



"You shall not follow the masses to evil, nor witness in a cause to turn aside after the multitude." – Ex. 23:2

EMPIRE AND COMPLIANCE

HOW DO THEY DO IT?

A question plagued me for years about England. How was a small island able to rule the world for nearly a millennium (arguably from 1066 to the 1900's)? I think I figured it out.

The British Empire comprised the dominions, colonies, protectorates, mandates and other territories ruled or administered by the United Kingdom. At its height, it was the largest empire in history and the foremost global power.

By 1922 the British Empire held sway over about 458 million people, one-fifth of the world's population at the time.

The empire covered more than 33,700,000 km² (13,012,000 sq mi), almost a quarter of the Earth's total land area.

As a result, England's political, legal, linguistic and cultural legacy is widespread. At the peak of its power, the phrase *"the sun never sets on the British empire"* was often used to describe its scope, because its expanse across the globe meant that the sun was always shining on at least one of its territories.

The same question (and answer) could apply to Greece and Rome ... small countries that "ruled the world."

And think about Japan during the 1940's. How did that tiny nation develop the tremendous power and influence to wreak havoc on nations many times its size? It tortured and ran amok in China and then attacked the United States.

How do these little "empires" become global bullies? How do they become super powers or empires?

At one time the little nation of Portugal was a world force to be reckoned with ... mostly due to its naval power.

In the 1600's the Dutch were great merchants and colonizers. Among their conquests they settled what is now called New York. At that time they called it "New Netherlands," and the island of Manhattan was named "New Amsterdam."

History is replete with periods where small city/states, or small countries wielded disproportionate power, gaining dominance over large sections of the Earth.

How do they do it?

One obvious factor (but not the only one) is that these

small countries somehow had great wealth, and that was what gave them their power. Granted, wealth played a large part, but it is the old question of "the chicken or the egg." Which came first? Did they have wealth that gave them power? Or did they gain power that made them able to get wealth?

My theory is that they first figured out how to consolidate great power ... through government. Then they put together their plans that would keep them in power. So, I think that brainwashing and blind obedience (**compliance**) is the first and foremost tool that gives small countries the ability to enslave and rule large sections of the Earth. In fact, I maintain that regardless of the size of a country, it cannot become a super power without first gaining blind compliance from its own populace.

"OURS IS NOT TO REASON WHY ..."

Unquestioned patriotism and loyalty are the things of which empires are made. It can be accomplished through religion (as with the Catholic Church), and it can be through national pride (patriotism – as with Greece & Rome ... and, England ... and America).

Getting back to the British Empire ... after 1066, when William The Conqueror took power in England and made it "Britain" (a name derived from William's native land, France), the British were taught to be proud, arrogant and patriotic. They became the new Rome.

To this day, they have a national/cultural pride that borders on arrogance. They are thrilled to take orders from an authority ... and they worship their authorities. During World War 2 the common British citizens jumped at any chance to play soldier by organizing neighborhood teams to support the war, and volunteering for duties of all sorts for "the war effort." They took great pride in serving their rotten leaders (Churchill, and the Monarchy.). Their national pastime consisted of listening to the drunken Churchill's pep talks on radio, or singing patriotic songs ("When The Lights Go On Again"; "There'll Be Bluebirds Over The White Cliffs Of Dover"; etc.).

The British pride and compliance is renown ... and

disgusting. They pride themselves in being slaves obsessed with protocol and order. They “queue” well (i.e., stand orderly in line at stores and airports like soldiers under command). They take pride in their aptitude to be the very best slaves on good behavior. As depicted in the 1950’s movie “Bridge Over The River Kwai,” the British pride of good deportment, even as prisoners of war, was the theme.

At the beginning of World War 2, a British government pamphlet was published that ordered (suggested) Brits to kill their pets. This, they were told, was for the best of all concerned because pets could become problems in the case of emergencies. The Brits killed nearly a million of their pets in just one week. They orderly and proudly did what they were told.

