

Against All Odds: Disabled Army Vet Survives Brutal Grizzly Attack

A disabled Army veteran recounts [a terrifying grizzly bear attack](#) he survived this week—by playing dead and clinging to his can of bear spray—in a series of Instagram posts.

Shayne Burke describes the attack by a mama grizzly last Sunday as the “most violent thing I have ever experienced.” Reflecting on his ordeal, Burke shares, “I’ve experienced being shot at, mortared and IED explosions.”

Burke was navigating the woods of Grand Teton National Park’s Signal Mountain in western Wyoming, hoping to photograph a great gray owl. His wife waited in the parking lot, and Burke was heading back to her location when an uneasy feeling overcame him. “I was breaking branches, singing and talking to myself aloud. These are some things that can help prevent a ‘surprise encounter’ with a brown bear,” he says.

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In what would be much to the dismay of any hiker, he spotted a bear cub in front of him. “I knew this wasn’t good,” he writes. Instinctively, Burke unholstered his bear spray just as the mother bear began charging. “I stood my ground, shouted and attempted to deploy the bear spray but as I did she already closed the gap,” he writes.

With seconds to react, he dropped to the ground, lying on his stomach to protect his front and interlocking his hands behind his neck to “protect my vitals.” The bear bit him on his shoulder, legs and buttocks; slammed him to the ground; and stood on his back before aiming for his neck for a “kill

bite.”

“I still had my hands interlocked and my arms protecting my carotid arteries,” he writes. Despite the agony, Burke never let go of the bear spray. “As she bit my hands in the back of my neck she simultaneously bit the bear spray can and it exploded in her mouth. This is what saved my life from the initial attack. I heard her run away, I looked up and instantly ran in the opposite direction up a hill.”

Burke texted his wife, “attacked” and applied improvised tourniquets to his legs. As they awaited rescue, Burke filmed a video saying goodbye to his loved ones in case the worst happened. But soon, a helicopter and ambulance arrived, rushing him to a hospital.

“The No. 1 thing that kept me alive during the attack was reading and understanding what to do in the event of a bear attack and being prepared with the bear spray,” he writes. “Though I am not sure if I got to spray any at the bear, having it on me and keeping it in my hands while protecting my vitals 100% is the only reason I am telling my story now.”

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[Burke expresses deep gratitude](#) to the “Jenny Lake Rangers who saved my life.” He harbors no resentment towards the bear, recognizing the attack as a natural defense of her cub. “In fact, the second thing I said to the park rangers was please don’t kill the bear, she was defending her cub,” he writes, adding, “I love and respect wildlife.”

A Divine Shield in Life’s Storms

Through his harrowing experience, Shayne Burke’s survival underscores a profound truth: The Lord watches over and protects us, even in the most unexpected and perilous moments.

In times of danger, His guidance and presence can turn the tide, offering hope and deliverance.

The Bible reminds us of God's constant protection in Psalm 121:7-8: "The Lord shall protect you from all evil; He shall preserve your soul. The Lord shall preserve your going out and your coming in from now and for evermore."

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Trump Verdict Looming, Secret Service Talks with Jail Authorities

The unprecedented trail of trials continues for [former and presumptive next President Donald Trump](#), and the world is watching to see what will happen.

Trump supporters have railed against what they see as unfair treatment, harassment and campaign interference, and now wait to see if the jury, which is set to begin deliberations, will find Trump guilty of the 34 charges Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg leveled against him.

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Then, should Trump be found guilty, it will be up to conflicted Judge Juan Merchan to decide the fate of the Republican Party's presumptive nominee.

Merchan may very well be the one to sentence a former president, and candidate for president, to jail.

Trump's "pit bull," Laura Loomer, has worked tirelessly to uncover the many conflicts of interest that would make most upstanding judges recuse themselves from the case, such as Merchan's daughter being virulently anti-Trump, yet Merchan has refused to do so.

