

The Ludicrous Rampant WILLFUL-Ignorance of Leftism

The Cheering for Hamas as an *Indicator* of *Academic Gangrene* (2 Timothy 2:17)

For the reason that both faculty at our most prestigious law schools, and the students seated under them, embrace a **nazified** spree by approving Hamas' tortures and atrocities against **Israeli families on October 7, 2023**,¹ the "*Free Gaza!*" placards many of them marched under (thereby making them "*useful idiots*") heightens the **urgency** to expose them to the light of purging clarity. Their naivete entails both *moral* and *rational* aspects; the first of which is evident to all of us who rely on the rightful authority of morality² in every conscience, while the latter betrays *their* gullibility because in fact Hamas would target every last one of them for death.³ Yet the absurdity of their error is easily exposed by the following facts that **can be known with full conviction** to be "*the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth:*"⁴

1. Israelites have inhabited their present location in the Holy Land for the last about 3,500 years.⁵
2. In 136 CE Rome banished Israel (**IS**) from Jerusalem and out of spite renamed Judea, Palestine.⁶
3. Arabs only began settling in the Holy Land **after** the founding of the religion of Islam in 622 CE.⁷
4. After the close of WW 2, it was **not** Israel's decision, but **the United Nations' Balfour Declaration (UNBD)** to create **both** of the independent homelands of Israel and Palestine.⁸
5. The Holocaust happened in part with the encouragement of Muslim leaders to see Jews killed.⁹
6. On four occasions Egypt, Syria, and Jordan simultaneously declared war on Israel. Israel prevailed in every battle. Indeed insofar as IS could ensure its safety, in contrast to every other nation, they gave the spoils they rightfully won (land, oil, etc.) back to the avengers.¹⁰
7. In "Black September" of 1970, *Palestinians* living as refugees in Jordan under the independent fist of the *Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO)* **turned against their hosts by seeking to overthrow the Jordanian government**. Thousands of Palestinians killed each other in the clash.¹¹
8. In 2005 Israel "handed over the keys" to Palestinians to fully govern Gaza for themselves.¹²
9. While **Israel agrees to cooperate** with a Palestinian state, it is the firm goal of Hamas to utterly **annihilate Israel**.¹³ The discovered tunnels packed with armaments is *physical* proof that it is so.
10. That Hamas hides behind civilians as shields during conflict¹⁴ proves both that they do not value their own children, and that the mounting **Palestinian casualties are the fault of Hamas alone**.

It is not our government that compels students to embrace *fascism* but instead infantile thinking. Our 1st Amendment says, "*Congress shall make no law... prohibiting the free exercise...of; or abridging*

¹ <https://www.cnn.com/2023/10/12/business/harvard-doxing-truck-israel-hamas-statement/index.html> ** In an interview titled "The Treason of Intellectuals," by Niel Ferguson. He said that more than thirty student groups take the same position. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpMQSVp7NTg> (8:14, 23:13).

² <https://www.thoughtco.com/natural-law-definition-4776056>

³ <https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2019/06/14/countries-where-being-gay-is-legally-punishable-by-death/39574685/>

⁴ Alan Dershowitz (**AD**). *The Case for Israel*. (Wiley, 2003) ch. 2. Since many of my footnotes are sourced to this book, notice that every chapter title is an accusatory question. They open with the "Accusation" by a hostile Palestinian, followed by "The Reality" and then AD's legal "Proof."

⁵ *Ibid*, ch. 2. "Did European Jews Displace Palestinians?" ** Explicit Jewish evidence in Egypt. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P2r2xXGzx4U>

⁶ <https://www.thejewishstar.com/stories/heres-how-the-palestinians-got-their-name,22410>

⁷ *Op.cit.* (5), pp. 26g. ** https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Early_Muslim_conquests

⁸ *Op.cit.* (5), ch. 8, "Was the U.N. Partition Plan Unfair to Palestinians?"

⁹ *Op.cit.* (5). Pp. 41f. "Haj Amin al Husseini the grand mufti of Jerusalem ...urged Hitler to extend the final solution to the Jewish refugees who had reached Palestine, and he advised Hitler... – when it was known what was happening in Poland's death camps, to send the Jews to Poland."

¹⁰ <https://www.irishtimes.com/world/middle-east/2023/10/08/timeline-israels-conflicts-in-the-middle-east/>

¹¹ <https://www.thoughtco.com/black-september-jordanian-plo-civil-war-2353168>

¹² <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SViiolUy0I>. Alan Dershowitz said, "*Let's 'expose' this 'myth' about Gaza being the most densely populated place.*" He further notes that when Israel transferred governance over to the Palestinians, every Israeli citizen and soldier left, leaving Palestine vulnerable to being overthrown by Hamas. Consequently it is **Hamas who are the guards of the prison**. (November 2023, 1:07f).