The National Air Raid Precautions Animals Committee (NARPAC) drafted a notice - “Advice to Animal Owners.”

The pamphlet instructed them to “send or take your household animals into the country in advance of an emergency.” It concluded: “If you cannot place them in the care of neighbours, it really is kindest to have them destroyed.” The government pamphlet was the Air Raid Precautions Handbook, with a section “For Animals.”



It advertised a special gun designed for killing pets.

In addition to the pamphlet, the notice was printed in most newspapers and announced on the BBC.

The Brits obediently did what they were told. This “pride in compliance,” I contend, was the very thing that enabled British rulers to shape England into the world’s most formidable power.

I refer to these traits of prideful compliance, not to pick on the British, but to show that when people are bred and raised to quietly conform, do their job and ask no questions, they become efficient and deadly tools to be used in the hands of wicked tyrants. When a people develop an attitude that it is shameful to question authority, you can just about bet their government is, or soon will be, a super power.

Take Japan, for example, during the 1940’s. The ruler (Hirohito) was affectionately called “Emperor” by his subjects. The common folk took great pride in being humbly compliant to their emperor. During the war, when they were losing the battle and running short of bullets and bombs, the Emperor ordered his fighter pilots to commit suicide by

flying their planes (Kamikazes) into ships. The pilots did so without question, with great ritual and national honor.

Again, here we see the mind set that makes it possible for a small country to develop amazing military power. The more complete a population’s compliance with its rulers, the more likely that nation will become a super power and become aggressive and abusive.

At one time in America’s history the general citizenry was less-than-trusting of the government. The system was evil back then, but the public’s lack of blind trust helped keep the criminals in high office from running rampant.

Sadly, the quality of character of the typical American has gone downhill, resulting in a citizenry that is growing in both ignorance and pride.

AN ILLUSTRATION:

I heard a story several years ago. I don’t know if the story is true or merely a fable. Either way it makes an accurate and instructive point.

The story is about two great armies led by two great generals on opposing sides of a war. Both armies had many thousands of soldiers, all equipped and battle worthy.

These two armies, as it happened, came face to face one day, and it seemed that a tremendous battle was about to ensue. Before the battle started, both generals met on a neutral hill. Each general had his best lieutenant in attendance with him.

One general asked the other general if he wished to offer terms of surrender. The second general turned to his lieutenant and ordered him to take his dagger from its sheath and plunge the dagger into his own chest. The lieutenant obeyed, stabbed himself in the heart, and fell dead. The general then turned to his adversary and said, “I have ten thousand more just like him waiting for my orders.”

The other general immediately surrendered.

The point of the story is that mindless obedience (compliance) is an army’s greatest weapon. Mindless soldiers willing to die when ordered are the most feared threat in any battle. By the same token, blind patriotism in the citizenry is a government’s greatest asset.

I contend that this, more than anything else, is what has empowered small nations that became world-ruling empires. It is what empowered Britain to be able to “rule the waves.” It is what gave Japan the ability to be a super power in WW2. It is what made Greece and Rome able to rule the world of their day.

Today, this same spirit of ignorant patriotism among the common people has helped to make the United States the most powerful nation on Earth. American pride and patriotism, thought to be an asset of the common folks, is actually a deadly mental liability for them. It has made the common American a monster by proxy ... because he lets himself be used by wicked rulers whose agenda is to bomb, burn, kill and destroy. Blind patriotic compliance serves the bankers and the government, but it is a death knell for the common folks for it robs them of their souls.

Victims of the U.S. killing machine number in the many millions. National pride in having killed and destroyed wherever our politicians told us to go kill and destroy has

been a point of great pride in America. No wonder the US Government is so powerful ... and so hated.

ARROGANCE

General Alexander doesn't like the attention the NSA has been getting. He believes it is OK for the NSA to spy on everyone in the world. But he doesn't like it when people look back at him.

