

ENTROPY

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*But shun profane and vain babblings: **for they will increase unto more ungodliness.*** (2 Timothy 2:16)

*But evil men and seducers shall wax **worse and worse**, deceiving, and being deceived.* (2 Timothy 3:13).

*Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that **a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?*** (1 Corinthians 5:6).

A little leaven [a biblical picture of sin] leaveneth the whole lump. (Galatians 5:9).

***For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine;** but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears* (2 Timothy 4:3).

INTRODUCTORY OBSERVATIONS

Entropy:

1. By definition, entropy is Sir Isaac Newton's Second Law of Thermodynamics, which states: Everything in nature is moving toward a state of equilibrium or balance, a condition of not moving. In other words, everything in this natural world is running down. As a quick example to get us started in non-technical language, think of putting a cup of scalding hot coffee and a glass of ice tea on a countertop in a kitchen with an air temperature of 75 degrees. What will happen? The hot coffee will get cooler, and the iced tea will get warmer, and the room will get a little warmer from the coffee's heat and the room will give enough heat to the tea to melt the ice and bring the tea to room temperature, until the coffee, the tea, and the room are all the exact same temperature. That is how entropy works, and the same thing happens to everything: what goes up must go

down (death), and what goes down must come up (resurrection). What gets cleaned gets dirty again and what gets fed gets hungry again. There is nothing that is not affected by this law of nature.

The bad thing about it all is, the downhill negative influences are winning, slowly but steadily. But that is good, too (Romans 8:28).

Don't think for a moment that entropy is contrary to the Lord's absolute predestination. Entropy is part of God's predestined purpose for this sin-cursed earth. It serves as a very positive reminder of a most important purpose, which we will address before we are through.

One of our texts says, profane and vain babblings will increase unto more ungodliness. They will never reverse their course, and become less profane or less vain.

Another text says evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. They will never get better and better with less deception. That is, they will never improve if the grace of God in Christ Jesus does not intervene.

Entropy is a direct result of the sin of Satan, Adam, and Eve. We will go into this and the whys and wherefores a big later. For now, we will begin by saying this: The law of entropy is an inexorable, universal law of nature, like gravity, permeating and affecting all things in the material universe.

2. Entropy is the breaking down, wearing out, running down, rusting, peeling, flaking, rotting, failing, slowing down, cooling of what is hot, melting of what is frozen, warming of what is cold, the grinding down, aging, dying, decomposing, disintegration, dirtying, falling, corrupting, failure, leaking, evaporating, spoiling, worsening, forgetting, atropy, weakening, decaying, spoiling, crumbling, molding, falling apart, eroding, and collapsing of everything physical, mental, or any other form of existence capable of deteriorating into an ever-increasing chaotic disorder, whether of a physical body (noun), a mental process, or of a course of action (verb).

If it were not for entropy, there would be no use for terms like futility, SNAFU, and FUBAR.

ENTROPY IS RECOGNIZED BY MANY WRITERS

Many writers, of whom I'll only mention four, expounded and expanded on entropy.

1. Entropy is so recognizably present everywhere, several people wrote humorous books about it; books called some variation of "**Murphy's Law.**" Murphy's Law states simply: **If anything can go wrong, it will.**

2. In trying to find out who Murphy was and who first described his "law," the earliest expression I found was attributed to the great mathematician **Augustus De Morgan**, who wrote on June 23, 1866: "*The first experiment already illustrates a truth of the theory, well confirmed by practice, what-ever can happen will happen if we make trials enough.*" In later publications "**whatever can happen will happen**" was termed "Murphy's law," which some historians say raises the possibility that "Murphy" is the name "De Morgan" wrongly remembered. If this is so, then **the very naming of "Murphy's Law" is just one more example of Murphy's Law** and the law of entropy. (refer to https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Murphy%27s_law).

3. **The Peter Principle**, is the name of a book written in 1969 by Raymond Hull. It is based on the research of Dr. Laurence Peter, who defined this Principle as, "**Everyone rises to their own level of incompetence.**" Examples given include the fact that a good craftsman is usually promoted to be a bad supervisor; for example, he or she may work well with his hands as a skilled carpenter or mechanic, but he has absolutely no social savvy for managing workers under him. So he is promoted to be a foreman anyway, because he was such a good carpenter: and there he stays, a bad foreman until he retires or is fired.

If you have ever worked for a stupid boss, you know exactly what is meant—unless you are the stupid boss. In such a case you would never understand what we are discussing.

4. In 1980, Jeremy Rifkin published his book that was named, oddly enough, **Entropy**.

in 1980 Mr. Rifkin could not have possibly anticipated how far entropy would have carried the world-system in another forty years, to where we are now.

And it will only continue getting worse until the Lord Jesus Christ returns.

