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Bringing Hidden Things to Light



Psalms 78:2-4

I will open my mouth in a parable, I will utter dark sayings of old... We will not conceal them.

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People by the millions are manipulated into thinking and acting in certain ways every day. The vast majority are not even aware that they are being controlled by others. This is due to the method by which the manipulators work. They control people by flooding them with lies and deception.

It is ever the purpose of Satan and evil men to control the lives of others. Control over other beings is the ultimate power trip. A desire to control others drives many people more than a desire for pleasure, wealth, or fame.

The book *Dragon Flood* has been revealing some of the deceptions of an-

gels and mankind which have been used to manipulate humanity into performing their will. This manipulation has resulted in the death, sickness, impoverishment, and moral corruption of vast numbers of men, women, and children.

How unlike Satan's ways are the ways of God! Christ did not come to enslave mankind, or to deceive them. He came to set men free. He is The Way, The TRUTH, and The Life.

Although Christ does call for men and women to submit to His lordship, He does not deceive them into compliance with His will. Christ gives a very open,

straightforward, and honest invitation to all people.

Matthew 16:24

“If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.”

This is an honest invitation, and mankind may choose to obey, or disobey. Deception is not practiced by the Son of God in an attempt to get men to follow Him. Those who love truth will accept Christ's invitation. Those who understand that there is life in no other person than Yahshua will choose to follow where He directs. Truth leads men and women to Christ.

Food for Thought

“Obedience opens the door to the constant companionship of the Holy Ghost. And the spiritual gifts and abilities activated by the power of the Holy Ghost enable us to avoid deception - and to see, to feel, to know, to understand, and to remember things as they really are.”

David A. Bednar

Scripture Memory

Psalms 24:3-4

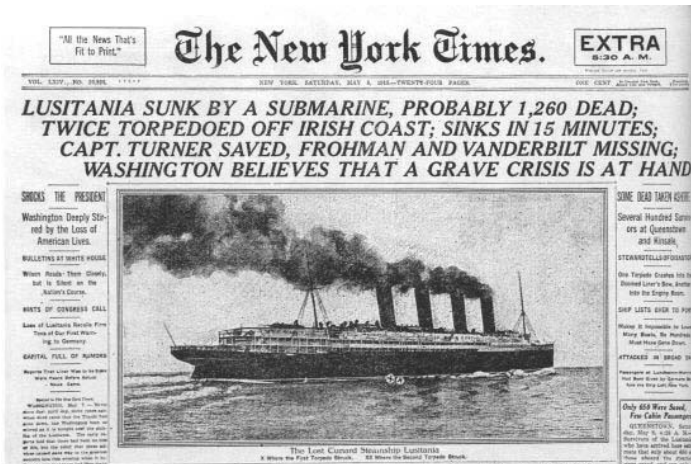
Who may ascend into the hill of Yahweh? Or who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, nor sworn deceitfully.

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The Lies of War



The Lusitania - Precursor to America's Entry to WWI

The hand of the invisible government has found it needful to devise atrocities that will mobilize public sentiment in favor of entry into war. The powers that govern realize that Americans are reluctant to engage in foreign wars. This was all the more true a century ago after a long period of isolationism. Americans viewed World War I as an European conflict. Most citizens of the United States believed that it was none of their affair. The banking interests needed some event to serve as a catalyst to move American opinion in the direction of open engagement in the war. The sinking of the ocean liner the Lusitania proved to be that catalyst.

The sinking of the Lusitania was a contrived affair. Although reported as an unprovoked attack of a German submarine on a defenseless passenger ship that carried nothing that threatened Germany's war effort, the truth was far different. Of course, it was not the truth that was reported in the New York Times, or other newspapers of America. They printed propaganda with the sole aim of getting the American public to embrace entry into the war.

Cunard Lines, a British shipping company, owned the Lusitania. They had turned the ship over to the British Navy for use by England in her war against Germany. The First Lord of the Admiralty during WWI was Winston Churchill. The Lusitania was operating as an auxiliary ship of the English Navy.

Churchill sent the Lusitania to New York City where it was loaded with six million rounds of ammunition, owned by J.P. Morgan & Co., to be used by England and France in their war against Germany. England broke the German war code on December 14, 1914, and by the end of January 1915 British Intelligence was able to advise the Admiralty of the departure of every German U-boat as it left for patrol. Winston Churchill, as First Lord of the Admiralty knew when German U-boats would be in the area of the English Channel that separates England and France.

Germany had spies who worked on the New York docks. They reported that weapons were being loaded onto the Lusitania, which was also set to carry more than a thousand passengers to be disembarked in Ireland. Germany did not want America to enter the war on the side of the English and French. The German government did all it could to avoid inflaming American public opinion. When Germany learned that the Lusitania was being used to ferry both passengers and war supplies (a violation of International law), the German Embassy in America took out ads in 50 American newspapers, most of which were on the East Coast. The advertisements read:

NOTICE! Travelers intending to embark on the Atlantic voyage are reminded that a state of war exists between Germany and her allies and Great Britain and her allies; that the zone of war includes the waters adjacent to the

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British Isles; that in accordance with formal notice given by Imperial German government, vessels flying the flag of Great Britain, or of any of her allies, are liable to destruction in these waters and that travelers sailing in the war zone on ships of Great Britain or her allies do so at their own risk.

The advertisement included a picture of the Lusitania with her sailing schedule.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.
CUNARD

EUROPE VIA LIVERPOOL
LUSITANIA

Fastest and Largest Steamer now in Atlantic Service Sails
SATURDAY, MAY 1, 10 A.M.
Transylvania, Fri., May 7, 5 P.M.
Orduna, - - Tues., May 18, 10 A.M.
Tuscana, - - Fri., May 21, 5 P.M.
LUSITANIA, Sat., May 29, 10 A.M.
Transylvania, Fri., June 4, 5 P.M.

Gibraltar—Genoa—Naples—Piræus
S.S. Carpathia, Thur., May 13, Noon

NOTICE!

