

Where Have All the Leaders Gone?

The world is getting wackier, wilder and weirder every day. Politicians don't have any solution to world problems, but grope as in the night, lost at sea, stumbling like a drunk down the street. Where have all the true leaders, men of courage and conviction, gone? What is the true solution to overwhelming and burgeoning world problems, perils and ominous lengthening shadows of imminent catastrophe?

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“Why do the nations rage and the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, ‘Let us break their bonds in pieces and cast away their cords from us’” (Psalm 2:1-3).

Mobs gather in violent anger in empty conspiracy. The rulers, kings of the earth take council together against the Eternal God of Creation and against his anointed Messiah and his people to take away power.

Coming – a New World System

According to a former adviser to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the upcoming Copenhagen conference on global warming is really “one world government.” Global warming’ to be used as “pretext” for vast political global changes. Says Jerome Corsi of *World Net Daily*:

“A former science adviser to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher says the real purpose of the UN Climate Change conference in Copenhagen on December 7-18 is to use global warming hype as a pretext to lay the foundation for a one-world government. ‘At the 2009 UN climate Change Conference in Copenhagen this December, weeks away, a treaty will be signed,’ Lord Christopher Monckton told a Minnesota Free Market Institute audience on Thursday at Bethel University in St. Paul.

“ ‘Your president will sign it. Most of the Third World countries will sign it. Most of the Third World countries will sign it, because they think they’re going to get money out of it. Most of the left-wing regimes from the European Union will rubber stamp it. Virtually nobody won’t sign it.’ He told the audience of some 700 attendees, ‘I read that treaty and what it says is this:

that a world government is going to be created. The word “government” actually appears as the first of three purposes of the new entity.’

“ ‘The second purpose is the transfer of wealth from the countries of the West to Third World countries, in satisfaction of what is called, coyly, “climate debt” —because we’ve been burning CO2 and they haven’t. We’ve been screwing up the climate and they haven’t. The third purpose of this new entity, this government is enforcement.’

“In an hour and a half lecture illustrated by slides featuring scientific data on a wide range of climate issues, Monckton refuted claims made by former Vice-President Al Gore in his movie and book entitled ‘An Inconvenient Truth,’ as well as scientific arguments made by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Monckton argued that President Obama will sign the Copenhagen treaty at the December meeting, without seeking a two-third ratification of the treaty by the Senate, or any other type of congressional approval. ‘So, thank you America. You were the beacon of freedom to the world. It is a privilege to stand on this soil of freedom while it is still free,’ he concluded. ‘but, in the next few weeks, unless you stop it, your president will sign our freedom, our democracy, and our humanity away forever.

“ ‘But I think it is here, here in your great nation, which I so love and I so admire –it is here that perhaps, at this eleventh hour, at the fifty-ninth second, you will rise up and you will stop your president from signing that dreadful treaty, that purposeless treaty. For there is no problem with the climate and, even if there were, an economic treaty does nothing to (help) it.’”

So writes Jerome Corsi in World Net Daily (October 17, 2009). This treaty is to bring the US into conformity of a world government and to sacrifice our sovereignty and that of all nations into a new world government. Prophecy says it is going to happen under direction of the “beast” of Revelation.

The article continues, “Lord Monckton is a well-known critic of the theory of anthropogenic causes for global warming and who has argued repeatedly that global warming hysteria is an ideological position of the political Left advanced in the interest of imposing global taxes on the United States in the pursuit of international control of the U.S. economy under a one-world government to be administered by the U.N. Monckton’s lecture can be viewed online and his slides also can be accessed on the Internet.

“Where’s the global warming?”

“As evidence mounts that the United States is headed toward a cooling cycle that may last decades, global alarmists within the Obama administration remain resolved to push cap-and-trade legislation through Congress on the increasingly dubious theory that man-made carbon emissions are creating global warming. In what has to be seen as increasingly bad news for global warming alarmists, scientific evidence is mounting that temperatures in the United States would be projected to lower temperatures 7.3 degrees Fahrenheit over the next century.”

One World Government Out of Chaos

Truly, just as Biblical prophecy states, a one-world super-government is being formed right before our very eyes! In the book of Revelation it is called, “Babylon the Great” (Rev.17:5), and will be a vast commercial, global octopus enveloping all nations (see Rev.18). It is pictured in chapter 13 as “a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his head a blasphemous name” (Rev.13:1).

It will rise up out of the tumultuous, storm-tossed sea of nations.

The wrecking of the world economy and the destruction of the value of the U.S. dollar is setting the stage for the abrupt and sudden emergence of this new global end-time entity.

Says the *Columbia Conservative Examiner.com* (10-13-09), in an article entitled “What the Demise of the Dollar Means for You,” we learn the horrendous repercussions that lie ahead of us. Says the Examiner, “What happens when the dollar is devalued? Or worse still, what happens when global entities, such as the oil barons, stop using the dollar as their currency?”

1) Inflation will skyrocket

2) Paper Money will be basically worthless

3) Gold and precious metals, which have intrinsic value of their own, will become vastly important

4) Starvation will become common. Homelessness will overwhelm American society. Businesses will go under. Joblessness will sweep over the nation, setting us on a course to either match or outmatch the unemployment numbers of the Great Depression. Not only do we face the loss of this free Republic but the decent into economic chaos that will make the 1930’s look pale in comparison.”

Increasing Economic Chaos

How could so much have gone so completely wrong so quickly?

Says commentator Bruce Porteus, “The world is entering a period of economic upheaval that has never before been experienced in history. While many economists proclaim that the world economy is recovering from the near global economic collapse of 2008, the reality is that like a tsunami following an earthquake, an economic tsunami will soon arrive following the economic earthquake of last year.