LIBERALISM: ENTROPY IN ACTION

The liberalizing, destructive, leftward trend is seen in (to name a few places) agriculture, biology, all the sciences, manmade structures (buildings, bridges, tunnels, utilities and the wires and pipes that carry them), business and economics (buying, selling, trading, inflation, usury, highway robbery, exorbitant interest rates, extortion, blackmail, taxes (but now I've begun repeating myself); language and communication (word definitions, writing, speaking, grammar, punctuation, and spelling), education, entertainment, the food industry in all its forms; *reversionist* history (the changing and rewriting of historical facts, leaving out true facts that do not fit in with the liberal agenda and presenting fictitious lies that advance the liberals' destructive intentions); the pharmacological industry (medicines, drugs, and treatments that do the patients no good but they literally make billions of dollars for the perpetrators); all levels of government (politics and legislation—the making of new laws), society, the arts, music, laws and law enforcement (the self-styled-legal" and "judicial" systems and the corrupt thugs occupying powerful positions within them), the philosophies and religions of men, psychology, sociology, transportation and travel, and any other field of endeavor that can be corrupted or destroyed by evil men,

whether by their willful intent or not. As the word is presently used, primarily by the triple evils of (a) the media, and the corruption of the (b) political and (c) religious establishments, the catch-phrase "**Liberalism**" **IS entropy at its worst.**

Man's intent to do good is as destructive as his intent to do evil. **The Law of Unintended Consequences** is defined as "outcomes, usually bad or negative, that are not foreseen or intended by the one performing a purposeful action."

The use of the word **liberal** is itself an example of entropy. Once upon a time, to be known as being liberal was a high honor. It meant (a) generous, both monetarily and intellectually; (b) tolerant of differing viewpoints; (c) willing to consider another's viewpoint and grant him, as his inalienable right, the privilege of holding and expressing it without fear of retaliation or persecution for it.

In the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, so-called *liberalism* has degenerated into a negative and narrowly closed-minded force. So-called *liberals* are now those who will **not** tolerate any idea with which they disagree or which disagrees with them; these self-styled "liberals" are bent on the destruction of everything with which they disagree, to the point of misrepresenting those with whom they disagree, using ridicule, boycotts, slander, ostracism, persecution, and violence toward any who oppose them, including character assassination and literally killing them.

Nowadays the vile person is called liberal, and the churl is said to be bountiful (Isaiah 32.5-7). In the coming **literally manifested** kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ on earth, in its **manifest literalness** as described by Isaiah in that chapter, it will then be otherwise, as it should be: the vile person will be called vile, the truly liberal will be called liberal, the churl will be called a churl, and the truly bountiful will be called bountiful (Isaiah 32.5-7).

Entropy affects **the whole creation** and not just man, the earth, and all the other creatures on it. "For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now (Romans 8.22)." In Romans 8.19-21 the word "creature" is from the exact same Greek word (κτισις) translated **creation** in verse 22 and should be uniformly rendered as **creation**, not creature. The whole, entire creation is under consideration here.

The mistranslation of the word for creation as creature is one more example of entropy. To many people "creature" implies little animals and bugs and the like: "All creatures, great and small"; but Paul was speaking of the whole creation and everything in it, and that is the reason the Holy Spirit caused him to use that exact word.

While we are there, **revealed** in verse 18 and **manifestation** in verse 19 are both forms of the Greek word "apocalypse," the correct name of the book of **Revelation**. This sheds more light on what Paul was talking about in verse 21: **The deliverance of the entire creation** (not just the children of God only) **will be at the revelation or appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ and not before.**

THINGS IN GENERAL

Taking the world apart one screw at a time did not begin with the hippies in the 1960s. They could not have produced this idea on their own. When no one is looking, screws fall out of their places by their own accord.

Why does dust accumulate on tables, desks, and lampshades, making them dirtier and dirtier? Instead of going TO furniture, why doesn't dust go somewhere else FROM furniture, making objects increasingly cleaner?

Things as diverse as automobile brakes and marriages both fail.

Rivers and streams run into the sea, but the sea is never full; even though the rivers and streams might eventually run dry. By the way: isn't

"run dry," which we all say, a contradiction of terms? How does something dry "run"? How does anyone do a *dry run*?

And isn't "head over heels" the way we are supposed to be? Then why is "head over heels" used to describe someone that is upside down?

We are told that wine and cheese are things that improve with age, but eventually cheese rots and wine turns to vinegar.

Buy or sell, marry or divorce, change jobs; whatever you do, the rule seems to be, act in haste, repent at leisure.

Sources of energy eventually fail, causing unrecoverable, irretrievable loss. An extended power failure can cause the loss of 500 pounds of frozen goods in a deep freeze.

Physical gravity has no effect in the spiritual realm (that we know of, at least). Spiritual gravity has a great effect in the realm of the physical, but few people know or care about this fact.

A CEO, not having anyone above him to promote him, will promote himself.

Bad cycles repeat more often than good cycles.

It is easier to forget something than it is to remember it.

It is easier to cut off a foot, leg, hand, arm, or head than it is to put it back on.

It is easier to lose something than it is to find it. Losing something is instantaneous; finding it can take years. Sometimes we never find it.

Cars and washing-machines break down. Couples break up. Epidemics and rashes break out. Thieves and poor conversationalists break in. Dishes, jars, pottery, arms and legs, and antique vases just break.

If things do not break, **stress fractures** diversify, from human bones to airplane wings.

Things that are not supposed to swell up, swell up. Things that are not supposed to shrink, shrink.

Trees and people fall down, not up.

Things that are guaranteed to last for a lifetime soon disappear from the marketplace along with those who guaranteed them.

