Is Socialism/Communism "Christian"? Part 2





In 2020 called himself a "BMW Bolshevik"

Now calls himself a "Democratic Socialist"

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Once Lenin and his Bolsheviks took over, they began a reign of terror removing all adversaries and executing as many as 1.3 million Russians.



Stalin and his communist thugs launched into a horrific purge where as many as 6 million Russians were executed out right, while another approx. 50 million died in forced labor camps, from "deportations," forced famines, and massacres.









Brooklyn Councilwoman Inna Vernikov, a native of former Soviet-controlled Ukraine:

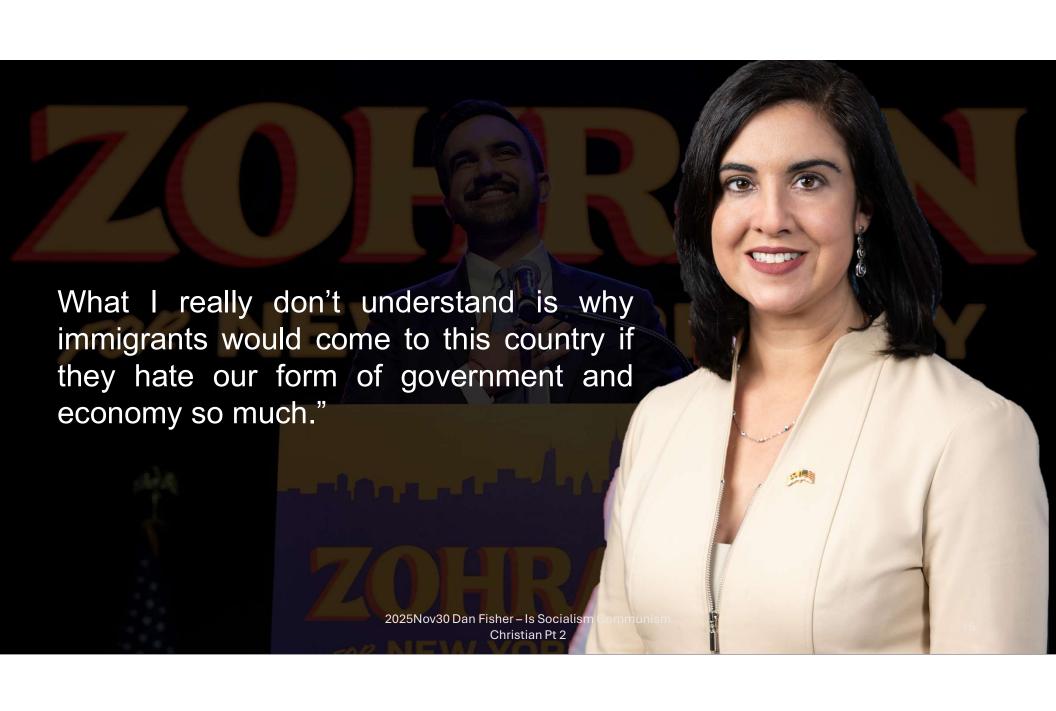
"This is exactly why Zohran's whole song and dance about 'Democratic socialism' somehow being different from communism is pure deception, ... Those of us who grew up under communism know this all too well. Our home countries were destroyed by ideas that came dressed in pleasant, persuasive packaging."

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"Of all his left-wing rhetoric, this is the scariest thing Mamdani has said and it's straight out of Karl Marx's Communist playbook, ... My mother fled a country that 'seized the means of production' and now my relatives have no medicine, no property and rationed rice and beans in Cuba. Venezuela also 'seized its means of production' and a quarter of its population fled and those who remain are living in poverty and misery.