TRAVELLERS intending to embark on the Atlantic voyage are reminded that a state of war exists between Germany and her allies and Great Britain and her allies; that the zone of war includes the waters adjacent to the British Isles; that, in accordance with formal notice given by the Imperial German Government, vessels flying the flag of Great Britain, or of any of her allies, are liable to destruction in those waters and that travellers sailing in the war zone on ships of Great Britain or her allies do so at their own risk.

IMPERIAL GERMAN EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C., APRIL 22, 1915.

The American State Department intercepted the ads and would not permit them to be posted in the American papers. Only one ad slipped by them, and this one was printed in the Des Moines Register, from which the above image was obtained. Captain Dow, the captain of the Lusitania resigned on March 8, 1915, just two months before the ship was sunk, because he was unwilling to shoulder the responsibility of hazarding passenger lives by carrying munitions on the ship.

When the Lusitania arrived in the English Channel off of Ireland it slowed to await the arrival of the escort ship Juno which was to lead her into port. Churchill ordered the Juno back to port, causing the Lusitania to idle for hours out in the channel where German U-

boats were known to be operating. On May 7, 1915, a single torpedo from a German U-boat struck the Lusitania with its 300 pound charge of explosives. A secondary, and much larger explosion followed. This second explosion was caused by the ammunition exploding that was being carried illegally in the ship. So great was the damage caused by the second explosion that the Lusitania sank approximately 12-18 minutes later with a loss of more than 1,200 lives, more than a hundred of which were Americans.

The sinking of the Lusitania by a German U-boat was splashed all over the front pages of America's largest newspapers. Germany was vilified, and eventually America entered the war on the side of Great Britain.

Cunard Lines had merged with White Lines, and J.P. Morgan was a major shareholder in the company. It is estimated that the J.P Morgan banks issued more than \$500,000,000 worth of loans to nations on both sides of the war.

Perhaps the inspiration for this event was the sinking of the U.S. Navy ship Maine in 1898. The sinking of the Maine was used as a pretext for America to declare war on Spain, leading to the Spanish/American War.

\$50,000 REWARD—WHO DESTROYED THE MAINE?—\$50,000 REWARD

EDITION FOR GREATER NEW YORK
NEW YORK JOURNAL
AND ADVERTISER
NEW YORK, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1898

DESTRUCTION OF THE WAR SHIP MAINE WAS THE WORK OF AN ENEMY

<p>\$50,000! \$50,000 REWARD! For the Detection of the Perpetrator of the Maine Outrage!</p>	<p>Assistant Secretary Roosevelt Convinced the Explosion of the War Ship Was Not an Accident.</p> <p>The Journal Offers \$50,000 Reward for the Conviction of the Criminals Who Sent 258 American Sailors to Their Death. Naval Officers Unanimous That the Ship Was Destroyed on Purpose.</p>	<p>\$50,000! \$50,000 REWARD! For the Detection of the Perpetrator of the Maine Outrage!</p>
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Source: "Crucible of Empire," PBS Online (adapted)

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The Battleship Maine was anchored in Havana Harbor in Cuba, which was a Spanish territory. America was seeking to expand her control of the Caribbean and to drive Spain out of Cuba. The Maine exploded violently while at anchor, igniting her forward munitions and killing three quarters of the sailors aboard. The U.S. blamed Spain for the explosion, declaring it as an act of war. It was later proven that the explosion had originated within the ship, and had blown the bulkheads outward. America's government and media had suggested that Spain had planted a timed mine on the outside of the ship, but this would have blown a hole inward.

The U.S. blamed Spain for the explosion...

As during the Lusitania incident, newspapers were willing accomplices in declaring the sinking of the Maine the work of an enemy, and an atrocity. The headline above states "Naval Officers Unanimous That the Ship Was Destroyed on Purpose." That much at least is true.

The granddaddy of all deceptive tragedies in American history was the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor. Woodrow Wilson was the American President during the Lusitania incident and during America's entry into World War I. Wilson's Assistant Secretary of the Navy was Franklin Roosevelt. Roosevelt surely knew the effectiveness of using the pretense of an unprovoked act of aggression to incite the American populace to embrace war. Roosevelt, as we saw in the previous chapter, was a member of the banking fraternity in New York. Entrance into World War II was a priority of the bankers, and Roosevelt was looking to induce either Germany or Japan to attack America that entrance into the war might be accomplished.

Roosevelt began seeking ways to provoke Japan into attacking America. In October 1940 Roosevelt proposed that America's navy create a blockade of Japanese shipping in the Pacific, starving them of their war supplies. Admiral J.O. Richardson was asked to lead the blockade, but he protested vigorously, stating that such a blockade would be an act of war. One month later Roosevelt while campaigning for re-election told the American people, "I say to you fathers and mothers, and I will say it again and again and again, your boys will not be sent into foreign wars." This reveals the lying nature of those who are disciples of Satan. Even as Roosevelt was seeking a way to bring America into war, he was promising America's mothers and fathers that he would not send their sons into war.

Roosevelt continued to act in ways to provoke Japan. The most effectual action he took was to place an oil embargo on Japan, and to deny Japan access to the Panama Canal cutting her off from Venezuelan oil. Japan has no oil resources of her own. Cutting off Japan's oil supply would bring the nation to a standstill and cripple her fighting ability. Japan had to act, and do so quickly.

Roosevelt knew that Pearl Harbor in Hawaii was the logical place for Japan to attack, so he acted to insure that the Japanese would be enticed to strike there, and that their strike would inflict great damage. Twice in 1940 Admiral Richardson advised Roosevelt to withdraw all American ships from Pearl Harbor and to locate them to the West Coast of America. He argued that his ships were inadequately manned for war, Hawaii was too exposed, and that fleet defenses at Pearl Harbor for both air and submarine attacks were below standards.

The administration of President Roosevelt be-

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gan to receive warnings of Japan's intent to attack Pearl Harbor as early as January of 1941, a full eleven months before the attack.

