

Just Tell Them, “It’s Free”

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Decades ago, it was common for parents to teach their children that “*there’s nothing free*” in this life. In other words, someone has to pay for it one way or another, and often it is at the expense of the person/persons believing they can actually get something for nothing. This sage advice regarding “*there’s nothing free*” seems to be lost on the present generation of politicians who believe the easiest way to get into power, or remain in power, is to offer voters something “free” because this tactic appeals to human nature. The problem with this subterfuge is that these so-called “free things” eventually have to be paid back one way or another. So although “big government” appears to be giving something away free, in reality they will take it right back when they are re-elected through various forms of additional taxes, which contribute to slowing down economic growth.

What is more disturbing is that taxpayers are not asked whether they agree to their money being used in this manner. Instead, the political party in power will try to convince the electorate that they know best how to spend “the peoples’ money”. Currently, in the United States of America, so much currency is being printed to finance “free programs” that it will take many generations to pay it back. To compound the problem further, interest payments are continually added to the debt. Inevitably this fiscal recklessness will lead to a full-blown recession, or economic collapse.

The most frustrating thing is that the very politicians, who foist these programs on the citizens, have “qualified immunity” from their cavalier decisions. Meanwhile, many of these same politicians believe that the police should not have “qualified immunity”! This situation should be reversed whereby police always have

qualified immunity and politicians do not. Obviously, because politicians create the laws of the land, they will never propose such a burden upon themselves.

Because financial recklessness by politicians is out of control, citizens need to make sure the next generation of politicians understand they will not receive any votes unless they change the way they squander other people’s money (taxes). In other words, just because a political party gains power does not mean they automatically have a mandate to spend taxpayer dollars on any program they feel has merit.

Senator Rand Paul has a balanced approach when it comes to fiscal responsibility and it is too bad this principle was not included in the American Constitution in the event the country went into debt,

Here’s how it works: for every on-budget dollar the federal government spent in Fiscal Year 2019, my Pennies Plan Budget would spend two pennies fewer – a total of two percent – each year for the next five years to wipe out our budget deficit. It sets the five-year timetable and then involves each committee with mandatory spending in deciding where to save taxpayer money. This guarantees a thorough and long-overdue review of how government uses your resources, increasing its accountability to you. My plan would lead to a \$ 913 billion surplus in the following five years after it balances, and it also paves the way for making the middle class tax cuts permanent and expanding Health Savings Accounts (HSAs). Enacting such reforms would mean more money in your pockets.... (Lexington Herald Leaders by Sen. Rand Paul; June 5, 2019).

Unfortunately, this commonsense proposal was not implemented and the country is worse off for it. The greatest hypocrisy is that many of the

politicians who are involved with increasing the country's debt are also the ones who will make righteous sounding proclamations like "God Bless America", while ignoring plain "commands" from "The God" they claim to acknowledge. Instead, they should be obeying what He says about the fiscal management of blessings He bestowed upon the United States of America. They have the responsibility to get out of debt and then stay out of debt per the following "commands". If they ignore what He says there will be very serious consequences as sure as the sun rises in the east every day.

*For the Lord your God will bless you just as He promised you; you shall lend to many nations, but **you shall not borrow**; you shall reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over you (Dt. 15:6; NKJV used throughout unless otherwise noted; emphasis added).*

*The Lord will open to you His good treasure, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand. You shall lend to many nations (not with borrowed money), but **you shall not borrow** (Dt. 28:12; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).*

This "rain in its season" will soon come to an end, and it will have nothing to do with so-called "global warming". Instead, the scarcity of "rain in due season" will be a direct result of disobedience to God's word, including His "command" about never borrowing money.

*The alien who is among you shall rise higher and higher above you, and you will come down lower and lower. ⁴⁴**He shall lend to you, but you shall not lend to him; he shall be the head, and you shall be the tail** (Dt. 28:43-44; emphasis added).*

If American politicians ignore God's word, which they no doubt will, the United States of America

has no hope of ever becoming free from the debt they owe foreign countries. Eventually, this will lead to servitude of one form or another, which is already occurring in America's current foreign policy of appeasement with its enemies.

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