

Whirlwind: Jeremiah's Five Desolations: (2) Military: Failure to Maintain a Preponderant Military against Potential Predator Nations, Matt 24:6; Joel 3:9–10; Jer 6:13–15; Amos 6:14; (3) Economic: Corporatism: the Diminishment of Free Enterprise, Jer 12:13; Mic 6:14–15; Hag 1:6–10; (4) Social: Attacks on the Four Divine Institutions, Jer 6:15a; & (5) Soul: Rejection of Truth, Jer 12:11; Antonio Gramsci & the Long March through Institutions; the Frankfurt School, Columbia University, & Progressive Ideology

Military Desolation:

1. Client nations, by virtue of its large population of advancing believers, are prime targets for assault from predator nations manipulated by Luciferian forces.
2. Recognizing this danger, they must be prepared to defend their shores from attacks that will inevitably occur.
3. Under the laws of divine establishment, an armed, trained, prepared, and preponderant military must stand guard to defend the population.
4. Failure to maintain a first-world military organization makes the client nation vulnerable to intrigue, conspiracy, fifth columns, civil disobedience, pacifism, propaganda, treason, guerrilla tactics, and all-out warfare.
5. Our Lord warned of these things when he informed His disciples in:

Matthew 24:6 - "You will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end."

6. Those without doctrine can be deluded into senility by anthropocentric academic speculation that sees an end to warfare by misapplying a millennial status quo into a Church Age context:

Isaiah 2:4 - He [**Jesus Christ: Judge, Jury, & Executioner**] will judge between the nations, and will render decisions for many peoples; and they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, and never again will they learn war.¹

¹ See also Micah 4:3.

7. The passage that should be quoted is one whose context finds the Jews under overwhelming assault by heathen Gentiles in the Tribulation but which is also applicable to the Church Age:

Joel 3:9 - Proclaim this among the nations: Prepare a war; rouse the mighty men! Let all the soldiers draw near, let them come up!

v. 10 - Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears; let the weak say, "I am a mighty man."

8. This is the opposite of what Judah was doing in Jeremiah's day. Chaldea had its sights on Judah yet in spite of Jeremiah's warnings they bought the lie and paid the price:

Jeremiah 6:13 - "From the least of them to the greatest of them, everyone is greedy for gain, and from the prophet even to the priest everyone deals falsely.

v. 14 - "They have healed the brokenness of My people superficially, saying, 'Peace, peace,' but there is no peace.

v. 15 - "Were they ashamed because of the abomination they have done? They were not even ashamed at all; they did not even know how to blush. Therefore they shall fall among those who fall; at the time that I punish them, they shall be cast down," says the LORD.

9. The current paring down of our military is evidence of this category of desolation being advanced to the peril of our citizens.
10. The last holdout against our military's inclusion of women is the Navy SEALs which has now been commanded to do so as part of the Department of Defense's "gender inclusion" initiative. The policy is supported by Admiral William McRaven, head of Special Operations Command of the U.S. Navy.

11. These and other decisions that damage the esprit de corps of those in military service will lead to a breakdown of morale and damage the preparedness and readiness of those who serve.

Amos 6:14 - “Behold, I am going to raise up a nation against you, O house of Israel,” declares the LORD God of the armies.

Economic Desolation:

“We are five days away from fundamentally transforming the United States of America.”

—Barak Obama
October 30, 2008

It’s been a long time coming, but tonight, because of what we did on this day, in this election, at this defining moment, change has come to America.

—Barak Obama
November 04, 2008

1. The biblical system of economics is free enterprise and capitalism:

Free enterprise: the economic doctrine or practice of permitting private industry to operate with a minimum of control by the government.²

Capitalism: an economic system characterized by private or corporate ownership of capital goods, by investments that are determined by private decision, and by prices, production, and the distribution of goods that are determined mainly by competition in a free market.³

2. The present trend toward corporatism is defined as:
The organization of a society into industrial and professional corporations serving as organs of political representation and exercising some control over persons and activities within their jurisdiction.
3. When the free flow of goods and services is limited by government overreach, then the concept of free enterprise is negatively affected.

² Webster’s New Twentieth Century Dictionary: Unabridged, s.v. “free enterprise.”

³ Merriam-Webster’s Collegiate Dictionary, 11th ed., s.v. “capitalism.”

4. It is excessive government intrusion into every aspect of private and corporate function that stifles the economy and brings about recession and depression.
5. God has not approved this level of interference with free enterprise. The biblical system of private ownership of property and the free exchange of such possessions is dramatized by the parable of the vineyard workers in Matthew 20:1-16.
6. Jeremiah informs us that those who reject the Word of God will find that their investments and their labor will not produce fruit; bugs, weather, and mischief will deny them their profits:

Jeremiah 12:13 - "They have sown wheat and have reaped thorns, they have strained themselves to no profit. But be ashamed of your harvest because of the fierce anger of the LORD."

7. Micah and Haggai warn that poor decisions of a rebellious people will result in divine withdrawal of personal logistics and depression of the economy:

Micah 6:14 - "You will eat, but you will not be satisfied, and your vileness will be in your midst. You will try to remove for safekeeping, but you will not preserve anything, and what you do preserve I will give to the sword.

v. 15 - "You will sow but you will not reap. You will tread the olive but will not anoint yourself with oil; and the grapes, but you will not drink wine."