Where did you put that receipt for the light bulb that was guaranteed to last five years, but it lasted for less than a month?

For all practical purposes, there is not 100% of anything. We might well say that **100% of everything, all of it, entirely fails to come up to 100%.**

Tragedies and calamities never happen to a person or to a nation at a convenient time.

MAN'S INVENTIONS

Dams and reservoirs are built in canyons to hold billions of gallons of water. Instead, the canyons fill up with billions of gallons of sand, silt, and debris, leaving not enough room for those billions of gallons of water the canyon was "supposed to hold."

Microwave ovens leak harmful radiation. Do not let anyone tell you otherwise.

Cell phones leak harmful radiation. Do not let anyone tell you otherwise.

Hoses (whether automotive, garden, or yard) leak when and where we don't want them to leak. They do not improve with age. And speaking of hoses, why is a pair of women's stockings called "hose," not "hoses," plural, as they *do* come in *pairs of two*?

In the good old days we used to be too hot in the summer and too cold in the winter. Thanks to modern technology, the expenditure of billions of dollars, and the destruction of all those untold amounts of nonrenewable

resources, we can now be too hot in the winter and too cold in the summer. If it is 90 in the summer or 65 in the winter we run our heaters and air conditioners to make it 65 in the summer and 90 in the winter. These figures may not be exact, but you get the picture.

Every invention is some man's effort to get along without God. Consequently, every invention causes more troubles than it solves. Man's improvements, therefore, are not improvements. "Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions (Ecclesiastes 7:29)." Checking at the Patent Office will bear this out.

AGRICULTURE, FARMING, AND GARDENING

Why don't vegetables multiply as easily as weeds? Why isn't it as hard to get rid of squash vines, cabbage plants, beans, peas, okra, corn, and carrots as it is to get rid of Bermuda grass or crabgrass in your garden?

Someone once asked, "How do you tell a flower from a weed?" She was told, "Pull it up. If it doesn't come back, it was a flower."

BIOLOGY

Invasive insects like ants, weevils, roaches, lice, scorpions, wasps, and all sorts of creepy-crawlies will willingly move in with you, but they will not willingly move out.

The fewer good, harmless, nonpoisonous snakes you have around, the more rats, mice, and insects you will have. So what do people do? They kill the good snakes that eat vermin.

It is much easier to kill something good than it is to unkill it. It's much harder to kill something that is bad than it is to kill something good.

PHYSICS

Why doesn't gravity make wrinkles fall out of clothes instead of accumulating in them, so clothes would have less wrinkles and be more smooth without needing to press them?

Grindstones are used to wear down other materials, but grindstones themselves wear down.

Holes fill up, but a man's eyes are never full. "Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied (Proverbs 27:20)." Dig a hole over here and pile the excavated dirt as a hill over there; both will eventually disappear, as entropy destroys holes and hills. The hole fills up as nature follows its God-given course; and the hill erodes as rain washes it down, the wind blows it away a grain at a time, its dirt is carried away as it sticks to the feet of man and beast, and it otherwise diminishes. Entropy, by gravity, pulls down both the hole and the hill.

ECONOMICS (in two easy lessons)

1. Gresham's Law says, "Bad money will drive out good money." That is, the more fiat paper currency is printed, the more people will take out of circulation and hoard the gold, silver, copper, nickel, and whatever has more intrinsic value than the fake paper money.

2. Anything that is good is not cheap. But neither is anything that is NOT good.

EDUCATION

The 1999 book of 738 pages, *The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America*, by Charlotte Thomson Iserbyt, tells the entire story of how the "educational system" was taken over with the conscious, dedicated intent to destroy the minds of our children, to produce a generation of little more than so many simple-minded, easily controllable, amoral idiots. Few if any of our readers (or anyone else) will read this important (and still available) book, even though we can see throughout our nation the destructive results of the current educational theories. What we see nowadays is the fulfillment of the

deliberate dumbing down of America. But who wants to read an account so disturbingly true as this 738 page book?

Revisionist history (see **HISTORY** below), painting our national heroes as evil scoundrels, is only one small part of this destructive trend. Teaching calculus instead of how to balance your checkbook is another.

GENERAL SCIENCE

When it rains, it pours. When it doesn't, it doesn't.

Even the speed of light, once considered to be a constant. has been proved to be slowing down. We cannot digress to give the documentation, but it is readily available. See <http://www.ldolphin.org/speedo.html> (that's an **L**, **L**dolphin. not a one, **I**dolphin).

HISTORY

Someone said it is always the winners who write the history books. The winners usually REWRITE history books, as they are trying to do today. People speak of "sore losers," but the South is not nearly as much a sore loser as the liberals are bad about being. "*sore winners.*" They act like they only half-won, and, as if that were not enough, in their mad efforts to deny what actually happened, and how, and why, they have to destroy the monuments and the memories of revered Southern generals and gentlemen. It is not the South that is "*still fighting the [so-called 'civil'] war*"; *it is* the hate-filled, angry "winners" and their ignorant sympathizers. And they are doing it by revising our history books, throwing down monuments, rioting, looting, burning, killing. and generally causing chaos in our streets.

Speaking of entropy as we were, I've often wondered: Is anything ever *wreaked* other than havoc? If there is, I've never heard of it.

