## Unrestrained Secularism Demands Beliefs in "What you Know Ain't So!"

(Unrestrained¹ Secularism² Demands³ Belief⁴ in "What You Know Ain't So!"5)

"For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking and their senseless minds were darkened. Claiming to be wise they became fools..." – Romans 1:21,22

This essay does not concern itself with disputes over *purely* subjective opinions, but instead addresses assertions of fact that can be tested against either relevant factual data or the universal rules of logic (rationality). I have never, until this year, witnessed our own government insisting that certain matters are true which are, to the contrary, so glaringly and demonstrably false. Examples of this include the following, in no particular order: Every one of these assertions shares at least one common aspect; either a body of facts or a valid line of reasoning, which can adjudicate to a high degree of reliability<sup>6</sup> whether it be true or false. Our society is increasingly inebriated on matters of sophistry and manipulation<sup>7</sup> as opposed to following truth where it leads.<sup>8</sup> The indispensable requirement for discerning the truthfulness or the falsity of each statement is to face the body of potential evidence.<sup>9</sup> Each bullet point includes a source where the respective data or rational arguments can be found.

- The existence of God has been debunked, 10 including Christian belief in particular. 11
- Science by contrast answers all the questions that religion or even philosophy fails to address.<sup>12</sup>
- "Global warming" began with, and so was caused by, the industrial revolution (IR). The answer to the question behind this challenge can be reached by comparing the dates of both the IR and the close of the last ice age 18,000 years earlier.<sup>13</sup>
- *Homo Sapien* fetuses have no innate value since they either lack human features, or are but a part of the mother's body, or both.<sup>14</sup>
- But now, the concept of scientific truth has morphed from its prior status as objective
  matter by devolving into matters of subjective preferences that cancel out scientific
  data altogether. Anatomical males and females who perceive themselves to be the
  reverse sex are deemed to become that very gender they subjectively identify with.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It logically follows from the denial of God, that moral restraints are cast aside, and with them, "intellectual" constraints (Romans 1, above).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Secularism," by its suffix, "ism" entails the denial of **all** appeals to God as an authorized principle or figure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.foxnews.com/media/journalist-doctors-afraid-of-losing-license-rubber-stamp-gender-transition-rather-than-diagnose-truthfully <sup>4</sup> Take notice that beliefs aren't limited to "religious" people. Everyone holds to certain unique beliefs. The question is, are the beliefs justified, or not? Duncan Pritchard. What is this Thing called Knowledge? 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (Routledge, 2014), p. 23

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Mark Twain wrote, "There are those who scoff at the school boy, calling him frivolous and shallow. Yet it was [him] who said, 'Faith is believing what you know ain't so.'" (http://www.twainquotes.com/Faith.html). Following the Equator. (Boldface mine).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Instead of outright proof, which is not accessible to the scientific method, John Lennox offers, as he states, "another way of looking at things that is an essential part of methodology of contemporary science, and that is the method of inference to the best explanation" This method arrives at its conclusions by comparing multiple competing hypotheses. (John C. Lennox. <u>God's Undertaker</u>. (Lion, 2009), p. 32).

<sup>7</sup> Walter Hamilton, ed. Plato, <u>Gorgias</u>. (Penguin, 1960).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> H.D.P. Lee, tr. Plato. <u>The Republic</u>. (Penguin, 1955), #394, p. 133.

<sup>9</sup> See my paper, "Only One Possible Way to Establish Truth," at my website: www.christianityontheoffense.com/articles

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> To the contrary, the discovery of the Big Bang which confirms the universe had a beginning out of nothing; a reality that atheism cannot answer. See my papers, "Was the Big Bang the Big Beginning?" and my more accessible, "God's Prints are Everywhere," Op.cit. (9).

<sup>11</sup> As a scholar in his own right, J.B. Phillips noted, "Over the years I have had hundreds of conversations with people, many of them of higher intellectual calibre than my own, who quite obviously had no idea what Christianity is really about...My conclusion is that they knew virtually

nothing. This I find pathetic and somewhat horrifying...For it is not as though the evidence had been examined and found unconvincing; it simply hadn't been examined." The Ring of Truth. (Harold Shaw, 1967), p. 24. \*\* See Also Lee Strobel. The Case for Christ. (Zondervan, 2016).