The American Ambassador to Tokyo, Joseph C. Grew, was one of the first to officially discover that Pearl Harbor was the intended target of the Japanese attack, as he corresponded with President Roosevelt's State Department on January 27, 1941: "The Peruvian minister has informed a member of my staff that he had heard from many sources, including a Japanese source, that, in the event of trouble breaking out between the United States and Japan, the Japanese intended to make a surprise attack against Pearl Harbor..."

By August of 1941, "The Dies committee had assembled a large amount of evidence which more than confirmed suspicions which we had entertained on the basis of surface appearances: It was clear that the Japanese were preparing to invade Pearl Harbor and that they were in possession of vital military information."

This information was made available to the Roosevelt administration by Congressman Dies personally. But this was the second time that Dies had appealed to Roosevelt about Japan's intention to attack Pearl Harbor: "Early in 1941 the Dies Committee came into possession of a strategic map which gave clear proof of the intentions of the Japanese to make an assault on Pearl Harbor. The strategic map was prepared by the Japanese Imperial Military Intelligence Department."

Dies telephoned Secretary of State Cordell Hull who talked to President Roosevelt.

Congressman Dies was told not to release the document to the public, and the Roosevelt Administration did nothing.

[Source: *The Unseen Hand*, Ralph A. Epperson]

During this same period Roosevelt refused to have upgrades to Pearl Harbor's radar installations performed, which were being done at other installations. Roosevelt also had Admiral Richardson replaced, for he was too outspoken about Pearl Harbor's vulnerabilities.

On December 7, 1941, Japan launched a "surprise attack."

The American forces were not prepared for the attack...

As their air force attacked Pearl Harbor, [the Japanese] reported that the American planes were having difficulty in getting off the ground.

This was because the American planes had been grouped in circles, with their propellers all facing inward as the result of an order by President Roosevelt. It was reported that Roosevelt had ordered the planes grouped in this fashion because he feared "acts of sabotage" against the planes and he was acting to protect them.

Roosevelt continued to act in ways to provoke Japan.

Since airplanes do not have a "reverse gear" the grouping of the planes in this manner made it extremely difficult for them to rapidly

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get out of the circle and into the air. One critic of the circling of these airplanes, Harry Elmer Barnes, has written: "Bunching the planes in a circle, wing to wing, would [make them] helpless in the event of a surprise attack."

[Source: Ibid]

2,341 servicemen were killed that day and 1,143 wounded. Additionally, 68 civilians were killed. 18 ships, including 8 battleships, were sunk or heavily damaged. More than 200 Army Air Corps and Navy planes were destroyed. The following day Roosevelt addressed Congress and asked for a declaration of war. The newspapers took up the cry and persuaded the American citizens of the righteous indignation of their cause.

New York World-Telegram LATEST WALL ST. PRICES Real Estate, Page 31 PRICE THIRTYCENTS

1500 DEAD IN HAWAII CONGRESS VOTES WAR

Tally in Senate is 82 to 0, In House 388 to 1, with Miss Rankin Sole Objector

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Congress today gave a thumbs-up to the Japanese Empire 23 months after Pearl Harbor. The House voted 388 to 1 to declare war on Japan. The Senate voted 82 to 0. Miss Rankin of Tennessee was the only woman to object to the war.

100 to 200 Soldiers Killed in Japanese Raid On Luzon in Philippines

MANILA, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Some dispatches reported that 100 to 200 more of our soldiers were killed or injured today when Japanese warplanes raided Luzon, on the west coast of the island of Luzon, south of the Philippine capital here.

A very evident pattern is observed in these events. Time and again the government either manufactured some false atrocity, or they provoked an attack, deliberately sacrificing American lives. They did so to fulfill the desire of the money powers to bring American into war.

So successful was this pattern of deception that it has been employed again and again to lead the American people into supporting wars that profit unseen powers whose aims are inimical to those of Americans and all mankind. Once again, in 1964, President Johnson used a false

report of an unprovoked attack as a pretext to engage in war against a country. It was reported that three Vietnamese PT boats attacked two American Destroyers. What has become known as the Gulf of Tonkin Incident has been revealed to not have occurred at all. Nevertheless, major news media once more touted the incident, giving it massive press exposure with the express intent of leading Americans into another war.

The New York Times LATE CITY EDITION

CONGRESS BACKS PRESIDENT ON SOUTHEAST ASIA MOVES; KHANH SETS STATE OF SIEGE

JOHNSON ANTIPOVERTY BILL APPROVED IN HOUSE, 228-190, BUT FOES BALK FINAL VOTE

Goldwater Sees a Victory If He Takes 5 Big States

CRITICS REPULSED

Size of Victory Margin Surprises Backers—Action Due Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—(AP)—The House today approved a bill to give the president broad powers to deal with the situation in Southeast Asia. The bill passed 388 to 1.

The Senate also passed a similar bill, 82 to 0. The only woman to object to the war was Miss Rankin of Tennessee.

The House vote was the largest margin in the history of the institution.

The Senate vote was also a record for the institution.

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Various news sources, including Time, Life and Newsweek, ran articles throughout August on the Tonkin Gulf incident. Time reported: "Through the darkness, from the West and south...intruders boldly sped...at least six of them... they opened fire on the destroyers with automatic weapons, this time from as close as 2,000 yards." Time stated that there was "no doubt in Sharp's mind that the U.S. would now have to answer this attack," and that there was no debate or confusion within the administration regarding the incident.

[Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gulf_of_Tonkin_incident]

Once again the report of the media was far different from reality. If you are not already persuaded that the current conflict, known as the War on Terror, was also precipitated by an event engineered by members of the visible

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and invisible government of the United States, you should consider that the government has shown a willingness to sacrifice its own citizens in order to gain the consent of the governed as they are deceived into supporting wars that profit others.

There is so much evidence available that supports the conclusion that 9-11 was an inside job of an elite group within the government that this writer has no doubt about the sinister nature of the event. There are those in government who are so cold, so calculating, and so given over to the nature of Lucifer, that they think nothing of joining Satan as he comes to “kill, steal, and destroy.”