The 1951 booklet of only 76 pages, by John S. Tilley, "*Facts The Historians Leave Out, A Confederate Primer*", is still in print. It cost \$1.00 in 1951, and as of this writing, reprints at an inflated price are still available

from Amazon. It is well worth the price if you are interested in that era of our history.

Those who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it. That's not just a witty saying. We are experiencing it right now.

Revisionist history is rewriting and falsifying history to suit the so-called liberals' destructive agenda. Revisionist history thrives in current educational textbooks at all levels.

LAW AND THE LEGAL-JUDICIAL SYSTEM

Every new law that legislators pass only leads to a new class of criminals and more new crimes to prosecute. The more laws that are passed, the more laws there are to be broken. Each new law breeds another new category of criminal.

Honest people, namely those with honor and integrity, are the only ones who take laws seriously, and they are the very ones who are most likely to suffer from the legal-judicial system; for one easily documented example: **"Gun control" laws preceded the roundups and mass executions of millions of people in every country where they were introduced.** Do your own homework and see if this is not the truth.

For centuries, the rightfully understood dictum was that **the accused was innocent until proven guilty.** We have now already reached the point that the accused is presumed guilty and must prove his or her innocence—something that is sometimes well-nigh impossible to do.

You see, they do not call it "the **criminal justice** system" for nothing. Some of the worst, rottenest, most depraved criminals in the world tote guns and billy clubs and wear uniforms and badges, throw women face down on hot asphalt pavement to cuff them, and shoot sixteen slugs into the backs of unarmed people, no doubt to keep the suspect from getting away.

Or those other blackguards, who wear black robes and sit on high benches, love to lord their absolute power over the destitute, sending innocent people to life imprisonment or to death for crimes they did not commit. Judges claim it is "justice" when they not only know the District Attorney has suborned false witnesses to destroy innocent people, but these "Judges" not only take known perjured testimony willingly and knowingly, but they also force innocent people to perjure themselves in one of the vilest parts of their **criminal** "justice" system: that of "**plea bargains.**" That is where, in complicity with the District Attorney, they frighten you, as an innocent person, into believing the State is going to execute you for a crime you did **not** commit, or send you to prison for life without the possibility of parole for a crime you did **not** commit. But wonder of wonders, the kindly old Judge and the politically ambitious D.A. agree that **if you will perjure yourself by pleading guilty to a lesser crime that you also did not commit**, you can get out of prison in 25 or 30 years IF you are a nice submissive prisoner and "*play the game.*" Yes, lawyers and judges actually use this term—***play the game***, which means you, the innocent prisoner, must go to prison, admit doing the crime you did **not** commit, take all the required rehabilitation classes while in prison, and when you go before the parole board, you must still **perjure yourself again** and tell them, "Yes I did it, and I'm so sorry, and if you will let me out, I promise I'll be good and never, never, never ever do it again." And if that works and they let you out early, you can go on your way rejoicing, knowing that you will be known as a convicted felon for the rest of your life.

Is it any wonder they call this the CRIMINAL justice system?

The word **suborned** is found once in the Bible, in Acts 6.11: "Then they **suborned** men, which said, We have heard him (Stephen) speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God." But they were also suborned witnesses against Christ in Matthew 26.60f, as were the soldiers in Matthew 28.11-15. By dictionary definition, **suborn** means to induce to commit perjury to obtain perjured testimony from a witness," and

subornation (note: not *subordination*) **is to induce someone, as by bribes or persuasion, to commit perjury** (or some other unlawful act).

And remember always: You can strike the testimony of a witness from the record, but you cannot strike it from the jury's mind.

Christ said, "There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man: And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. And **he would not** for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man; Yet because this widow troubleth ME, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary ME. And the Lord said, Hear what THE **UNJUST JUDGE** saith (Luke 18:2-6)."

We all know Judges like that, who don't care one iota, who don't give a flip about suffering humanity, and would not help poor victims unless it benefits that presiding judge, or one of his (or her) family or friends, probably by political advancement, or more money, or both. It is well said: In Texas we have the best judges that money can buy.

Perhaps you are thinking: Paul said, "For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil (Romans 13.3f)." But Paul was not speaking of the wicked, deplorably evil system our people knowingly tolerate, where District Attorneys and their ilk, and "unjust judges" can become millionaires by sending innocent people to prison and death.

HEALTH AND MEDICINE

A certain woman had **suffered many things of many physicians**, and had **spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered**, but rather

grew worse (Mark 5.26). Not a thing has changed in the two thousand years since Christ told us of this incident.

Eyes wear out and are bolstered by nice new glasses, but glasses get scratched, their frames get brittle and break, and eyes get worse and need new glasses again. The cycle repeats, spiraling ever downward. Entropy.

Teeth decay and are removed or crowned. Crowns come off of kings, and off of teeth as well, as the best adhesives fail. Finally the roots of the crowned teeth must be excavated. Why should this surprise us? It's entropy.

"Science" develops new, "improved," stronger vaccines, medicines, and poisons for diseases, bugs, and weeds; then, viruses, bacteria, bugs, and weeds reply by each new generation's developing new strains of bugs, weeds, viruses, and bacteria that are resistant to the new vaccines and poisons. The new poisons and vaccines only poison us, inducing new disease, cell degeneration, cancer, and similar related problems in humanity.

