

The Face of Tyranny

by Jeremy James



Many crazy ideas are flying back and forth today, like a swarm of insects so numerous that we have difficulty defending ourselves against them.

One of the biggest of these, it would seem, is that the Russia-Ukraine conflict could escalate into a nuclear war. The fear that this crazy idea generates is immense. Mankind has lived in the shadow of this threat ever since Hiroshima and Nagasaki were destroyed in an intense fire-bombing campaign across Japan in 1945. The public was taught to believe that these cities were destroyed by two nuclear bombs named 'Little Boy' and 'Fat Man'. They could more aptly have been called 'Little Hoax' and 'Fat Lie'.

Explosive nuclear devices do not exist. They are mythical monsters, spawned in the dark depths of pseudo science, for the sole purpose of scaring the wits out of mankind. They have more than served their purpose, subjecting the world to an idiotic "Cold War" between 1945 and 1989, where everyone was meant to believe that a deranged leadership in the Soviet Union might launch a devastating nuclear attack on the West at any moment. We would all be annihilated and life on earth would cease to exist!

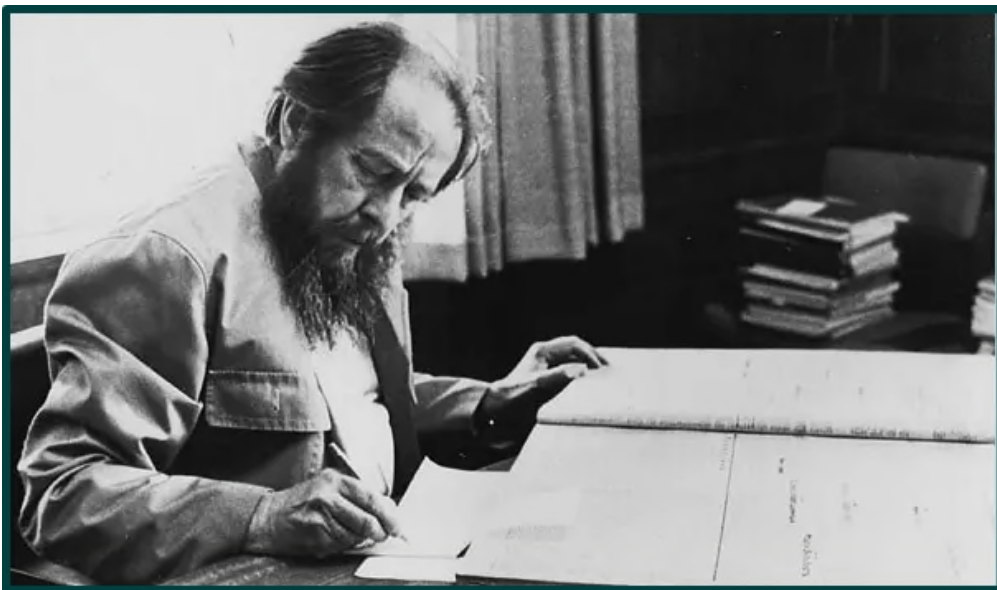
Oh dear.

Such mega threats work because the mainstream media inject them over and over into the mass mind of humanity.

If the Elite possessed a weapon like this, they would have used it in places like North Korea, Vietnam and Afghanistan. But they haven't deployed them because they haven't got them. They managed to get around this technical difficulty by creating something very similar, a big fat lie. As long as the public continues to believe that these deadly devices actually exist, despite abundant evidence to the contrary, the insidious fiction will have the same controlling effect on human behavior.

Lies, lies and more lies

Lies are common in wartime. Less common, but immensely valuable, are lies that bridge the gap between one war and another. Nuclear 'deterrents' do both, providing a deadly threat in peacetime and thus enabling the world powers to shape the geopolitical landscape as they see fit. They can also be used to raise the stakes outrageously in the course of a live conflict. The alleged invention of nuclear devices also provided a major impetus for the creation of the UN, an international organization to promote world peace. However, the UN has shown itself to be nothing of the sort. By eating into the sovereignty of independent nations and deciding what is in the "best interests" of world peace it provides a range of sweet-sounding excuses to justify international aggression and military intervention. In short, the UN is merely a front for the Marxist-Masonic cabal who control international affairs.



Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

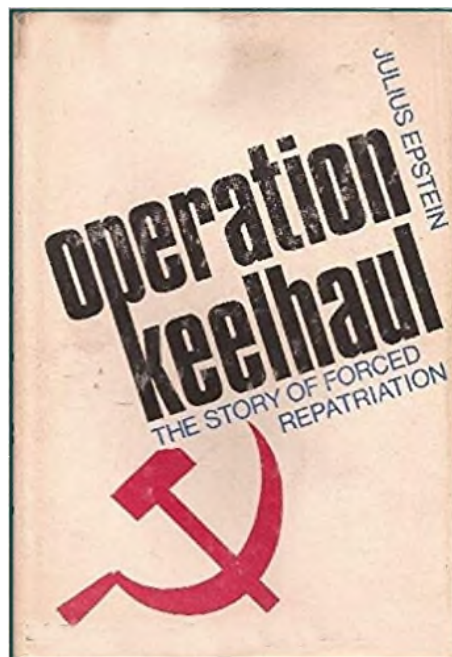
In the real world, unpleasant facts that might expose the duplicity behind the UN and the infamous 'Security Council' must be suppressed. One of the most deceitful and heart-breaking of these concerned the forced repatriation of the Cossacks to the USSR after the Second World War. The traitors, Churchill and Roosevelt, had already handed over most of Eastern Europe to Stalin in agreements made at Yalta in February, 1945. What right had this perfidious pair to place entire nations under the authority of a sadistic thug like Stalin? None, of course, but the creation of the UN later in the year enabled the major powers to give acts like this a veneer of legality.

In a speech given in Washington DC on 30 June, 1975, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn made a daring reference to what the Americans and the British had done:

“Stalin demanded that the Soviet citizens who did not want to return home be handed over to him, and the Western countries handed over 1.5 million human beings. How was this done? They were taken by force. English soldiers killed Russians who did not want to become prisoners of Stalin, and drove them by force to Stalin to be exterminated. This has recently come to light, just a few years ago. A million and a half human beings. How could the Western democracies have done this?”

Operation Keelhaul

The public never got to hear about this until 1973! Known as *Operation Keelhaul*, it was a closely guarded secret until a Jewish émigré, Julius Epstein, took legal action to compel the US government to release the classified files. Solzhenitsyn himself had been a prisoner in the Gulag for eight years and had come across such cases: “Having often encountered these people in camps,” he said, “I was unable to believe that for a whole quarter-century the public in the West knew **nothing** of this action of the Western governments, this massive handing over of ordinary Russian people to retribution and death.” (*The Gulag Archipelago*, 1973)



The cover-up was intended to protect the reputations of Churchill, Roosevelt and Truman, among others. The public could not be allowed to guess that the goals of international Communism were being advanced under the guise of ‘world peace’ and that the ruling elite in the US, the UK, and several other countries, who controlled the UN, were devoid of moral scruples. If one and half million Russians had to be executed or spend their lives in wretched concentration camps in order to appease Stalin and move the world one step closer to a new world order, so what?!

During his Washington speech, Solzhenitsyn tried to impress on his audience the true condition of world political leadership:

“There is another Russian proverb: ‘The yes-man is your enemy, but your friend will argue with you.’ It is precisely because I am the friend of the United States, precisely because my speech is prompted by friendship, that I have come to tell you: ‘My friends, I am not going to give you sugary words. The situation in the world is not just dangerous, it isn’t just threatening, it is catastrophic.’”

Solzhenitsyn was a highly intelligent man. He had studied the Soviet system of terror in great depth and had experienced its tyrannical grip first-hand. Very few writers and commentators in 1975 could have made such a statement: “The situation in the world is not just dangerous, it isn’t just threatening, it is catastrophic.” Today, as we survey the alarming acts of tyranny perpetrated by Western leaders on their own citizens, especially under the guise of ‘Covid’, we can begin to appreciate how prescient Solzhenitsyn had been. He had not simply told us that the Soviet system was rotten, but that the entire political framework which directed world events was itself tyrannical. Those living in the West had not yet come to realize that what the twisted Elite had implemented in the USSR, and later in China, was a bitter foretaste of what they were preparing for the world as a whole.



Chernobyl

The nuclear deception is actually a twofold threat, comprising an initial blast of staggering force and then a largescale “fallout” of irradiated particles. The “fallout” consists of carcinogenic dust that allegedly persists in the soil for thousands of years. This, too, is a highly prized scare tactic – a lethal toxin which no-one can see and which never seems to go away (Sounds like ‘Covid’, doesn’t it?).

This bogeyman was activated briefly in 1962, during the hoax Cuban missile crisis, and again in 1986 at the time of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant explosion. It was also used in 2011 in the wake of the Fukushima explosion in Japan to close down the nuclear power plants in Germany – a country which is now forced to depend more than ever on Russian oil and gas. (See how it works!)