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Scripture is sufficient for all things

Spiritual things are preeminent

Many believers do not have a biblical worldview

Many suffer from a form of "spiritual schizophrenia"



Sacred Box

- Family
- Career
- Hobbies
- Politics

Secular Box

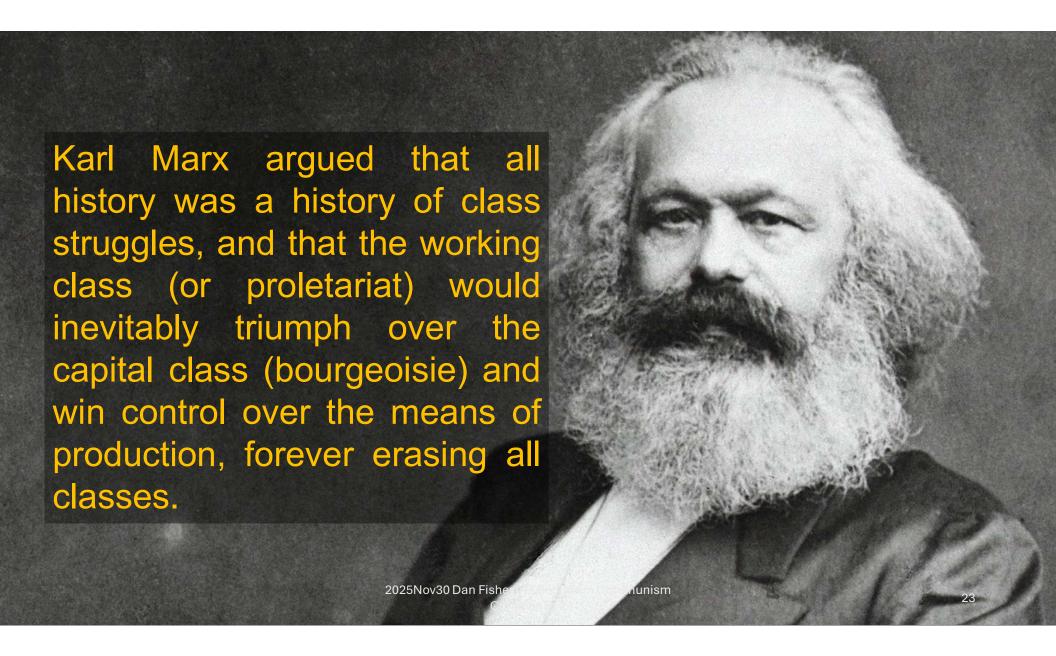
1. What are Socialism and Communism?

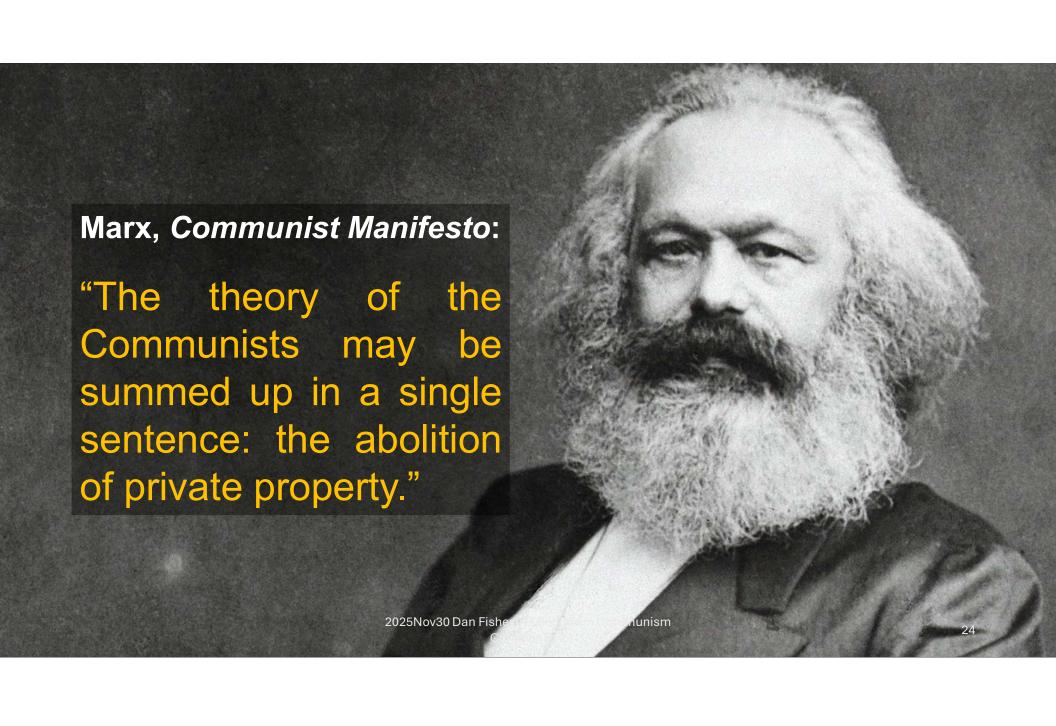
Socialism: an economic and political system where the community (government), rather than individuals, owns and manages property and the means of production. Its core principle is that social ownership will lead to better distribution of wealth and a more egalitarian society, and it is typically characterized by state control – in direct opposition to Capitalism which is based on private ownership.