¹³ *Op.cit.* (5). "*It is impossible to make an understanding with [the Jews. Israel consequently] 'will become a river of blood.'*" (p. 37).

¹⁴ <https://nypost.com/2023/11/01/opinion/hamas-officials-admit-its-strategy-is-to-use-palestinian-civilians-as-human-shields/>

the freedom of speech.” There is an “elephant in our room” in regard to the most critical question of all time, “What is wrong with our world?” Although other options are suggested (poverty, ignorance, prejudice, etc.), **the most consequential, and only fully-tenable one, WILLFUL-IGNORANCE, is ignored.**

*“We **punish** [people] for the very fact of being in ignorance **if** [they] seem **responsible** for their own ignorance. Hence the fine for offenses committed by drunks (since they can decide **not** to get drunk) and it is this that **causes** his ignorance. There is punishment too when [people] are in ignorance of a point of law that **should** be known and is **not** difficult to know...The same is true...when [they] appear to be in ignorance through carelessness; for **not** being in ignorance is equally within their power [since] they **can decide** to take care” (boldface and ellipses mine).*

The author of this quotation also labels such *dishonest* people “*ignoramus[es]*.” It may surprise you to know that these reflections are sourced **not** from a “*right-wing bigot*,” but came from history’s most noted *authority on rationality, Aristotle*.¹⁵ Interestingly, St. Paul may have been acquainted with Aristotle’s¹⁶ essay since in Romans 1:18-32 Paul likewise connected ignoring truth with becoming a fool.

If Romans 1:18f has any bearing on the Bible’s warning of a final judgment, I strongly suspect, though I can’t prove, that the ploy of **evading displeasing facts** will be the leading *contributing cause* of why people receive a “guilty” verdict before God.¹⁷ Romans 1:18 to 8:39 lays out the most extended exposition of the Christian message (both law and good news) in the Bible. It may surprise readers to know that the **very first sin Paul there referenced** (1:18f.) concerns neither sexual lust, nor profaning God’s name, nor committing murder; but the **ruse of shutting out truth; both those that specifically support belief in God, and also truth in general** (1:20).¹⁸ Much ignorance abounds over how the Bible defines the “*unforgivable sin*.” Hence I urge you to read Jesus’ words in Matt. 12:31. He defines it as persistently resisting evidence that we need in order to, in trust, yield our life to Jesus. *Repentance (meta/noia)* indeed calls people to an openness of mind through a compelling encounter with truth. So, *Biblical* repentance is not an *emotional* charger but instead, in actuality, a *mind-transformer*.

I am **not** naively suggesting that Leftists fret over prospects of the judgment of God. Obviously, they are driven to embrace science to the **exclusion** of “revelation.” Yet, even so, fidelity to science obligates them to other imperatives including, *rationally*, Plato’s dictum to “**follow the truth where it leads**,”¹⁹ and *empirically*, to **only** arrive at conclusions by way of firstly **scrutinizing** their hypothesis against the entire body of relevant evidence, and then evaluate the other competing views in order to determine which hypothesis is the strongest one. In any case President Biden’s maxim, “*follow the science*,” forbids all propensity to out-of-hand dismiss distasteful facts. These imperatives ought to raise the awareness of us all that for both believers in God and secularists, a thoroughgoing rationality entails obeying the truth we discover, whether pleasing or not!

John Ellis, both Professor at U.C. Santa Cruz and also college-level academic credentialing specialist across our nation, has sharpened my thinking about this matter by highlighting the critical distinction between two disparate modes of “education.” These include **classical inquiry (CI)** on the one hand (opposing views are acknowledged, discussed, and exhaustively debated), and **political activism (PA)** on the other (the sole goal being to channel students to, by contrast, uncritically and narrow-mindedly follow

¹⁵ Renford Bambrough, ed. *The Philosophy of Aristotle*. “Ethics.” (Mentor, 1963), pp. 324-5.

¹⁶ In a sermon the Apostle Paul preached to academic leaders in Athens, he indicated his familiarity with Greco-Roman intellectuals (Acts 17:28).

¹⁷ This judgment does not necessarily mean they are damned. The Gospel promises salvation for all sinners who receive Jesus Christ (John 1:12).

