

**News and Current Events :: Denmark rushes through emergency coronavirus law**

**Denmark rushes through emergency coronavirus law - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2020/4/29 7:32**

Denmark's parliament on Thursday night unanimously passed an emergency coronavirus law which gives health authorities powers to force testing, treatment and quarantine with the backing of the police. The far-reaching new law will remain in force until March 2021, when it will expire under a sunset clause.

"I was touched when I saw the whole Parliament standing up and voting for this," Health Minister Magnus Heunicke told Danish state broadcaster DR after the law passed.

"It is time to put aside party politics and be together to do what it takes to bring Denmark safely through this situation."

Jens Elo Rytter, law professor at Copenhagen University, said the measures were unlike anything passed in the last 75 years. "It is certainly the most extreme since the Second World War," he told the Jyllands-Posten newspaper. "There have been some powerful encroachments in various terror packages. But this goes further."

Trine Maria Ilsøe, DR's court correspondent, said that Danish citizens could face prosecution under the new law if they refused to comply with health authorities' demands. "It means that you could be sentenced to a punishment if you, for example, refuse to allow yourself to be tested for coronavirus," she said.

The Ministry of Health will now work with the Ministry of Justice on the details of how the police will work with health officials to enforce their demands.

As well as enforcing quarantine measures, the law also allows the authorities to force people to be vaccinated, even though there is currently no vaccination for the virus.

It also empowers them to prohibit access to public institutions, supermarkets and shops, public and private nursing homes and hospitals, and also to impose restrictions on access to public transport.

Initially, the government wanted the law to give the police the right to enter private homes without a court order if there is a suspicion of coronavirus infection. But this was dropped after opposition from parties in the parliament.

The parliamentary session was itself affected by the pandemic, with only 95 out of 179 MPs present for the vote, efforts made to ensure that MPs kept a safe distance from one another, and MPs voting by standing up.

from: <https://www.thelocal.dk/20200313/denmark-passes-far-reaching-emergency-coronavirus-law>

**Re: Denmark rushes through emergency coronavirus law - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2020/4/29 7:37**

Saints,

What are your thoughts about this and if a world-wide forced vaccine happens? Also there is talk with the vaccine's to have a digital ID tattoo given to track people who have received it and people who have not yet, giving everyone a digital signature in the world.

I believe this is dangerously close to what the Bible calls the mark of the beast and I am not just weary of this but feel it is a step of delusion to partake in it. May God give wisdom by His very Holy Spirit to all believers in these dark days.

It is a time to share the gospel loud and clear with everyone we can.

**Re: - posted by wildhorse86, on: 2020/4/29 7:59**

While I don't think it's the mark of the beast, it certainly dangerous. I can see this being used for control and blackmail though.

**Re: brother Greg - posted by JFW (), on: 2020/4/29 9:01**

Yes it is extremely saddening tho not entirely surprising to hear about Denmark's answer to this situation considering their size and governmental model.

It is disheartening tho considering their faith and like you it is a great concern that there are more nefarious intentions at work from the shadows much like in other places.

If it is the enemy, he will use misdirection and disinformation to preoccupy and distract all while flooding the scene with counterfeits so as to make the real less distinguishable and thereby deceive people into obeying him.

Even in the medical community there have been a concert of warnings about rushing to vaccinate and the inherent dangers of it.

For me, the best thing in the information you provided is that "there isn't a vaccine yet" so that means we still have time to pray and intercede and hopefully the Lord's voice will be sought and heard by Danish leadership. •»

**Re: - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2020/4/29 15:31**

I realize my argument is 'slippery slope' and as such is a fallacy of logic.

So, just to speculate.

When a virus like Covid is so irrationally feared, then fought against, then without question...and silencing any opposition (you tuber doctors) it begs the question...?

"if we go this hysterical over this mild of a flu...who's to stop the authorities when another one (whether it be manufactured as a weapon or introduced as some virulent strain) decide we need to really bridle and shut everything down because we say this one is really bad"...The "WE" being some vague group that the main stream media has gotten behind.