The Chernobyl incident was described at the time as a devastating environmental disaster. It is hard to say how much real harm it caused – since we are reliant on official sources for all information about this event – but if it genuinely released the volume of radioactive material that has since been claimed, then all life in the region would have been destroyed. But this didn't happen. Neighboring countries would have grieved for decades over the harm done to their soil, their flora and fauna, and especially to their human population. But they didn't. In short, the entire event was greatly exaggerated.

The propaganda included a freak easterly wind which allegedly carried a deadly cloud of radioactive dust across Europe to Scandinavia and threatened to cause tens of thousands of deaths among the civilian population. Once again, no objective evidence was given to substantiate these claims and no deaths were reported.

Lies, lies and more lies.

Predictive Programming

Over the past 3-4 decades, we have been subjected to an alarming quantity of what is sometimes called 'predictive programming.' This is propaganda that is designed to shape our perception of future events. It is 'predictive' in the sense that it alludes to an event that the Elite have planned but have not yet implemented. When they do, perhaps after the passage of several years, the public have already been primed to expect it and are far less likely to question the official account.





Most predictive programming is done through movies and television. Before they can move into production movie scripts must fulfil certain criteria. For example, at the most basic level the storyline must have a divorced person among the leading characters and at least one homosexual with ties to a leading character. This serves the moral corruption agenda of the New World Order. At a more advanced level, movies with A-List stars must contribute in some way to the goals of predictive programming.

In paper #241 we gave some examples of movies that were designed to reinforce in the public mind the notion that a deadly meteor or asteroid could someday strike the earth and cause devastation. This ghastly ‘event’ has not happened as yet, but it can be activated at some future date when circumstances are favorable.

For years the Hollywood predictive programming machine has been conditioning the masses to believe that a worldwide viral pandemic was possible. These movies included ‘Contagion’, ‘The Andromeda Strain’, ‘The Twelve Monkeys’, ‘Outbreak’, ‘28 Days Later’, and so forth. The Elite played this card in March 2020 when their algorithms showed that the vast majority of the population of Europe and America would believe the official *Covid* narrative (“a lethal toxin which no-one can see and which never seems to go away”).

The invasion of the Ukraine may possibly be used to fake a radioactive disaster, perhaps in Chernobyl itself, and send a wave of terror across Europe. Already we are hearing references to missiles detonating close to nuclear facilities. The 5-part Emmy Award-winning series, *Chernobyl*, which aired simultaneously in the US and the UK in May, 2019, may have been part of a predictive programming exercise to prime the public for this eventuality. As Wikipedia said:

“[The series] was acclaimed by critics, who lauded the performances, cinematography, historical accuracies, atmosphere, direction, screenplay, musical score and tone. At the 71st Primetime Emmy Awards, it received nineteen nominations and won for Outstanding Limited Series, Outstanding Directing, and Outstanding Writing, while [Jared] Harris, [Stellan] Skarsgård, and [Emily] Watson received acting nominations. At the 77th Golden Globe Awards, the series won for Best Miniseries or Television Film and Skarsgård won for Best Supporting Actor in a Series, Miniseries or Television Film.”

Mmmm. When a movie or TV series receives this much attention and kudos from the industry, it generally serves a special purpose.



The timing, too, is significant. They waited 33 years – very Masonic – before releasing a major cinematic production about Chernobyl. It also happened to fit neatly into their invasion timetable. The public is now set to believe whatever scare story they generate and to accept the ‘health and safety’ measures that are likely to be imposed – lockdowns, travel bans, indoor confinement, mask wearing, work closures, special medication, etc. (Sound familiar?) The news broadcasts may include grisly photos of people disfigured by radiation. (Sound familiar?) And the estimated future death tolls will be terrifying. (Sound familiar?)

As we consider the mindset of the people behind all of this, we need to realize that they all capable of doing what Churchill and Roosevelt did. If mass murder is the next item on their agenda, then they will deal with it like any other item. Equally, if a country must be subjugated by treachery in high places, then the necessary acts of betrayal will manifest seamlessly, without moral hesitation.

The Hidden Hand has a Face

The people who are most troubled by this are usually those who can't believe it could happen. In what way does Trudeau advance his political career, they ask, by betraying the citizens of Canada? His behavior only makes sense when it is seen in a wider context. The same is true of Morrison in Australia and Ardern in New Zealand.

The odd thing is that nobody seems (as yet) to have commented on a peculiar feature common to all three countries. Each of these leaders is accountable to a higher political authority, and in all three cases it is the same authority – the Queen of England.