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Judge Merchan, the NY State Supreme Court Judge who issued a GAG ORDER against President Trump today has a daughter named Loren... pic.twitter.com/Jr0FzWyJv6

– Laura Loomer (@LauraLoomer) [March 26, 2024](#)

As CBS News has reported, "Each of the 34 felony falsification of business records charges that Trump is facing carries a sentence of up to four years in prison and a \$5,000 fine. He has pleaded not guilty."

In preparation for the possibility of [the former president being sentenced to jail](#), it has now been reported that the Secret Service has met with local jail officials.

CBS also reported that "As a former president, Trump is entitled to Secret Service protection for the rest of his life, wherever he happens to be. Behind bars, corrections officers would in turn be responsible for protecting those agents assigned to Trump."

This potential result of what many believe to be a political witch-hunt and weaponization of the legal system against Trump would have monumental consequences for the nation.

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There is no telling how much internal strife, protests or possibly the start of armed conflict across the nation could erupt from such a sentence, but in these times of fear, it is best to place one's trust in the Lord.

David leaned on the Lord in times of severe trial, and so did Jesus Himself. When they were suffering they turned to prayer and placed their faith not in the situation around them, but in the God who is bigger than all things and controls all of reality.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding” (Prov. 3:5).

It's easy to get caught up in the ways of the world and let fear, doubt and anxiety into our hearts. But we serve a God who has overcome fear and has instead given us power, love and a sound mind.

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**Walmart Joins Target in
Launching 'Pride' Apparel**

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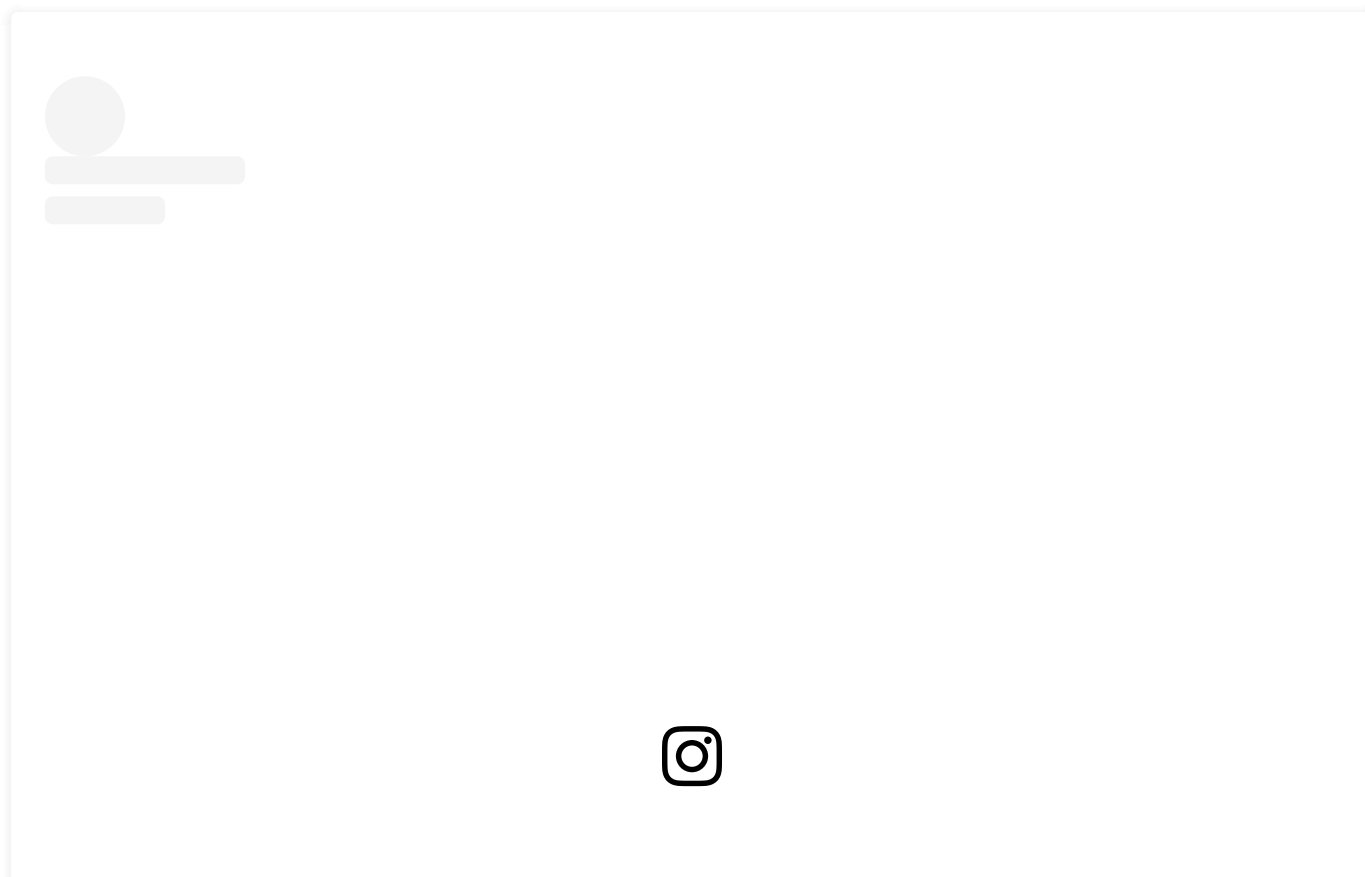
Brace yourselves, “Pride Month” is coming. And with it comes the continuing inundation of LGBTQ ideology and flags, as well as half-naked (in some cases fully nude) people marching in parades across the world.