“In an attempt to prevent the global economic system from collapsing, the printing of currency by central banks around the world has been like pouring oil on an out of control fire. Injecting so much liquidity into the world’s banking system may have temporarily prevented a

global economic collapse last year, but it has failed to correct the fundamental problems that caused the crisis in the first place. Rather, central banks have just created the environment for a global economic collapse on a scale the world has never experienced. They have created the perfect economic storm.

“As a result of injecting trillions of dollars into the world’s banking system, this newly created fiat money is now beginning to flow into the global economy. There is a general feeling that the recession is over and that the good times will soon be here again. This false sense of optimism is based on the assumption that the banking system once again lending to consumers financing their consumption lifestyles, will jump start a new era of prosperity. Many advanced nations have taken that it is their right to exploit the planet’s resources to maintain their living standards. Yet nothing has been done to correct the fiscal problems that caused the economic crisis in the first place.

“The stage is now set for hyperinflation. According to investor Marc Faber in a recent Bloomberg interview, the US will experience inflation rates similar to those which took place in Zimbabwe rising to 231 million percent in July. Inflation at this level means the currency will become worthless, as Germany experienced in 1923 during the economic chaos of the Weimar Republic. Just as Germany experienced at that time, the current, impending economic disaster will bring great hardship to those people on fixed incomes, and to the nation as a whole.

“The economic crisis of 2008 was primarily caused by excessive credit in the global banking system, and the large current account and budget deficits of the English speaking world, especially for the USA and UK. Large surpluses in US dollars used to pay for consumer goods from Asia were recycled back into the US and British banks; encouraging them to create new financial products to develop consumer markets to recycle money. This has resulted in an unsustainable property boom, encouraging extravagant consumer spending habits, and debt. This has enabled the banks to enslave the people of the Anglo-Saxon nations in bondage under a mountain of debt, earning for themselves excessive profits and bonuses on the money lent by foreign investors. Due to very lax lending rules, it was inevitable that eventually the inability of many bank customers to repay their loans emerged as one of the key causes of the current crisis.

“Central banks injecting money into their domestic banks may have saved the banking system from a total melt-down last year, but this capital injection has not corrected the cause of the original problem. The Anglo-Saxon nations’ growing current account and budget deficits continue to mount, and they depend on the inflow of Asian capital to finance these deficits. Their budget deficits have blown out of control following the bail-outs and can only be financed through printing even more fiat money or borrowing at ever increasing interest rates. The stage has been set for the dramatic and sudden collapse of the English-speaking nations.

“America’s creditors have become increasingly alarmed about the sustainability of the U.S. being able to finance its budget and current account deficits. There is now discussion amongst world financial leaders of replacing the US dollar as the world’s reserve currency with a basket of currencies, to finance international trade. However this is unlikely to be effective as it will mean the establishment of an organisation such as the IMF which would also have the power

to regulate the member countries' money supply. Nations will be unlikely to give up their national sovereignty to allow this to happen.

“We are now seeing the downward spiral in the value of the U.S. dollar against the Euro and some other currencies. The dollar will continue to fall in value unless the USA can correct its current account and budget deficits. There is little chance of this happening with rising oil prices, the maintenance of an unaffordable global military establishment bogged down with unwinnable wars, and the large amount of money required to support the economy collapsing last year. The Federal Reserve may soon be forced to increase interest rates in an attempt to support the dollar, but this will only bring about more corporate collapses, defaults on home mortgages, and a lack of confidence in the US economy. Either way the US cannot save its economy from collapse.

“The collapse of the \$US will trigger economic turmoil around the world. Those nations with reserves in US dollars will suffer massive losses as their foreign reserves are wiped out with the collapse of the dollar. In particular this will have a major impact on China and Japan, as both nations have large holdings in US dollar reserves not to mention massive holdings in Treasury Certificates and other Federal Vouchers. The losses the Asian economies will suffer will bring wide-spread economic depression in Asia. These nations will blame the Anglo-Saxon nations for their plight, and for good reason. Japan, already burdened with a national debt almost the same size at that of America could well face bankruptcy along with other heavily indebted nations in the region” (Bruce Porteus, Oct.18, 2009).

How did this disaster suddenly blow up in our faces? Was it all engineered by hidden powers of darkness to facilitate their nefarious Plot to take over the hegemony of the entire world?

The Economy Is a Lie, Too

Paul Craig Roberts was Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in the Reagan administration. He is coauthor of *The Tyranny of Good Intentions*. His new book, *War of the Worlds: How the Economy Was Lost*, will be published next month by AK Press/CounterPunch. He can be reached at: PaulCraigRoberts@yahoo.com). Roberts shows how utterly reprehensible the economic disaster really is. He declares :

“Americans cannot get any truth out of their government about anything, the economy included. Americans are being driven into the ground economically, with one million school children now homeless, while Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke announces that the recession is over.

“The spin that masquerades as news is becoming more delusional. Consumer spending is 70% of the US economy. It is the driving force, and it has been shut down. Except for the super rich, there has been no growth in consumer incomes in the 21st century. Statistician John Williams of shadowstats.com reports that real household income has never recovered its pre-2001 peak.

“The US economy has been kept going by substituting growth in consumer debt for growth in consumer income. Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan encouraged consumer debt with low interest rates. The low interest rates pushed up home prices, enabling Americans to refinance their homes and spend the equity. Credit cards were maxed out in expectations of rising real estate and equity values to pay the accumulated debt. The binge was halted when the real estate and equity bubbles burst.