Now, we can see...but I doubt it, if anyone wants to harm us, all they need to do is get the MSM on line, demand draconian measures to shut it down...and here's the real clincher...demand absolute cooperation from its citizenry on penalty of jail, fines imprisonment.

All one would need to do is create a scare, get the MSM to back you and waaalaaaa you can get the government to override all freedoms in the name of 'caring for your neighbor'.

**Re:Ha! - posted by JFW (), on: 2020/4/29 15:48**

Brother Marvin,

It is an interesting circumstance and I tend to find agreement with your perspective and from the looks of it there are two "plans" with one side never wasting a good crisis and seeking to extend the response (quarantines, economic shutdowns, etc) utilizing them to gain legislative traction for ideas that would otherwise not be popular all while the other side seeks to more firmly establish the rule of law and to have those laws reflect a more traditional (conservative) worldview.

This amounts to a war of ideologies...

And as you point out, what happens when MSM begins to put their rather fat finger on the scales tipping it to one side is not only criminal it's evil -

It's interesting that the founding fathers, tho they were certainly aware of plagues and pandemics, didn't see it as an excuse to suspend the endowments of the constitution. It's not like they said, "We hold these truths to be self evident, unless all of people get the flu at the same time then all the power vested in the constitution is suspended until the ruling class deems that it's safe to have freedom again". Freedom never was nor ever will be "safe" anymore than it was free-

**Re: - posted by deogloria, on: 2020/4/29 18:37**

There are no easy answers here.

My understanding is that we are not just dealing with "a virus like Covid..."

Michael Snyder writes in his Blog that "there are 30 different strains of the virus." From what I understand, some of the strains can be deadly, but we also heard from Oracio that someone can simply have "some symptoms" and be told to have the CV and then panic.

Michael Snyder also reasons that because there are so many strains "the task of trying to develop one (a vaccine) for COVID-19 has become exceedingly more difficult..."

The politicians probably don't know that, they are mainly interested to keep their jobs, and their voters.

When forced vaccines are coming we need all the wisdom from above.

"your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; (1 Corinthians 6:19)

I hope we don't discuss the Mark of the Beast in this thread, I think it is already complicated enough.

"May God give wisdom by His very Holy Spirit..."Amen

**Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2020/4/29 20:04**

Saints,

Watch the short videos on this page. this over-reaction has led to world-wide forced vaccine coming: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/apr/24/us-stays-away-as-world-leaders-agree-action-on-covid-19-vaccine>

May God give us all wisdom and be led of the Holy Spirit. Be in prayer these days, serious things will be taking place soon.

**Re: - posted by passerby, on: 2020/4/29 21:24**

In summary, censorship, disinformation (deception), and control (fascism). We know there is only one way for survival, our Lord Jesus.

At this point, what bothers me is, if our integrity as Christians necessitates militancy as we try to preserve our rights or rights of others, or should we take it passively in faith, at least for sometime, as this turning point in history is still unfolding, though in a very forceful and sweeping cascade of events.

**Re: - posted by staff, on: 2020/4/29 22:45**

Hi,

Just a few comments on this particularly in relation to the "mark of the beast"

1: The mark of the beast causes man not to have the ability to be saved

2: A micro chip cannot do this

3: A micro chip could be injected into a person by mistake or deception and if a micro chip or any other chip were the mark of the beast then a person could not have the ability to be saved by no fault of their own

4 The mark of the beast is voluntary and causes man not to have the ability to be saved.

5 The mark of the beast is voluntary and is a deliberate siding with the Anti Christ. The Anti Christ has not appeared yet

6 The mark of the beast has to have a spiritual demerit to it that we do not know of yet that stops a man having the ability to be saved.

I am not saying if a government forces you to take a vaccine with or without a microchip that you should, in fact I think you should not because it is clearly wrong but what I am saying is that this is not the mark of the beast as it is not voluntary and there is no antichrist yet. This may however be a softening up process and opportunism on behalf of so called liberal politics, staff

p.s I have to add this. I have understood from scripture for a long time that "Elijah comes before the great and terrible day of the Lord" and just as the Lord comes twice so Elijah comes twice and in both cases he prepares God's chosen for the Lord's appearance. I have written extensively on SI about what I believe the Lord has shown me in scripture regarding this.