This year, Target has previously announced it is dialing back the company’s “Pride” displays, [as the massive backlash from 2023](#) and the retail firm’s targeting of children cost it billions in market value.

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Not to be outdone on the radical, left-wing ideology metrics, Walmart has entered the fray in advance of June.

In a post to Instagram, Walmart social coordinators posted, “Not just a slogan. #PrideAlways is a reminder to lead with love.[]”



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A post shared by Walmart (@walmart)

Just how much of Walmart becomes draped in the six-color rainbow flag that the LGBTQ movement has coopted remains to be seen, as a significant portion of its customer base doesn't subscribe to the radical gender ideologies woke corporations have pushed in recent years.

As reported by Fox News Business:

Walmart's new "Pride Always" collection promo includes products like a notebook that says "beyond gender" a tote bag that says "totes gay," a fanny pack with "I heart gay people" on it and rainbow-colored products like a pool floatie and an apron.

This shift in marketing goes against what U.S. CEO Doug McMillon tells shareholders, stating that Walmart does not "wake up in the morning wanting to go and make social and political statements."

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“We’re [a] retailer,” he says. “We want everybody to feel comfortable shopping with us...and we want everybody to feel comfortable and excited about working at Walmart.”

Should Walmart continue going this way and alienate its customers to please a handful of rabid activists, the chain may go down the same path [as Target and Bud Light and lose billions](#) in the name of “diversity, equity and inclusion,” which in reality is “division, exclusion and intolerance.”

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Canadian ‘Jack Kevorkian’ Continues Ending Life: ‘I Love My Job’

Canada is undoubtedly a post-Christian nation, one where death for the citizenry is both actively promoted and on the rise.

In this country, there are a whole host of factors that can get one “approved” for MAID (medical assistance in dying), and as people continue to devalue life, more and [more are signing up for it.](#)

Some of the approved reasons now include homelessness, poverty, disabilities and mental illness (with other medical conditions). But soon, the idea of any mental illness as a reason for approval will go before the Canadian government and

be put into effect.

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According to the Canadian government:

You do not need to have a fatal or terminal condition to be eligible for medical assistance in dying. If your only medical condition is a mental illness, you are not eligible for medical assistance in dying until March 17, 2027. If you have a mental illness along with other medical conditions, you may be eligible for medical assistance in dying. Eligibility is always assessed on an individual basis and takes all relevant circumstances into account. However, you must meet all the criteria to be eligible.

