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Ruthless War

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What do you expect from war? People die, this is what happens. People die on the side of the enemy and people die on our side as well. This is what war is all about. War is about killing people.

War today is not about ideology, it is not even about resources, or money. War today, for the most part, is sheerly for hatred. Hate is what is motivating war, hate and a total disregard for human life. In this respect, in the eyes of those who hate, it does not matter for them if there are any deaths on their own side, as long as they can inflict suffering and death on the other side. This is the focus of those who hate.

How does one combat hate? One can kill the haters, but if their hate survives, then once one group of haters is killed, they are soon replaced by another, with equal malicious resolve. The fact is that as long as hate exists, there will never be a shortage of haters.

The only way to combat haters is to utterly and completely remove their abilities to fight. This requires wholesale slaughter and often takes generations. Two thousand years ago, the hatred that Israel had towards Rome provoked the Romans to utterly annihilate Jerusalem, the Temple and most of the Jewish population of Judea and the Galilee. The Jewish animosity continued and two generations later the anti-Roman animosity led to the Bar Kokhba revolt.

History records how ruthless the Romans were in suppressing this new Jewish insurrection. This led to decades of further Jewish/Roman hostility, which eventually led to the further demise of the Jewish nation, with all the collateral damage this caused to the religion and to the people.

In the end, Israel lost to Rome, and suffered under their foot for the many centuries that followed. Rome became Europe, and Europe became Christian. Jews fared under Christians the same way they fared under Romans. Essentially, Roman animosity never died. It is the source of European antisemitism to this very day.

The Romans sought to destroy the Jewish nation. In this they succeeded, but they could never defeat the Jewish resolve. That has survived to this day. For centuries, the Jewish people faced the animosity of their European Gentile neighbors. In spite of centuries of ruthless and bloody violence towards them, the Jewish people survived.

Here we are now faced with yet another war. Israel faces an enemy that hates it, even as ancient Israel hated ancient Rome. Maybe the Israel of today needs to face this modern threat even as the Romans faced ancient Israel so many centuries ago.

Peace always comes through strength. Peace only comes when one side has completely neutralized the other side and removed its ability to fight. This is how WWII was ended, and

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it is certain that it will take equal resolve to finish WWII. Yet, maybe, just maybe, there is still time to avoid WWII in the first place, by strongly confronting, combating and defeating the enemy, before the enemy becomes strong enough to reciprocate in like kind.

Learn this lesson well, do unto your enemy what your enemy seeks to do unto you, or your enemy will do unto you that which you will not do unto him.

In war, people die. When innocents die, this is called collateral damage. Yet, innocents always die, they are always the first in the line of fire. Granted, this is terrible, but then again, so is a hurricane or a tornado. Just as we cannot stop a raging storm, so too will collateral damage not be stopped in war. Storms cannot always be prevented, neither can wars, which are human storms.

Wars can linger, and hatred abide, unless it is dealt with firmly, finally and finished with. No one likes war, but in order to lessen wars, finish them firmly and finally. In this way there may be collateral civilian damage, true, but to extend hostilities also invites collateral damage. Collateral damage is unavoidable in a war against hate. Hate has to be stamped out, and the haters have to be stripped of all ability to fight or retaliate. This alone brings peace.

It is always a matter of us or them. In a war of hate, it is always an either/or situation. Either we win and they lose, or they win and we die. It really is this simple. All other talk is just fluff, babble, and a waste of breath and time.

If there must be war, then let it be quick, comprehensive and final. And to the victors go the spoils.

With regards to Israel, just remember this. Nazi antisemitism from WWII has never died. It was absorbed into the Arab world, and from there it has spread around the world. Let there be no mistake. Hatred of Israel, of Jews, of Judaism, AND OF GOD, and anything related to Him, including hatred of Christianity, is growing to epidemic proportions!

Even members of Jewish and Christian movements have turned against the foundations of their own faiths, claiming that they now embrace superior moral interpretations. Ideologies are one thing. These can be argued back and forth, but ideological arguments are academic and intellectual in nature. Many modern day so-called Jews and Christians have fundamental prejudices against many of their traditional fellows, all because the “old-school” believers remain faithful to their cherished centuries-old beliefs, and refuse to embrace the progressivism of modern times.

Prejudice and hatred are growing all around the world. When this disease inevitably reaches critical mass, it will explode everywhere in the world, leaving no place for tolerance and rational thought. Hatred and violence will rule the day. We see this already happening throughout many places in the world. We already see the seething racial hatred, economic jealousy, and social frustrations all throughout the western world. It is only a matter of time, before it all explodes. When it does, those desiring to escape it all had better get out of the way. Explosions are such messy things and they create havoc and harm round about.

In my opinion, war is inevitable. It will happen, either sooner or later. This war will engulf the entire world, and there will be no safe havens, not in the United States and certainly not in Israel!

Let the insane and foolishly misguided Jews give up on their deluded fantasy that somehow the holy Land is going to be magically spared from the coming chaos.

The Land of Israel is going to be decimated. This is a prophecy recorded and repeated throughout the Bible, the Talmud, the Zohar and all later Rabbinic and Kabbalistic literature. Indeed, this is one subject where it seems all the religious sources agree. If the coming war is indeed the pre-messianic war then, in the end, Israel is destined to prevail, this is what prophecy says.

Yet, prophecy also speaks of the high cost of the final war, and that, in the end, the victory of Israel will not come about through human hands, but rather through extraterrestrial intervention. Be this as it may, we cannot know where we fit into a prophetic scheme of things. But we can see where the world is today and where it is heading, full speed ahead, and this is not a pretty picture.

The disease of hate is growing. It is blinding the eyes and deadening the heart of everyone it touches. I see no solution. Talk and dialogue can address real issues and is a successful venture with open-minded and desirous parties. Talk and dialogue can never address hate.

Hate resides in the heart, and the heart is the domain of emotions and feelings. Logic and rational thinking do not enter the heart. As hate grows, hearts are poisoned to death. Those already dead inside themselves only seek further death, to kill others and to accept their own deaths in the process. Hate is a disease. It will not be talked away.

If hate is not addressed, confronted and beaten down with ruthless abandon, before it explodes into everything, everywhere, then hate will win, and everyone will lose! This is the fate of those who refuse to act and to do what's right, all the while that they have the power to do so.

The war we face is not the one presently being fought in the Middle East. The war we face, the enemy we must confront, the hatred we must root out is all around us, around the world. Hatred itself is the enemy. Intolerance is what must be rooted out. As long as these exist and are allowed to fester and grow, then, like a cancer, they will grow, until they bring death.

Remember this lesson well. Do unto your enemy what your enemy seeks to do unto you, or your enemy will do unto you that which you will not do unto him. In the end, your enemy will win, you will die, and with you will die freedom and hope for a better future.