Canada, Australia and New Zealand are Crown colonies. As head of state, the Queen has the authority to intervene directly in their internal affairs. So, when Trudeau suspended Parliament, he did so with the tacit approval of the Queen. When Morrison approved the construction of secure quarantine camps to detain Australian citizens, he did so with the tacit approval of the Queen. And when Ardern ordered law enforcement and state agencies to violate the basic human rights of many New Zealanders, 'she' did so with the tacit approval of the Queen (Ardern is secretly transgender).

These leaders are behaving like tyrants but they are doing so with the approval of a higher-ranking tyrant. If the world took stock of this simple fact it would see that the political leaders of all nations, not just these three, are answerable to a higher-ranking authority. We are now living in the worldwide political tyranny, the "catastrophic" situation that Solzhenitsyn warned about in 1975.

When Trudeau summarily shut down Parliament, it seemed to many to be an act without precedent in a modern democracy, but they forgot that Boris Johnson, the British Prime Minister, did the same in 2019! Neither had any legal authority to do so, nor could they appeal to circumstances that might conceivably have warranted such a drastic course of action. They both did what tyrants do and assumed, albeit temporarily, autocratic power over a sovereign state. And once again the Queen of England was the “higher authority”.



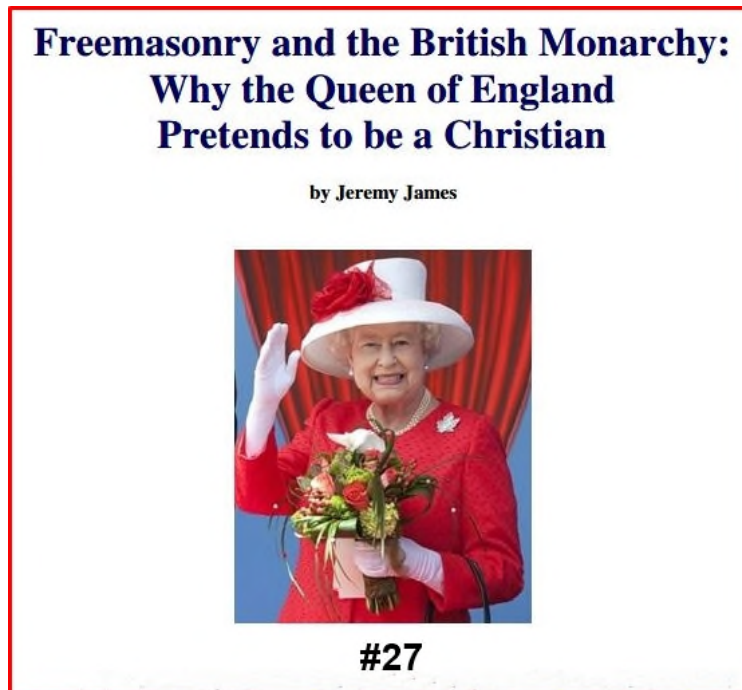
**The Duke of Kent,
Grand Master of the United
Grand Lodge of England**



The Duke of Kent is a member of the British royal family. As the head of UGLE, he is generally regarded as the most senior officiating Freemason in the world. Prince Philip [top right], deceased husband of Queen Elizabeth II, was initiated into Freemasonry on December 5, 1952, in Navy Lodge No. 2612, London. Prince Charles [bottom right] is widely believed to be a Freemason, like his son Harry, and is next in line to the throne. See our paper #27 for proof that the Queen is steeped in Masonic philosophy and rejects the deity of Jesus Christ.

The citizens of all nations are being conditioned to believe that their existing political system is too fragile to survive the pressures posed by a fast-moving, hi-tech multi-national business model. The Elite want them to believe that the concept of national self-determination is unworkable in a world where so many problems transcend national boundaries. Bit by bit they are shaking the foundations of Western democracy and offering to replace it with a political system where all power is concentrated in the hands of a centralized, monolithic world government.

This shaking process is escalating!



The tyranny that the Queen is exercising, at arm's length as it were, is part and parcel of her imperial remit. The voracious appetite for dominion, which has marked the behavior of the Crown since the 'Glorious Revolution' of 1688, when William of Orange ascended the throne, has always been evident to those who wanted to see it. For example, when describing the forced repatriation of hundreds of thousands of Russians to certain death in the USSR, Solzhenitsyn remarked: "The extradition was carried out with a perfidy which is characteristic of British diplomatic tradition."

Perfidious Albion is a title well deserved!