But this time period hasn't stopped Canadian abortionist and MAID doctor Ellen Wiebe from bringing death upon hundreds of patients.

In a recent interview with the BBC, Wiebe revealed that she has been involved with "over 400" deaths in MAID alone. Because she is still running her abortion practice, the actual total is much higher. These numbers far surpass the suspected number of victims from infamous pathologist and euthanasia proponent Jack Kevorkian of around 130.

Wiebe is the same doctor who almost got in trouble five years ago for sneaking into the Louis Brier Home and Hospital to kill a patient at his and his family's request after they had been denied MAID.

Wiebe was then cleared of any wrongdoing by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia.

"I have certainly met people who are no more disabled than I am saying life is not acceptable in this state ... I love my job ... This is the very best work I've done in the last seven

years,” reveals Wiebe.

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In a recent interview on [the horrors of MAID](#) and the deception pushing this movement as a “compassionate” medical procedure, Dr. Jordan Peterson discussed the similarities behind the verbiage used for MAID and that used by the Nazis in the 1930s and '40s when speaking with Kelsi Sheren about exterminating the “undesirables” of society.

“You know, the Nazi euthanasia program started with ‘compassion and care,’” shares Peterson. “... people too distressed to live.”

This is the agenda Wiebe and many like her are trying to push: that the murders they commit are done in the name of compassion and that they are helping society, but instead, they worship death and are able to make money doing so.

Humanity is made in the image of God, and God is the God of life, not death. Jesus overcame sin and death so that we may have life abundantly. Sin, not God, brought death into the world, and many are now being deceived into thinking that death is the way to go.

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WATCH: End Time Signs of the Coming Great Day

“Now the Spirit clearly says that in the last times some will depart from the faith and pay attention to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their consciences seared with a hot iron” (1 Tim. 4:1-2).

There are many who are sounding the call to the days we live in, days of apostasy and turning away from the Word of God.

One voice, Joseph Z, is working to point out to as many as possible of the very clear signs being given that are indicative of the buildup for the end times.

Z continues to highlight the very real efforts to globalize the world and pave the way for a one-world government system, to include a new monetary system.

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With the recent announcement that World Economic Forum founder and Executive Chairman Klaus Schwab will be stepping down in 2025, Z shares that spiritual warfare must be waged against those in high places while praying against the WEF agenda that is causing so much pain and suffering around the world.

“Lord, I just pray in Jesus’ name that all these people [globalists] No. 1, that they find salvation. [That] they find you Jesus. I pray that people speak to them, and they come to know You.

“But at the same time I pray that their power is broken and they are removed from these places,” prays Z. “These high ivory towers where children and people are suffering because of their arrogance and because of their Luciferian

ideologies.”

Coinciding with the words of the Bible, he shares that the days we live in are filled with lies and that “there will be a great deception with AI that will be used to make false discoveries and debunk conventional history specifically in the area of religion.”

“I believe that they’re going to have to debunk what we know as traditional, conventional, historical reality,” Z says.

Artificial intelligence will be at the forefront of this deception, he adds, saying it will create “false discoveries” with the intent to deceive the masses.

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“Specifically in the areas of religion,” warns Z. “They’re going to begin to say ‘Religion as you know it has been proven false,’ or ‘History as you know it has been proven false. We now have the real information.’ And they’re giving AI more and more authority as an expert.”

Christians must have biblical discernment to navigate these times of deception.

Jesus warns us in Matthew 24:24, “For false christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.”

Without a base built firmly in a relationship with Jesus Christ, the Word of God and the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, many risk falling for these great deceptions facing us today and into the future.

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Pope Faces Heresy Allegations After '60 Minutes' Interview

Pope Francis certainly [ruffled the feathers of many](#), especially those in the Protestant sphere of faith, in his interview with CBS news magazine "60 Minutes," making some rather suspect comments about the goodness of humanity.

