Are We Awake? Are We Aware?

Did you know? Here are some recent headlines I found in an internet search.

- Christians are Being Slaughtered in Central Africa (10/1/2025)
- ✓ 52,000 Christians Have Been Murdered in Nigeria (9/28/2025)
- As Islamists Dismember Christians in Mozambique, Powerful Displays of Forgiveness Point to Jesus (CBN News 10/28/2025)
- ✓ The state of modern slavery is worse than you thought (1/29/25)
- ✓ Modern forms of slavery: 28 million people into forced labour and 138 million children working (2/10/2025)

Did you know? There are roughly 50 million human beings who live as slaves today, many of whom are sex and pedophilia slaves. Many are victims of trafficking in THIS country!

Did you know? From "Not the Bee", by Harris Rigby: "Listen to Tulsi describe the horrifying baby trafficker 'La Diabla' who was arrested in Mexico with the help of US intelligence (To listen, go to Notthebee.com on 10/25)



This is truly shocking stuff. Mexican authorities in August, with the use of DNI intelligence, captured an infamous human trafficker who would lure pregnant women to steal their babies and organs. She would then sell the stolen babies and organs on both sides of the border, which is how the United States got involved.

As many of us live our lives in comfort, countless human beings are living in horrific situations, being used, abused, tortured, and sometimes murdered. Think of helpless children raped as sex slaves. I can hardly bear to imagine what they go through. Or young women held against their will, victims of gross toads who only use them for a little sensual satisfaction.

One of my favorite writers in American Thinker (10/27), J.B. Shurk, points out how our elitists ignore these things to suit their own purposes:

"Why do so few Washington politicians or Hollywood actors ever shine a bright light on modern-day slavery? Presumably because they don't want Americans to know that there are fifty million slaves around the world today. They don't want to expose the inhumane abuses that their Chinese Communist Party friends and financiers commit. They don't want to highlight Islam's historic fondness for kidnapping and slavery. They don't want Americans to realize that Mexican and South American cartels abduct women and children, hook them on drugs, and traffic them as sex slaves across the United States. They don't want to draw attention to the inconvenient fact that tribes in Sub-Saharan Africa still openly buy and sell slaves today. . . .

"There is evil in this world. It is ugly, brutal, and ruthless. It steals boys and girls from their parents. It rapes and tortures and murders. It rips the innocence from those it abducts, and it laughs as it profits from unspeakable cruelties. Slavery survives in 2025 because powerful voices refuse to speak about it. Politicians such as Jasmine Crockett would rather pretend all white people are racist and that President Trump is America's plantation master. By telling those lies and ignoring those in bondage, she ensures that slavery's horrors continue."

Did you know? Although not as brutal, we live under a kind of slavery every day here in our own town, our own state, our

You undoubtedly know about the issue of the government shutdown preventing people from getting their EBT benefits (food stamps), and maybe by the time you read this, it will be resolved. But as of this writing, there is a growing sense of panic that people who don't get their EBT dollars will be forced to go hungry.

Over years the American government has created an entire class of dependents, and in the process has destroyed families by substituting government for dads. No longer can a large subset of Americans feed their own families. They are dependents, SLAVES of the government, and subject to some office jockey's decision whether or not they can eat and feed their families.

We, too, are slaves. Independent businesses like ours are forced to run our businesses by an exponentially growing set of regulations and laws. We are allowed to speak to our own staffers using carefully selected words and phrases. Otherwise, use of unauthorized words could bring down on our heads lawyers and lawsuits backed by the full power of government. We must build and live according to "code", enforced by inspectors, some of whom look like they just graduated from college and never held a real job. We are required to fill out forms and crunch numbers and file returns, thus doing the government's paperwork. Worst of all, we are forced to participate in the programs that dehumanize people.

We are all slaves. Just try to step outside the boxes of conformity to rules and laws and see how far you get. It may not be as ugly or personally painful as those poor souls being trafficked, but it is a form of slavery nonetheless. What are we doing about it?

In American Thinker (again!), Christian **Vezilj wrote "When the Church Whispers:** Why Silence is No Longer an Option." He powerfully calls the Church (the Body of Christ) to stand and speak out about the evil all around us. Some excerpts:

Many churches fear the IRS. They fear losing their 501(c)(3) status. They fear being labeled "political.",,, More importantly, the fear of man must never outweigh the fear of God. . . . The early Church faced lions. Today's Church fears lawsuits. The apostles were jailed. Today's pastors fear bad press. But the same Spirit that emboldened Peter and Paul lives in us. The same God who shut the mouths of lions and opened prison doors still reigns. . . .

Voting is not merely a civic duty; it is a moral act. It is the stewardship of influence. When Christians vote, they help shape laws that protect life, defend marriage, uphold justice, and preserve liberty. When they abstain, they allow others to shape those laws without the guidance of Scripture. . . . To sit out an election is not neutrality; it is negligence. It is to say, "Let others decide what kind of world my children will inherit."...

We must not be lazy. We must not be uninvolved. We must not shrug and say, "It doesn't matter." It does matter. It matters to the unborn child. It matters to the family under siege. It matters to the next generation. And it matters to God.

To ignore our civic responsibility is to ignore our spiritual responsibility. To vote is to love our neighbor. To vote is to defend the vulnerable. To vote is to say, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15)—not just in private, but in

Wow! I guess we'd better get to it. We'd better raise our voices and call out the evil. Our nation is crumbling. Time is short. When we go to meet God face to face, whether by our own passing or because He shut all down this world as we know it, let's hope that He will say to us, "Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your Master."



from the Web

In my hand I hold a ball, White and dimpled, rather small. Oh, how bland it does appear, This harmless looking little sphere. By its size I could not guess, The awesome strength it does possess. But since I fell beneath its spell, I've wandered through the fires of hell. My life has not been quite the same, Since I chose to play this stupid game. It rules my mind for hours on end, A fortune it has made me spend. It has made me yell, curse and cry, I hate myself and want to die. It promises a thing called par, If I can hit it straight and far. To master such a tiny ball, Should not be very hard at all. But my desires the ball refuses, And does exactly as it chooses. It hooks and slices, dribbles and dies, And even disappears before my eyes. Often it will have a whim, To hit a tree or ! Take a swim. With miles of grass on which to land, It finds a tiny patch of sand. Then has me offering up my soul, If only it would find the hole. It's made me whimper like a pup, And swear that I will give it up.

But the ball knows ... I'll be back tomorrow. Stand proud you noble swingers of clubs and losers of balls....

And take to drink to ease my sorrow,

A recent study found the average golfer walks about

900 miles a year. Another study found golfers drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year. That means, on average, golfers get about 41

miles to the gallon.

"Maybe I should teach Little Red how to Golf!" LG



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On The Lighter Side of Serious Stuff . . . from the Web



If the shut down means you will go hungry and can't feed your kids... You have become way too dependent on the





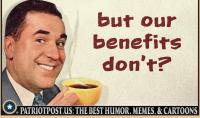
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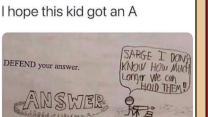
WHO HAD NEVER SERVED IN PUBLIC OFFICE BEFORE BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT...

without the department of education who will teach you this is a woman



Isn't it weird that in America, our flag and our culture offend so many people...





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