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"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14

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THE GREEN-EYED MONSTER

In Shakespeare's *Othello*, jealousy is 'the green-eyed monster, which doth mock the meat it feeds on'. To those with eyes to see, there is now a more formidable green monster, lurking on the horizon with its tendrils threatening to entrap every feature of our way of life in its socialist embrace. The whole world, it seems, has been beguiled into 'thinking green'. While, undoubtedly, we should be conscious of the need to protect our natural environment from gross degradation, such as the destruction of vast areas of tropical forest and the pollution of the air and of water supplies and the preservation of threatened species of flora and fauna, there is a serious need to keep everything in perspective---to keep a balance between human progress and the environment. However, the Green Movement has taken such a stronghold on governments and the media that the needs of mankind are being subverted by their strident cries of doom if the earth is not protected from the depredations of man. Indeed, one of the Greenies' most productive weapons is fear, which they use with virtual impunity. The more dire the threat, whether it be 'climate change', swine flu, dioxins, sweeteners, water or disease, the more are people willing to surrender their freedoms 'to save the planet'.

Socialist Agenda

However, the Greenies are not the only ones on the green bandwagon. There are those who would use any and every environmental issue to push their socialist agenda. In fact, today's environmentalism is primarily a political movement, emanating from socialist ideology that is seeped in jealousy of the 'haves'. It was their socialist roots that prompted someone to label the Greens 'watermelons'---green on the outside but red on the inside, meaning that socialism was part of their ecological agenda. Consequently they use power and coercion to protect the environment, not just from big business but also from mankind. Because man is an unwelcome intruder on the earth, they have to save man from himself and the earth from man. In fact, radical groups such as *Earth First* believe that man is expendable and the planet would be better off with an 85% reduction in its population. This then leads to the issue of man-made global warming through excessive emissions of carbon dioxide into the air and the need to restrict man's productive capacity, adversely affecting his way of life.

Emissions Trading Scheme

Because of the so-called 'Greenhouse Effect', Green scientists predict rising sea levels inundating wetlands, beaches, coastal villages and towns. Thus there is a desperate need to shrink or even eliminate man's environmental impact (carbon footprint) created through the affluence of nations, especially those of the West. Consequently, our own government has rushed in to lead the way to penalise industry and reduce jobs with its Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) by imposing greenhouse gas emission levels through a deterrent on carbon dioxides from the use of fossil fuels. Every industry that uses fossil fuel will be at the arbitrary mercy of the government; and, as a result, consumers will not only pay more for energy but also suffer reduced services, less work and recreational freedom. This, too, will require a new level of government interference to investigate alleged violations and ultimately enforce emissions standards through fines and litigation. It will also deal a heavy blow to a struggling economy with significant job losses, business retrenchment and lower standards of living. Unfortunately, this will be imposed on the nation despite the many scientists querying the reality of man-made global warming and a refusal to debate the entire issue. Nevertheless, considering its huge impact on society, ETS will not be exposed as one of the most oppressive schemes ever devised in the name of ecology and few people will comprehend that the hidden motive of jealousy underpins the entire green philosophy.

Spiritual Vacuum

It seems that the rejection of biblical Christianity in the Western world has left a spiritual vacuum that has largely been filled by environmentalism, a new form of religious belief which fosters a sense of moral superiority in the believer and brooks no disagreement. In creating this vacuum, the way has been opened to other standards to replace the traditional values based on the Holy Scriptures with a socialistic ideology that has led to self-indulgence, indolence, intolerance of biblical Christianity, indoctrination and apathy, as well as the ascendancy of the self-righteous busybody, the idealistic reformist zealot and the meddling do-gooder. Moreover, 'going green' is no longer a lifestyle choice, it is a government mandate. Like any socialist movement, the green/socialists have targeted the media and the younger generation along with their teachers as submissive dupes to help foist their philosophy onto an unquestioning public. However, their view of the world that all species have as much right to exist as mankind and that nature should be valued even to the exclusion of human welfare is completely at odds with the Word of God that says in Romans 1: "Professing to be wise, they became fools...and exchanged the truth of God for the lie and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever...For this reason God gave them up to vile passions".

Our True Destiny

Australians once held dear the traditional moral values—faith in God, honesty, the pursuit of truth, personal responsibility, concern for one's close neighbours, fairness, discipline, pulling one's own weight, respect for property, loyalty, the work ethic, keeping one's word and loyalty to spouse and children—all basic for a society to function efficiently and humanely. The relatively recent abandonment of most, if not all, of these values has been the cue for higher taxation, official waste and corruption, sexual exploitation, undisciplined youth, disloyalty to family and nation, impoliteness, excessive litigation, social engineering and the genocide of the unborn child. Australia needs to regain her national sovereignty, economic independence, self-sufficiency and national cohesion based on reality and a return to Christian principles and patriotism. God must be honoured and His precepts obeyed by our governments, both federal and state, if we are ever to control our true destiny as members of the human race, which is far above the rest of creation, for God has made each human being a little lower than the angels and crowned him or her with glory and honour. Moreover, He has made us to have dominion over the works of His hands, and put all things under our feet.

The Whole Creation Groans

Therefore while it is necessary to safeguard the environment it is more important that we fix our attention on the One who has this earth in the palm of His hand. For He alone is the Creator and Upholder of all things and His will shall ultimately be done even as it is in heaven. Now, in fact, 'the whole creation groans and labours with birth pangs, eagerly waiting for the revealing of the sons of God'...who are born of His Spirit. Even as the theory of evolution blinds people to the very existence of God, so the global warming theory draws them away from the fact that the same God is using environmental and climate change as a warning that we are breaking His laws, both physical and spiritual. Furthermore, as the end of this age of grace draws closer, testified by biblical prophecy that the hour is indeed late, 'the creation itself will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God'. Despite the green-eyed monster's schemes 'to save the planet', the Bible makes it clear that 'the present earth is reserved for fire, being kept for the Day of Judgment and the destruction of ungodly men'. But that is not the end. The Word of God promises that it will be replaced, that the Christian can look forward to 'a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness'.

Are you looking forward to this new world, or does your destiny lie somewhere else? It's your choice!

PRAYER

Lord God Almighty, Omniscient Father of infinite love, light and truth, hallowed be Your name. Lord Jesus, thank You for being God's Symphony of Grace---the Way, the Truth and the harbinger of Eternal Life. Spirit of the Great I AM, as soldiers of the Cross clothed in the righteous blood of Jesus, we thank You for the spiritual grace and power to overcome the forces of darkness and deceit, exemplified in *The Green-Eyed Monster*, that would erode the very soul of this and other nations. Sovereign Lord, help us by Your Spirit to nurture a pure heart steeped in Your Word to rise up in power to do Your will. Abba Father, we proclaim war against the spirit of deception, control, laziness, self-indulgence, jealousy and envy in individuals, government leaders, workplaces, families and institutions and thank You for the victory in this battle against the devil and his minions. Spirit of the Living God, pour down upon us Your mighty river of grace and truth, and set them free to repent, trust and receive JESUS CHRIST as their Lord and Saviour and coming King in Your glorious Kingdom of righteousness, love, joy and peace, to the honour of Almighty God our heavenly Father. Amen.

R.A: Led by our Lord Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit to glorify the Fatherhood of God with the Brotherhood of Man; in love and in faithfulness to bring glory and honour to His holy name.

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