

How Social Media Is Hypocritically Silencing Trump but Serving Tyrants

“Some in the crowd shouted one thing, some another. As he could not learn the truth because of the uproar, he commanded that he be brought into the barracks” (Acts 21:34).

The apostle Paul was a titan who told the truth. It was often rejected. Wherever he went, there was either a revival or riot.

The historical account from the passage above indicates there was mob violence and turmoil preventing him from communicating. Sound familiar? This same tactic is prevalent today both in public settings and platforms of social media.

Recently Facebook’s oversight board upheld banning former President Donald Trump from their platform. Rasmussen reports 48% of Americans oppose this action. Then-commander in chief, who some perceive as the most powerful person on the planet, garnered 75 million voters with 88 million Twitter followers and 35 million on Facebook, was “taken into the barracks.”

Opponents Celebrate

The avowed Marxist leaders of Black Lives Matter celebrated the decision along with radical leftists who have taken over the Democrat party. Prior to the decision, BLM issued a statement/threat/demand that Donald Trump be banned forever, from social media as well as from running for political office.

Opponents also succeeded in getting Missouri Republican Sen. Josh Hawley’s new book *The Tyranny of Big Tech* stopped (until a courageous publisher released it, and it is now a No. 1

Amazon bestseller).

In the investigation of the Capitol Hill rioting, there was not one shred of evidence that Trump incited an insurrection as was originally claimed, and it was established that the one police officer who died was not shot but died from a stroke, even as his mother had said from the beginning.

Although it was not given much coverage, the fact remains that after the upheaval Trump issued a statement on Twitter repudiating the lawlessness and pledging his support for an orderly transition for President Biden, reaffirming his longstanding commitment to law and order. Did you know this?

Nevertheless, in America, where every citizen has First Amendment rights to freedom of expression—freedom of speech and freedom of the press—Trump is censored. This has implications for every single one of us.

The mission of Facebook remains: “To make the world more open and connected.”

If Trump is deemed “dangerous and a threat,” then why does Facebook allow brutal dictators and subversive organizations free reign? And why did Amazon, Apple and Google shut down the app for the conservative alternative, Parler?

Something’s wrong with this picture.

Why Silence Opposition?

Years ago there was a major speech given on the campus of a university in the Nation’s Capital. A mystic from India was billed as a spiritualist, godlike figure bringing love, peace and enlightenment to our generation. Dressed in flowing robes and seated on an elevated throne of floral bouquets, the fakir spoke to the college students with a syrupy accent sharing spooky psychobabble.

At the end, I stood up in the middle of the auditorium and

asked him if he believed that Jesus was the only true God who came to redeem us from our sins?

He quickly deflected my inquiry as numerous people in the crowd shouted me down!

Their purpose: Silence opposition, and suppress truth. Socialist and communist activists do the same to squelch people from knowing the truth that their totalitarian form of government is intent on seizing private assets and controlling lives from cradle to grave through a centralized form of government. It's accomplished incrementally and subtly, but controlling the press and stifling free speech is paramount in defeating prevailing traditional thought.

In the classic book, *The Naked Communist*, outlining the specific goals for a communist takeover of America, it cites taking control of one political party, the press and schools. Cancel culture is nothing new; it's simply repackaging an insidious strategy that has deceived hundreds of millions worldwide and is happening in our nation right now.

Who's on Facebook?

Take a stroll with me down Facebook Lane to see who these arbiters of political correctness feature as Trump was given the heave-ho.

If Donald J. Trump is "a danger and a threat," how about the following?:

– **Communist China.** Their news agency has 90 million Facebook followers; *People's Daily*, 865 million; *Global Times*, 62.8 million; *CCTV*, 49.8 million; *CTGN*, 116 million.

Facebook makes mega millions in China (profit precedes patriotism). The communist government censors their own 700 million internet users. This is a totalitarian regime involved in massive religious persecution and genocide; Hong Kong and

Taiwan bullying; requirements that every Christian pledge loyalty to China over God; no one under 7 is allowed to attend Christian events.

– **Russia.** The Kremlin site has 86,000 Facebook followers and Vladimir Putin has over 3 million. Putin is a communist dictator and former KGB head.

–**Cuba.** This police state with killings and kidnappings throughout its wicked history under Castro has a new leader with 24,000 Facebook followers.

–**Venezuela.** Nicolas Maduro, its brutal dictator, has 1.2 million followers on Facebook.

–**Iran.** Hassan Rouhani, their leader who vows to destroy the United States and Israel, has 181,000 Facebook followers. Last week his administration showed a propaganda video depicting the Capital building in Washington, D.C., being obliterated.

–**Nation of Islam.** Louis Farrakhan, its antisemitic leader who has preached hate for decades, registers 81,000 Facebook followers through his “ministry.”

–**Maxine Waters.** This volatile race baiting congresswoman who recently incited a crowd to confrontation in Minnesota has 375,000 Facebook followers.

–**Black Lives Matter.** This organization has 786,000 Facebook followers, and one of their avowed Marxist co-founders has 66,000. “Pigs in the blanket, fry em’ like bacon” is their oft-repeated mantra in agitating mob violence and assaults on police.

I credit Newt Gingrich and his team for their assistance with this commentary. He believes what is unfolding is a “national scandal.”

Here’s the Deal

When I stood up in that college auditorium, it took courage, but 10 students walked out with me, one of whom became a Christian and, 40 years later, is a pastor in a megachurch in the district. He said my example of boldness inspired him. In the midst of this challenging time, I hope to inspire you to pray fervently and engage winsomely in communicating truth before we also be “taken to the barracks.” {eoa}

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