**Re: - posted by staff, on: 2020/4/29 22:56**

Hi Brothers and Sisters,

Just a follow up Look and See what the qualifications are A: You have to Worship the beast And Receive its mark either on forehead or hand .

Revelation 14:9-11 New International Version (NIV)

9 A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: "If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives its mark on their forehead or on their hand, 10 they, too, will drink the wine of God's fury, which has been poured full strength into the cup of his wrath.

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9 Then another angel, a third one, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,

**Re: Guardian video- article - posted by JFW (), on: 2020/4/29 23:35**

Yes this is exactly what I have been saying- there is a ideological war currently being fought and (IMO) it is only the physical manifestation of the spiritual battle that's being fought.

Thank the Lord that our President isn't buying into their scheme. ðŸ™•ðŸŒ•»

There is no middle ground, no place where the two share a common objective as the two world views are not only diametrically opposed but the very definition of the terms utilized by both parties to express their objectives have completely different definitions making a reasonable discussion impossible as the very value systems founding the two parties are incompatible.

What one side sees as good, profitable and virtuous is seen by the opposing side as criminal, immoral and evil.

For example, those whom seek to perpetuate an ideology resulting in demoralization see their efforts and objectives as good, virtuous and necessary to achieve "peace" as they define it. Whereas those whom seek to establish rectitude, view the demoralizing as a cancerous, corrosive agent.

The primary difference in the objectives is one seeks to gain power, while the other seeks to give it....

The forced vaccines are gonna be far more acceptable when "phase II" begins to be realized which will (in part) be a food shortage followed by rationing of resources due to the current lapse in market productivity creating a "gap" in the supply chain beginning in approx 3-5 months -

Obviously some countries will be affected more than others regarding certain resources. But this "gap" is by design and will be fully exploited to leverage nations into compliance with the vaccinations, chips, immunization passports, stopping dissidence... this has all been planned for quite some time and can be easily sourced with a lil initiative. These operations are being carried out both inside and outside governmental departments with infiltrated agencies and departments acting in concert with NGOs to bring about the objective. While the objectives are somewhat fixed, the means are fluid and adaptable... opportunistic in their approach on multiple platforms and outlets simultaneously, mimicking organic systemic growth so as to remain just outside the sphere of focus for the vast majority of people groups,... that is until now :)

Here are a couple of links for those whom enjoy research-

<http://www.nommeraadio.ee/meedia/pdf/RRS/Rockefeller%20Foundation.pdf>

<https://2009-2017.state.gov/documents/organization/119629.pdf>

The first is NGO (Non governmental organization)

The second is found to have infiltrated our government operations from within.

I know I keep sayin this but for those who have ears,... Armor up and begin to do battle in prayer -

As Leonard Ravenhill said- either America begins to concentrate in prayer or she will be praying in concentration camps

! He wasn't joking btw

**Re: My stand on medicines and vaccines and human rights - posted by Sree (), on: 2020/4/30 10:24**

At least Denmark has this rule, India has no such law but anyone can be forced to treatment. There are cases in India where a person is forcefully taken to hospital for Covid19 treatment, later announced that the person is dead and not even showing their body! Having come from such a culture of human rights violation, these new laws do not surprise me!

But to people here in SI who are mostly exposed to only Western world, there is so much to panic because of these rights of yours are now taken out! As a Christian we should always be willing to give up our rights without protesting. Standing and fighting for rights is to fight with flesh and blood which will turn our attention from real spiritual battle. I was recently reading in Acts how Peter was chained to 2 prison guards and was constantly being watched by 2 other guards at the door. Even in this circumstance, Peter was found happily sleeping when the Angel appeared to him. How will we stand before such saints, if we are panicking for this Pandemic and social distancing. I am referring to the threat that called social distancing and shelter in place as violation of American freedom! Shame on Christians with such views.

I believe medicines and vaccines are God given provision for healing. It is stupidity to reject these things in the name of divine healing. It can be compared to jumping from the temple ignoring the stairs! Jesus did not test God like that. So we too should not put God to test by ignoring the medicine in hand in the name of faith!