The quotes implied that humanity in itself is good, leading many to ask him on social media why then did Jesus have to die on the cross?

"We are all fundamentally good. Yes, there are some rogues and sinners, but the heart itself is good," says Pope Francis.

Well, this sentiment doesn't exactly line up with the words of Paul (among others), which are written down in the holy Bible, which is the inerrant Word of God.

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Paul often discusses the "sin nature" of man, as we are born into a sin-cursed world and that the only way we become "good" as the Pope refers to, is through the blood of Jesus Christ, and the only way to live a "good" life is with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit within us.

Welp, this is a Satanic lie... <https://t.co/TWtYtzxUHo>

– Joel Berry (@JoelWBerry) [May 20, 2024](#)

Even the Old Testament prophet Jeremiah [addressed issues with the heart](#) and in turn humanity itself saying:

“The heart is more deceitful than all things and desperately wicked; who can understand it?” in Jeremiah 17:9.

This is far from the only topic the Pope addressed, and is certainly not the only item on the agenda he has raised eyebrows about.

Addressing the widening schism between conservative Catholics and the Vatican, he addressed the outrage that ensued when he removed conservative bishop Joseph Strickland of Tyler, Texas, from his position after publicly feuding with the Pope, and even went so far as to say he was undermining the Catholic faith with his words and actions.

The Pope addresses his conservative critics in the church.

"Conservative is one who clings to something and does not want to see beyond that. It is a suicidal attitude," says Pope Francis. This Sunday on 60 Minutes, the Pope sits down with [@NorahODonnell](#). <https://t.co/mEN4CWeXMWpic.twitter.com/HPYgVm4kIp>

– 60 Minutes (@60Minutes) [May 16, 2024](#)

No love appears to have been lost between the two sides, as Pope Francis claims that conservative bishops hold a “suicidal attitude.”

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“Conservative is one who clings to something and does not want to see beyond that. It is a suicidal attitude,” says Pope Francis.

“Because one thing is to take tradition into account, to consider situations from the past, but quite another is to be closed up inside a dogmatic box,” he continued.

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PRAY: Invisible Wave of Adultery Sweeping Over American Cities

What better place to strike in the nuclear family than at its very core: the husband and wife.

The relationship that is symbolic of Jesus Christ and His church that is responsible for raising future generations into Godly living and lifestyles.

Fox News recently interviewed the chief strategy officer of [the now infamous cheating and adultery](#) website Ashley Madison, Paul Keable, and his revelations are shocking to say the least.

The interview highlights the website’s “hot spots for non-monogamy,” aka adultery, across the nation.

The discussion already revealed something more, an ongoing pattern occurring in the Midwest, and it is not good for marriages or families.

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“We saw that Columbus, Ohio, had the No. 1 most signups per capita for any city across America, which was fascinating because they weren’t even in the top 20 of our list last year,” reveals Keable.

“Clearly, something is going on in Ohio because, in fact, there are two other cities in the top 20 from Ohio.”

It is not just Ohio that is seeing this surge in infidelity, but across swathes of the Bible Belt.

“Something is going on in the Midwest,” Keable says.

These “somethings” he keeps mentioning reveal the spiritual warfare taking place across the world trying to get people of all backgrounds, especially Christians, to give in to their sin nature and abandon the principles of God.

People often attribute living away from major urban areas as a safety net from these type of “big city problems,” but as the data show, this couldn’t be further from the truth.

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“We have red states and blue states and purple states represented really, really well. We have tourist destinations—Sin City, Las Vegas drops in at No. 4, which probably isn’t too surprising,” Keable says. “But then when you have Buffalo, Baton Rouge, Tucson, Arizona, what does that really tell you about America? It tells me that infidelity is ubiquitous against your income, against your industry and your location.”