The Crown is the central clearing house for world tyranny, the nexus through which all schemes are connected and the grand plan implemented. The Bank of England, established in 1694 – during the reign of William of Orange – was the world's first central bank. This system of centralized financial control has since spread to all parts of the world and is the principal instrument of British imperial tyranny. Both sides in all conflicts are funded by the same people for the same purpose. This sinister process unfolds according to a plan, enabling the Elite to strengthen their hold over all nations.

Solzhenitsyn referred to this as a “society for the protection of terrorists”, a system which “grows ever wider, spreads ever farther across the [earth], shifts into other continents.” In a talk broadcast by the BBC in 1976, he bemoaned the blindness of those who think such a catastrophe could never befall their own nation. Even the British themselves, the rank and file, believe they are immune to this ever-encroaching tyranny: “Even today you are lulled into thinking that these fine islands of yours will never be split in two ...will never be blown sky-high ...Every year several more countries are seized and taken over as bridgeheads for the coming world war, and the whole world stands by and does nothing.”



How farsighted this man was! He could see how the grand plan was advancing steadily toward World War Three. He probably knew even more than he could safely reveal in a broadcast to the British people!

Australia and Canada

He might have referred, for example, to the atrocities committed by the Crown on the indigenous people of Australia and Canada. One scholar described the behavior of the British settlers in Australia in the early 19th century as follows:

“What is unique about genocide in Australia is not its violence, but its apparent legality and above all its modernity. It was modern technology that made possible the pace and effectiveness of the killing, and modern law that provided the judicial niceties that condoned it... modern education, not colonial ignorance... helped create the conditions where official silence and legally-sanctioned cover-ups could prevail.”

- J Kociumbas, 2004

Numerous scholars concur with this assessment, noting the central role of state governors – appointed by the Crown – in the systematic rape, enslavement and murder of the indigenous people of that country. By 1876 there were no aboriginals left in Tasmania.

The following passage from *The Lancet* gives a flavor of what they did in Canada:

“Canada's residential school system is an expression of the country's colonial history of oppression of its Indigenous peoples. Between 1883 and 1996, up to 150 000 Indigenous children were separated from their families, often by force, and sent to government-funded, church-run schools with the aim to “kill the Indian in the child” and assimilate them into Canadian culture. Children were banned from using their Indigenous languages or traditions. The schools were unsanitary and children were malnourished. Many faced neglect and physical and sexual abuse. Thousands died and many never returned to their families; their fates remain undocumented.” (26 June, 2021)

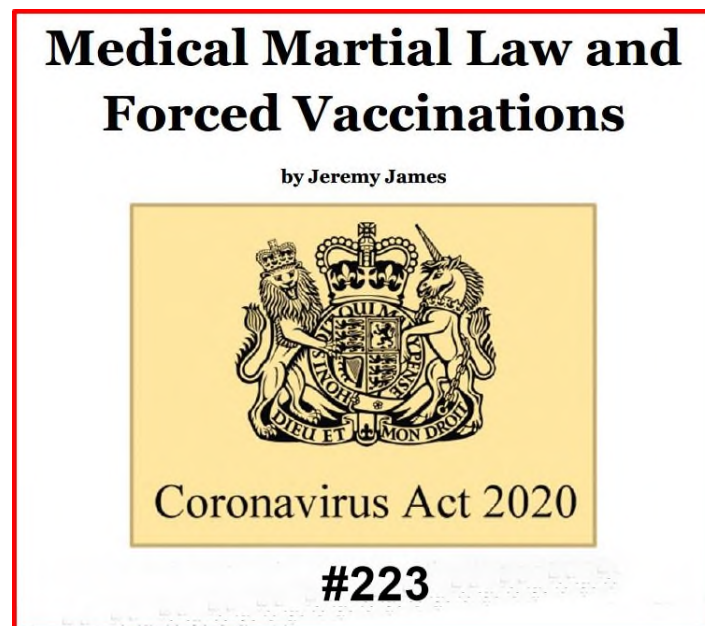


We are not trying to document atrocities per se but to highlight a policy, the long-running use of tyrannical methods by colonial officials with Crown approval. If Solzhenitsyn had attempted to disclose this aspect of British history in his BBC broadcast of 1976, he would likely have lost a large segment of his audience. Listeners today, however, would not be so squeamish, but they too would completely miss his core message. They would hear Solzhenitsyn warn of the possibility that one day their nation could be “blown sky-high” and yet fail to see – as he clearly implied – that their own leaders, the Crown itself, would be instrumental in creating this dark dystopian future.