I am also aware of some who look deep into how vaccines are made and take decisions. I have done my research as well and nothing concrete to support their claims that such Christians make about vaccines. My stand here is, based on what Paul advised, eat what is available in meat market without asking questions (1 Cor 10:15). Unless it is openly announced that aborted babies are used to create vaccines, there is no need for a Christian to ignore them by looking deep into hidden things. This is same as how some Christians in Corinth looked into meat market and found out that the meats are sacrificed to idols. Paul's call is simple, do not look deep but eat by faith without questioning. The same thing is applicable here to vaccines as well.

**Re: - posted by havok20x, on: 2020/4/30 11:46**

I have another theory about this entire crisis:

COVID-19 is a test run by the enemy. Satan nor his forces are omniscient. They do not possess that attribute of God in even a small degree. I think it is entirely possible that they are strategizing, playing scenarios, as would a military commander when designing war games. They know their time is short. They are coordinating their forces and running tests to see how effective their communication and control over events on the earth are. This might sound far-fetched, but how else do you explain the fear, the propaganda, the coordination of so many world leaders who didn't council with one another, yet are doing the same things. There are forces outside of themselves controlling them.

At the same time, I believe that God is sovereign over these things. This also serves as a warning. Think of how many churches on earth were shut down for this. I am living in Louisiana right now and the government barely had to breathe a word about a shutdown and almost all the churches in this state caved and quit meeting. Even my church, which I was sure would not do that was one of the first! I was so angry when all this happened, I didn't know what to do. However, I think I have gained a measure of wisdom in all of this.

**Re: - posted by staff, on: 2020/4/30 12:41**

Hi

A friend who is a pastor said he was praying on his own in the Church due to the lockdown and he felt while praying that it was a "warning" and I didn't get to talk more about it with him, staff

**Re: - posted by Sree (), on: 2020/4/30 13:05**

I am not sure why Churches are not using online to meet with believers. We use Zoom. One reason I think the main motivation of most pastors are to collect money, since they cannot pass offering bucket via online meeting they do not encourage it!

We have online Zoom meeting where all can get a chance to prophesy and see each other. It is a blessed meeting.

**Re: brother Sree - posted by JFW (), on: 2020/4/30 14:53**

It's understandable that each nation has unique challenges in navigating this situation, even if they were each being individually directed by Holy Spirit it would still be reasonable that their instruction would vary based on needs relating to resources.

Having said that you've touched on a number of themes and it may help you to have more local information with which to understand the actions of those about whom you are speaking-

Firstly most every/any church in America that has an online presence also has an online portal to receive tithes so, at least in America, monies can certainly be given without being physically present.

Also at least partly the reason some Americans are skeptical about using ZOOM is the degree of illegal data mining of the users and the subsequent unauthorized and illegal sharing of said information with large private entities as well as foreign governments- as being reported in the news here- which has been confirmed by congressional members bringing this up publicly as well as lawsuits being filed to stop it.

Regarding vaccines, there is a wealth of data confirming and supporting, at the least a healthy skepticism if not a plea for exemptions. Again this can be easily sourced and vetted for authenticity and credibility. In fact certain meetings regarding the toxicity and morbidity of certain vaccines took place off campus of the CDC in an attempt to keep the discussions of the reports off the record and out of reach of public view.

As far as Americans and their rights... it may be beneficial for us to consider that in spite of all her misgivings, and there are many, America (church and state) has served to spread the gospel to more places than any other nation or combination of nations. While this doesn't excuse her sins it would also be true that the Lord can and has still used the freedoms afforded by the constitution to be a blessing to the nations.

Please understand these statements are not being made in a spirit of contention nor as a defense,... simply to inform that there are other perspectives that are based on different information and experience. Which is to say that I am not attempting to argue with you dear brother:)

**Re: Who wants a patriot? - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2020/4/30 15:30**

I realize to many the US Constitution has no more importance to them than cereal box ingredients.

To others like myself. I will happily hazard being thought un-spiritual, unholy, un-anything-you-want.

But I won't let myself think of myself as an un-thankful slob who thinks God's blessing and creation of this nation was merely the gathering of some old white rich slave owner guys who should be imprisoned for not being WOKE in the 18th century.