I am unwilling to spend more time on the subject of 9-11, but will leave the reader with some resource links, should they be interested in pursuing the subject further.

Loose Change - 9-11 Documentary

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yyiwOJ2pnGg>

Architects and Engineers for 911 Truth

<http://www.ae911truth.org/>

USA False Flags to Go to War

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q3E6PIqdJCU>

Parables Blog on 911

<http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2008/09/blowing-trumpet.html>

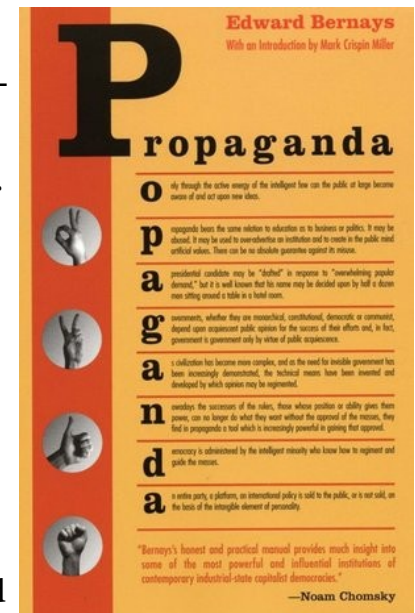
People of God, we live in an hour when deception is flooding the earth. The Christian need not be swept away by the deluge of lies. We have been given the Holy Spirit that we might know truth from falsehood, that we might walk wisely in the midst of a dark and evil generation.

Manufacturing Consent

With the technological advances of the 20th century; radio, television, and the Internet, the global elite have found new methods of guiding the populace. By controlling the media, a relatively small number of unknown, and unseen, men and women are able to shape nationalistic views, deceive the masses, and manipulate mankind into embracing whatever actions they desire. Although violence and forceful coercion are

still tools of an elite to gain the consent of men and women, to an increasing extent the puppet masters of mankind have found that the crowd can be controlled by controlling the “human climate.” Philip Lesly, a long time advocate of the use of propaganda by an elite to control the masses, began a bi-monthly publication years ago called *Managing the Human Climate*. It is of benefit to consider what is meant by this expression.

The word *climate* is defined as “the prevailing attitudes, standards, or environmental conditions of a group, period, or place.” A moneyed



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elite found it possible to control the climate in which attitudes are formed, and actions are

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birthed. By control of the media and the governments of nations, they are well positioned to not only set the agenda for public discussion, but to de-

fine the limits of that discussion. They dictate the conversation and choose the subjects of public debate.

*In 1983, 50 corporations controlled the vast majority of all news media in the U.S. At the time, Ben Bagdikian was called “alarmist” for pointing this out in his book, *The Media Monopoly*. In his 4th edition, published in 1992, he wrote “in the U.S., fewer than two dozen of these extraordinary creatures own and operate 90% of the mass media” — controlling almost all of America’s newspapers, magazines, TV and radio stations, books, records, movies, videos, wire services and photo agencies. He predicted then that eventually this number would fall to about half a dozen companies. This was greeted with skepticism at the time. When the 6th edition of *The Media Monopoly* was published in 2000, the number had fallen to six. Since then, there have been more mergers and the scope has expanded to include new media like the Internet market.*

*In 2004, Bagdikian’s revised and expanded book, *The New Media Monopoly*, shows that only 5 huge corporations — Time Warner, Disney, Murdoch’s News Corporation, Bertelsmann of Germany, and Viacom (formerly CBS) — now control most of the media industry in the U.S..*

[<http://www.corporations.org/media/>]

Oftentimes the chief actors in Satan’s plans resort to boasting about their plans and meth-

ods. They do not fear the outrage of the masses, nor the consequences of Christian’s discovering their methods, for they know that the world and a worldly church is sound asleep. The prophet Isaiah recorded God’s perspective of His people.

Isaiah 42:18-20

Hear, you deaf! And look, you blind, that you may see. Who is blind but My servant, or so deaf as My messenger whom I send? Who is so blind as he that is at peace with Me, or so blind as the servant of Yahweh? You have seen many things, but you do not observe them; Your ears are open, but none hears.

Satan has been so successful in mesmerizing the masses, in distracting the church with many vain pursuits, that he has little fear of the body of Christ waking up to discover the ways in which they have been controlled and manipulated. Satan is a master of deceit, and he has taught his disciples the principles by which they can control the mass of men and women.

One of the pioneers of modern propaganda in western culture was Edward Bernays. Bernays was greatly impressed by the teaching of his uncle Sigmund Freud and was responsible for having Freud’s writings published in America. Bernays saw in the subconscious psyche of mankind an opportunity to persuade, influence, and ultimately control the masses without their being aware of what was being done to them. Edward Bernays did not seek to hide this power over the people. Rather, he boasted about it. He was actively engaged in seeking corporate clients who would hire him to manipulate public opinion. Therefore, he did quite a job in selling his scientific wizardry to those who wished to cause people to act and think in specific ways. Bernays wrote a number

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of books on the use of propaganda.

If we understand the mechanism and motives of the group mind, is it not possible to control and regiment the masses according to our will without their knowing about it? The recent practice of propaganda has proved that it is possible...

[*Propaganda*, Edward Bernays]

The propagandist rules. The propagandized do whatever he would have them to do, exactly as he tells them to do, and without knowing it.

[*Introduction to Propaganda*, Mark Crispin Miller]

Bernays as a young man was hired by the CPI, the government propaganda organization that was created by President Woodrow Wilson to persuade Americans to fully support the United State's involvement in World War I. After the war he used the same principles during peace time to crystallize public opinion for corporate clients. Bernays did not describe his work as a propagandist, for the term had gained negative connotations during the War. Instead, he described himself as a "Public Relations" professional.

Bernays made it clear that Public Relations is not the same as advertising. Bernays seldom ever took out ads in the papers. One of his methods for altering public opinion was to fabricate a news event and tip off reporters as to when it would occur. The newspapers would write about the event as if it was a spontaneous occurrence, and Bernays would have key phrases and buzz words already prepared to guide the public's perception of the event.

