

SOCIALISM AND THE BIBLE, PT. 2

A. THE TRUE SPIRITUAL CONFLICT INVOLVING SOCIALISM

1. Since creation and the fall of Satan and his demons (Rev. 12:3-4), humanity has been involved in a great _____ between Satan and God (Gen. 3:1-15), which will lead to Satan ruling the world through the _____ during the Great Tribulation (Dan. 9:26-27; Matt. 24:4-5, 15, 23-24; 2 Thess. 2:3-10; 1 John 4:3; Rev. 12-13), followed by Jesus Christ's _____ in glory to establish His eternal kingdom (Dan. 7:13-14; Matt. 24:29-31; 2 Thess. 1:7-10; 2:8; Rev. 19:11-21).
2. This war is _____ and _____ in nature (Eph. 6:10-12), so we shouldn't view other people as our _____ but as souls whom God _____ and His Son died for (John 3:16-17; 2 Cor. 5:18-21), while remaining _____ and _____ about the philosophies, ideologies, and doctrines of the world (2 Cor. 10:3-5; Col. 2:8; 1 Tim. 4:1).
3. Satan's mode of operation is to _____ (Gen. 3:1-5; 2 Cor. 11:3-4, 13-15) and to _____ (John 8:44; Heb. 2:14; 1 Peter 5:8; Rev. 9:11).

- *What should be our standard of truth in evaluating socialism?* (John 17:17; 2 Tim. 2:15)

B. THE TRUE SPIRITUAL CHARACTER OF SOCIALISM

1. Regarding God, the founders and leaders of socialism in the last two centuries have virtually all been _____ who have been _____ toward Jesus Christ and the Bible. (Ps. 14:1; 1 Cor. 1:18-21)
 - *How was this true with the French Revolution, Owen, Marx, Engels, Lenin, Mao, and others?*
2. Regarding man, socialists have traditionally believed in _____, denying that mankind was _____ in the image of God but has fallen into _____, thus needing _____. (Gen. 1-2; 9:6; Ps. 8:4-8; John 3:3-5; Rom. 5:12; Jas. 3:9)
 - *How has socialism's view of man shown itself in treatment of people?* (Pro. 14:12)
3. Regarding marriage and the family, many socialists have opposed God's blueprint for _____ _____ (Gen. 2:18-25; 1 Cor. 11:3; Eph. 5:22; Col. 3:18; 1 Tim. 2:13; 1 Peter 3:1-6)

4. Regarding human government, many communist countries have put the _____ before the _____ in contrast to God's order of institutions (Gen. 2:18-25; 4:1-2; 9:5-7) and have _____ their leaders (Exod. 20:3; Rev. 13:16-18), while _____ the church.

5. Regarding morality and justice, Cultural Marxism views everyone from the standpoint of Marx's class distinction of _____ (*bourgeois*) and _____ (*proletariat*), using relative, _____ of justice, resulting in greater _____ and _____ among people.

- *How did this form of Marxist socialism develop?*
- *What is critical theory and intersectionality?* (Isa. 5:20; Rom. 1:21-32; Jas. 3:13-18)
- *What is the "intersection" that matters most to God?* (1 Cor. 1:18-21)
- *How does God see people?* (Gen. 1:26-28; Acts 17:26; 1 Cor. 1:18-21, 30-31; 6:11; 2 Cor. 5:16-17; Gal. 3:28; Eph. 2:13-16; Col. 1:20)
- *Is Black Lives Matter only about racial equality?* (1 Cor. 10:19-21)

6. Regarding Jesus Christ and the Gospel, socialists have fashioned a different Jesus who was supposedly a socialist _____ and a different Gospel which is about _____ from oppressive social conditions rather than _____ and salvation from _____ and its penalty. (1 Cor. 15:3-4; 2 Cor. 4:3-7; 11:3-4)

- *What was Jesus' mission at His first coming?* (Matt. 4:17, 23-24; 11:3-5; 20:28; John 18:36)

7. Regarding the future, Marxist socialists have believed that man will usher in a _____ on earth with the transition from socialism to pure communism.

- *What will the final form of human government be like in the Great Tribulation?* (Rev. 13; 17-18)
- *How is the stage being set for this even now?*
- *How should we as believers respond to all of this?*