

Greetings from Tyler,

Is it merely a coincidence that so many heavy-handed actions are underway that will effectively eliminate the God-ordained liberties and freedoms we have for so long taken for granted?

There are many voices, mostly outside the realm of mainstream media, that are expressing alarm about unbridled government spending; federal seizure of huge private industrial and financial corporations; the fantastically complex proposal to limit and regulate energy production and usage; the notion of enforcement by whole new agencies and bureaucracies, to name of few.

Does it strike anyone as odd, that when the pope issued his “encyclical” (glorified and long letter, to whom it may concern) arguing for many of those same policies on a global scale, it makes no news at all. No one is expressing concern anywhere, mainstream or otherwise, about the pope claiming there is an “urgent need of a true world political authority.” It is on the record, as they say, and published by the Vatican, including language about global enforcement powers.

Even though many here in the U.S. are very concerned about what kind of enforcement powers our current leadership may conceal in one of these fourteen pound “laws” they propose, the pope is effectively flying below the radar when he openly calls for the same kind of agenda on a world-wide scale.

Nearly all observers, even in the mainstream, are bearish on the long term prospects for the American dollar in the light of the current propensity to borrow, spend and print money in violation of every sound principle. The Chinese, America’s primary lender, the Russians and even Europeans have expressed reservations about the dollar’s future. There have been numerous suggestions for a new worldwide reserve currency to replace the dollar.

It could certainly lead one to wonder why the U.S. dollar is being dramatically debased at a time when national debt already has creditors nervous. Does any of this begin to sound vaguely familiar? Are not the dramatic proposals of global currency, global enforcement powers (particularly called for by Rome) not vaguely reminiscent of end time events described in the book of Revelation?

Combine that thought with the stand-off between the U.S. and Israel as to whether anything dare be done about Iran’s nuclear ambitions, and the vital interest in the “Holy Land” and specifically the Temple Mount and it’s enough to give you the shakes.

These are some of the subjects broached in the next monthly letter, already on its way. We’ll also have to figure out how to address these volatile subjects in the next 21st Century WATCH without igniting a firestorm. I suspect these are such dangerous topics, that no one will be prepared to discuss them.

We just aired a television on the Mark of the Beast and the Antichrist. I can’t help wondering if it’s not actually a beneficial thing that the program was made some time prior to many of these current developments, if you get my meaning.

This week’s GTA telecast brought in 303 requests with one hundred thirty six first time responders.

We certainly enjoyed having Mr. Anthony Miles and his wife with us last Sabbath, and you’ll enjoy the DVD I’m sure. Hope you all have a terrific Sabbath. We all have to be ever more alert

to the dramatic events occurring here at home and all around the world. But we must not despair. We need to keep our heads up and remain in good humor, knowing that God's will must be done.

Our sincere thanks to all of you in the field,

Mark Armstrong