If you live in a country that's still pagan without the slightest hint of Christian laws and freedoms, I can see why fighting for that is of no interest.

But that's not the case with the old USA. We didn't start off pagan, we didn't start off homosexual-friendly, we didn't start off baby-murdering, we didn't start off hating all things Christian because it hinders un-impeded hedonism.

So, have done some reading on what why and how this nation got going. It didn't happen by accident, nor because some useless atheist ideology held the minds and hearts of our leaders, it was because Christianity was deeper than what it is now. Deeper in how to enforce and make laws, deeper in how to love and deal with your neighbor, this and much more.

My point is this nation is worth defending, worth loving, worth caring about and surely in my opinion worth preserving. Preserving a nation that offers freedoms where even wicked things can occur because of such freedoms.

I don't care if you find yourself extremely superior to me in all type of spiritual fruit bearing. Thank God for it.

Some of us died on the front lines, some in trenches, some on boats or planes, but in the end died for something greater than their own opinion of their spiritual level.



I don't think is bad to vote for the socialist democrats I think its a shame, a betrayal of everything Christianity stands for. I don't think is bad to 'just let God' and go your passive way, I think its cowardice in your heart.

As long as a Christian is not a patriot, as long as he is a quiet high thinker of himself because he makes no waves, make s no one angry or takes no sacrificial stand the applause from the cowards will continue to sound in his ears.

Re: - posted by Sree (), on: 2020/4/30 15:43

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Brother, what I have explained here is my perspective of things. I give freedom for everyone to have their own perspective and faith. You did nothing wrong in explaining your understanding.

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As a person who has lived 1/3 of his life in USA and still living, I appreciate the freedom here in America. I thank God for providing it. I have nothing against it. But I feel American Christianity is spoiled by this freedom to an extent that even a request for social distancing is seen as against this freedom. While we have all rights to enjoy freedom when given, we should not get addicted to it. I feel Western Christianity has addiction to this freedom which was God's mercy.

Only Freedom that we can expect from Government is freedom to worship our God (1 Tim 2:2). Any other freedom that we get is a bonus, we cannot demand it nor fight for it, but gladly accept when we are stripped of it.

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I agree there are lot of data available, enough to confuse an average mind! But my sand is to take 1 Cor 10:25 literal and follow it. We have an option to deny vaccine as long as it is kept optional, but if forced, then just take it. Our Lord promised us that even deadly poison will not kill us, how much more can a vaccine do? Again I see the same Western spoiled mentality of fighting for rights!

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Regarding Zoom, as an IT guy, I understand the risk better. Even using any Google feature is risky. Google maps track s where all you are going and they are free to do anything with this data.

Here again I see the same principle of being spoiled by American freedom! As a Christian we should live a life of open book. Jesus lived a 'come and see' life. He had nothing to hide and was willing to welcome disciples to his home even late night. If we are living such a life then why should we worry about privacy and data being stolen? What can maximum happen, you might lose your bank balance, so what? Don't we have an everlasting account in heaven?

The Churches in USA are so rich to develop their own online meeting site. It does not take that much money. There are other options like Zoom which are much expensive and secured.

**Re: brother Sree - posted by JFW (), on: 2020/4/30 16:56**

Ok then by your perspective regarding 'forced vaccines' that we should 'just take it' if it is no longer an option to opt out... would then you also hold that Joseph and Mary should've 'just taken it' when Herod decreed all male babies be killed, effectively allowing Jesus and all that was contained within Him be destroyed because of an overreaching government official?

Or the same with Moses... should she have not 'broken the law' and put him to flight in a basket hoping that by God's grace a way would be made?

Or in other instances where officials sought to lay hands on Jesus or Paul but they fled, effectively escaping capture of the enforcers of the law, should they have 'just taken it' as God's sovereign will?