“As consumers no longer can expand their indebtedness and their incomes are not rising, there is no basis for a growing consumer economy. Indeed, statistics indicate that consumers are paying down debt in their efforts to survive financially. In an economy in which the consumer is the driving force, that is bad news.

“The banks, now investment banks thanks to greed-driven deregulation that repealed the learned lessons of the past, were even more reckless than consumers and took speculative leverage to new heights. At the urging of Larry Summers and Goldman Sachs’ CEO Henry Paulson, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Bush administration went along with removing restrictions on debt leverage.

“When the bubble burst, the extraordinary leverage threatened the financial system with collapse. The US Treasury and the Federal Reserve stepped forward with no one knows how many trillions of dollars to “save the financial system,” which, of course, meant to save the greed-driven financial institutions that had caused the economic crisis that dispossessed ordinary Americans of half of their life savings.

“The consumer has been chastened, but not the banks. Refreshed with the TARP \$700 billion and the Federal Reserve’s expanded balance sheet, banks are again behaving like hedge funds. Leveraged speculation is producing another bubble with the current stock market rally, which is not a sign of economic recovery but is the final savaging of Americans’ wealth by a few investment banks and their Washington friends. Goldman Sachs, rolling in profits, announced six figure bonuses to employees.

“The rest of America is suffering terribly.

“The unemployment rate, as reported, is a fiction and has been since the Clinton administration. The unemployment rate does not include jobless Americans who have been unemployed for more than a year and have given up on finding work. The reported 10% unemployment rate is understated by the millions of Americans who are suffering long-term unemployment and are no longer counted as unemployed. As each month passes, unemployed Americans drop off the unemployment role due to nothing except the passing of time.

“The inflation rate, especially “core inflation,” is another fiction. “Core inflation” does not include food and energy, two of Americans’ biggest budget items. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) assumes, ever since the Boskin Commission during the Clinton administration, that

if prices of items go up consumers substitute cheaper items. This is certainly the case, but this way of measuring inflation means that the CPI is no longer comparable to past years, because the basket of goods in the index is variable.

“The Boskin Commission’s CPI, by lowering the measured rate of inflation, raises the real GDP growth rate. The result of the statistical manipulation is an understated inflation rate, thus eroding the real value of Social Security income, and an overstated growth rate. Statistical manipulation cloaks a declining standard of living.

“In bygone days of American prosperity, American incomes rose with productivity. It was the real growth in American incomes that propelled the US economy.

“In today’s America, the only incomes that rise are in the financial sector that risks the country’s future on excessive leverage and in the corporate world that substitutes foreign for American labor. Under the compensation rules and emphasis on shareholder earnings that hold sway in the US today, corporate executives maximize earnings and their compensation by minimizing the employment of Americans.

“Try to find some acknowledgement of this in the “mainstream media,” or among economists, who suck up to the offshoring corporations for grants.

“The worst part of the decline is yet to come. Bank failures and home foreclosures are yet to peak. The commercial real estate bust is yet to hit. The dollar crisis is building.

“When it hits, interest rates will rise dramatically as the US struggles to finance its massive budget and trade deficits while the rest of the world tries to escape a depreciating dollar.

“Since the spring of this year, the value of the US dollar has collapsed against every currency except those pegged to it. The Swiss franc has risen 14% against the dollar. Every hard currency from the Canadian dollar to the Euro and UK pound has risen at least 13 % against the US dollar since April 2009. The Japanese yen is not far behind, and the Brazilian real has risen 25% against the almighty US dollar. Even the Russian ruble has risen 13% against the US dollar.

“What sort of recovery is it when the safest investment is to bet against the US dollar?

“The American household of my day, in which the husband worked and the wife provided household services and raised the children, scarcely exists today. Most, if not all, members of a household have to work in order to pay the bills. However, the jobs are disappearing, even the part-time ones.

“If measured according to the methodology used when I was Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, the unemployment rate today in the US is above 20%. Moreover, there is no obvious

way of reducing it. There are no factories, with work forces temporarily laid off by high interest rates, waiting for a lower interest rate policy to call their workforces back into production.

“The work has been moved abroad. In the bygone days of American prosperity, CEOs were inculcated with the view that they had equal responsibilities to customers, employees, and shareholders. This view has been exterminated. Pushed by Wall Street and the threat of takeovers promising “enhanced shareholder value,” and incentivized by “performance pay,” CEOs use every means to substitute cheaper foreign employees for Americans .

“Despite 20% unemployment and cum laude engineering graduates who cannot find jobs or even job interviews, Congress continues to support 65,000 annual H-1B work visas for foreigners. “In the midst of the highest unemployment since the Great Depression what kind of a fool do you need to be to think that there is a shortage of qualified US workers? ”

Fulfilled Bible Prophecy

Almighty God is very unhappy with modern “post-Christian” America, Great Britain, and the nations of the world in general. We have lost our way. We have become a nation and a world of sorceries, lust, abortion, greed, malevolence, hatred, pride, disrespect of elders, and violence.

Because we have forsaken and cast aside the laws of God, which lead to life and true prosperity and health, we are beset by the penalties which are incurred from breaking those inviolate, immutable laws! Almighty God thunders in His Word, “But if you do not obey Me, and do not observe all these commandments, and if you despise My statutes, or if your soul abhors My judgments, so that you do not perform all My commandments, but break My covenant, I also will do this to you: I will even appoint TERROR over you, wasting disease and fever which shall consume the eyes and cause sorrow of heart [heart disease, attacks, etc.]” (Leviticus 26:14-16).

