



# Christian Citizenship

**“You are the salt of the earth . . . You are the light of the world” (Mt. 5:13-16). One way to be salty and let our light shine is by being good citizens on earth. Our vocation as citizens of both the secular kingdom and God’s kingdom gives us the responsibility to proclaim God’s Word and care for our neighbors. We are called to engage the “public square” with our message of Christ’s mercy for all. Please pray for God’s will to be done... in Jesus’ name.**

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## **Wokeness: A Prison of Mental Illness**

Wife, mom, and executive editor of *The Federalist*, Joy Pullman, asks in a recent article on culture, “What is at the core of insanity?” She answers, “It is quite simply the refusal to acknowledge or attempt to befit oneself to reality. It is imprisoning yourself inside your own mind’s fantasies about what the world ought to be, *what you want it to be*, instead of what it truly is.”

There is an “uncanny eeriness” and opinions or “assumptions . . . are absolutely not up for question.” To question might result in “being viciously attacked.” Pullman explains that that the “unstable individual” makes demands and, more dangerously, forces others “to conform to his reality instead of actual reality. Many kind and decent people go along with the initial demands because they seem relatively trifling and, at a surface level, to possibly ease another’s suffering. Wear a mask. Overlook that tent pitched next to the playground. Put an unaccompanied minor into the U.S. foster care system.” But...

“Once the first concession is won, however, the demands inevitably grow. Stay home, from two weeks to two years to forever. Give addicts clean needles. De facto amnesty for millions. No more livelihoods for those invested in small businesses. You’re a mass-murdering racist if you don’t comply.”

Pullman continues, “For those committed to power at all costs, wokeness is designed to create tens of millions of permanent psychiatric patients, people who believe insane and unreal things like ‘men are women,’ ‘printing money doesn’t cause inflation,’ ‘human worth is determined by skin color,’ ‘lockdowns are a sensible public health strategy,’

and ‘true socialism has never been tried.’ These false beliefs require enormous energy to prop up, and that’s where the political apparatus of the left comes in. Wokeness is about creating a nationwide mental hospital of forever patients who never get better. They just have to get on a new drug regimen or get centered in a different and more meaningful way, or there’s this new program they’ve heard about . . . [and here, then,] is another feature of the mentally ill society: Endlessly attempting to suspend the real-world consequences of people’s behavior.” (Excerpted from “Wokeness Means Forcing Everyone To Live Inside The Prison Of Mental Illness,” *The Federalist*, 7-23-21.)

**What can we do?** Pullman says: Stop enabling. “Cutting the endless loop of insanity starts with stopping the enablers, first by refusing to be one.” If we remain silent when we should speak, we help promote speech totalitarianism. If we are willing to “do whatever it takes to get back to my normal life,” we feed totalitarianism. The Christian might say: I feel like I’m helping my neighbor, but a question should follow: What am I enabling?

**Please pray** to engage society with the reason and senses gifted to us by God the Creator... in Jesus name.

## **A Review of Communist Goals for America**

W. Cleon Skousen authored *The Naked Communist* in 1958. In 1961, Skousen added to his book the 45 Communist goals for the United States of America. All but one of the 45 goals were reached within five decades. Among those goals are:

#11 – Promote the U.N. as the only hope for mankind. If its charter is rewritten, demand that it be set up as one-world government with its own independent armed forces. #15 – Capture one or both of the political parties in the United States. #17 – Get control of the schools. Use them as transmission belts for socialism and current Communist propaganda. Soften the curriculum. Get control of teachers’ associations. Put the party line in textbooks. #20 – Infiltrate the press. Get control of book-review assignments, editorial

writing, and policy-making positions. #21 – Gain control of radio, TV, and motion pictures. #26 – Present homosexuality, degeneracy and promiscuity as “normal, natural, and healthy.” #27 – Infiltrate the churches and replace revealed religion with “social” religion. [Editor’s Note: The National Council of Churches was organized by the Communist Party USA.] #29/30 – Discredit the U.S. Constitution and America’s founding fathers. #32 – Support any socialist movement to give centralized control over any part of the culture— education, social agencies, welfare programs, mental health clinics, etc. #35 – Dismantle the FBI. #37 – Gain control of big business. #38 – Transfer some of the powers of arrest from the police to social agencies. #39 – Dominate the psychiatric professions and use mental health laws as a means of gaining control over those who oppose Communist goals. #40 – Break down the family. #41 – Raise children away from parents. #45 – Repeal the Connally Reservation so that the U.S. cannot prevent the World Court from seizing jurisdiction over domestic problems. Give the World Court jurisdiction over nations and individuals alike. [Note: This is the only major Communist goal that has failed to get off the ground.] (Source: Chapter 13)

**What can we do?** Repair and rebuild! Teach the Constitution and Amendments to your children and grandchildren. Build curiosity by contrasting Communism with a free nation “of, by, and for the people.” Visit Agenda Weekly with Curtis Bowers to be informed, access suggested resources, and learn what Christians can do.

**Please pray** to resist evil... in Jesus’ name.

### **Public, Private, and Christian Schools**

Are you aware of the values offered by your local public (government) school? The Family Research Council (FRC) notes that “people who live in conservative communities often have a false sense of security when it comes to their local government. We know and go to church with the teachers; we elect the school board and town council; everything is probably fine, right? Wrong!” During the past two years, “the hidden (and not so hidden) agenda of your local public school may be more evident.” Parents are becoming more alert to and aware of a very different kind of education.

**What can we do?** Download three helpful guides from FRC.org: *A Concerned Citizen’s Guide to Engaging with Public Schools* by Meg Kilgannon, *A Parent’s Guide to the Transgender Movement in Education* by Peter Sprigg, and *Why Every Church Should Start a Christian School* by Joseph Backholm. (Click on “issues,” then “education.”)

**Please pray** for parents and the children entrusted by God to their care... in Jesus’ name.

### **Medical Tyranny**

To date, over 10,000 physicians and medical scientists worldwide have signed the “Rome Declaration” to alert citizens about the deadly consequences of Covid-19 policy makers’ and medical authorities’ unprecedented behavior such as denying patient access to lifesaving early treatments, disrupting the sacred, physician-patient relationship, and suppressing open scientific discussion for profits and power. These professionals, many of whom are on the front lines of pandemic treatment, have experienced career threats, character assassination, censorship of scientific papers and research, social media accounts blocked, online search results manipulated, clinical trials and patient observations banned, and their professional history and accomplishments minimized in both academic and mainstream media. You can find the Declaration here: [www.globalcovids Summit.org](http://www.globalcovids Summit.org)

**What can we do?** Although they have been censored, you and your family have access to a great many medical and legal advocacy organizations and resources. Most provide first-line of defense protocols. They include the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPSONline.org), America’s Frontline Doctors (AFLDS.org-medical & legal help), Truth for Health.org, America Out Loud: The McCullough Report, Front Line Covid-19 Critical Care Alliance (FLCCC.org), the Children’s Health Defense, the National Vaccine Information Center, Early Covid Care.org, and the Liberty Counsel (legal).

**Please pray** for the doctors, nurses, scientists, and their legal counsel who risk reputation and careers to care for patients and save lives... in Jesus’ name.