An example of how Bernay's operated is observed in his work for the American Tobacco Company. In 1928 George Washington Hill, the president of ATC realized that there was a huge untapped segment of the public to whom cigarettes could potentially be sold. This segment was women. At the time it was considered taboo for women to smoke. This social stigma decreased the market potential for cigarettes in half. Hill hired Bernays to overcome this public censorship of women smoking.

Bernays consulted with an American psychoanalyst to discover what cigarettes actually represented to women. A.A. Brill was the man Bernays consulted. Brill told him that a woman saw cigarettes as a symbol of male prowess. Cigarettes were associated with masculine power and authority. Bernays was encouraged to play upon this association by enticing women to smoke by appealing to their innate desire to be equal to men.

Bernays hired ten New York debutantes to carry cigarettes hidden in their clothes during the Easter Parade in New York. At a predetermined moment they were all to pull out their cigarettes and light them as they marched along in the parade. Bernays notified some members of the press that this was going to occur, and they were ready with cameras to photograph the women as they lit and smoked their cigarettes in public. Bernays cunningly described the cigarettes as "torches of freedom," playing on the woman's desire to be equal to man, and able to do whatever man could do in public.

Bernays cunningly described the cigarettes as "torches of freedom"

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Woman with Torch of Freedom in Her Hand

This event received significant press, and instantly cigarettes became a symbol of liberation for women. The success of this public relations stunt is observed in the percentage of women who smoke.

The targeting of women in tobacco advertising led to higher rates of smoking among women. In 1923 women only purchased 5% of cigarettes sold, in 1929 it increased to 12%, in 1935 the percentage of cigarettes purchased by women was 18.1%, this percentage peaked in 1965 at 33.3% and remained at this level until 1977.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Torches_of_Freedom]

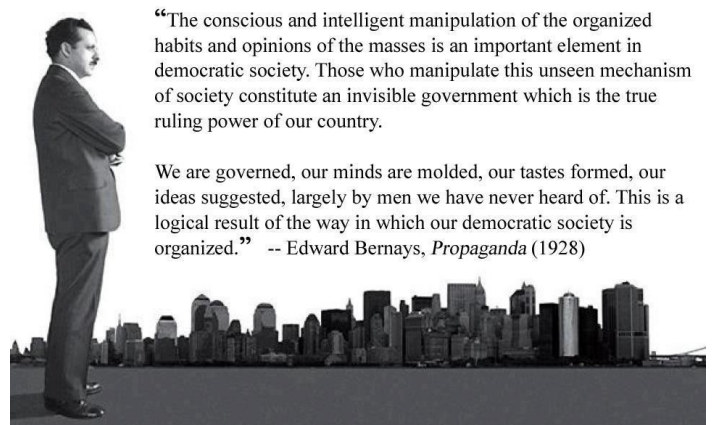
Observed in this example is the basic pattern used by a global elite today to shape the public opinion of the masses. News events are staged, and interpretations of the events are pre-planned in order to guide the populace to the

conclusions that the invisible government desires. Bernays has noted in his books that Democracy requires the employment of propaganda that a ruling elite (who alone know what is best for mankind) might be able to rule without the masses understanding that they are being controlled and manipulated.

As civilization has become more complex, and as the need for invisible government has been increasingly demonstrated, the technical means have been invented and developed by which opinion may be regimented...

The minority has discovered a powerful help in influencing majorities. It has been found possible so to mold the mind of the masses that they will throw their newly gained strength in the desired direction.

[*Propaganda*, Edward Bernays]



“The conscious and intelligent manipulation of the organized habits and opinions of the masses is an important element in democratic society. Those who manipulate this unseen mechanism of society constitute an invisible government which is the true ruling power of our country.

We are governed, our minds are molded, our tastes formed, our ideas suggested, largely by men we have never heard of. This is a logical result of the way in which our democratic society is organized.” -- Edward Bernays, *Propaganda* (1928)

Edward Bernays

The same process employed by Bernays on behalf of the American Tobacco Company is utilized thousands of times every week by the invisible government to guide the masses in the desired direction. In the previous chapter we read of the government inventing, or fostering,

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atrocities such as the sinking of the Lusitania and the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor, in order to move the masses to support the schemes of the minority. There are very few who ever discern the invisible hand guiding their actions and shaping their opinions. To repeat a statement penned by Bernays,

We are governed, our minds are molded, our tastes are formed, our ideas suggested, largely by men we have never heard of. These invisible governors are a heroic elite, who coolly keep it together, thereby “organizing chaos,” as God did in the Beginning. It is they who pull the wires which control the public mind, who harness old social forces and contrive new ways to bind and guide the world.

Do you sense the pride in this statement? Bernays is comparing the actions of these unseen manipulators to those of God when He brought order out of chaos. Satan is the ultimate mastermind behind such policies and practices. His disciples have learned his ways and have no compunction about deliberately deceiving and misleading the masses. After all, they reason, they alone know what is really good and necessary for mankind.

Brothers and sisters, what I would have you to discern is that YOUR MIND has been molded, and YOUR ACTIONS guided, by this invisible government under the rule of Satan, and you have very often not perceived what was occurring. Only by becoming aware of the subtlety of the adversary can the Christian avoid the snare set before him.

In the year 1928 when Bernays wrote the book *Propaganda*, he wrote of the pervasiveness of “news” stories that were created to shape public perception of events.

Page one of the New York Times on the day these paragraphs are written contains eight important news stories. Four of them, one-half, are propaganda. The casual reader accepts them as accounts of spontaneous happenings. But are they?

[Ibid]

Bernays proceeds to give four of the headlines from the nation’s leading newspaper, and he demonstrates that each story is propaganda. He details who originated the stories, and what effect each story was to produce upon public opinion. In the intervening years the percentage of canned news stories has only increased. America, and the world, is being inundated with a flood of fabricated news whose express aim is to shape public opinion and guide the masses.