THE HUMAN CONDITION

A little knowledge is good, but it can be dangerous. A lot of learning can drive a man crazy: "And as he [Paul] thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad (Acts 26:24)."

Not enough food, water, or sunlight will kill a person. Too much food, water, sunlight will kill a person.

There is such a thing as too much of a good thing. But there is also too little of a good thing. One can take too much or too little of a good medicine.

Mountains erode. So do friendships.

There are babyriages and there are baby miscarriages.

We cannot recover our youth. The observation, "It is a pity youth is wasted on the young," is variously attributed to Oscar Wilde, George

Bernard Shaw, and others. Adam or Methuselah may have been the first person to make this observation.

You can't unscramble an egg. You cannot restore or recover virginity.

Or, consider shoes and socks. We wear them to protect our feet, but they often restrict our circulation, bind and misshape the bones, make the feet soft and tender. They may cause disease and problems by providing a dark, warm, damp place for germs and fungi to thrive. If you have scorpions where you live, then you know how they love to spend the night in shoes and boots, waiting for the morning that will bring the unsuspecting foot....

Beauty fades, but ugly proliferates. If you are pursuing beauty, don't look over your shoulder; ugly is pursuing you and gaining ground every day.

Young love leads to familiarity, and familiarity breeds contempt.

In fact, familiarity breeds.

One (at least) has said of apathy: "I don't know what apathy means, and I don't care."

Some celebrities have nothing to their credit. They are famous only for being famous.

Clothes, linens, dishrags, and emotions all wear thin. Extreme love can turn to extreme hate. Two young people, madly in love, can marry and then grow into two bitter, argumentative old combatants. People sometimes murder those whom they formerly loved. It rarely works in reverse—people seldom fall in love with those they hate; though rare, it's possible, but unlikely.

Remembering and finding things take a lot of time. It takes more time to find something than it takes to lose it. It is easier to lose something than it is to find it; finding it can take a year or longer; some things you never find again. The time taken finding a lost object is always time that could have been used for better things, had we not lost it to begin with. Forgetting

and losing things, like burning yourself on a hot skillet, is usually unintentional and instantaneous.

Why is it, what you are looking for is always in the last place you look, instead of going directly to it in the first place? Why can't we first look where it is? But if that happened, it would still be the last place you looked. Sometimes you can't win for losing.

Truth falls into contempt among the ignorant. Unless you know everything already, an old truth may be new to you. If it is new to you, you may tend to reject it. People tend to stay with old errors rather than receive truth that is newly presented to them. If a truth is new to a person, that person will tend to prefer his old errors instead of receiving the truth which is new to him. There is a

"tendency not to reverse opinions you already have. Remember that we treat ideas like possessions, and it will be hard for us to part with them. --Nassim N. Taleb, *The Black Swan*, p. 144.

This natural inclination we all have stands in direct opposition to what Christ said in Matthew 13.52: "Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth **out of his treasure** things new and old."

People will minimize the bad effects of harmful things they like, and they will ignore the good effects of good things not to their liking. They will knowingly swim in shark-infested waters and scoff at health food.

POLITICS

Freedom is not free. People will die for freedom. Are dead people free?

We have heard the complaint that "Russia has broken every treaty they ever made with the USA. BUT, the USA broke every treaty we made with *native American Indians*—and we do not recognize that we, as a nation, are only reaping from Russia what we have sown. Bureaucracies are living

things, that grow, marry other bureaucracies, and have offspring. Bureaucracies exist in order to multiply, replenish the earth, and subdue it.

RELIGION

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death (Proverbs 14:12).

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man: You will note that there is a way, singular, one way, that seem right to a man. That way is the free-will system. The natural man is born believing he (or she) naturally has a free will that even God Himself cannot "violate." That seems right, the right way, to the natural mind.

but the end thereof are the ways of death: The free will way leads to thousands of different ways, plural, but they all have one thing in common; "free will," the **way** of death.

Any religion, whether it is within the so-called "Christian religions" (Missionary, Methodist, Campbellite, Conditionalism, the cults like Mormonism, Christian Science, Roman Catholicism, Jehovah's Witnesses, Seventh Day Adventists . and a thousand other "denominations") or pagan heathen systems (such as the Moon-worshiping Muslims or the many religions of Africa. India, China, and Japan), they all have one thing in common: free-willism.

One way or another, sooner or later, the free-willers will all express their belief that some part of your salvation is **up to you** to obey God and thereby be saved and eligible to earn blessings in this life and the hereafter, or to disobey God and be eternally lost, and be punished in this life and in eternity. Their dogma is, God has done His part in trying to save you; now you must do your part in order to be saved.

To believe in and trust in yourself and any of your actions for any part of salvation is to NOT believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, to the exact same extent.

Someone once said: "Orthodoxy is my doxy. Heterodoxy is the other guy's doxy." I like that. So does everyone else.

If the Lord doesn't save us by His free sovereign grace, we will not be saved!

Heaven is a fixed number, but hell hath enlarged herself. "Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure" —Isaiah 5.14.