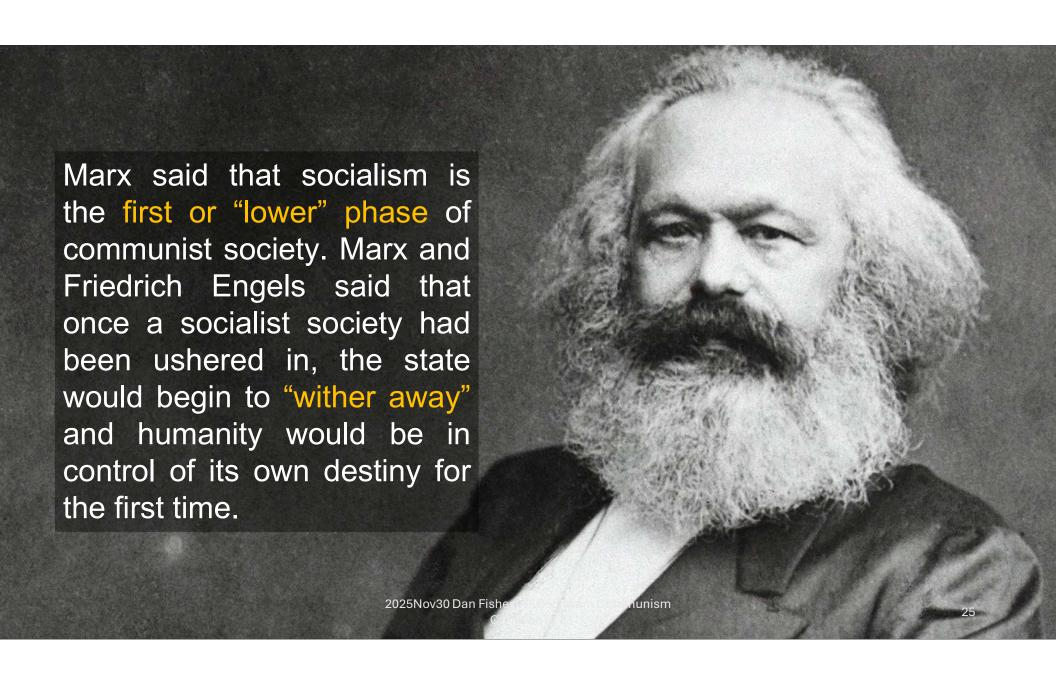
Communism: an economic and political system that seeks to establish a classless society by abolishing all private property ownership, where all property is communally (governmentally) owned, and where the state controls the means of production. Its practice in the 20th century produced single-party dictatorships that suppressed individual freedoms and repressed political opposition.

(Communism is sometimes referred to as revolutionary socialism.)

Mamdani's Democratic Socialism lands somewhere between social democracy and communism. Like communists, democratic socialists believe workers should control the bulk of the means of production and not be subjected to the will of the free market and capitalism. In contrast, they believe their vision of socialism must be achieved through democratic processes rather than revolution.









2. Does Scripture teach Socialism, Communism, or Capitalism?

The difference between capitalism and communism is clear — one is based on scriptural truth and the other is not." Ralph Drollinger, Capitol Ministries



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Make no mistake – Capitalism is not perfect; it is simply the best economic/governmental alternative in a fallen world.