And as far as 'spoiled Americans' goes... you are right! There are literally millions of entitled, indulgent, self-serving 'spoiled Americans' yet and still there were a few who were brave, courageous, selfless, self-sacrificing, who gave their lives and the lives of their children believing in something greater than themselves, namely freedom- all knowing full well that the very freedom for which they were being sacrificed, would by many be used to further indulge their selfishness though they, like Jesus, did it anyway ðŸ™•»

So while you will get no quarrel with me for referring to the 'spoiled Americans' it would be an unfair characterization not to also mention the selfless ones who have everything believing God would honor their sacrifice of faith,... cause He did ðŸŹ†

Honestly one would have a very difficult time convincing me that Jesus, Peter, Paul, James etc... would be in agreement that they should cease church fellowship and social distance because it was suggested or ordered by a health care agency or government official.

The enemy will always find a way to convince us we aren't supposed to be meeting together,... whether by creed, law, medical advisories or social responsibility- but remember he's a liar ;)

**Re: - posted by Sree (), on: 2020/4/30 17:37**

Brother Fletcher, I am really enjoying this conversation, we both are enjoying the great freedom this country offers, but we both come and see things from different perspective. Again I highly appreciate your view point.

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Ok then by your perspective regarding 'forced vaccines' that we should 'just take it' if it is no longer an option to opt out...

Yes, just take it without questioning the hidden things about vaccines. No medicine is 100% fool proof. Everything is based on statistics, if a vaccine has statistically higher degree of benefits over side effects then it is approved.

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I do not believe we are comparing apples to apples here. Government is not asking us to kill our children by giving vac



nes. It is just the suspicion of few based on some conspiracy theories. Vaccines are not poisons, it is given for all children. I believe when forced by law, a law abiding Christian should accept and take it without questioning. All my Children were given their vaccines on time, but my fellow brother in church has not given vaccines to any of his 8 children. I still respect his faith and the freedom he has to choose.

I recently read an article that called vegetarian diet as unhealthy for human body. We all know the studies done on meat consumption and its side effects. Now if Vegetarian diet is also harmful then do we sit hungry? If we go behind every study and conspiracy theories floating around then we cannot live without anxiety.

I believe as Christians we have a moral responsibility to take vaccines and join with rest of the human race in eradicating diseases. Vaccines have successfully eradicated many dangerous diseases, Polio for example.

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I do not believe you still understood my point here. I am very thankful for the freedom that USA stands for. I also believe that it is Biblical to have such freedom. I have nothing against the founding fathers who gave up their life to buy this freedom. I do not call them spoiled Americans.

But I call the Christians in America of this generation as Spoiled Americans. They take this freedom for granted and fight to keep it alive. This I believe is fighting with flesh and blood which is taking their attention away from real spiritual battle. That is why Divorce is high among Christians in USA, most of them have not raised their Children as believers, it is all because of their so called Patriotic fight for freedom attitude. What is the use for fighting for an earthly freedom when one has lost his family and children to Satan and his kingdom?

Only Freedom that a Christian should seek is freedom to worship his God in peace (1 Tim 2:2), everything else is bonus. If USA takes our freedom to do certain things in our own way then may it be. We should not fight for it.

Jesus called the man who wanted to rightfully fight for his own inheritance as greedy (Luke 12). How much more are Americans Greedy to fight for their freedom today.

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I absolutely believe Jesus would have adhered to the social distancing because that is commonsense. Jesus lived by commonsense. He did not walk openly in Judea because the Jews were seeking to kill him. He stayed away from the feast because of death threats. But only when his father asked him to go, he went. Else he lived by commonsense. He did not go to Judea and fight saying it is my freedom to teach, you should not kill me!

It is commonsense to follow social distancing. Just like it is commonsense that prevented Jesus from jumping from temple when Satan tempted him.

The Jesus I know told that his kingdom is not of the world, so he will not fight for any earthly freedom!

**Re: - posted by havok20x, on: 2020/4/30 21:05**

Sree,

I would like to humbly suggest to you that we are not "spoiled" by the freedom we have. If that were the case, why would everyone be so willing to give it away? I DO think America is spoiled by wealth. I think they are spoiled by success. I think they are spoiled with laws that don't have harsh consequence. But freedom? Brother, I would suggest to you that we'll have freedom that far surpasses this in heaven, and in no way will we be spoiled.

You know what corrupts this freedom? Sin. Sin corrupts it. It is also temporary, because I know for certain nothing in this world will last. It will all melt away in fervent heat.