He and his fellow criminals have been riding on a free ticket for a long time. They could basically do anything they wanted without fear of rousing the attention of the sleeping, compliant American public. So now a man named Edward Snowden, a former agent in the NSA, has left the organization and is blowing the whistle ... revealing to the world what all the NSA has been up to all these years.

The General doesn't like it!



Gen. Keith Alexander, Head of the NSA

OK, is this making you smile? Is it possible that a little justice is being felt?

Obama is reassuring his allies who are leaders of other countries that the NSA has been reading their mail and listening to their phone calls *"not just*

because they can, but because it is necessary."

There! That should make them feel better knowing that it is necessary for Obama to know the color of their underwear and what they do in private.

Can't you see, it's all good? The US Government spies on its "friends" because it "really needs to know." It is for the good of everyone. Right?

Ok. But why, on the other hand, is it wrong for anyone to reveal secrets of the US government and the NSA? Why shouldn't General Alexander's secrets be available for public scrutiny the same as those on whom he spies?

As head of the embattled National Security Agency, Gen. Keith Alexander is accusing journalists of "selling" his agency's documents and is calling for an end to the steady stream of public disclosures of secrets snatched by former contractor Edward Snowden.

"I think it's wrong that newspaper reporters have all these documents, the 50,000 – whatever they have, and are selling them and giving them out as if these – you know it just doesn't make sense," Alexander said in an interview with the Defense Department's "Armed With Science" blog.

"We ought to come up with a way of stopping it. I don't know how to do that. That's more for the courts and the policy-makers but, from my perspective, it's wrong to allow this to go on," the NSA director declared.

So, let me see if I've got this right. Alexander wants the US Government to force everyone to stop talking about the embarrassing disclosures that tell what the NSA does to us. Right? I guess when he took the job he planned to violate everyone else's privacy while his own privacy would be inviolate.

What arrogance! They want their privacy, but they think it is criminal for anyone else to have privacy. Anyone who can't see the hypocrisy in this must be a product of public schools ... the factories that produce compliant, ignorant Americans who "support the troops" even though they don't know where on a map the troops are, or what they are doing there.

SHEEPLE

Compliance has become so uniform in America that a new word was coined to describe people who comply without question. "Sheeple."

It is a verbal attempt to shame people by comparing them to sheep (not the kind of sheep represented in the Bible that look to the great Shepherd for guidance, but the kind who resemble sheep for their weakness and tendency to thoughtlessly follow the herd).

Here is an article from "infowars.com":

Most Americans Support Being Spied on by NSA

Paul Joseph Watson

The "Good German" (or "Good Brit") syndrome runs rampant in America as the government becomes more tyrannical.

NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden has sacrificed his freedom, his future, his family, and his home to warn Americans that they are the targets of a monolithic spy agency which is working feverishly to ensure that privacy is demol-



Edward Snowden

ished – and most Americans simply don't care.

Revelations that the National Security Agency was collecting records of millions of US customers of Verizon under a secret court order issued in April, followed by news that the NSA was also pulling private data "directly from the servers" of major US service providers such as Google and Facebook, stoked international condemnation, but not from American citizens, most of whom actually support the idea.

"A majority of Americans – 56% – say the National Security Agency's (NSA) program tracking the telephone records of millions of Americans is an acceptable way for the government to investigate terrorism," reports Pew Research Center.

A comparison with a previous poll from January 2006 highlights the fact that even more Americans are now likely to support NSA surveillance despite the huge scandal it caused for the Bush administration. Under Bush, 47% found NSA wiretapping of Americans unacceptable whereas just 41% find it unacceptable under Obama.

The survey also reveals that just one in four Americans are following the NSA story “very closely,” whereas the other 73% are presumably more interested in the release of the new Xbox and season 17 of Dancing With the Stars.

