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"You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources for he is a liar and the father of it." (John 8:44)

"You would think the fake news outlets, aka mainstream media, would stop lying and misrepresenting the news. As always though, a scorpion stings because it is a scorpion"—Dave





You would think after the week ABC, CNN, and the other fake

news outlets have had, they would learn their lesson. But as Jesus told the Pharisees in the Bible verse above, the mainstream media are by nature evil.

That may seem a volatile or unwarranted statement, but they are at best liberal and worst open communists and socialists. Whether it be human secularism, which the Left embraces, communism, or socialism, their worldviews are antithetical to the Bible and therefore evil. Don't believe me? Notice Jesus' words in John 3:

"He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed."

In John 3:18-20 we see that those who reject Christ love the darkness of this world because their deeds are evil.

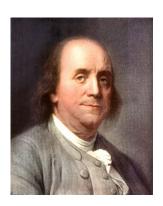
I'm going to show you examples of this on our To The Streets page, but let's no longer fool ourselves. The Left, including its mouthpiece the mainstream media, has no intention of ever changing its ways.

Only a change of heart can do that. Only the gospel of Jesus Christ can change a heart so radically. So our true weapon is the gospel. The truth of the Word of God is what brings light to the darkness.

Until that light is invited into each heart, we can expect evil to exist, but it should not reign. WE the People, more specifically, the church, must reject lies and shine the light of truth into this dark world.

The life verse of The Truth Watch is John 8:32. If we are to truly be free, it will be because we know the truth.

FROM THE FOUNDERS



The Truth Watch desires a free press, unregulated by the government, but kept in check by the Truth. For the press to be kept honest, honest citizens will have to require it through their support of such media outlets. However, should the media be corrupt, they must be rejected and ignored.

"Printers are educated in the Belief, that when Men differ in Opinion, both Sides ought equally to have the Advantage of being heard by the Publick; and that when Truth and Error have fair Play, the former is always an overmatch for the latter." Benjamin Franklin, *Apology for Printers*, The Pennsylvania Gazette, May 27, 1731.

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Such a novel idea, one that terrifies the Left and mainstream media. Why? It is because they know that they are not only in error, but are so intentionally. In plain English, they lie.

This is why they indulge in fake news. They either purposely hide the truth, or "adjust" it to meet their needs. This past week has been a vivid example of such deception.

So what's the answer? I've heard some self-described conservatives opine that perhaps the press should be limited. I strongly oppose this because it is exactly what we on the Right say we abhor. Besides, there can not be liberty with a limited press:

"Our liberty depends on the freedom of the press, and that cannot be limited without being lost." Thomas Jefferson to <u>Dr. J. Currie</u> (1786)

Such drastic measures are not needed nor should they be desired. They should be opposed by any liberty-loving citizen.

News outlets are in the profit-making business. So we correct them when they stray the old fashioned way. We hit them in the wallet.

FROM THE PULPIT

"Freedom of the press, but slaves to pornography and salacious literature, and to lying propaganda. Freedom of religion, but slaves to carnal desecration: God's holy day made a holiday. Our Lord said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free [John 8:32], And if the Son of Man shall make you free, ye shall be free ontos, indeed" [John 8:36]. If the Son of Man shall make you free, ye shall be free truly, wholly, completely, gloriously, triumphantly." Dr. W. A. Criswell, "The True Freedom" sermon, First Baptist Church, Dallas, TX, August 23, 1987.

If you've never heard Dr. Criswell preach, I encourage you to set aside 30 minutes and listen to the above sermon. The transcript is also available. Dr. Criswell was a great lion of the faith before Jesus called him home in 2002.

Dr. Criswell makes the point in his sermon that is the main point of this week's newsletter specifically, and the overall intent of The Truth Watch.

Truth is not relative. It is absolute and easy to find. Now sometimes answers are not easy to find, but that does not make the truth any less real or relevant. It just means there will be some questions that will never be answered here on earth. It also means there are some truths that still need to be discovered. Notice I said discovered and not determined.

We don't get to determine the truth. We don't get to make our own standards and expect God to bless them when He has already set them for us. Remember the Ten Commandments?

If we decide that we're going to reject God's standards, then we should expect not only His blessings to be withdrawn, but also His wrath to come. In his excellent new fictional book, *A Nefarious Plot*, my buddy Steve Deace writes (as the demon general Nefarious):

Fine, I'll prove it to you. Here's how the "ten commandments" were the basis of the civic laws that created the rule of law in the United States of America: (Chapter 5, Dunces, p. 78)

Nefarious (Steve) then lists all ten commandments and outlines how each one manifests itself into a true self-governing republic.

But alas, we have rejected the truth by rewriting our history and rejecting absolute truth, replacing it with revisionist history and relativism.

And as a nation, we are now reaping what we have sown.

TO THE STREETS

You may have noticed that I've titled this week's newsletter, *Fake News Redux*. I hope this doesn't become an ongoing thing, because I'll run out of adjectives for the fake news title. But I wanted you, and by sharing, your friends, relatives, associates, and neighbors to know the lies of the mainstream media in just the past week!

So here are just some examples:

- 1. The Washington Post's opinion writer Josh Robin <u>reported</u> on Thursday that top State Department officials had resigned in masse as a protest against President Trump. This was not true. Trump fired them, or what is known diplomatically as asking them to <u>resign</u>. One of them, Patrick Kennedy, was the State Department official who sought a guid pro quo with the FBI in the Clinton email scandal.
- 2. Late Tuesday, ABC News had to <u>apologize</u> for deceptively editing a quote from Bush 43's former press secretary Ari Fleischer. Fleischer was on Nightline and commented on President Trump's press secretary Sean Spicer, and the ABC quote made it look as though Fleischer was criticizing Spicer when in fact he was complementing Spicer. <u>Fleischer</u> had to correct the story.
- 3. Unbeknownst to their own editors, CNN <u>corrected</u> (by accident) their own fake news story by publishing a picture of the crowd at Trump's inauguration that proved the 2017 crowd was as large if not larger than Obama's 2009 inauguration. Friends of mine who attended the inauguration all said the crowds were much larger than the mainstream media tried to portray.

So why does this matter? Part of "draining the swamp" must include correcting the lies of not only the press or the Left for that matter, but in all of government. If we are to self-govern, then truth must reign. If our economy is going to be based on a free market system, then cronyism must end.

This great experiment known as the United States is unique in mankind's history. The great risk is that America would continue to honor God and His commandments and that if we failed to do so, then we would fail as a nation.

The paths before us are clear. The one we choose will determine our fate.

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