day)

1. Remember that socialism is atheistic by nature; it has no ethical system.

G.K. Chesterton

“When a man stops believing in God he doesn’t then believe in nothing; he believes anything.”

2. There is no limit to the evil they are willing to do to gain power:

- In the name of compassion they would give amnesty to 20 million illegal aliens; but what they really want is to obtain a permanent underclass voting block

- In the name of social justice they support Black Lives Matter; but what they really want is to allow looting and burning in hopes of unseating President Trump in November
- In the name of public health they want to shut down the economy-but what they really want is the kind of economic upheaval that will get them elected this Fall

3. And what about the virus? Socialists have been masterful at using the Corona crisis to gain power; there is every reason to believe they will suppress the cure.

President Trump

On April 6, 2020 President Trump was criticized and attacked for his support of the use of the drug hydroxychloroquine as effective in the prevention and treatment of COVID 19.

- a. The socialist controlled media and party went nuts; they vilified the President and accused him of lying.
- b. **But this past Tuesday, 2 dozen American doctors held a Capitol Hill press conference in front of the Supreme Court building “to address the censorship of [their] press conference” Monday by Facebook, YouTube/Google, and Twitter.**
- c. The socialistic social media giants pulled down the meeting because these Doctors said that the use of the drug hydroxychloroquine as effective in the prevention and treatment of COVID 19.
- d. The key spokesperson was a Christian, African-American immigrant from Somalia, who said...

Dr. Stella Immanuel

“Nobody needs to get sick. This virus has a cure.”

- e. Instead of rejoicing in a cure, the socialist controlled social media pulled the video and began personal attacks on Dr. Immanuel.
- f. The truth is that the atheistic socialists do not want a cure! They want to keep the economy shut down and the churches closed because they think it enhances their chances to win the White House in November.
- g. Support for Dr. Immanuel came from a strange place!

Madonna

“The Truth will set us all Free! But some people don’t want to hear the truth. Especially the people in power who stand to make money from this long drawn out search for a vaccine which has been proven and has been available for months. They would rather let fear control them and let the rich get richer and the poor and sick get sicker. This woman is my hero Thank you, Stella Immanuel.”
(Thank YOU, Madonna)

III. Wake Up Church!

A. God Will Hold His Church and His Ministers Accountable

Matthew 5:13

“You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.”

1. The primary use of salt in Jesus’ day was not to make things taste better; it was a preservative! It kept things from rotting. The Church must be salty if souls are to be saved!

a. One of the spiritual fathers of America’s “2nd Great Awakening” in the early 19th century said this...

Charles Finney

“If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it. If our politics become so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it.”

Adam Clarke

“He who is called to preach the Gospel is called to embrace a state of constant labor and frequent suffering. He who gets ease and pleasure, in consequence of embracing the ministerial office, neither preaches the Gospel, nor is sent of God. If he did the work of an evangelist, wicked men and demons would both oppose him.

b. There’s an old saying: As goes the pulpit, so goes the pew; as goes the pew so goes the nation. What Finney said is still true...

Charles Finney

“Until the church is sanctified, the world cannot be converted. Until Christians can testify with lives as well as their lips, it cannot be expected that the truth will take effect.”

2. The gays are out of the closet; the communists are out of the closet; it's time for the Christians to come out of the closet.

Mario Murillo

“The ideas and values that created America are under heavy attack. It is not a physical war. This is in the spirit world. Demonic engines drive this agenda. That makes carnal churches special villains in the eyes of God.”

3. Carnal churches will be closing; but the true church will prevail!

Psalm 94:16

Who will rise up for me against the wicked? Who will take a stand for me against the evildoers?

a. The atheistic socialists blame the church for our trouble.

Bill Maher

“Religion-inspired nuclear terrorism will destroy the human race. Religion must die in order for mankind to live.”

b. This is what evil King Ahab said to the God's prophet....

1 Kings 18:17-18 ESV

When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Is it you, you troubler of Israel?" And he answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the Lord and followed the Baals.

4. A few years ago, a Russian defector escaped the oppression of the atheistic socialism only to arrive in America and discover how little Americans knew about appreciating their freedom.

Igor Gouzenko

“There is a defect in your culture when your own people can grow up in your midst without getting an appreciation of the difference between freedom and

slavery, between idealism and atheism, between faith and doubt, or between order and chaos.”

5. When we don't appreciate our freedom, idealism, faith and order, we stand on the brink of slavery, idealism, doubt and chaos.

6. America has come to the place of England when Hitler's national socialism threatened to take over the world and extinguish Christianity.

Winston Churchill

“I expect that the Battle of Britain is about to begin and upon this battle depends the survival of Christian civilization.”

WILL WE RISE UP TO THE CHALLENGE?

Closing Prayer