The Tyranny in Our Midst

In short, the tyranny that we expect to manifest in the End Time is already here! Every now and then we get to see its evil cheek peeking through the cracks, but it never occurs to the vast mass of humanity that they themselves might be next in line for execution. The face of tyranny comprises the crown heads of Europe and their extended families, the Masonic orders and similar secret societies, International Marxism, the militant wing of the Roman Catholic Church, the ultra-billionaires, the banking and finance dynasties, and the group whom Jesus called the Synagogue of Satan. Since the latter received special mention in the Book of Revelation, we can assume it has a leading role in this program of enslavement. The overall leader, however, is Satan himself.

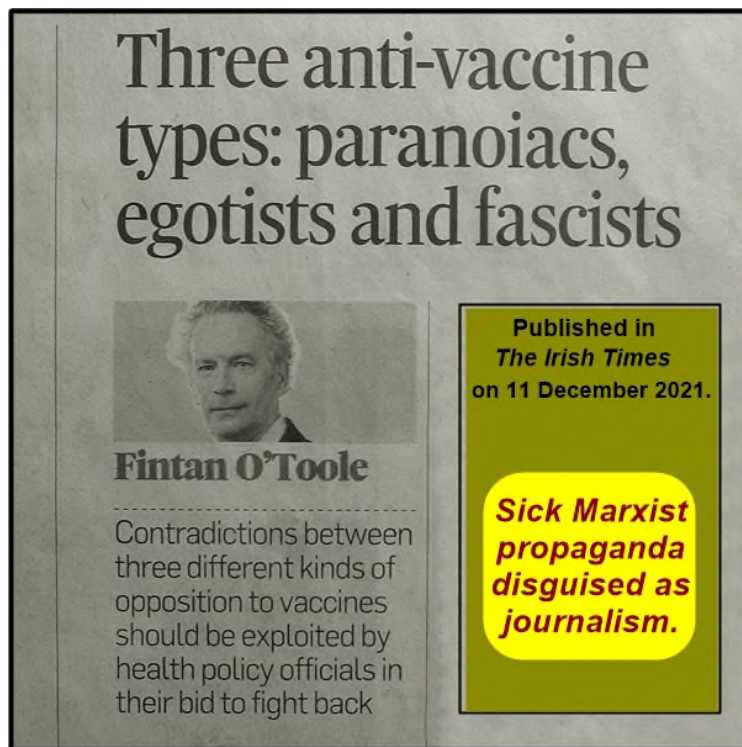
The way this dead hand reaches out to stifle freedom and dignity has been subtle and nuanced until recently. But there is nothing subtle or nuanced about Covid lockdowns, emergency legislation and mandatory injections with an untested gene-based ‘vaccine’. The Elite crossed a line when the World Health Organization declared its so-called ‘Covid pandemic’ on 11 March 2020. The direct attack on Western democracies had begun.



The Darkness settling over Ireland

The Irish have had several opportunities in recent years to discern this dead hand at work, notably in two national referendums where they were tricked – by a scheming Government and the Marxist media – into approving sodomite ‘marriage’ (May 2015) and then the murder of unborn children (May 2018). One of the leading players in this vile program of deception was a propaganda rag called *The Irish Times (TIT)*. A large proportion of the Irish adult population suck daily on the *TIT* of lies, oblivious to the cunning way it has perverted their moral values, twisted Biblical truth, and manipulated their understanding of current affairs.

For those who are too slow to understand what is happening to their country, they were shown a blazing red flag on 21 December 2021 when one Fintan O’Toole, a senior editor, published a remarkably offensive opinion piece called, ***Three anti-vaccine types: paranoiacs, egotists and fascists***. This was Marxist *TIT* at its most visceral. The author dispensed with the humanistic platitudes that usually feature in *TIT* articles of this type and set about carving up his victims with one outrageous allegation after another.



See full text in [Appendix A](#)

He hammered out his basic points with a passionate disdain normally reserved for pedophiles and rapists.

In his opinion those who refuse to take the Covid vaccine jab should be classified “in ascending order of purposeful malignity.” All are rooted in an “anti-vaccine ideology.” They are difficult to suppress if they are seen only as “an undifferentiated mass of fools and knaves.” Instead he proposes an approach tailored to each of the three types of vaccine sceptic.

The first type is the irrational New Age nut seeking bodily purity. These people are too self-centered to care about anyone else. The second type, which is poorly defined by the author, would appear to be a more extreme form of the first type. The first two types are merely “useful idiots” who are being exploited by the third type – the fascist – in his war on democracy.