Americans are making the same mistake that Jonah made when he tried to run from God. You can’t change your geographic location and think that the spiritual realm will just let you

go. It doesn't.

[This is where spiritual warfare comes into play,](#) as the Bible warns us many, many times within its holy pages.

Paul reveals that he fought a good fight, and that means he was warring against both the flesh and the evil spirits that are roaming this earth seeking humans to lead astray.

Trends like this highlight the necessity of putting on the armor of God (Eph. 6:11-13) each and every day, because we live in a society that is being bombarded by the fiery darts of the enemy and too many are succumbing to the flesh.

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Russell Brand Discusses Pentecost and the Holy Spirit

[Comedian and podcaster Russell Brand](#) has shown no signs of slowing down his education on who Jesus is and why Christianity stands apart from the other world religions.

Brand continues to delve deeper into the Bible and Christian community while updating his massive audience on his findings, and how the Lord is radically shaping his understanding of the world around him.

From going to church to learning about who the Holy Spirit is and how He is empowering Jesus' followers to do great and mighty things in the name of the Lord, Brand's enthusiasm for

a deepening relationship with God is contagious.

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Sharing about the church service he attended on Pentecost this year, he was enthralled by learning about the baptism of the Holy Spirit and the intent God has for His followers to move in power with this baptism.

“What I like is the idea that we can be infused with a great power, we can be infused with God’s grace. We can speak God’s wisdom,” Brand shares in a recent X post.

Pentecost and the Holy Spirit – what does it mean?
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– Russell Brand (@rustyrocks) [May 22, 2024](#)

“This is an extraordinary idea to me.”

Looking at the world now through a biblical and God-inspired lens [appears to be opening Brand’s eyes](#) to the fact that without God, the way of this world is meaningless, but in Jesus we find purpose, direction and identity.

“On some level, you know that unless it [life] is an expression of a higher principle or higher value, you’re engaged in meaninglessness,” says Brand.

“As my gentle, delicate relationship with Jesus Christ our Lord continues to grow, I feel this sense of connection.”

There are those, humanists and atheists, who Brand addresses that may not believe as he does in Jesus Christ, but claim to live a good and moral life. Brand in turn shares a question with them: where does this goodness come from?

“When you examine, ‘Where do these values come from, where do

they come from?' even if you don't, like me, believe in Jesus, then you will say, 'No, but there is such a thing as goodness. There is a difference between right and wrong. There is a reason to behave beautifully in the world. There is a reason to be kind and to care.' Perhaps that reason is because we are infused with the Holy Spirit," Brand puts forth.

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"Perhaps that reason is because deep down on some level [its] difficult to access...impossible to access through rationality, know that good is real. That God is real."

It is inspiring to see a man of Brand's past have such enthusiasm about growing in his relationship with his Creator.

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Fox News Returns to Pushing Witchcraft and 'Rage Rituals'

Third time's the charm, and in this case, it's the reason you should turn off Fox News in your home.

The news corporation is being lambasted by Christians, for the third time this year, for platforming the new age and witchcraft during its primetime programming.

[Host Jesse Watters](#) is starting to make a habit of shining a spotlight on the occult during his programs, which should drive every Christian viewer of his to tune out.

Why are women so angry? Rage ritual leader and witch, Mia Magik, explains how she's helping women get it all out.

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– Jesse Watters (@JesseBWatters) [May 21, 2024](#)

With neo-feminist 'rage rituals,' an event where women pay hundreds or thousands of dollars to go on a retreat to scream and hit things with sticks (no really, that's what they do) going viral on social media, Watters and his producers thought it would be a good idea to give the self-described witch a platform to deceive people.

According to the website of "Mia Magik," whose real name is Mia Banducci, she is "an ambassador for the ancient magikal way returning home to our modern day, my mission is to reclaim our unique and eternal inner wisdom, what makes us a 'Witch,' to bring our visions to fruition. My life is dedicated to reawakening the power of the feminine Divine Nature for us all to reconnect with the unconditionally loving Great Mother Goddess on our planet."