Both Scripture and history attest to the fact that government tends to always overreach its boundaries. (1 Sam 8:10–18)

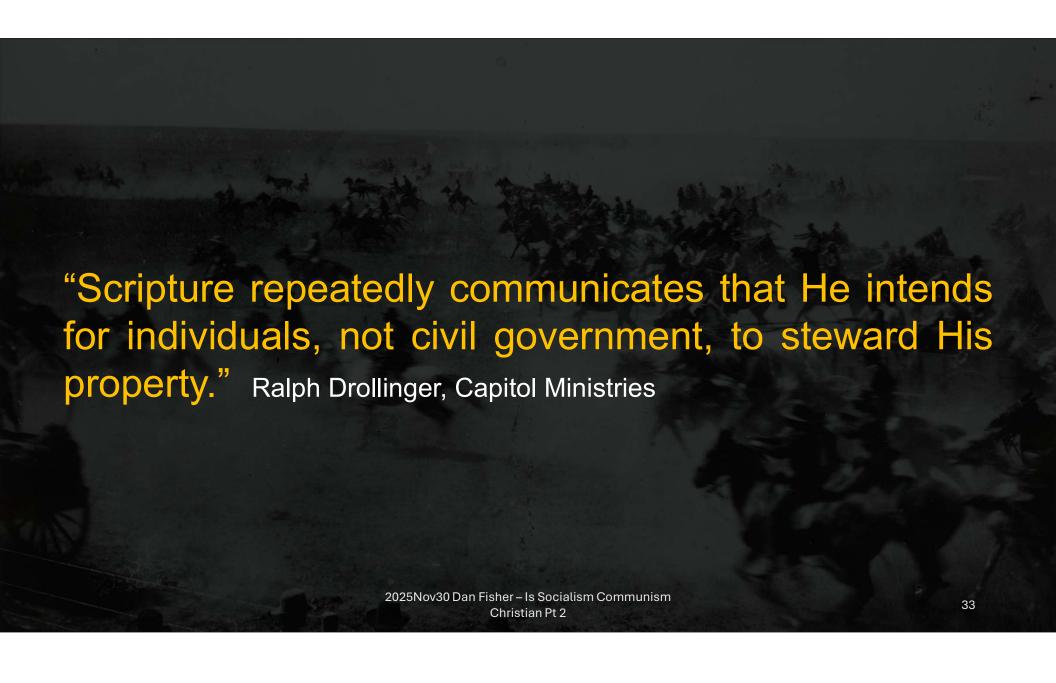
God owns everything

Deut 10:14 To the Lord your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.

Ps 24:1 The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

 God made man in His image and gave him stewardship over creation

Gen 1:26,28 Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." ... ²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."



Scripture teaches private property ownership

The Eighth Commandment: "You shall not steal." (Ex 20:15)

(presupposes that people own something that can be stolen)

The Tenth Commandment: "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor." (Ex 20:17)

"If, however, an ox was previously in the habit of goring and its owner has been warned, ..." (Ex 21:29)

"You shall not move your neighbor's boundary mark, which the ancestors have set." (Deut 19:14)

"Do not move the ancient boundary or go into the fields of the fatherless." (Prov 23:10)

"You shall thus consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim a release through the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you, and each of you shall return to his own property, and each of you shall return to his family." (Lev 25:10)

Jesus' parables and teachings:

- The parable of the talents
- The story of the Rich Young Ruler
- The parable of a man, his vineyard, his employees, & his right to expect a fair day's work for a fair day's labor
- Joseph of Arimathea's ownership of a new tomb

The apostles and the early church

In Acts 5:4, Peter asks Ananias about his property and asked, "Didn't it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal?"

In Rom 16:5 & Col 4:15, Paul addresses churches that meeting in believers' own houses.

Peru is a good example of how the violation of private property principles entraps a nation in poverty.