¹⁸ Despite the fact that certain Catholic leaders opposed Galileo on the basis of Psalm 93:1, The Bible insists in Romans 1:18-20 that empirical observations be taken at face value as testimony to God’s existence. Indeed the Bible nowhere contradicts Aristotelian rationality. Obviously’ the Christian worldview differs from Aristotle’s in that the former, by having as its premise the existence of God, allows the potential miraculous intervention into nature by God. Yet although the two premises differ, the Bible assumes the logic that we credit to Aristotle is valid.

¹⁹ HDP Lee, tr., Plato: *The Republic*. (Penguin, 1955), #394.

a given vision).²⁰ Ellis further states that the PA tactic cannot be reconciled with the *didactic* strategies of CI. The reason is that they have starkly opposing purposes. Leftists commonly seek to undermine *traditional* interpretations of history on the allegation that they amount to nothing more than defensive coverups of *actual* corruption. Nevertheless that accusation can cut both ways. Leftists offer no grounds for why their views merit our trust in favor of CI. I repeat, only classical inquiry scrutinizes the entire array (negative and positive) of evidence that is relevant to whatever question is on the table.

In order for so-called “academics” and wanna-be “scholars” (**SCAWbs**) to fully align with Hamas, that “journey” effectively entails a naïve **repudiation of everything academics and scholars down through time (until now) have always stood for**, including **scientific methodology (SM)**, **historical analytical reflection (HAR)**, **intellectual curiosity (IC)**, and **commitment to rational truth (CRT)**. This assertion is no exaggeration! Firstly **SM** obeys the sharp distinctions between **empirical** facts (physical data that can be tested and measured) on the one hand, and **subjective** thoughts and perceptions on the other. In addition, its investigations demand scrutinizing the assertion against all the data should its hypotheses²¹ be discovered to be weak or false. Secondly (**HAR**) at the outset gathers evidential data with the potential goal of framing it into a plausibly-true account, as opposed to forcing a dubious view onto the masses (Marxist materialism). Christian historians likewise are obligated to appeal to trustworthy data to reconstruct a tentative portrait. Thirdly, belief from the Bible that “*God created the heavens and the earth*” (Genesis 1:1) 500 years ago gave birth to the disciplined study nature that we know as “science.”²² Tragically however, natural curiosity (**IC**) about the world in our day is being overtaken by desires to satisfy one’s lusts instead.²³ Consequently in the call to engage with truth, several aspects of it are often ignored including firstly gaining a sense of obligation both to obey its truthful insights as Plato did,²⁴ and secondly applying them to bettering the human condition instead of merely hoarding them for self-serving goals.

In light of the ten examples I listed above on p. 1, **SCAWbs insist** (by logical inference) **contrary to the overwhelming consensus of historians**, that Muslims preceded the Jews in settling in the Holy Land (pts. 1-3). Secondly, in **futile denial** of the United Nations Balfour Declaration, the SCAWbs align themselves with Hamas’ nonsensical charge that Israel stole its present land as a refuge for Jewish people (pt. 4). Thirdly, like Hamas, SCAWbs maintain their views by means of **ignoring** established historical facts (pts. 5,6). Fourthly, the “*Free-Gaza*” placard that SCAWbs parade, perpetuates the lie that Gaza was in shambles when Palestinians moved in, when the opposite is true²⁵ (pt. 8). Fifthly, SCAWbs bewilderingly ignores that **Hamas’ open declaration** is its **goal** which is **to utterly annihilate the Israeli people** (pts. 9,10). Notice then that **every claim that Hamas and SCAWbs share is inexcusably false**.

No social entity resembling a *Shangri la* can conceivably arise from a cesspool of *egotistical*-putrefaction since the very act of seeking justice in defiance of truth negates the possibility of fair and just societies of a kind that can exist in *actuality*. This is as sure as even the law of physics, which holds that the **opposing-repel** each other. Likewise **self-centered egos cannot possibly live together harmoniously**. Jesus’ caution about hating *truth* (John 3:19f) clearly **relates to the “unacknowledged-elephant”** of our day by the latter’s pretention that truth can be safely defied. Insofar as that occurs; it is not possible to escape threats of literal disintegration by beasts that confront society in the likeness of Hamas!



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²⁰ John M. Ellis. [The Breakdown of Higher Education](#). (Encounter, 2020), p. 39.

²¹ A hypothesis is a tentative explanation of a body of phenomenal evidence that has yet to be evaluated.

²² My paper, “Mainstream Science De-Capacitates Atheism,” at my website: www.christianityontheoffense.com/articles

²³ Manifested by the explosive rise of pornography, fornication, and drug addiction.

²⁴ Op. Cit. (19).

²⁵ Op.cit. (12).