

# **Biden Says No Normalcy Till Christmas; Franklin Graham Troubled by Government Control**

Life expectancy in the United States dropped an entire year in the first half of 2020 after a wave of coronavirus deaths swept the nation. It fell from 78.8 years in 2019 down to 77.8 years in 2020. It's the biggest drop since World War II.

The study shows minorities suffered worst, with Black people losing nearly three years and Hispanics almost two.

Meanwhile, extreme winter weather has either halted or delayed vaccine distribution in 34 states. President Biden is pledging most Americans can get a shot by the end of July but says it could be longer before life begins to return to normal.

"By next Christmas, I think we'll be in a very different circumstance, God willing, than we are today," Biden said.

"A year from now, I think that there will be significantly fewer people having to be socially distanced, having to wear a mask, but we don't know. We don't know for certain, but it is highly unlikely that, by the beginning of the next school year, traditional school year in September, we are not significantly better off than we are today," he said.

Franklin Graham says Biden's prediction is just another reason to be concerned that the U.S. government has too much power to control people's lives in America.

"We want this president—every president—to do well, but our nation is facing serious problems. @POTUS Biden indicated that the COVID restrictions could go on through the end of the

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*— Franklin Graham (@Franklin\_Graham) February 18, 2021*

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