"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation **with fear and trembling** (Philippians 2.12)." Things we once valued and revered, we begin to take for granted. Why is it, biblical experiences and worshipful hymns once moved us to tears, drove us to the fear of the Lord and to trembling, but now they scarcely move us at all? Entropy—the wearing down, watering down, weakening effects of something once specially precious becoming commonplace, which is the exact opposite of true biblical sanctification, having the Lord and godliness in a most special and sacred place in our lives: "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear (1Peter 3:15)." Sanctification is the present battlefield.

Remember when the **absolute sovereignty** of the Lord God moved you to reverential fear as it did Job? "But He is in one mind, and who can turn Him? and what His soul desireth, even that He doeth. For He performeth the thing that is appointed for me: and many such things are with Him. Therefore am **I troubled at His presence**: when I consider, **I am afraid of Him**. For God maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me (Job 23:13-16)." Do such considerations still so move you? If not, entropy has taken its toll in your own life's experience.

Ignorance glorified in the ministry: in Springfield, Missouri, I heard a Campbellite **ignoramus**,* a regular on the radio who believed that

God will save the ignorant because of their ignorance. His confession of faith was, "If I'm ignorant, I will be saved; so therefore I will never learn anything." But in his *ignorance* (which he never missed an opportunity to demonstrate) he already knew way too much. Will he ever be surprised!

[*Calling him an ignoramus is not said to be insulting or mean. It is a technical term from legal Latin, literally meaning we have no knowledge of, from Latin *ignôrâre* to be ignorant of; see ignore in your dictionary.]

When we say, "It takes the grace of God and His enlightenment to know or speak spiritual truth" this in no way means it is wrong to have a good, solid, secular education in reading, writing, and arithmetic. It does not mean to **ignore** the text that says, "Study to shew thyself approved...."

"Then he said unto them, 'O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken' (Luke 24:25)." Why is it, people want to know the future about everything from the weather, to the stock market, to "Will we have another world war?" and "how will the world end?" But the Lord's prophets and apostles do tell us what will be, and yet even "religious" people will hate, ignore, or disbelieve what the prophets have recorded?

Things we want the most, once obtained, never really satisfy. "He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this is also vanity (Ecclesiastes 5:10)." One long Thanksgiving weekend in the 1970s I watched college football games on TV all day long on Thanksgiving Thursday, all day long on Friday, all day long on Saturday, and all day long on Sunday. I have never watched a college football game since. *That one weekend I got my fill of college football for a lifetime.* With some people, just one soundly biblical sermon is like that, and it produces the same result.

Writing: Errors, Even in Your Bible?

Errors creep into manuscripts, even those of the Bible; not in the original God-breathed texts, but in copies, and copies of copies, and on down the line.

Controversy exists about Greek manuscripts, as some scribes either miscopied words, or else they thought they would help God by inserting their own beliefs into the sacred texts in the early handwritten copies.

Keep in mind that any translator, you and me included, given the choice of synonyms, will pick the word that most suits his or her own personal bias. We all have such biases.

1. Mark 16.16-20: Most "study Bibles" and commentaries suggest, true or not, that these five verses were added by some man, for his own reason.

2. Romans 8.1, the last ten words, "who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit," do not occur in many of the ancient manuscripts:

(a) were they miscopied from verse 4, as many sovereign grace writers suspect? or do you prefer the alternative view, that

(b) **no condemnation depends** on whether or not the child of God walks "not after the flesh but after the Spirit," which all Arminians and Conditionalists prefer? That is the dilemma presented here.

3. 1 John 2.23b (...*but*) *he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*): You will notice in your own KJV Bible that even the KJV translators themselves questioned the authenticity of these words; hence they printed the words in italics, indicating they are supplied words and not in the original text.

Those who study such things suspect some overzealous copyist added these words to brace up his personal view of what John—and the Lord—meant to say. Like the televangelists who say, "...what *God is trying* to tell us."

Other passages are disputed—were these passages faithfully transmitted to us, or were they added, added to, or otherwise altered? I won't try to point out details, pro or con; here, We are only looking at **entropy**. Even the perfectly inspired. God-breathed Scriptures have some

errors introduced into them, either deliberately or by "human errors" and mistakes made by sleepy-headed copyists.

Again, in all this, I am not attacking the King James Version. the *only* version I have carried into the stand in over sixty years of frequenting that sacred place. My point is, **entropy** has no respect for God's word or for anything else. As much as the Lord's sovereign will and purpose would have it, Satan will use entropy to whatever devilment our God would have him do; in which case our Sovereign Lord will overrule it all to His own praise, honor, and glory.

I find typographical errors, or "typos," even in Bibles. One such typo, a real printer's error, was unbelievably comforting to me in a time of deep distress and loneliness. Not to digress further here, maybe sometime I'll tell you about it in another article.

L a n g u a g e a n d W r i t i n g

Secular writing in general: In our day, there is no need for many would-be writers to proofread their work, so they don't. They would have no idea what to look for. They would not recognize an error if they saw it. If such a writer were paired with one more like herself, they might together have one complete wit.