Modern propaganda is a consistent, enduring effort to create and shape events to influence the relations of the public to an enterprise, idea, or group...

The important thing is that it is universal and continuous; and in its sum total it is regimenting the public mind every bit as much as an army regiments the bodies of its soldiers.

[Ibid]

Consider what is expressed in this last statement. Even as the military dictates the actions of soldiers, telling them when to go to bed, when to rise, when to eat, when to work, how to salute, how to march in formation, etc., controlling the minute details of a soldier’s life, so too the minds of men and women are being regimented with the same level of control. Like puppets on a string, the mass of mankind

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moves to the motions of an unseen hand.

Speaking of the success of the government CPI propaganda in World War I, Bernays states:

At the same time, the manipulators of patriotic opinion made use of the mental cliches and the emotional habits of the public to produce mass reactions against the alleged atrocities, the terror, and the tyranny of the enemy.

Edward Bernays is describing here the government's manipulation of the people. This sets the whole scheme of Democracy on its head. Instead of "government of the people, for the people, by the people," it has become a government of a small elite who fool the people into believing they are making autonomous decisions, never realizing that they are being manipulated. Bernays had a true "insider's" perspective into the machinations of government. Stuart Ewen in his book *PR! A Social History of Spin*, describes a visit he paid to Bernays at his home.

He led me through a dark room off the landing. Its walls were covered with scores of framed black and white photographs, many of them inscribed. Wordlessly, yet eloquently, the pictures placed my ancient host close to the heartbeat of a century. Bernays on his way to the Paris Peace Conference, 1919. Bernays standing with Enrico Caruso. Bernays and Henry Ford. Bernays and Thomas Edison. Bernays and Dwight David Eisenhower. An inscribed photo portrait of his uncle, Freud, was also conspicuous. Bernays with the "great men" at the "great events" of the twentieth century.



Bernays and Eisenhower

Bernays wrote of the power a small group has in selecting even those candidates who will become President of the United States.

A presidential candidate may be "drafted" in response to "overwhelming popular demand," but it is well known that his name may be decided upon by half a dozen men sitting around a table in a hotel room.

[Source: *Propaganda*, Edward Bernays]

Things have not changed much since the day in which the above statement was written. Much has been written about the Bilderberger Group in recent years. This group of extremely wealthy and powerful global persons derives their name from the hotel they met at for their first annual meeting. It is true that a small number of men and women still meet today in hotel rooms to determine who will be given the rule of the nations. Both Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama were whisked away during the midst of campaigning for the Presidential nomination of their party in 2008. Their sudden absence was the subject of much speculation. It became known that they were taken to attend the annual Bilderberger conference, at

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which it was determined that Obama would become President and Hillary Clinton Secretary of State. Those elected to public positions are acting as the pawns of the true powers that have placed them there.

There are invisible rulers who control the destinies of millions. It is not generally realized to what extent the words and actions of our most influential public men are dictated by shrewd persons operating behind the scenes.

[Source: Ibid]

As one reads the writings of men like Edward Bernays, Walter Lippman, Ivy Lee, and other pioneers of modern propaganda, it becomes evident just how pervasive the practice of manipulating public opinion has become. The following statement of Bernays, written in 1928, could have been written as a commentary on America's current President.

Again, the objection is raised that propaganda is utilized to manufacture our leading political personalities. It is asked whether, in fact, the leader makes the propaganda, or whether propaganda makes the leader. There is a widespread impression that a good press agent can puff up a nobody into a great man.

[Source: Ibid]

Truly, there has seldom been a less accomplished man who was portrayed as a great statesman, than the current President. Many were astonished when after his election to the Presidency he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. There was no basis for the award. He had not brokered any peace agreements. He had no political history of accomplishment. All the awards and popular press he was receiving were part of a massive, organized plan to manufacture an image of a great man out of a nobody. The ruling elite chose Obama as a fig-

urehead to accomplish their purposes. They manufactured a false history for his life, and the public by and large has accepted it due to the universal and continuous flood of propaganda that has attended his ascension to public office.

Although Obama is a willing instrument of men in carrying out the destruction of America as a wealthy nation of great liberty, he is not the one making decisions. Those who created his public image and arranged his election to the Presidency are the true powers behind the throne. As far back as 1928 Edward Bernays wrote:

The public actions of America's chief executive are, if one chooses to put it that way, stage-managed.

[Source: Ibid]

Edward Bernays did not apologize for his views. He believed that it was right and necessary for an enlightened minority to guide the masses.

Ours must be a leadership democracy administered by the intelligent minority who know how to regiment and guide the masses. Is this government by propaganda?... It must be enlightened, expert propaganda through the creation of circumstances, through the high-spotting of significant events, and the dramatization of important issues.

[Source: Ibid]

Consider carefully what is declared here. An "intelligent minority," a global elite, believe it is their right and duty to regiment human behavior. They accomplish this control of man-

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kind through creating events and circumstances that will provide a context to move the masses in a particular direction. That which passes for spontaneous news events today are seldom spontaneous, or news. They are dramatizations played out on a world stage with the intent of manipulating mankind. The global elite need the masses to consent to their schemes leading to a one world government. They refer to the work of propagandizing the masses as “manufacturing consent.” By deceiving and manipulating the people, the consent of the nations is gained.

Do you perceive this deception all around you? Are your eyes opened to perceive the hidden hand that guides events? Or do you still believe that America is a nation where the government serves the people? Are you so blinded by propaganda that you believe America can be changed by electing a Republican instead of a Democrat for President? Do you perceive that the candidates of both parties have been hand picked, and they are equally servants of an invisible government?

At this time of year with a national election looming, one can perceive the massive influence of the propaganda machine. Debates are held; candidates spar with one another; it is made to appear that they truly are antagonistic to one another and hold greatly divergent views on government. Yet all is subterfuge. All is deceit and lies created to keep the masses deceived, to persuade them that they actually have a choice, that the common man has the power to influence the course of the nation.

