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## THE PLAGUE

August 13, 1521. The place: what is now Mexico City, the capital of the Amerindian empire of the Aztecs. The Spanish general, Hernando Cortez, with a few hundred soldiers laid siege to the city. The mission: to conquer this immensely wealthy and powerful empire of forty million people.

It is a comically impossible task by any human standard, except that inside the city and in an increasingly larger circle of devastation, an epidemic of smallpox is decimating the population. The next day, a demoralized emperor offers no resistance. The gods have judged his pagan kingdom founded upon the cult of human sacrifice. Thus, the final pagan empire untouched by Christian civilization disappears in a night, and an entire people, within the space of a century, perish from the face of the earth.

Although an anomaly to historians, and a neglected one also, it has been the plague, the scourge of infectious, disease, which has repeatedly changed the normal course of human events and sent it into new and unpredictable directions. The above example is probably the most pronounced in history. And although we know that disease has influenced the rise and fall of empires, dynasties, and military campaigns, secular man refuses to ascribe it with any decisive or conclusive power beyond human control. It is too unpredictable and too unsettling to the scientific mind. Yet, the Bible assures us that it is one of the instruments God uses to judge the wicked (Deuteronomy 27-29).

There is no entirely adequate, scientific explanation for the plague. Causes are ascribed to rodents, insects, unsanitary conditions, and malnutrition. But too many cases exist where the affluence and power of great nations have been powerless before this silent enemy. The young and the strong have fallen along with the weak and elderly. The wealthy have perished along with the poor.

William H. McNeill convincingly argues some of these points in his secular work *Plagues and Peoples* (Anchor Press/Doubleday, Garden City, NY, 1976). So does Rev. R. J. Rushdoony in his book *The Myth of Overpopulation* (Chalcedon, PO Box 158, Vallecito, CA 95251, 1975) where he warns "The world is ripe for plague. The prospects for depopulation are fearfully real."

Back in July of 1981, I warned my readers that if the so-called "Reagan Revolution" was not soon followed by moral reform, we could expect to see the beginning of Divine judgment in 1982. The agenda for moral reform was buried under the rubbish of fiscal and economic "politicking" and 1982 came and went. Somewhat embarrassed by criticism for my apparent presumption, but still convinced of my prognosis, I moved to Wyoming and formed the Separatist Trust. Little did I realize that, indeed, Divine wrath was being visited upon America and the world. It was not war, famine, or natural disaster. It was the plague of AIDS, which was quietly infecting millions of people.

The Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is the plague of plagues. Unlike any previous plague, the ability of the body to build immunity against the AIDS virus appears non-existent; for it is a disease which attacks the immune system itself. And hope of cure, even barring mutations, seems elusive to scientists. It is 100% fatal.

It was at the first considered a homosexual's disease, and to a large extent, it still is. It appears to have originated in Central Africa, a place noted as the world's hotbed for new and exotic disease (also a place where pagan life style has gone uninterrupted for millennia). No one knows for sure where it came from, so I offer my guess.

Since African monkeys have been found to carry the virus, I would speculate that it entered the African population by human copulation with those animals. Sodomites in our country visit parts of Africa frequently, where young African boys are available for sexual abuse. These sodomites return from their vacations of perversion to our country and again involve themselves with the "Gay" community. Most homosexuals are promiscuous

(having hundreds of partners in a lifetime), so the disease spreads rapidly among them. Many homosexuals are bisexual (especially blacks) and transmit the disease to prostitutes and promiscuous women in general. And from there, the disease enters the general population.

Dr. Everett Koop, the U.S. Surgeon General and a Christian, has been trying to sound the alarm, but the homosexual lobby is too strong to permit a candid public assessment of the disease. According to Gene Antonio in his book, The *AIDS Cover-up* (available from Focus on the Family, PO Box 500, Arcadia, CA, \$15), every hospital bed in the U.S. will be filled with an AIDS patient within five years. Gary North reports that public health officials estimate, "about one hundred million people will die from AIDS worldwide." But really no one knows where it will stop, if it ever will.

Koop is terrified by what is coming. He does not see a drug serum in the near future (5-10 years and then there is the problem of mutation). He urges people to protect themselves by using condoms. But that won't work either, because (a) it can be transmitted by non-sexual contact (mosquitoes, bedbugs, dirty needles, etc.) and (b) many people refuse to *always* use condoms anyway. Newspapers are reporting that most young people remain undeterred by AIDS when deciding to have sex. Their illusions of immortality deceive them.

There is an estimated 4 million carriers of AIDS and it is doubling every year. If that doubling rate continues, 64 million Americans will be infected by the end of 1990. In 1982 I wrote that immediate warnings against homosexual and promiscuous practices needed to be taught to young people. That is when it would have helped. We are still debating that now. And while we are debating, the plague rages. It appears that we will not be ready to do what is necessary to stop this epidemic until it is too late.

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Addendum, 2022: The public panic over AIDS has been lost to our collective memory in the West. This article may seem archaic and alarmist, but only because public vigilance during the 1980s and 1990s led to a medical containment of the AIDS virus. However, it should be mentioned that a side effect of the Covid-19 epidemic - which resulted in a societal quarantine never dreamed of by public health officials under the Reagan Administration – has resulted in a resurgent AIDS crisis

caused by a different immune deficiency. This new crisis is real, but has not yet been acknowledged by public officials.