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Meanwhile, Fox is trying to paint itself as a God-honoring, conservative platform by occasionally posting faith-based content, then creating spiritual mixture by promoting the occult.

Be warned: [these two things cannot go together](#), and when they do it is not Christianity but is instead syncretism.

Calling out this spiritual danger is former witch-turned-Christian Jenn Nizza, who recognizes the spiritual danger Fox News is putting their audience in by opening the door for demonic influence in peoples' lives.

"The problem with this is, one, you're pointing to something demonic—you're pointing to man, and you're pointing to the devil—to heal from trauma wounds, and it can't heal," says Nizza. "Beating the earth until you're blue in the face cannot heal you; opening demonic doors by going to something that's led by a witch leads to further oppression, so you're going to the problem for the solution.

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"This is such a complete disgusting demonic contradiction, opposite of God's Word, and that's the agenda. The money is the icing on the cake, because you're not going to have the devil without money. It's going to cost you and cost you, and you're going to be that little hamster on the wheel. That's what it is, because there's not any solution. There's no true healing. Demons don't heal. Demons don't care about your daddy issues. They don't care. They just want you to stay away from God," she continues.

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40% of Christians Disengaged: The Biggest Threat to Christianity?

Voices are gradually rising as many realize Christianity is on the brink of worldwide persecution.

The West has abandoned the principles on which it was built, and is instead silencing the voices of any who declare the ways of God and the salvation found in Jesus Christ. It has turned its back on the ways of God and embraced the ways of man.

But is persecution [the greatest threat](#) facing the spread of the Gospel message today?

According to George Barna, founder of the market research firm The Barna Group, in an interview with The Christian Post, there are several “negative trends” that have led to the loss of cultural influence and relevance for the Christian faith, leading to “Christian invisibility in our culture.

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“People have become more selfish, churches have become less influential, pastors have become less Bible-centric,” Barna says. “Families have invested less of their time and energy in spiritual growth, particularly of their children. The media now influence the church more than the church influences the media, or the culture for that matter. The Christian body tends to get off track arguing about a lot of things that really don’t matter.”

How did we get here? When did the faith traditions that built the West become afterthoughts in society, and a punching bag of Western media?

Barna points to the lack of proper discipleship from old to new generations of leaders which has led to a decay of influence over the years.

“There is poor leadership in seminaries that mislead local churches into thinking that they’re actually training individuals whom God has called to be leaders and are qualified to be leaders and certifying them to lead local churches, not knowing any better bringing them on,” warns Barna.

As recently as January 2022, The Barna Group discovered, only a mere 28% of Christians are engaged in “Discipleship Community,” and 39% aren’t engaged in discipleship in any form whatsoever.

Instead of holding coming generations up to the Bible’s standard, we have instead been conforming ourselves to the world’s standard, trying to wrap the Bible around that, instead of wrapping our views around the Bible.

“You get what you measure,” he continues. “So if you measure the wrong things, you’ll get the wrong outcomes ... [pastors] measure how many people show up, how much money they raise, how many programs they offer, how many staff persons they hire, how much square footage they built out. Jesus didn’t die for any of that. So we’re measuring the wrong stuff and, consequently, we get the wrong outcomes.”

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So how do we as the corporate body of Christ fix this predicament we are in?

It's all about getting back to biblical basics, according to Barna.

"If we were to go back to the Bible, I think we'd recognize the local church, the institutional church, as we've created it, is man-made. It's not in the Scriptures," he said. "The programs, the titles, the buildings, all the stuff that has become sacrosanct in American culture and around the world is not necessarily biblical.

"Jesus didn't come to build institutions, He came to build people. And we see that model in His life. He devoted the ministry portion of His life to investing in individuals. And that's what each of us who are followers of Christ need to be doing."

With proper, biblical discipleship and the establishment of relationships that can weather the storms of life, the church can once again be the light that societies around the world so desperately need it to be.

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