He ends his diatribe with an exhortation to deluded sceptics (types one and two) to stop listening to the fascists and start thinking for themselves. In doing so he misses entirely the irony in what he is saying. He has just used 1000 words arguing that we should all do the very opposite and trust him and his corporate bedfellows! As a mouthpiece for the New World Order, O’Toole exudes the same totalitarian attitude as Jacinda Ardern, the premier of New Zealand, when in March 2020 she told her bewildered audience, “We will continue to be your single source of truth.”

This horse-faced transgender did everyone a favor when she spoke those words. And O’Toole did much the same with his vindictive article.



Jacinda Ardern

Some questions by those who can still think for themselves

The small proportion of the population who are still able to think for themselves will see through this wicked *TIT* propaganda. They will see the cunning way it stokes animosity toward anyone who dares to question the official narrative. Dissension has always been a crime in Marxist ideology, and those who dissent must be singled out and re-educated. O’Toole calls for the careful re-education of types one and two, but a more radical solution for those who simply won’t conform. Only a fascist would dare to oppose official policy, so, by his definition, these people must be fascists.

Those who are able to think for themselves are able to ask pertinent and perceptive questions, but this is something a Marxist rag like *TIT* will never do. Are we permitted to ask why so many have been harmed to date by the Covid ‘vaccine’? Are we permitted to ask why, in violation of medical ethics, a gene-based serum is marketed as a vaccine? Are we permitted to ask why this high-risk experimental serum was never tested on animals? Are we permitted to ask why the doubts and warnings expressed by experienced medical professionals regarding this potent serum were never circulated by the *TIT-meisters*? Are we permitted to ask what these high-risk experimental serums actually contain, given that many experts in the fields of biology and biochemistry are finding inexplicable and potentially harmful ingredients in the ‘vaccine’ vials, including graphene particles?

We could ask a great many more questions – were we permitted to do so by the ruling regime! The list is long and the answers, to date, have not been forthcoming. Rather, the public is subjected to endless propaganda, lies and idiotic pseudo-science by the Government. A free press would expose this shameful abuse of power and the motivation behind it, but as long as our deceitful leaders continue to follow the agenda set for them by their Masonic overlords in London and the Irish media do whatever their paymasters tell them, there is no possibility of this happening.



CONCLUSION

Every now and then the Irish media publishes a preposterous screed, an article or opinion piece which flaunts the callous mentality of the arrogant clique who rule this country. They can do this with a smirk of satisfaction because they know it will pass largely unnoticed. Perhaps a few feathers will be ruffled, but 99.9 percent of their readers will find some way to pretend to themselves that it cannot possibly mean what it says.

By indulging in this pretence they are sinning against God and denying the moral order that He established:

“Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.” (James 4:17)

The *TIT-meisters* will be held accountable on Judgment Day for what they did, but so too will the thousands who read their garbage and said nothing.

When law-abiding citizens are described as “an objective threat to society” by a ‘newspaper of record’ and singled out as a possible target of justifiable rage, we know our democracy is in serious trouble. If this is what we see on the surface, then the rot underneath must be extensive.

Mandatory vaccinations are a gross violation of God’s law and a terrible threat to the well-being of our nation. The encroaching tyranny will not become evident to many until it is too late to stop. The irony is that anyone with a functioning moral compass could easily have seen – and denounced – what this Christ-hating cabal are up to.

Will Jesus Christ, our Judge, accept this? Of course not! All who remain silent while this is happening will be held to account:

“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to what he hath done, whether it be good or bad.”

– 2 Corinthians 5:10

“...he [God the Father] hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man [Jesus Christ] whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.”

– Acts 17:31

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Three anti-vaccine types: paranoiacs, egotists and fascists

Contradictions between three different kinds of opposition to vaccines should be exploited by health policy officials in their bid to fight back

To deal with any threat, you have to break it down into its component parts. Vaccine sceptics form an objective threat to society, undermining the effectiveness of public health measures and, when they get sick with the virus whose existence they do not believe in, putting a dangerous burden on the hospital system.

But they're not all the same. Treating them as if they were plays into the hands of the malign political actors who want to fuse them into a single cause. The longer the pandemic goes on, the more frustration and heartbreak it causes, the greater the danger that that cause will be fascism.

There are, crudely, three kinds of “anti-vaxxers”. In ascending order of purposeful malignity, they are the egoists, the paranoiacs and the fascists.

The egoists, I suspect from anecdotal evidence, are the most common. And they also represent the oddest cultural conglomeration, a reactionary mentality rooted in what used to be a progressive nexus.