E. W. Bullinger, in his excellent book, *How to Enjoy the Bible*, commenting on the old meaning of the word **prevent** in the KJV, perfectly described **entropy's** destructive effect on language without actually using the word. He said: "It is a strange commentary on fallen human nature to see words thus changing their usage; for this change is uniformly in one direction; *it is always a change for the worse*. We never find a word acquiring a higher meaning! It is always down, down, like fallen and falling man himself, who thus drags down with him the meanings of the words he uses." (page 230)

Two examples come readily to mind. Not so very long ago, "**gay**" meant carefree, merry, and happy. "**Liberal**" meant libertarian in one's

views, advocating personal liberty to believe and say anything short of damaging to others' individual freedom. It was at one time an honor to be known as a liberal-minded person. How would you like it it now, in our degenerate society today, if someone called you a **gay liberal**?

And "Poetry": What is passed off as *poetry* nowadays is perhaps the disgustingly worst, stomach-wrenching example yet of entropy in writing.

I hate to waste precious space in *The Remnant* to give the following example, but given our subject of **entropy**, it is somewhat necessary to do so. Some of our readers may have led such sheltered lives they would not believe a female lady-girl woman could, **with literally neither rhyme nor reason**, write such disgusting, nonsensical drivel and pass it off to the gullible masses as "poetry." The following short excerpt from Frances Chung illustrates how low women such as she is have sunk, and how equally low the masses' concept of *poetry* has sunk. It illustrates, too, the gullibility of those worldly-wise "sophistocates" who think such vulgar scribbling has any merit whatsoever:

the great american yellow poem

by Frances Chung - 1950-1990

she heard tales about saving grapefruit

skins for cooking

she grew bright under the neon dragon

of Chinatown

she made saffron curry rice for friends

she attended a barbecue in Amarillo,

Texas

*she stepped around yellow * in snow*

she cut herself on a Hawaiian pine-

apple...

* (A word found in 2 Kings 18.27, now considered vulgar.)

Or, consider Langston Hughes (1901-1967), the avowed Communist revolutionary and self-styled poet, who wrote (I quote only in part):

Goodbye Christ

Listen, Christ,
You did alright in your day, I reckon--
But that day's gone now.
They ghosted you up a swell story, too,
Called it Bible--
But it's dead now...
Goodbye,
Christ Jesus Lord God Jehova,
Beat it on away from here now,
Make way for a new guy with no religion at all-
A real guy named
Marx Communist Lenin Peasant Stalin
Worker ME--
I said, ME!
Go ahead on now,
You're getting in the way of things, Lord.
etc.

This is the **same Langston Hughes** who wrote (again I only quote a part):

Put one more s in the U.S.A.
To make it Soviet.
Put one more s in the U.S.A.
Oh, we'll live to see it yet.
When the land belongs to the farmers
And the factories to the working men

The U.S.A. when we take control
Will be the U.S.S.A. then.

This is **the same Langston Hughes** whom **Tim Kaine** quoted in his part of the Democrats' concession speech the night of the 2016 elections. No, Mr. Kaine did not quote from either of Mr. Hughes' two masterpieces above; that would have been too obvious. But by his quoting Hughes at all, or even mentioning his name, *he sent a signal to those who are in the know*, letting them know that night, that, although they had lost this skirmish, they were still in lockstep with the "Socialist Democrat" world revolution advocated by Mr. Hughes, his heroes Marx, Lenin, and Stalin, and all their "comrades."

But we were speaking of how entropy has affected the world's "poetry." From the heights of Longfellow, Whittier, Tennyson, Bryant, Browning, Lord Byron, and the great hymn writers like Cowper, Newton, and Watts, truly poetic literature has been replaced by the likes of this communist raging, admired only by leftist politicians, and feminist effluvia admired by no one.

Examples of written entropy could be multiplied without end, as it permeates all modern "creative" work. We will forbear here for reasons of time, space, and we trust that briefly or not, the point has been made.

III. WHEN WAS ENTROPY INTRODUCED INTO THE WORLD?

Entropy was introduced in the Garden of Eden, as a direct result of sin. Before Genesis 3. the new creation of Genesis 1 was "very good," and—*speaking hypothetically*, without Satan's interfering with this creation, God's beautiful, closed system—the earth, sun, solar system, the entire universe *could have gone on forever, eternally perfect.*

Be assured; this is part of God's wisdom and eternal counsel, and He will repair it, back like it was in Genesis 1.31, when it was very good: "And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the

heaven must receive **until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began** (Act 3:20-21)." You see, when the Lord Jesus Christ returns, He is going to restore ALL THINGS, back the way it was in the creation before the destructive events of Genesis 3.

And this is nothing new; this is no new doctrine. He has spoken this fact by ALL His holy prophets, and He has done so ever since the eon/age when the world began, going back at least to Enoch (Genesis 5.18-24; see Jude verse 14). The introduction of sin into God's creation was by the eternal determination and decree of our all wise God. Sin could not be here otherwise, for who hath resisted His will? "That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one **all things** in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, **being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will** (Ephesians 1.10-11)."

As to His purpose for sin being here, its presence is a divine object lesson to demonstrate in one 7,000-year period the awful consequences of rebellion and sin against Himself. "...**sin**, that it might appear **sin**, working **death** in me by that which is good; that **sin** by the **commandment** might become **exceeding sinful** (Romans 7:13)."

