

## How it Can be that Two Parties Can Witness the Exact Same Phenomenon, And Perceive and Frame it in Utterly Opposite Ways

*“For this judgment I came into the world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind” (Jesus—John 9:39).*

It is not expected in a court of law that separate witnesses who are under official examination will agree exactly as to what they saw or heard.<sup>1</sup> The reasons for the diversity of perceptions are often entirely innocent due to such factors as imperfect memories, perspectival differences hindering their capacity to witness the event under consideration thoroughly, the level of distraction experienced by the viewer due to competing sensations, and so forth and so on. Experts in the legal field are trained to evaluate the discrepancies so that they can fruitfully discern the truth of the occasion being examined.

What this essay seeks to address instead are the circumstances specifically described in the title above. The body of disputes which are paralyzing our society/nation today include such concerns as:

- (1) Did Donald Trump instigate the protest at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2010?
- (2) Did the nightly protests of the Summer of 2000 include a significant amount of heavily destructive *rioting*?
- (3) Can the efficacy of these protests be connected with the will of certain party officials?
- (4) Was Donald Trump’s policy over the Mexican border effective and also received positively by our southern neighbors during his administration?
- (5) Was Donald ineffective, or effective, in facing the Covid19 onslaught?
- (6) Is the United States in a position to sever our present energy source and policy and instead set in place the “Green New Deal in the immediate future?”
- (7) Do current public *social mandates* grounded on questions of gender identity fulfill Biden’s stated mandate to “*Follow the Science*”?
- (8) Does the present philosophy and policies of the Biden Administration as a whole further the Constitutional principles of the United States of America? Or do they abort that vision?
- (9) Were the grounds for Donald Trump’s political foes’ alienation against him during the recent election cycle due to his alleged moral “transgressions?”, or instead for his determination to “clear the swamp” of anti-American policies practices being exercised by corporate economic giants against the economic interests of the USA? (Fox News, Tucker Carlson, 04-16-2021).
- (10) Since, as I recently concluded from a statement by Chuck Schumer, dictates by the Democrat party indicate the pseudo-moral imperative of our day (Fox News, 04-22-2021), which vision can be predicted to create a free and just society where **every** people group shares in its benefits?

There are bodies of evidence relevant to each and every one of the above questions or concerns that have the capacity to decisively adjudicate them all.<sup>2</sup> For this reason, the answer to the question is starkly simple. It is a matter of facing facts that can be known coupled with the commitment to follow the evidence wherever it leaves. Insofar as anyone refuses to either come to terms with the facts or allow them to alter our lives, they have excluded themselves from the possibility of obeying the truth.

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<sup>1</sup> Simon Greenleaf (1782-1852), Dean Professor of Law at Harvard University Law school. *The Testimony of the Evangelists*. <http://www.newhumanityinstitute.org/pdf-articles/Simon-Greenleaf-Testimony-of-the-Evangelists.pdf>, (public domain), p. 10.

<sup>2</sup> See my articles, “Humanistic ‘Morality’ Never Has Created a Free and Just Society,” “The Self-Contradictory Core of the Cancel-Culture Agenda,” “Fox News Alone Visually Connects the 2020 Summer Rioting to the Guilty Party,” and “The Choice: Flawed Liberators? Or Clueless Thugs?,” and “The Truth About Donald Trump and White Supremacy,” all of which are found at my website: [www.christianityontheoffense.com](http://www.christianityontheoffense.com)

\*\* The video and transcript of Donald Trump’s January 6 speech can be accessed at <https://www.rev.com/blog/transcripts/donald-trump-speech-save-america-rally-transcript-january-6>.