Tragically, Christians are giving their strength, thought, time, and money to a vain effort to effect political change. Christians are joining Tea Party movements, or are aligning themselves with a particular candidate or party. They believe they will make a difference. They

wage war with carnal weapons. They do not perceive that the game is rigged. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity.

Satan’s power is great. He has the ability to deceive the nations. Nevertheless, the disciple of Christ need not be deceived. Christ admonished His disciples with the following words:

Matthew 10:16-17

“Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. But beware of men...”

Champ - The Serpent Sounder

Joseph Herrin (09-06-2013)



Champ - September 6, 2013

If you are not familiar with the story of how Yahweh sent me a dog last year, you can read about it at the following link:

<http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2012/06/rescue-perishing.html>

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It makes quite a remarkable story. An elderly sister in Christ had sent me an e-mail commenting on how much she found her Chihuahua to be good company, as she lives alone. She knew of my love for animals, but that I had not had a dog for some years. Her words were completely unanticipated when she wrote:

*I'll pray about Yahweh's leading re: a "puppy..."
So MANY, MANY dogs (including LITTLE ones!)
are being dumped for whatever reason.*

Never underestimate the prayers of the saints. The very next day I was out on a bike ride through a rural section of Georgia when I came across a crate on the side of the road. I believe there were seven puppies in the crate, and three were already dead. It was very hot out, and there was no water for the puppies. They were also terribly afflicted with fleas. There was just one puppy that had enough strength to climb out of the crate, but he had not wandered far. I guessed that this little guy had the best chance of surviving, so I put him in my bike basket and carried him home. (A Mennonite woman came up about the same time, and took the rest of the living puppies home. From what I have heard, a number of them survived.)



After giving Champ a flea bath, supplying him with food, water and plenty of rest, he soon was the image of robust health. I have had Champ about 15 months now, and his personality has revealed itself.

I kept Champ inside my bus with me for the first few months. However, he is a high energy dog. One of his favorite things to hear come out of my lips was “Do you wanna go outside?”

I didn’t want Champ to grow lethargic by being kept inside all the time, so I began keeping him outdoors. For the past 11 months I have had my bus parked on some land in a rural farming area. I have a 100' steel line run between a large oak tree and a wooden post. A 15 foot dog lead is attached to this steel cable with a pulley, giving Champ lots of mobility. I cannot let Champ roam free, as one of my neighbors informed me that Champ came over into his yard and growled and barked at him. He expressed concern that Champ might attack one of his small dogs.

Champ is really quite gregarious around other dogs. He will be a friend of any dog that wants to be his friend. I have only seen him bristle up at another dog when it acted in an aggressive or unfriendly manner to him. Champ’s overriding reaction to other dogs is one of excitement. Even if they come into “his” territory, he appears eager to meet and greet them.

Around people, however, Champ is less predictable. He tends to be wary of strangers. Some people he quickly accepts, while with others he remains standoffish. Randy Simmons, the brother in Christ who has traveled with me in ministry, is very much a dog lover. He is also very much at ease around dogs, displaying no fear of a dog being aggressive. When I needed to travel out of state for my father’s funeral last year, I asked Randy to check in on Champ. When I returned I found that Randy and Champ were fast friends. Champ was not hesitant at all around Randy, and in his first meeting Randy had taught Champ the commands “sit” and “stay.”

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Champ also is quite excited to see my daughter Kristin. He tends to jump up on people with his dirty paws, so Kristin usually keeps her distance. Champ's excitement, however, is unmistakable. If he could just get off the leash he would be bounding all around (an on) Kristin.

I was surprised, however, to find that Champ would not warm up to one of the neighbor's children. Seth is very much a country boy. I estimate he is around 13 years old, and he is not shy around dogs. Champ, however, would not let Seth come near him. He acted very wary. Even when I gave Seth some dog treats to hand to Champ, he would not let this young boy get near him.

When I take Champ on runs (he is running, I am on my bicycle), I have to put him on the leash when we encounter people. He tends to run up to strangers and bark or growl at them. He has never bitten anyone, but he is definitely a barker.

Our bike runs have given Champ an opportunity to display his personality in other ways. He loves water. There are some pools of water along the five miles of dirt roads that I take him down during our outings. When it has been raining, there is standing water in the ditches beside the road. Champ will run right through the ditches, occasionally plunging all the way in when there is a deep spot. He would rather run through the water, than run in the dirt road.



Champ gets quite thirsty on our runs, especially in the heat of a Georgia summer. Being a bundle of energy, he prefers to drink on the run. When he sees standing water along the side of a road, he will run over with his mouth open and, without slowing his pace, gobble up water as he runs. He reminds me of the coastal birds that are known as "water skimmers." They fly above the surface of the ocean with their beaks in the water, catching small fish. I laugh, as Champ has not quite mastered this technique, and often ends up with a fit of coughing as he half drowns himself while trying to drink water on the run. His enthusiasm and enjoyment of life is undiminished when this happens. He just keeps running, and sniffing, and leaving his scent on everything that in the least way resembles a fire hydrant.

Some of Champ's habits are beastly. Champ loves most things that stink. When we have come across the remains of some dead animal in the road, Champ will stop and roll on the carcass, trying to get the scent of it on him. To a dog, I am sure it smells like sweet perfume, but to me it stinks. I have had to hose him down more than once when we have returned from a run after he displayed this behavior.

Dogs are beasts, and beasts do beastly things. Some of Champ's behavior annoys me. I would prefer that he not run up to strangers and bark at them. I wish he would not roll in dead things. I would like for Champ to not jump up on people when he is excited. I suppose that if I spent a lot of time and attention training him, I could curb some of this behavior. He has learned a few things. He does not make me chase him down when I want to put him on the leash anymore. He will stop and wait for me when he sees me approaching him with the leash. This at least has given me the freedom to let him off the leash when we go on our bike runs. But, neither does he come to me when I call him.