In all eternity, the people of the Most High God will never forget the dread consequences of sin and the devastation it brings. The Lake of Fire itself will see to that, serving as a perpetual reminder in eternity.

Do you remember what Christ said, that it would be better to lose an offending hand, foot, or eye, than to be "cast into hell fire where **their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched**"? (Mark 9.44-48).

Where do you think Christ got that phrase, "**their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched**"? Do you think he made it up on the spur of the moment?

Christ was quoting Isaiah. and Isaiah was writing about the eternal state *after* the Great White Throne Judgment, *after* the reprobates are cast into the Lake of Fire, and *after* the New Heavens and the New Earth are introduced in Revelation 20.11 through 21.1. Hear what Isaiah says: "**For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make**, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, *that* **from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me**, saith the LORD. And **they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh** (Isa 66:22-24)."

There you have it. In eternity, from one new moon to another, and periodically on sabbaths—in eternity!—the saints will look into the Lake of Fire and say something like that oft-repeated phrase: "There, but for the grace of God, go **I**."

Someone is sure to object about sabbaths and new moons in eternity. The Bible is plain on the subject. New moons and sabbaths were part of the original creation and will be part of the restitution of all things. Remember Genesis chapter 1, the evening and the morning were the first day, and the evening and the morning were the second day, and the evening and the morning were the third day, and...." So what is wrong with days and nights? Nothing God said it was all very good, but what sayest thou? Will you improve God?

Another says, "Time shall be no more! The book says so." Really ? Does Revelation 10.6 really mean no more clock-and-calendar time? How come, then. **the next verse** says. "But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel. when he shall begin to sound...?"

How is it that, without "time," the two witnesses in the next chapter prophesy for **three and a half years**? (11.2-3)

How is it that those in the Lake of fire shall be tormented **DAY AND NIGHT FOR EVER AND EVER**" (Revelation 20.10) if there is "no more time," or days, nights, sun, or moon?

There is a biblical explanation for the phrase "time shall be no more" in Revelation 10.6, and it sure is NOT the notion that sun, moon, stars, clocks, calendars, and crops are going to freeze in place forever.

I must leave the rest of that text for another time, as the Lord wills.

IV. ENTROPY WILL BE ELIMINATED IN THE ETERNAL STATE

Entropy will be done away in the eternal state because it is the direct result of sin, and all the effects of sin are going to be reversed and eradicated in the eternal state.

Objection: Some will say, "The sun cannot exist forever: it will burn out":

Reply: I beg to differ. No, it will not. Those who think that way use the human reasoning they often accuse us of. They *think* the sun will burn out because scientists told them the sun will burn out, based only on science's understanding of **entropy theory**. Paul said for Timothy not to avoid science, as such, but to avoid "profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science FALSELY so called (1 Timothy 6.20)."

In the restitution of all things (Acts 3.21), which is to say in the eternal state, entropy will be abolished. Nothing in God's eternal new creation will ever fail, wear out, run down, or die (Revelation 20.14; 21.1-4).

A. "They [the poor of the people and the children of the needy, verse 4] shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations (Psalm 72.5)." When (or IF) the sun and moon no longer "endure. THEN those who fear the Lord will cease to fear Him—but not until then.

B. "In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth (Psalm 72.7)." The Hebrew of this verse is explicit: "till the moon fails" or "till there be no moon."

C. "His name [the name of JESUS, the King of kings and Lord of lords in HIS eternal kingdom; HE is the subject of this entire Psalm.] shall endure for ever: **His name shall be continued as long as the sun** (Psalm 72.17)." The Lord God here links the perpetuity of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ with the duration of the sun, in effect saying that if the sun ceases to endure, the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God and God the Son, will likewise perish.

D. "His [Christ's] seed shall endure for ever, and **his throne as the sun** before me. It shall be **established for ever as the moon**, and as a faithful witness in heaven. Selah. (Psalm 89.36-37)." The eternal life of God's children ("seed") and even the existence of God's throne itself are linked to the sun's existence. Should the sun cease to exist, the Psalmist's argument goes, God says here that His throne and His children will cease to exist.

E. "Thus saith the LORD, which giveth **the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar:** The LORD of hosts is his name: **If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.** (Jeremiah 31:35-36)." The Lord here links the **eternality and perpetuity of Israel** with the eternal perpetuity of the sun, **the ordinances of the moon and stars**, with the existence of Israel. In plain English, IF the sun, AND the **ordinances** of the moon and stars (which control the seas' tides) cease to exist, then Israel would also cease to exist, which is impossible because of the eternal unconditional decrees and promises of God.

None of these texts say anything like "the sun and moon will be done away with." The whole point is that God has created a perfect, physical, material universe which will endure as eternally as His throne, and He and His people will make this earth His eternal abiding place (Revelation 21.2-3).

According to Bible prophecy, it's going to get worse before it gets better. I might be wrong, but I think we are seeing the beginning of sorrows (of Matthew 24.8) right now, at this very moment, in the horrible deception being foisted upon a gullible world in the name of "Corona Virus/Covid-19." A time when, except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved. That would be the ultimate entropy! But, **for the elect's sake**, those days shall be shortened (Matthew 24.22). Thank the Lord, then, that *He does have an elect people!* —CCM

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