God continues, “Those who HATE you shall reign over you” (verse 17). The rulers of our fair land today HATE the America we grew up in, its traditions, its history, its Christian-based religious heritage. They hate those who cling to Bible-based Christianity, and pass hate-crime legislation to condemn those who hate sin, homosexuality, and wickedness – things which they endorse, encourage, and cause to be taught as acceptable “life styles” in our schools and classrooms.

God thunders that as a result, “And after all this, if you do not obey Me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins. I will BREAK the pride of your power; I will make your heavens like brass and your earth like bronze. And your strength shall be spent in VAIN” (Lev.26:18-20).

These prophecies are being fulfilled right and left, and are thundering towards us like a locomotive steam engine hurtling down the railroad tracks with its shrill horn blasting forth in dire warning!

Will we wake up and take warning before it is too late?

The Secret War on the Dollar

There is a new book out, *Obama and Bernanke's Secret War on the Dollar*. It reveals the insidious, cynical trick that the banks have always used when soaring government deficits and debts have threatened their economies. Their trick is to obliterate fortunes in the blink of an eye. Our own government is secretly doing this today. The result will be a global "super-storm". Obama is a compromiser and an appeaser, having done nothing to deserve the Nobel Peace Prize, other than making a "promise of change" and saying he will make government more accountable and transparent to the people. He has certainly not make government more transparent or accountable. On the other hand, he supports abortion, and advocates homosexuality and mandatory sex education in the public schools of that life-style. The wicked receive awards and praise, while the righteous are put down and demonized.

Another new book, *The Culture of Corruption* by Michele Malkin, is about our current government and the dangerous dysfunctional conglomeration of Obama's crooks and cronies that now run the White House administration. It shows how Obama's lack of qualifications of real leadership is aggressively destroying America's credibility and power. Malkin details the troubling influence of Michele Obama, the most dangerous first lady since Hilary Clinton. She is known as a hardball Chicago politician.

Truly our leaders today are leading us into quicksand.

What's Wrong with America?

Remember Lee Iacocca, the man who rescued Chrysler Corporation from its death throes, back in the 1960's? He is now 82 years old and has a new book, *Where Have All the Leaders Gone?* Iacocca is a man of great wisdom and understanding, a great American entrepreneur. Notice what he says about our current world and national condition:

He asks,

"Am I the only guy in this country who's fed up with what's happening? Where the hell is our outrage? We should be screaming bloody murder! We've got a gang of clueless bozos steering our ship of state right over a cliff, we've got corporate gangsters stealing us blind, and we can't even clean up after a hurricane much less build a hybrid car. But instead of getting mad, everyone sits around and nods their heads when the politicians say, 'Stay the course..'

"Stay the course? You've got to be kidding. This is America , not the damned, 'Titanic'. I'll give

you a sound bite: 'Throw all the bums out!'

“You might think I'm getting senile, that I've gone off my rocker, and maybe I have. But someone has to speak up. I hardly recognize this country anymore.

“The most famous business leaders are not the innovators but the guys in handcuffs.. While we're fiddling in Iraq , the Middle East is burning and nobody seems to know what to do. And the press is waving 'pom-poms' instead of asking hard questions.. That's not the promise of the ' America ' my parents and yours traveled across the ocean for. I've had enough. How about you? “I'll go a step further. You can't call yourself a patriot if you're not outraged. This is a fight I'm ready and willing to have. The Biggest 'C' is Crisis! (Iacocca elaborates on nine C's of leadership, with crisis being the first.)

“ Leaders are made, not born. Leadership is forged in times of crisis. It's easy to sit there with your feet up on the desk and talk theory. Or send someone else's kids off to war when you've never seen a battlefield yourself. It's another thing to lead when your world comes tumbling down.

“On September 11, 2001, we needed a strong leader more than any other time in our history. We needed a steady hand to guide us out of the ashes... A hell of a mess, so here's where we stand.

“We're immersed in a bloody war with no plan for winning and no plan for leaving.

“We're running the biggest deficit in the history of the country.

“We're losing the manufacturing edge to Asia , while our once-great companies are getting slaughtered by health care costs.

“Gas prices are skyrocketing, and nobody in power has a coherent energy policy. Our schools are in trouble.

“Our borders are like sieves.

“The middle class is being squeezed every which way.

“These are times that cry out for leadership.

“But when you look around, you've got to ask: 'Where have all the leaders gone?' Where are the curious, creative communicators? Where are the people of character, courage, conviction, omnipotence, and common sense? I may be a sucker for alliteration, but I think you get the point.

“Name me a leader who has a better idea for homeland security than making us take off our shoes in airports and throw away our shampoo?

“We've spent billions of dollars building a huge new bureaucracy, and all we know how to do is

react to things that have already happened.

“Name me one leader who emerged from the crisis of Hurricane Katrina. Congress has yet to spend a single day evaluating the response to the hurricane or demanding accountability for the decisions that were made in the crucial hours after the storm.

“Everyone's hunkering down, fingers crossed, hoping it doesn't happen again. Now, that's just crazy. Storms happen. Deal with it. Make a plan. Figure out what you're going to do the next time.

“Name me an industry leader who is thinking creatively about how we can restore our competitive edge in manufacturing. Who would have believed that there could ever be a time when 'The Big Three' referred to Japanese car companies? How did this happen, and more important, what are we going to do about it?

“Name me a government leader who can articulate a plan for paying down the debit, or solving the energy crisis, or managing the health care problem. The silence is deafening. But these are the crises that are eating away at our country and milking the middle class dry.

“I have news for the gang in Congress. We didn't elect you to sit on your asses and do nothing and remain silent while our democracy is being hijacked and our greatness is being replaced with mediocrity. What is everybody so afraid of? That some bonehead on NBC news or CNN news will call them a name? Give me a break. Why don't you guys show some spine for a change?