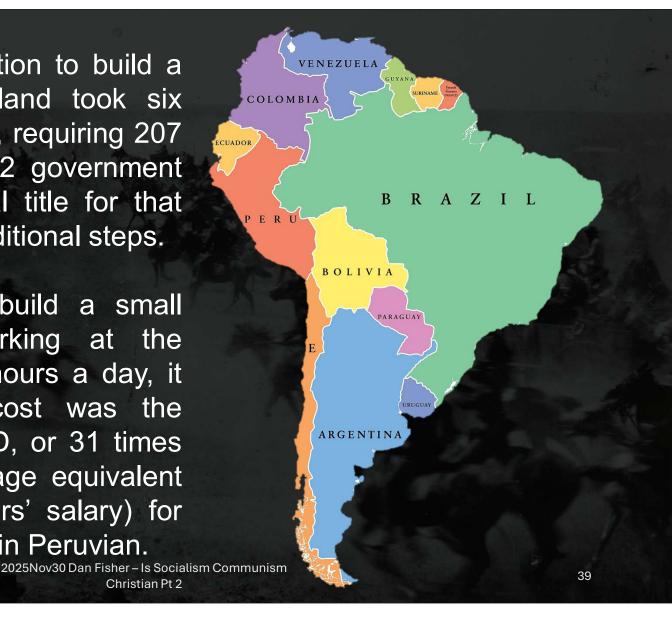
(Peru is what some call a CINO country – "Capitalist In Name Only")



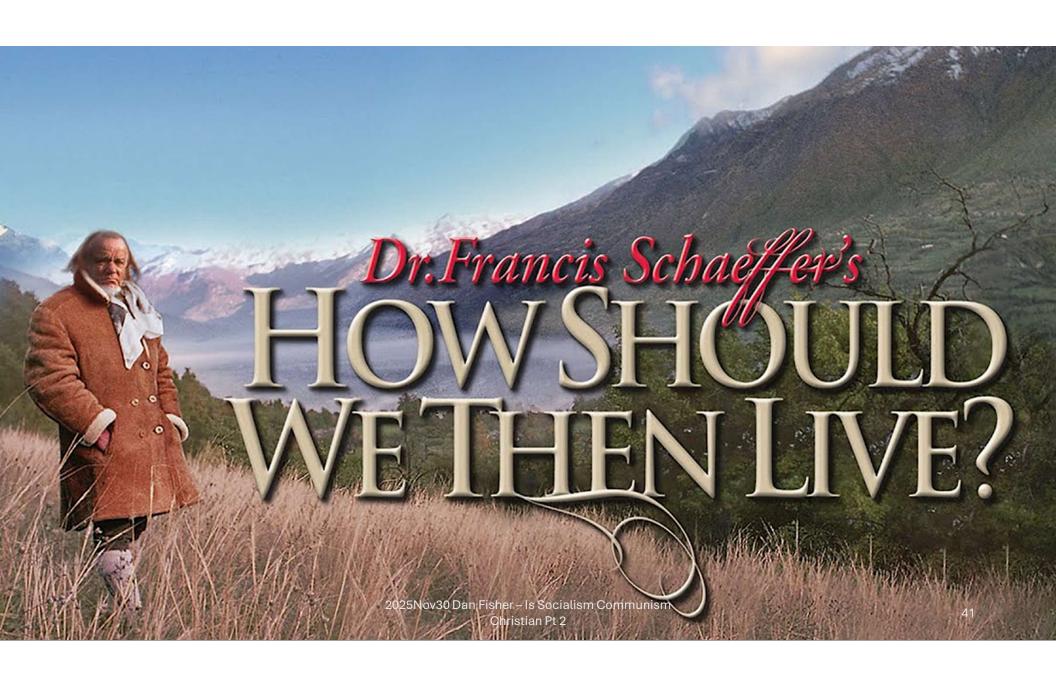
To obtain legal authorization to build a house on state-owned land took six years and eleven months, requiring 207 administrative steps in 52 government offices. To obtain a legal title for that piece of land took 728 additional steps.

To obtain a permit to build a small garment workshop, working at the registration process six hours a day, it took 289 days! The cost was the equivalent of \$1,231 USD, or 31 times the monthly minimum wage equivalent (approximately three years' salary) for the ordinary person living in Peruvian.

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- We should now better understand the facts about Socialism/Communism and why they matter.
- We should better understand the biblical perspective on private property ownership.
- We should be motivated to make certain our form of government defends/protects biblical economics and governance.