12 Fellow astronomer of Stephen Hawking stated, "The idea that science is the only way to truth leads people to think that 'scientific' means the same as 'rational,' that is, in accord with reason. This is false...for, all of the [intellectual] disciplines require the use of reason, as do most things in life. Reason has a far larger scope than science." Quoted in John Lennox. Can Science Explain Everything? (Good Book Co., 2019) p. 27.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See both of my papers, "Climate-Change Militants Caught in a Gross Scientific Lie" and "Unassailable Historical Geological Climate Change Militants Chronically Suppress," at my website, Op.cit. (9).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> The Family research Council. "The Best Pro-Life Arguments for Secular Audiences." https://downloads.frc.org/EF/EF11J30.pdf

The exaggerated degree of certitude driving the demands that certain law-makers *claim should* follow the above shift, consequently both abolish human rights for all other impacted people, <sup>15</sup> and enforce these measures by means of threatening unbearable penalties. <sup>16</sup> For example, medical certification boards threaten to strip doctors of their medical licenses who refuse to comply with a patient's demands for surgical alteration. Indeed, this disconnect is so glaring, it undermines all credibility of their claim to pursue fairness for all in any arena.

The main factual sources for discerning the truth include firstly both the genetic code and human anatomy. One might secondly ask three questions: 1) In this matter, what does it actually mean to "follow the science?" 2) How do governmental transgender social demands square with Darwinian insistence that humans are nothing more than electro-chemical machines which reject any concept of an inner-self?<sup>17</sup> and 3) Why do contemporary psychological boards cow-tow only to Transgenderism, while denying the validity such patient-demands concerning every other psychological malady?

- Unrestrained Socialism is the surest way to an ideal society.<sup>18</sup>
- The nightly rioting over the course of the Summer of 2020 was instigated by right-wing insurrectionists.<sup>19</sup>
- Joe Biden's "win" in the recent Presidential election was achieved fairly. 20
- Donald Trump instigated the rioting at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021.<sup>21</sup>
- Donald Trump sided with White Supremacists at his presidential debate with Joe Biden.<sup>22</sup>
- Black murder victims are disproportionally killed more often by Whites than by Blacks.<sup>23</sup>
- One primary cause of gun violence in America is the mounting number of "concealcarry" holders.<sup>24</sup>
- Conservative allegations that our southern border with Mexico being overrun with border-crashers is a hoax. In reality, as of 5/29/21, that border is declared to be "closed."<sup>25</sup>
- Israelites are the actual tyrants in their conflict with Palestinians.<sup>26</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Two of the most major violations of freedom and security including firstly the insistence that females compete athletically with biological males who identify themselves as transgender. It also allows biological males who identify as transgenders to shower in girl's locker rooms.

<sup>16</sup> https://www.foxnews.com/media/journalist-doctors-afraid-of-losing-license-rubber-stamp-gender-transition-rather-than-diagnose-truthfully

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See my essay, "The Case for the Soul," at my website, Op.cit. (9).

<sup>18 &</sup>quot;Lessons from a Century of Communism." https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/volokh-conspiracy/wp/2017/11/07/lessons-from-a-century-of-communism/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> **Non**-Fox news agencies cannot explain away the source of the nightly rioting in the Summer of 2020. See my essay, "Fox News Alone Visually Connects the 2020 Riots with their Source," at my website, Op.cit. (9).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Contrast Democrat/"alphabet" media encouragement to undermine Trump's Presidency with, by contrast, their intolerance of any investigating of prospective election irregularities that could potentially vindicate a Trump-win back in November of 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Donald Trump Speech "Save America Rally Transcript January 6:" <a href="https://www.rev.com/blog/transcripts/donald-trump-speech-save-america-rally-transcript-january-6?fbclid=lwAR2iyWagdrlJmj">https://www.rev.com/blog/transcripts/donald-trump-speech-save-america-rally-transcript-january-6?fbclid=lwAR2iyWagdrlJmj</a> (both written transcript and entire video).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> See my posting, "Harris's and Biden's Documentable Lies About Donald Trump's Character," at my website, Op.cit. (9).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> https://www.channel4.com/news/factcheck/factcheck-black-americans-commit-crime

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> "Gun Facts: We are Neither Pro-Gun Nor Anti-Gun. We are Pro Math and Anti B.S." <a href="http://www.gunfacts.info/gun-policy-info/concealed-carry/">http://www.gunfacts.info/gun-policy-info/concealed-carry/</a> \*\* See also my article, "Conceal-Carry Rights Rationale," at my website, Op.cit. (9).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Alejandro Mayorkas repeatedly insisted that "the Mexican border is closed." Fox News, May 29, 2021, 9:35pm. \*\* Also, "Jason Smith R-Missouri, joins 'Fox Report' to discuss border crisis and President's \$6 trillion spending plan."(http://www.foxnews.com/politics).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Liberal, Democrat, Professor of Law at Harvard University, Alan Dershowitz. <u>The Case for Israel</u>. (Wiley, 2003).