“Had Enough? Hey, I'm not trying to be the voice of gloom and doom here. I'm trying to light a fire. I'm speaking out because I have hope - I believe in America . In my lifetime, I've had the privilege of living through some of America's greatest moments. I've also experienced some of our worst crises: The 'Great Depression,' 'World War II,' the 'Korean War,' the 'Kennedy Assassination,' the 'Vietnam War,' the 1970's oil crisis, and the struggles of recent years culminating with 9/11.

“If I've learned one thing, it's this: 'You don't get anywhere by standing on the sidelines waiting for somebody else to take action. Whether it's building a better car or building a better future for our children, we all have a role to play. That's the challenge I'm raising in this book. It's a "Call to Action" for people who, like me, believe in America.”

Those are challenging words, indeed!!!

Are you also fed up with what is happening? Where is your outrage? What has happened to the patriots of character, courage, conviction, strength and common sense? Where are the men and women no longer willing to compromise, negotiate with terrorists, who stand tall for righteousness? Where are the godly men who are “bold as a lion”?

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call to action for those who like him believe in America and in godly principles of conduct and action.

The Judgment of God

We read in Isaiah 59:1-21, “The Lord’s hand is not shortened that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear. But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue has muttered perversity. No one calls for justice, nor does any plead for truth. They trust in empty words and speak lies; they conceive evil and bring forth iniquity. They hatch vipers’ eggs and weave the spider’s web” (Isaiah 59:1-5).

God’s indictment thunders, “Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood; their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they have not known, and there is no justice in their ways; they have made themselves crooked paths; whoever takes that way shall not know peace” (verses 7-8).

God’s Word prophesied our current condition of confusion and gloom. “Therefore justice is far from us, nor does righteousness overtake us; we look for light, but there is darkness! For brightness, but we walk in blackness! We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes; we stumble at noon as at twilight; we are as dead men in desolate places. We all growl like bears, and moan sadly like doves; we look for justice, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far from us; for your transgressions are with us, and as for our iniquities we know them: in transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands afar off. For truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. So truth fails, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey” (Isaiah 59:9-15).

The Lord sees this conceived oppression and revolt and is displeased that truth has been ignored, and fairness is considered stupidity, and righteous dealings are far off. God sees that there was no judgment, no intercessor, none righteous, on the whole. He yearns for His people to repent of their foolish sins and lustful appetites, and to return to His laws and His ways of love, kindness, compassion, and righteousness!

“He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor; therefore His own arm brought salvation for Him; and His own righteousness, it sustained Him.

“For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on His head; He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak” (Isa.59:16-17).

No intercessors – no one to take up the fight – no one to wear the mantle of true leadership!

One to Stand in the Gap

God Himself will intervene, and send the Messiah to remedy the situation, and bring deliverance to the earth! “According to their deeds, accordingly He will repay fury to His adversaries, recompense to His enemies; the coastlands He will fully repay. So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun; when the enemy comes in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him. The Redeemer will come to Zion, and to those who turn from transgression in Jacob, says the LORD” (Isa.59:18-20).

The enemy is coming in like a flood, today, in this evil time. The wicked attack and assault those that turn from transgression of God’s law. But Christ the Messiah is coming soon to redeem us and save us.

Pray to God to pour out His Spirit upon us, and fill us full, that we may be leaders bold as lions, full of strength and courageous in spirit. As Solomon wrote, “The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the RIGHTEOUS ARE BOLD AS A LION” (Prov.28:1).

Childish, Fatuous Leaders

Isaiah declared, “For behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, takes away from Jerusalem and from Judah the stock and the store, the whole supply of bread and the whole supply of water; *the mighty man and the man of war, the judge and the prophet*, and the diviner and the elder; the captain of fifty and the *honorable man*, the counselor and the skillful artisan, and the expert enchanter” (Isa.3:1-3).

James Moffatt in his translation has this passage, “Here is the Lord, the Lord of hosts, removing every prop and stay from Judah and Jerusalem, soldier and warrior, governor and prophet, seer, sheikh, and official, authorities and councilors, expert magicians and enchanters.”

The lack of real leadership in our nations today is due to the CURSE that afflicts any nation that turns away from the righteous paths of God! As wise king Solomon wrote, “Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a REPROACH [SHAME or DISGRACE] to any people” (Prov.14:34).

What kind of leaders would accrue to a nation cursed of God, because it tramples on His divine laws and statutes and commandments?

“I will give CHILDREN to be their princes [leaders], and BABES [boys] *shall rule over them*” (Isaiah 3:4). “The people will be OPPRESSED, every one by another and every one by his neighbor; the child shall be insolent toward the elder [aged], and the base [despised, lightly esteemed] toward the honorable” (v.5).

Moffatt translates this, “I will *make mere lads their leaders*, and leave them to be swayed by whims; tyranny between man and man, between very neighbors, insolence from young to old, from low to high.” Moffatt goes on, “Men shall seize a clansman, crying, ‘Your house has a robe of office; come, be our chieftain, then, master this chaos!’ But he will make protest, ‘No, I can be no good to you; my own house has no food, no robe of office; you shall not put me up to be a headman of the people’” (verses 6-7).

Isaiah continues, “As for My people, CHILDREN are their oppressors, and WOMEN rule over them. O My people! Those who LEAD you cause you to ERR [margin, LEAD YOU ASTRAY], And DESTROY THE WAY of your paths” (verse 12). Moffatt has this, “My people’s ruler is a willful child, they are controlled by women; your leaders are misleading you, my people, they are effacing [erasing] the true path for you.”