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Just when I am about to become aggravated with Champ's undesirable behavior, he will do something that is equally part of a dog's character that proves to be very beneficial. On two occasions since I have been at my present location, poisonous snakes have come up in the yard, and Champ has warned me about them.

Several months ago I heard Champ barking non-stop outside my bus. It is not unusual to hear him bark. Champ has a guarding instinct. He barks when he sees, or hears, a car going down the road. If a car is passing by I will only hear a few barks. If the car has turned onto our driveway and is approaching, Champ will bark until the vehicle stops and the driver gets out. When Champ sees a snake, however, his barking is different. There is a greater intensity to it. The barks are sharper, quicker, and they do not stop.



Adult Water Moccasin

When I heard Champ barking in this way a few months back, I knew something was wrong and I went outside to investigate. I found at the edge of the grass, and not more than 20 feet from my bus, a large water moccasin. Some people call them cottonmouths. I have not encountered a large number of venomous snakes, so I do not consider myself an

expert, but I have seen enough snakes that I recognized that this particular one was a threat. A common non-venomous black snake would likely slink back off into the grass or bushes and hide itself. This serpent, however, coiled up, raised its head, and opened its mouth to bear its fangs. This is common behavior of a water moccasin.

I retrieved a long handled shovel, and approached the snake. It did not retreat from me. It continued to display aggressively and I was obliged to cut its head off. Through this experience, I learned that my dog viewed this particular animal as a threat. Champ was at the end of his leash, and may have gotten too close for his own good if he was loose. However, the snake stayed just out of Champ's reach as my dog barked, growled, and bristled up at the serpent.

Last night I heard Champ barking again. I was playing a game of Scrabble with my daughter, and I commented to her about Champ's barking. When I checked on him, I observed him acting excitedly as if there was something under the front of my bus. I shone a light under the bus, as it was dark outside, to see what Champ was trying to get at. I saw a large copperhead snake coiled up near the front driver's side wheel of my bus. It was more than three feet in length, which is about as large as they get. This is another venomous snake that is found in Georgia.

Champ's leash prevented him from getting too close to the snake. My daughter enlisted the help of the neighbor's son to dispatch this snake. It shared the same fate as the water moccasin. I put Champ inside my bus to keep him from getting too close to the snake when it started moving. I brought him back out afterwards when the snake had been beheaded and let him get a good look at the dead serpent. Every muscle in Champ could be seen straining. He was hyper alert. He would only approach

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the dead snake with great wariness, ready to retreat if it should move in his direction. The hair along the ridge of Champ's back was bristled up. When he was finally satisfied that the snake was dead, he picked it up and might have tried to make a snack out of it, but the neighbor boy wanted to take it home and skin it.



Copperhead

I feel confident that a snake will not be able to approach my bus without Champ letting me know about it. I didn't realize that when I rescued a little puppy alongside the road over a year ago that he would return the favor by informing me of the presence of venomous snakes nearby. Champ got an extra treat last night for his service. I gave him a can of Vienna Sausage.



Champ's Reward

(The following was written at the time this newsletter was created.)

I had some space remaining in this newsletter and decided to share this post about my dog as readers are often curious about my life. Champ has been a good dog. He is now about 2-1/2 years old and is a large and strong dog. I am fairly certain that he has both some Pit Bull and some hound in him (he tends to bay at times).

A couple months after I wrote the post above, I had moved my bus/motorhome to Jekyll Island, Georgia for the winter months. While there I was running Champ while he was attached to a dog runner on my bicycle. I decided to go down an unpaved trail. It was largely sand with some dirt and grass. We were going quite fast when my front tire hit a deep sandy spot and tried to go sideways on me. I ended up being thrown from the bike. I dislocated the index finger on my left hand, and cracked some ribs.

Champ is such a strong puller, and he gets so excited when he gets the opportunity to run, that I realized I needed something safer, more stable, to use to run him. Because I live full-time in my bus/motorhome, and I pull a trailer behind it, I am unable to tow a car. Therefore, I use a bike for all of my local transportation, trips to the post office, grocery shopping, and other needs.

The Lord blessed me around this time, enabling me to purchase a recumbent trike. These are three wheeled, pedal powered, vehicles. I also added an electric motor to assist with the pedaling. It can be set to various power levels to give me a little boost, or a large boost. Since my trips to town are normally 30 miles round trip, the electric motor definitely helps.

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The trike is much more stable. Champ cannot pull it over, and it handles sand and dirt very well. Following is a picture of the trike with Champ hooked up to it. This picture was taken on Jekyll Island soon after I received the trike.



Catrike is the manufacturer of this trike. Champ doesn't mind, though. I couldn't find one called Dogtrike. I also have a bike trailer that I pull behind the trike when I take it grocery shopping.



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PARABLES PRECEPT— The Significance of Numbers

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In Hebrew the number eight is (Sh'moneh), from the root (Shah'meyn), "to make fat," "cover with fat," "to super-abound." As a participle it means "one who abounds in strength," etc. As a noun it is "superabundant fertility," "oil," etc. So that as a numeral it is the superabundant number. As seven was so called because the seventh day was the day of completion and rest, so eight, as the eighth day, was over and above this perfect completion, and was indeed the first of a new series, as well as being the eighth. Thus it already represents two num-

bers in one, the first and eighth...

JEHOVAH'S COVENANTS WITH ABRAHAM

were eight in number; seven before Isaac was offered up, and the eighth when he had been received "in a figure" from the dead.

1. Gen 12:1-3, sovereignty.
2. Gen 12:7, the seed.
3. Gen 13:14-17, Divine assurance, rising and walking on resurrection ground.
4. Gen 15:13-21, the limits of the land; the 400 years; the 4th generation.

5. Gen 17:1-22, invincible grace.
6. Gen 18:9-15, human failure and imperfection.
7. Gen 21:12, Spiritual blessing headed up in the seed.
8. Gen 22:15-18, resurrection blessing.

It will be noted that each covenant blessing is stamped with the character of its numerical significance.

[E.W. Bullinger, *Number in Scripture*]