Haggai 1:6 - "You have sown much but harvest little; you eat, but there is not enough to be satisfied; you drink, but there is not enough to become drunk; you put on clothing, but no one is warm enough, and he who earns, earns wages to be put into a purse with holes."

v. 7 - Thus says the LORD of hosts, "Consider your ways!

v. 8 - "Go up to the mountains, bring wood and rebuild the temple, that I may be pleased with it and be glorified," says the LORD.

v. 9 - “You look for much, but behold, it comes to little; when you bring it home, I blow it away. Why?” declares the LORD of hosts, “Because of My house which lies desolate, while each of you runs to his own house.

v. 10 - “Therefore, because of you the sky has withheld its dew and the earth has withheld its produce.

Social Desolation:

1. The effects of the Long March on the four divine institutions have been devastating.
2. The souls of children have been captured and manipulated by a federal school system producing an assembly line of Progressive adults out of high school and university.
3. The word “marriage” has suffered verbicide as its definition has been amended to welcome not only one man and one woman but also multiple associations of disparate individuals into the union.
4. The family has become fractured due to the result of multiple extra-marital sexual practices: fornication, adultery, divorce, second marriages, multiple parent-stepparent arrangements, multiple sibling-stepsibling households, homosexual parents, non-married parents, children with no known fathers, etc., ad nauseam.
5. The damnable misery of all of this is that those involved engage in these lifestyles without shame. It inspires us to give Jeremiah 6:15a an updated application:

Jeremiah 6:15a - “Were they ashamed because of the abomination they have done? They were not even ashamed at all; they did not even know how to blush.

6. Finally, the loss of thought, the degradation of the people, and the absence of pivot power has led to the rapid decline of our client nation and the impending danger of the advanced cycles of discipline.

Soul Desolation:



Jeremiah 12:11 - It [Judah] has been made a desolation, desolate it mourns before Me; the whole land has been made desolate, because no man lays it to heart.

1. When believers are not interested in accumulating doctrine in their souls and applying that information to life and circumstances, then loss or absence of thought contributes to the historical downtrend.
2. Rejection of truth, ignorance of truth, or disinterest in truth causes the soul to enter into chronic carnality which, if not corrected by rebound, moves the believer into the stages of reversionism and involvement in the cosmic systems of arrogance and hatred.
3. Emotion replaces thought and human viewpoint is considered for decision-making in the absence of divine viewpoint.
4. Without doctrine in the soul and consistent filling of the Holy Spirit, the believer's sinful trends and lust patterns may easily enter into and control the soul.
5. Unbelievers will, in an unrestrained, immoral, and amoral society, take on degenerate behavior patterns that will destroy their own souls while contributing to the historical downtrend.
6. The end result of such widespread degeneracy leads to the five desolations described by Jeremiah.

Antonio Gramsci & the Long March through Institutions:

1. Antonio Gramsci \gräm'-shē\ was an Italian communist that developed the principle of "cultural hegemony." This theory posited that the prevailing culture justifies the social, political, and economic status quo.
2. Patrick Buchanan presented a summary of Gramsci's strategy to take over capitalist countries in the West in his 2001 publication, *The Death of the West*:

VISUAL #8:

Antonio
Gramsci



Antonio Gramsci was a sharp observer who saw that Bolshevism did not work. Only through terror could the regime compel obedience. The Russian people had not been converted to communism; they loathed it. Their land, faith, families, icons, and Mother Russia all meant far more than any international workers' solidarity.

Gramsci concluded it was their Christian souls that prevented the Russian people from embracing their Communist revolution. "The civilized world had been thoroughly saturated with Christianity for 2000 years," Gramsci wrote: and a regime grounded in Judeo-Christian beliefs and values could not be overthrown until those roots were cut. If Christianity was the heat shield of capitalism, then, to capture the West, Marxists must first de-Christianize the West.

Rather than seize power first and impose a cultural revolution from above, Gramsci argued, Marxists in the West must first change the culture. But to change the culture would require a "long march through the institutions"—the arts, cinema, theater, schools, colleges, seminaries, newspapers, magazines, and the new electronic medium, radio. One by one, each had to be captured and converted and politicized into an agency of revolution. Then the people could be slowly educated to understand and even welcome the revolution.

Gramsci urged his fellow Marxists to form popular fronts with Western intellectuals who shared their contempt for Christianity and bourgeois culture and who shaped the minds of the young. Since Western culture had given birth to capitalism and sustained it, if that culture could be subverted, the system would fall of its own weight.⁴

3. The strategy of the "long march through institutions" has been underway since the 1930s when the Frankfurt School moved its headquarters from Germany to Columbia University.
4. The propaganda that resulted from its influence has gradually come to dominate the departments of education of almost every college and university in the country. The result of its impact is starkly evident today.
5. Every culture is based on the religious beliefs of its people and canonized into its foundational documents. Christianity's influence on the thinking of our ancestors and our State Papers' Founders established the system that has brought great freedom and prosperity to our nation.

⁴ Patrick Buchanan, *The Death of the West* (New York: Thomas Dunne Books, 2001), 76-77.

6. Gramsci's formula has been successful in removing Christianity as the dominant source for ethics, decency, honesty, integrity, and honor among our citizens.
7. In place are fuzzy ideas of right and wrong marginalized by Progressive ideology and its antibiblical spinoffs such as collectivism, corporatism, multiculturalism, political correctness, tolerance, Common Core, and the coup de grâce: health care.
8. Successive generations have systematically bought into these ideas which were concocted in the mind of Lucifer, communicated into the minds of the demon possessed, and implemented by witting minions of the Dark Side.
9. Victory is within their grasp; the enemy is at the gates; and all that is left to defend against the downfall of our society are those who not only are believers in Jesus Christ but also those who are positive to the Word, consistent in maintaining spiritual growth, and prepared to make application of its doctrines to life and circumstances.
10. Jesus Christ controls history. He does so in numerous ways, but the underlying motivation is the deliverance and preservation of the pivot.