This prophetic chapter speaks of drought, famine, and war (bread and water taken away) with capricious children [such as the youthful Barack Obama] as our leaders and women (such as the impudent and pugnacious Nancy Pelosi in the Congress) oppressively ruling over the House of Representatives – people with no real, legitimate leadership qualifications! They brazen their way in with charisma and charm, lies and grandiose words of “change” and pompous self importance – yet in true experience, they are totally lacking in savy, wisdom, and true understanding. They cause the nation to go astray in error, and destroy the straight path. They plunder the poor and grind their faces.

Obama’s Early Communist Mentor

What is the background of America’s new “boy” leader? His youth attracts many, as well as his engaging smile. But is it the smile of the crocodile? Journalist and commentator Cliff Kinkaid, of Accuracy in Media, describes Obama’s childhood mentoring and education – his true ‘roots,’ if you will. He declared, approximately a year before Obama’s sensational ascendancy to the presidency of the United States:

“In his biography of Barack Obama, David Mendell writes about Obama’s life as a “secret smoker” and how he “went to great lengths to conceal the habit.” But what about Obama’s secret political life? It turns out that Obama’s childhood mentor, Frank Marshall Davis, was a communist.

“In his books, Obama admits attending “socialist conferences” and coming into contact with Marxist literature. But he ridicules the charge of being a “hard-core academic Marxist,” which was made by his colorful and outspoken 2004 U.S. Senate opponent, Republican Alan Keyes.

“However, through Frank Marshall Davis, Obama had an admitted relationship with someone who was publicly identified as a member of the Communist Party USA (CPUSA). The record shows that Obama was in Hawaii from 1971-1979, where, at some point in time, he developed a close relationship, almost like a son, with Davis, listening to his “poetry” and getting

advice on his career path. But Obama, in his book, *Dreams From My Father*, refers to him repeatedly as just "Frank."

"The reason is apparent: Davis was a known communist who belonged to a party subservient to the Soviet Union. In fact, the 1951 report of the Commission on Subversive Activities to the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii identified him as a CPUSA member. What's more, anti-communist congressional committees, including the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC), accused Davis of involvement in several communist-front organizations.

"Trevor Loudon, a New Zealand-based libertarian activist, researcher and blogger, noted evidence that "Frank" was Frank Marshall Davis in a posting in March of 2007.

"Obama's communist connection adds to mounting public concern about a candidate who has come out of virtually nowhere, with a brief U.S. Senate legislative record, to become the Democratic Party frontrunner for the U.S. presidency. In the latest Real Clear Politics poll average, Obama beats Republican John McCain by almost four percentage points.

"AIM recently disclosed that Obama has well-documented socialist connections, which help explain why he sponsored a "Global Poverty Act" designed to send hundreds of billions of dollars of U.S. foreign aid to the rest of the world, in order to meet U.N. demands. The bill has passed the House and a Senate committee, and awaits full Senate action.

"But the Communist Party connection through Davis is even more ominous. Decades ago, the CPUSA had tens of thousands of members, some of them covert agents who had penetrated the U.S. Government. It received secret subsidies from the old Soviet Union.

"You won't find any of this discussed in the David Mendell book, *Obama: From Promise to Power*. It is typical of the superficial biographies of Obama now on the market. Secret smoking seems to be Obama's most controversial activity. At best, Mendell and the liberal media describe Obama as "left-leaning."

"But you will find it briefly discussed, sort of, in Obama's own book, *Dreams From My Father*. He writes about 'a poet named Frank,' who visited them in Hawaii, read poetry, and was full of 'hard-earned knowledge' and advice. Who was Frank? Obama only says that he had 'some modest notoriety once,' was 'a contemporary of Richard Wright and Langston Hughes during his years in Chicago. . .' but was now 'pushing eighty.' He writes about 'Frank and his old Black Power dashiki self' giving him advice before he left for Occidental College in 1979 at the age of 18.

"This 'Frank' is none other than Frank Marshall Davis, the black communist writer now considered by some to be in the same category of prominence as Maya Angelou and Alice Walker. In the summer/fall 2003 issue of *African American Review*, James A. Miller of George Washington University reviews a book by John Edgar Tidwell, a professor at the University of Kansas, about Davis's career, and notes, 'In Davis's case, his political commitments led him to

join the American Communist Party during the middle of World War II—even though he never publicly admitted his Party membership.’ Tidwell is an expert on the life and writings of Davis.

“Is it possible that Obama did not know who Davis was when he wrote his book, *Dreams From My Father*, first published in 1995? That's not plausible since Obama refers to him as a contemporary of Richard Wright and Langston Hughes and says he saw a book of his black poetry.

“The communists knew who ‘Frank’ was, and they know who Obama is. In fact, one academic who travels in communist circles understands the significance of the Davis-Obama relationship.

“Professor Gerald Horne, a contributing editor of the Communist Party journal *Political Affairs*, talked about it during a speech last March at the reception of the Communist Party USA archives at the Tamiment Library at New York University. The remarks are posted online under the headline, ‘Rethinking the History and Future of the Communist Party.’

“Horne, a history professor at the University of Houston, noted that Davis, who moved to Honolulu from Kansas in 1948 ‘at the suggestion of his good friend Paul Robeson,’ came into contact with Barack Obama and his family and became the young man's mentor, influencing Obama's sense of identity and career moves. Robeson, of course, was the well-known black actor and singer who served as a member of the CPUSA and apologist for the old Soviet Union. Davis had known Robeson from his time in Chicago.

