

Certainly an “Inconvenient Truth” (V)

“Do not be ANXIOUS about ANYTHING...” Philipians 4:6a

In my last article on Global Warming (see newsletter dtd 6/12/07), I promised that I would give you some reasons WHY I believe that alarmists are continuing to try to “frighten” us and politicians are trying to “fleece” us (\$\$\$) even though the scientific community does not “universally” agree that Global Warming is even a problem. When I talk about “alarmists” I am talking about powerful men and women who are effective and getting their “one-sided” messages out through manipulation of the media, whether it be through movies, radio, or newsprint. One such popular “alarmist” is our past Vice President, Al Gore.

Since loosing his bid for the presidency of the United States in 2000, Al Gore has gone from being considered a “failure” by the Democratic Party he represented...to now being considered a “savior” of the party and even a possible strong candidate for the 2008 Presidential Election. And what has he done to change his image and “electability” in such a short time? He has proclaimed the Global Warming THEORY an ACCEPTED FACT and made it a major political issue amongst a majority of citizens in this country.

The reason Americans are now very concerned about Global Warming is that Al Gore has been successful at making the public VERY AFRAID of what may happen if we don’t DO SOMETHING about it. This “fear factor” is being witnessed across all racial, culture, social, and party lines and thus it becomes a PERFECT POLITICAL TOPIC to unite many different (and sometimes dispassionate) “potential” voters into one massive UNITED and PASSIONATE block of voters that are motivated by fear to overlook their differences to achieve what they believe is best for the common good (i.e. SAVE THE PLANET FROM ANHILATION!).

Thus, the reason Al Gore, and the liberal media, have worked together to push the Global Warming theory as an “irrefutable” fact is because they know they have found a topic that meets all the criteria for the PERFECT POLITICAL ISSUE. Those familiar with the basics of political science will tell you that the perfect political issue must contain at least FOUR (4) basic elements:

(1) There must be a problem serious enough to get the concern of the public. (*Global Warming alarmists tell us that our entire planet is in SEVERE DANGER. This causes FEAR and motivates the public to take real action!*)

(2) There must be an identifiable and believable CAUSE and VILLIAN. (*The cause given by the alarmists is OVERCONSUMPTION of natural resources caused by human greed and thoughtlessness. The villains are: President George Bush and the big oil and production companies he allegedly protects. These causes and villains are easy to believe and easy to get a majority of naïve people to unite to FIGHT against!*)

(3) There must be “credible” solutions presented by a politician which gain the confidence and support of the public so that they elect him or her into office to SOLVE the problem! (*i.e. The ones who are PRESENTING the Global Warming Topic as IRREFUTIBLE are also saying that they have the knowledge and determination to SOLVE this problem if we would just ELECT them into power...and then give them the TRILLIONS of dollars that they need to save our planet!*)

(4) There must be no eventual ACCOUNTABILITY even after the public supports the cause! (*This is what makes the Global Warming issue such a perfect political ploy. If we do elect Al Gore, or politicians like him, even if we give them a lot of time and money to solve this “potential” problem, THEY WILL ALWAYS BE ABLE TO ESCAPE ACCOUNTABILITY. If temperatures continue to rise and our planet is still effected, all they have to say is that we waited TOO LATE to do anything “and/or” we didn’t SPEND ENOUGH to solve the problem. For example, the “Education” issue has bilked us out of BILLIONS of dollars each year and it still gets worse!!! Who is held accountable for that?)*

Thus, I firmly believe that Global Warming, as presented by Al Gore, is being used SOLEY as a means to gain political and financial power by twisting and manipulating facts to create FEAR amongst a misinformed public. And I am far from being the only one who thinks this. Economists Walter Williams recently wrote a column titled “Fearmongering”, in which he said, “Political commentator Henry Louis Mencken warned that ‘the whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace ALARMED—and hence clamorous to be led to safety—by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of the IMAGINARY.’”

Mr. Williams went on in his article to point out how the media has worked hard with liberal political figures to “eliminate” or “demonize” any other counter views on this subject. He pointed out how The Weather Channel is so “biased” on the subject of Global Warming that Dr. Heidi Cullen, one of their major climatologists, advocates on her weekly program, *The Climate Code*, that the American Meteorological Society (AMS) should strip their seal of approval from any TV weatherman EXPRESSING SKEPTICISM about the “predictions” of manmade global

warming. To even further try to squelch the voice of skeptics, Scott Pelley, CBS News' *60 Minutes* corespondent, compared skeptics of global warming to "Holocaust deniers".

In summary, global warming is a major issue today, not because there are people out there who have discovered a REAL problem and truly want to help us save our planet, but rather, because it is primarily a political ploy being used by clever individuals and organizations to enhance their financial and political positions...and they are using FEAR and DECEPTION to do it. But, Christians should never be motivated to do anything out of "fear" (Phil 4:6) and we are told to always be on the alert for the "schemes" of Satan (Eph 6:11). Our true enemy in all of this talk of Global Warming is not Al Gore, it is not a political party, nor is it the media; our true enemy is the Evil One who is a deceiver (Rev 20:10) and who enjoys using "fear" to destroy us (1Pet 5:8).

Although it is important for us to be good stewards of this planet God has given us, it is more important that we remain faithful ambassadors to the COMMISSION He has given us (Matt 28:19-20). We should not waste a lot of valuable time worrying and thinking about global warming when time is so limited to live and share the gospel message! - **Pastor Louis**