“*Sorry Edward Snowden: you just threw your life away for nothing. The sheep have been properly and thoroughly conditioned and brainwashed, which is why they continue to get precisely the government they so rightfully deserve,*” writes Zero Hedge.

While the NSA sites the necessity to stop “terrorism” as its justification, the Obama administration is simultaneously supporting Al-Qaeda terrorists in Syria, many of whom have promised to attack the United States once they have finished with Bashar Al-Assad.

The irony of Snowden having to run to Communist China (and to Russia) to escape from “the land of the free” is a chilling subtext to the story. Other authoritarian regimes throughout history have also cited security threats as a reason to put the entire population under surveillance.

As Robert Gellately of Florida State University has highlighted, Germans under Hitler spied on and denounced their neighbors and friends not because they genuinely believed them to be a security threat, but because they expected to selfishly benefit from doing so, both financially, socially and psychologically via a Pavlovian need to be rewarded by their masters for their obedience.

That “Good German” syndrome is very much alive and well amongst Americans today, most of whom seem to be completely at ease with the fact that their government is treating its own citizens as the enemy.

THE HERD SYNDROME

“Herd behavior” is defined as: “... *how individuals in a group can act together without planned direction. The term pertains to the behavior of animals and people in herds, flocks and schools, demonstrations, riots, sporting events, religious gatherings, episodes of mob violence and everyday decision-making, judgment and opinion-forming.*”

Where herd behavior is a factor with people, the condition can be increased by instilling a feeling of fear or insecurity. Fearful and insecure people tend more toward dependence on others (i.e., peer acceptance) rather than having confidence in their own abilities to reason through issues and make good decisions.

The more a person is programmed in herd behavior the less likely he is to ever think outside the box or discover new things, and the less likely he is to exhibit virtue or reason, logic and common sense ... because his mind is continually occupied with emulating his role models and trying to memorize their words, actions and mannerisms. Thus, his behavior is often compared to animal behavior and young child behavior.

Blind, thoughtless complicity can be trained into people via herd behavior. In fact, it is amazing how thoroughly confused a person can become after years of following herd behavior. As one man said, “*I am unique ... just like*

everyone else.”

To demonstrate the power of herd control, imagine you are in a crowd of strangers when suddenly the majority of the crowd begins to run ... all in the same direction. At the very least you would be gripped with great alarm. And likely you would find yourself running along with them, but not knowing why they are running. That is “the herd syndrome.” It is very effective.

More to the point, when everyone around you is infected with programming that has made them blindly compliant to an officially declared “authority,” it greatly decreases the likelihood that you can resist that “authority.” It is a fact ... unseemly as it may be.

To stand alone against popular sentiment is not an easy thing to do. Most people simply cannot do it.

The crowd manipulators (social programmers) know this very well. They use our natural tendencies against us. When I realized this truth it gave me one more reason to believe what God teaches us in Holy Scripture:

14. *Be you not unequally yoked to unbelievers: for what has righteousness to do with lawlessness? and what has light in common with darkness?*
15. *And what harmony has Christ with worthlessness? or what part has he that believes with an unbeliever?*
16. *And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? for we are the temple of the living God; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*
17. *Wherefore come out from among them, and be you separate, says the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,*
18. *And will be a Father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.*

2 Cor. 6:14-18

Over and over again, Scripture instructs us to be “SEPARATE,” “SET APART,” “HOLY,” “UNMIXED,” “DIFFERENT,” “PURE,” etc.. In other words, we are to stand alone if necessary ... and we are not to follow the herd. We are to have “holy spirit.” Holy spirit is “intent to stand apart (from others).” It enables us to stand alone when all those around us are running in the wrong direction.

The blind compliant man doesn’t stand up and demand proof or evidence. He just does what everyone else does. Or he does what he is told, and he doesn’t ask why.

Blind compliance enables tyrants, and builds empires for psychopathic faithless criminals (politicians & bankers).

21. ***Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.***

1Thess. 5:21

Ben Williams