“As Horne describes it, Davis ‘befriended’ a ‘Euro-American family’ that had ‘migrated to Honolulu from Kansas and a young woman from this family eventually had a child with a young student from Kenya East Africa who goes by the name of Barack Obama, who retracing the steps of Davis eventually decamped to Chicago.’

“It was in Chicago that Obama became a ‘community organizer’ and came into contact with more far-left political forces, including the Democratic Socialists of America, which maintains close ties to European socialist groups and parties through the Socialist International (SI), and two former members of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), William Ayers and Carl Davidson.

“The SDS laid siege to college campuses across America in the 1960s, mostly in order to protest the Vietnam War, and spawned the terrorist Weather Underground organization. Ayers was a member of the terrorist group and turned himself in to authorities in 1981. He is now a college professor and served with Obama on the board of the Woods Fund of Chicago. Davidson is now a figure in the Committees of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism, an offshoot of the old Moscow-controlled CPUSA, and helped organize the 2002 rally where Obama came out against the Iraq War.

“Both communism and socialism trace their roots to Karl Marx, co-author of the Communist Manifesto, who endorsed the first meeting of the Socialist International, then called

the "First International." According to Pierre Mauroy, president of the SI from 1992-1996, 'It was he [Marx] who formally launched it, gave the inaugural address and devised its structure. . .'

"Apparently unaware that Davis had been publicly named as a CPUSA member, Horne said only that Davis 'was certainly in the orbit of the CP [Communist Party]-if not a member. . .'

"In addition to Tidwell's book, *Black Moods: Collected Poems of Frank Marshall Davis*, confirming Davis's Communist Party membership, another book, *The New Red Negro: The Literary Left and African American Poetry, 1930-1946*, names Davis as one of several black poets who continued to publish in CPUSA-supported publications after the 1939 Hitler-Stalin non-aggression pact. The author, James Edward Smethurst, associate professor of Afro-American studies at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, says that Davis, however, would later claim that he was "deeply troubled" by the pact.

"While blacks such as Richard Wright left the CPUSA, it is not clear if or when Davis ever left the party.

"However, Obama writes in *Dreams From My Father* that he saw 'Frank' only a few days before he left Hawaii for college, and that Davis seemed just as radical as ever. Davis called college 'An advanced degree in compromise' and warned Obama not to forget his 'people' and not to 'start believing what they tell you about equal opportunity and the American way and all that' Davis also complained about foot problems, the result of 'trying to force African feet into European shoes,' Obama wrote.

"For his part, Horne says that Obama's giving of credit to Davis will be important in history. 'At some point in the future, a teacher will add to her syllabus Barack's memoir and instruct her students to read it alongside Frank Marshall Davis' equally affecting memoir, *Living the Blues* and when that day comes, I'm sure a future student will not only examine critically the Frankenstein monsters that US imperialism created in order to subdue Communist parties but will also be moved to come to this historic and wonderful archive in order to gain insight on what has befallen this complex and intriguing planet on which we reside,' he said.

"Dr. Kathryn Takara, a professor of Interdisciplinary Studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa who also confirms that Davis is the 'Frank' in Obama's book, did her dissertation on Davis and spent much time with him between 1972 until he passed away in 1987.

"In an analysis posted online, she notes that Davis, who was a columnist for the Honolulu Record, brought 'an acute sense of race relations and class struggle throughout America and the world' and that he openly discussed subjects such as American imperialism, colonialism and exploitation. She described him as a 'socialist realist' who attacked the work of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

"Davis, in his own writings, had said that Robeson and Harry Bridges, the head of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) and a secret member of the CPUSA, had suggested that he take a job as a columnist with the Honolulu Record 'and see if I could do

something for them.’ The ILWU was organizing workers there and Robeson's contacts were "passed on" to Davis, Takara writes.

“Takara says that Davis ‘espoused freedom, radicalism, solidarity, labor unions, due process, peace, affirmative action, civil rights, Negro History week, and true Democracy to fight imperialism, colonialism, and white supremacy. He urged coalition politics.’

“Is ‘coalition politics’ at work in Obama's rise to power?

“Trevor Loudon, the New Zealand-based blogger who has been analyzing the political forces behind Obama and specializes in studying the impact of Marxist and leftist political organizations, notes that Frank Chapman, a CPUSA supporter, has written a letter to the party newspaper hailing the Illinois senator's victory in the Iowa caucuses.

“ ‘Obama's victory was more than a progressive move; it was a dialectical leap ushering in a qualitatively new era of struggle,’ Chapman wrote. ‘Marx once compared revolutionary struggle with the work of the mole, who sometimes burrows so far beneath the ground that he leaves no trace of his movement on the surface. This is the old revolutionary “mole,” not only showing his traces on the surface but also breaking through’” (Cliff Kincaid, *Accuracy in Media*, Feb.18, 2008).

So now the youthful, Communist-influenced and Marxist-inspired Barack Obama has become the President of the United States, still the most powerful nation in the world! He loves the feeling of “power,” and is striving to coalesce more and more of it around himself and his office!

But is he really a legitimate president?

Issues of Legitimacy

Is Obama really an American naturally born or isn't he? Despite the fact that President Obama has produced a birth certificate from the state of Hawaii, there is evidence to show that the president was actually born in Kenya, thus making him ineligible to be president," Carter wrote.

However, Obama's long-form original birth certificate has remained under seal. The image posted by his campaign on the Internet is a different document, a “Certification of Live Birth,” that apparently is computer generated and has been challenged by a number of critics over its authenticity.