At the heart of this mentality is the idealisation of bodily purity. For the most part, this notion took hold in the late 19th and early 20th centuries as a perfectly rational response to the threats posed by bad food, industrial pollution and tainted water.

It also had a political and moral edge: eating simple and “natural” foods was a way of revolting against the hedonistic excesses of capitalist consumption. Vegetarian self-control was a rebuff to the grotesquerie of upper-class gluttony.

But this principle of bodily purity could also be an alternative religion, a secular way of showing oneself to be holy and even saintly. This strain of self-regard took hold with the New Age movement and it has been fully monetised – ironically as a form of elite consumption – by the “wellness” industry.

Sensible attitudes about taking care of one's body and being careful about what goes into it have morphed into a strange hybrid of slavishly cult-like devotion to wellness gurus and narcissistic obsession with one's own body as a temple of perfection and purity.

This subculture also has, as anyone who has ever glanced at Goop will recognise, a very high tolerance for ultra-nonsense. "Alternative" too often means an alternative to science, rationality and common sense.

It's easy to see why this nexus forms a perfect breeding ground for anti-vaccination sentiment. Yoga "influencers", gym fanatics and New Age gurus have been important vectors of misinformation.

Cognitive distortion

The cognitive distortion involved in this is powerful because it works both ways. On the one hand, the vaccine is an impurity that will interfere with my body's "natural" power. On the other, I don't need the vaccine anyway because my body has been so carefully cultivated that it can withstand infection. What my body's infections might do to other people does not, alas, come into it.

This egoism sometimes overlaps with the second kind of anti-vaccine ideology: paranoia.

The paranoid view of the world famously rests on three certainties. Everything is connected; nothing is accidental; and nothing is the way it seems. Again, it is all too easy to see how Covid-19 plays into this view.

Everything really is connected: someone coughs in a market in Wuhan and a beloved grandmother dies in Galway. Nothing about it is entirely accidental – our deliberate destruction of the natural world has a lot to do with what is happening.

And both the virus and our state of knowledge about how to deal with it are evolving and therefore subject to the vagaries of trial and error. There is no absolutely fixed "truth".

This is not to excuse conspiracy theorists or to ignore the toxic effects of organised disinformation. It is simply to say that at least some people who fall for these theories do so for what seem to them like genuine and rational reasons.

This is emphatically not true of the third cohort: the fascists. Across much of the world, the far right has seized on the egotists and the paranoiacs as useful idiots to be deployed in their wider war on democracy.

They do what fascists have always done: speak to genuine fears, give those anxieties a simplistic explanation that generates hatred of Them, and use this dread and distress to create the chaos and disorder from which they hope to emerge as the strong-willed saviours of civilisation.

Ironies abound

Here the ironies abound. People who see resistance to vaccination as an anti-authoritarian act find themselves following genuine, pure-blooded authoritarians.

People who are paranoid about doctors, nurses and scientists place a naive trust in creeps who really are engaged in political conspiracies. If the fascists ever do take power again, the New Age egotists will be among the first in line for the camps.

What public policy should try to do is to fight back by recognising these different kinds of vaccine sceptics and exploiting the contradictions between them.

Instead of treating them all as an undifferentiated mass of fools and knaves, it is better to think about their individual motivations.

The fascists can't be argued with, not least because they don't actually give a damn either way about vaccines. The issue exists for them merely as another anxiety to be exploited. The point, therefore, is to try to separate the other two groups from these malignant forces.

In dealing with the egotists, it is surely best to appeal to their egos. Telling them that they are stupid and wrong won't work. Neither, obviously, does the plea to think about other people.

But appealing to their sense that their own bodies are precious and special just might. People who take all sorts of poorly regulated supplements because they make them feel strong and protected might be persuaded that a vaccine can do the same thing.

As for the paranoiacs, the aim should be to work with, not against, their suspicion and mistrust. They won't listen to official admonitions. But their friends and neighbours can ask them why they are so willing to trust online "influencers" and smooth-talking charlatans.

Try to get them to see that the spread of conspiracy theories is itself is a real and well-funded conspiracy. People who take pride in "thinking for themselves" must be urged to actually do so.

Every week, it gets harder for a general public that overwhelmingly understands the need for vaccination to stay patient with those who don't or won't. People are dying, not just from Covid, but because the unvaccinated are taking up scarce capacity in our already over-stretched hospitals.

But rage, however justified, is self-defeating. It merely drives misguided people towards those who want to turn a biological pandemic into a political plague. It adds to the chances that those who won't get a shot in the arm end up raising that arm in stiff salute.

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