So here is how I suggest we approach this: America has freedoms that other countries don't. We should be using these freedoms for the advancement of the Gospel while we have them. Take every advantage of what we have for the growth and expansion of the kingdom. Countries like India, where there is a horrendous class system should take advantage of what little freedoms they have and spread the Gospel. They should do what Scripture says, regardless of the consequences to them. They should fight for the innocent, protect the weak, and honor the Lord by advancing the Kingdom. There is no need to think that the Lord is anymore angry at America for its freedoms than for other countries for their lack thereof. No need to argue about who is better. It's different. That's all. Just different. You see in Acts Paul having to navigate all this sort of stuff. Follow his example. He used what laws there were to his advantage--like revealing his Roman citizenship to keep from getting scourged.

As far as being forced to take vaccines. I'm not doing it. There is only one shepherd who can herd me around and that's Jesus. I answer to him alone. I will obey the government in all their laws, but they don't own my body. Forced vaccines, forced abortions (China), forced family separation (communist countries), forced education (Europe & communist countries), forced sex (Muslim countries), forced bible confiscations, forced meeting cancellations (everywhere), etc. Christians ought to refuse these things, especially when it is a violation of the Temple of the Holy Spirit. I think forcing me to take a vaccine is sinister, especially since MANY vaccines are made from cells gathered from aborted children. It's NOT a good thing. It is evil. I will not take them.

**Re: brother Sree - posted by JFW (), on: 2020/4/30 21:45**

As usual you have well thought out positions and conclusions and that is a reflection of the honor with which you express your views - as a brother in Christ it is a pleasure to converse with you on most any subject :)

It never fails to amaze me how fellow believers can consistently come to such a variety of conclusions from the same scriptures when applied to our life experiences and personally I view it as a strength-

An example is our different perspectives on Christ Jesus and His responses to the conditions He faced as we navigate our walk of faith -

An example of this contrast in scriptures can be found in comparing Daniel and David. Both were devoted to the Lord yet they lived out their faith in completely different ways, with (from my perspective) Daniel being the epitome of reasonableness and discipline whereas David was a bit more "untamed" - an example of this contrast - Daniel would not even drink a toast in the King's court at his own promotion which was somewhat disrespectful to the King and we find David eating the showbread and dancing naked publicly as the ark was brought back to Jerusalem,... a thing I can honestly not even imagine in any circumstance seeing a character such as Daniel doing... and yet the Lord loved, blessed and used both mightily!

The diversity is at times astounding when comparing the different biblical characters-

In saying that, though we see it differently, even using the same passages of scripture to draw out our points, they aren't incompatible,... just different and that is the basis of striving for unity that the apostle Paul so often encourages in his appeals to see strength and opportunity in our diversity:)

Neither of us will be likely to change the others mind on any of this so to press further would indeed be striving in the flesh and nothing godly will come from that- so tho we may not agree we still have a deeper bond that unites us, namely our common faith and that (to me) is more important than a difference of opinion in earthly matters ðŸ˜†

Blessings to you and may your faith continue to grow and glorify Christ!

Re: - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2020/5/1 12:15

Havok: You made some great points and some good arguments.

Truth is...Indians...come to America because the freedoms here grant them ability to succeed.  
So it is with every other national that enters our borders.

getting out of poverty...if poverty were godly why would God's promise be a deliverance from it?  
If success were ungodly why would God promise to give it to us?

As you said so well, sin in men exploit the goodness of God's graces. Men in sin, think well to get rid of greed lets kill capitalism and opt for socialism.

Lets get rid freedoms and opt for government control

let get rid of success and opt for disappointing hardship and frustrations.

But no one in reality opts for any of these things, they opt for removal of freedoms because their own freedoms or agenda is hindered by "others" freedoms, in short they happily kill the baby in order to obtain their new bathwater. Then they find some argument in greed, freedoms, religious failures, individual errors and conclude the real answer is destroy freedom for others and find a way for their freedoms to rule others.

This is always the way of the dictator and cruel king, what's right is what he says is right. Marxism is alive and well, living in new clothes and with the MSM helping spread its influence to our ignorant and silly youth.