In fact, the authenticity of the “Certification of Live Birth” has been a focal point of numerous court challenges to Obama's eligibility, and Taitz earlier submitted to Carter a copy of what purported to be a Kenyan birth certificate for Obama, asking for permission to verify its authenticity.

World Net Daily has reported on dozens of legal challenges to Obama's status as a "natural born citizen." The Constitution, Article 2, Section 1, states, "No Person except a natural born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President."

Some of the lawsuits question whether he was actually born in Hawaii, as he insists. If he was born out of the country, Obama's American mother, the suits contend, was too young at the time of his birth to confer American citizenship to her son under the law at the time.

Other challenges have focused on Obama's citizenship through his father, a Kenyan subject to the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom at the time of his birth, thus making him a dual citizen. The cases contend the framers of the Constitution excluded dual citizens from qualifying as natural born.

Further, others question his citizenship by virtue of his attendance in Indonesian schools during his childhood and question on what passport did he travel to Pakistan three decades ago.

Adding fuel to the fire is Obama's persistent refusal to release documents that could provide answers and the appointment – at a cost confirmed to be at least \$1.7 million – of myriad lawyers to defend against all requests for his documentation. While his supporters cite an online version of a "Certification of Live Birth" from Hawaii as his birth verification, critics point out such documents actually were issued for children not born in the state.

The ultimate questions remain unaddressed to date: Is Obama a natural born citizen, and, if so, why hasn't documentation been provided? And, of course, if he is not, what does it mean to the 2008 election or the U.S. Constitution if it is revealed that there has been a violation?

WND also has reported that among the documentation not yet available for Obama includes his kindergarten records, Punahou school records, Occidental College records, Columbia University records, Columbia thesis, Harvard Law School records, Harvard Law Review articles, scholarly articles from the University of Chicago, passport, medical records, files from his years as an Illinois state senator, his Illinois State Bar Association records, any baptism records and his adoption records.

What is Barack Obama trying to hide? What is he afraid of? Why doesn't he just release these documents to prove whether he is a natural-born citizen and therefore qualified serve as President – especially his actual birth certificate? When Barack Obama officially entered the office of President, he became, in essence, apparently, a "pretender to the throne." According to the Constitution, only a "natural born citizen" can occupy the presidency.

Has the American government been hijacked by a foreign national who hates America in his heart and is dead set on destroying the liberty-loving America we all grew up in, and turning it into a Marxist, despotic, tyrannical state of oppression and slavery to the New World Order?

God's Word thunders, "The ALIEN who is among you shall rise higher and higher above you, and you shall come down lower and lower. . . He shall be the head and you shall be the tail"

(Deut.28:43-44). Has this vision come to pass in the curses of God upon our nation for our incredible disobedience to the laws and statutes of God?

True Leadership Principles

True leadership, in the sight of God, is revealed in the book of II Samuel. King David declared, The Spirit of the LORD spoke by me, and His word was on my tongue. The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spoke to me: *He who rules over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.* And he shall be like the light of the morning when the sun rises, a morning without clouds, like the tender grass springing out of the earth, by clear shining after rain” (II Sam.23:2-4).

Or as James Moffatt translates: “By me the Eternal’s spirit speaks, the word upon my lips is his. The God of Jacob speaks, the Strength of Israel told me this: ‘When a man rules men aright, ruling in God’s fear, he dawns on them like morning light, like a cloudless morning, clear, when rains are gone and earth lies green and bright.’”

True leadership is revealed in the character traits of men of God, in the Bible, and shown in the lives of great men in history. Study the faithfulness of Moses, the loyalty of Joshua, the humility of Gideon, the bravery of Samson with the Spirit of the Lord upon him, Study the lives of men like the prophet Samuel, king David , and the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph .

God is looking for a few good men and women, today, to stand against evil, who will resist the evil tide, the rampaging flood, who will remain strong in the truth having put on the armor of God, standing as warriors of God.

“Put on the whole armor of God, that you might be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girt your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—and for me, that utterance may be to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel . . .” (Ephesians 6:11-19).

Study and pray with diligence for God’s help and godly leadership for His people. Study the lives of the Bible patriarchs and godly women, like Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, Leah, Ruth, Esther.

Many, today, have only a form or outward façade of godliness, but they deny the power thereof. The people who really know their God and his word will not be led astray by human flattery, but shall be **STRONG** in the Lord and the **POWER** of **HIS MIGHT!**

The prophet Daniel declared, in this end time generation, the forces of evil will do wickedly against God’s covenant, and many will be corrupted by flattery—“but the people who know their God shall be **STRONG**, and carry out **GREAT EXPLOITS**” (Daniel 11:32).

Moffatt has this, “But those who know their God shall be **STEADFAST** and **TAKE ACTION**” (same verse).

Christ is raising up a cadre of faithful ones, today. He is raising up His banner, for those who resist the devil and stand up against the evil tide and flood of deceitful men. God seeks strong, stout-hearted men and women, men and women of courage, conviction, true leadership, who will stand in the gap, and fight against all odds, with faith in God and the courage of Christ!

Will you be one of them? “I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace day or night. You who make mention of the **LORD**, do not keep silent, and give Him no rest till He establishes and till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth” (Isaiah 62:6-7).

“Go through,
Go through the gates!
Prepare the way for the people;
Build up,
Build up the highway!
Take out the stones,
Lift up a banner for the peoples!

“Indeed, the **LORD** has proclaimed, to the end of the world: ‘Say to the daughter of Zion, “Surely your salvation is coming; Behold, His reward is with Him, and His work [recompense] before Him.”’ And they shall call them The Holy People, The Redeemed of the **LORD**; and you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken” (Isaiah 62:10-12).