

## 29 Perry's Scope 6: The Diesel Dilemma and More

Greetings Patriots! I am Perry Greene with GNA. I'm calling today's Sunday podcast, "The Diesel Dilemma and More."

It seems I need help distinguishing between truth, misinformation, and disinformation. I watched a troubling clip from a Tucker Carlson program this week that made me wonder about the facts of our current crises. Tucker made a good point in discussing adult vs. child issues in our current Presidential administration. Biden and his crew, like most politicians, are acting like children who do not understand when they do wrong. This is especially evident regarding taking care of American citizens. The **Declaration of Independence** says that the government's purpose, in part, is to protect our citizens. It reads:

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness (emphasis added)."*

The apostle Paul holds the same idea from **Romans 13:4-5** (NKJV). He tells us that God's purpose for government is not domination and control but opposition to evil. The government is supposed to protect us from the criminals we may face. Government is for good, not evil. By the way, if a government is evil, the government forfeits its status. It is no longer a legitimate government; we must oppose it or replace it by setting God's will back in order. Listen to Paul's words:

**For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. <sup>4</sup>For he is God's minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God's minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil.**

Biden and his administration do not understand or recognize their incompetence, nor can they admit it when even the MSM points it out to them. It would be refreshing if some of these people would say something like, "*We messed up, and we are sorry. We'll get help and do better.*" Instead, this incompetent administration fulfills Einstein's definition of insanity and continues doing the same things expecting different results.

I never know what is authentic or fake, but Carlson pointed out some potentially sobering realities. Europe is plunging into winter with little to no heating fuel, and people are lining up in some countries to get coal as their ancestors did 150 years ago. Not only will people be uncomfortable in the cold, but many of them will also die due to frigid temperatures. But wait, there's more!

Don't think that America will be the exception to the cold winter. According to Carlson, we have less than one month of diesel fuel, thanks to Biden's shutdown of our oil resources and inability to get petroleum from the Middle East. If things continue as they are, we will run out of diesel fuel by the Monday of Thanksgiving week. If we indeed run out of diesel fuel, everything will shut down, which means transportation will stop, and we will not have food or heating resources for many people. If this happens, I wonder how we will compare to the Hebrews in the Babylonian siege in **Jeremiah 19**. I will let you research that on your own.

We have plenty of oil in America, but the dictators have shut down our productivity. Biden's actions are about to bite even the Americans who voted for him. We need a push to reopen the Keystone Pipeline and

rescue Americans instead of putting us at risk. Remember, the government's job is to protect its citizens, not dominate and control them. The citizens are to control the government.

There is a good aspect to being like children. Jesus tells us that those who become like children will enter the kingdom of God. These "children" are like their Father in heaven. We can also become destructive children in that we can emulate the evil one. Notice **John 8:39-41** (NKJV):

**They answered and said to Him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. <sup>40</sup> But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this. <sup>41</sup> You do the deeds of your father."**

The current political leadership is childish, not childlike. They bear the marks of the same father who went about trying to destroy Jesus and not our heavenly Father. You see, we are engaged in a spiritual war, not a political one. That spiritual war played out with the death of Jesus on the cross and if left unchecked, we will see the death of America. Thankfully the story did not end with the cross and grave of Jesus but with His resurrection, ascension, and imminent return. Perhaps God will be merciful and empower us to defeat the adversary as he manipulates many of our political leaders in the current regime, as well as the population.

The last few years have seen a significant increase in childish behavior among our leaders and citizens. Yet, when we compare what is currently going on and that we may potentially be in real trouble in a few days, many of those things seem ridiculous and not worth our time. Think about men who can't compete with men demanding to participate in women's swim teams. Then, some demand their way, otherwise, we will hurt their feelings, and they will be sad, so we give in. The truth sometimes hurts our feelings and does not change to suit us. Politicians spin words to confuse their constituents and distort the truth.

Let's not forget about the gender-confused people or even the species-confused "*furries*." Then there are all those church fights over worship styles and getting our way. None of these seems crucial because we are losing our liberty and may lose our lives in the midst of winter's cold. Do you ever want to stand up and shout, "Enough!?"

It is time for us to step up and demand grown-up behavior from our neighbors, and political and business leaders. Joe Biden has feathered his nest with over 40 years in public office. Why didn't Delaware do something about that? Maybe they did, and perhaps someone altered elections. We need maturity in our leaders, not selfishness, and dare I say it? Even more, we need godly leaders. Listen to Paul in **1 Corinthians 13:11** (NKJV):

**<sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.**

When the trucks stop rolling, the planes stop flying, the barges dock, and the grocery shelves are empty, we are not going to think about the childish issues. Instead, we will think about survival and caring for one another. I hope we will set aside childish things and act with compassion and maturity. Remember, this is a spiritual war at the core.

I suspect that churches will change and get more serious. The "social club" atmosphere, where people come to church to see their friends, not to worship, will morph into more of what God originally intended. Preachers will return to applying the Bible to the realities of life, not merely tickling ears and pampering prima donna members. Church members will finally demand depth from their preachers and not settle for milk as they see the Bible come alive as in the days of the prophets.

**Charles Finney** preached his sermon, “*The Decay of Conscience*,” to a group of preachers in New York, on December 4, 1873, during the Second Great Awakening. Finney was correct when he said:

*Brethren, our preaching will bear its legitimate fruits. If immorality prevails in the land, the fault is ours to a great degree. If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the public press lacks moral discrimination, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the world loses its interest in religion, the pulpit is responsible for it. If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it. If our politics become so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it. Let us not ignore this fact, my dear brethren; but let us lay it to heart, and be thoroughly awake to our responsibility with respect to the morals of this nation.*

I am sure some church members will remember the preachers who warned them of what is currently happening. Yet, many churches and their leaders felt compelled to silence and ignore those preachers. Our failure to heed the warnings and continue down the path of electing politicians for our selfish ends has landed us in a precarious position.

The more all of this unfolds, the more we see the failure of Marxist policies. The current administration has done everything possible to renounce America’s heritage and take us down the road of socialist destruction. This movie is playing out right in front of our eyes. On our own, I believe it is too late to save America from this fate. However, with God nothing is impossible.

God saved Israel with Gideon’s little army of 300. God defeated hundreds of pagan prophets through one prophet, Elijah. One man, Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt by the power of God. Of course, the one Man responsible for the salvation of the world, is God’s Son, Jesus. **Luke 1:37** (NKJV) reminds us:

**For with God nothing will be impossible.**

It is past time to focus on the vital issues of our day. Churches, in particular, have allowed themselves to be sidetracked by the “*nickels and noses*” mentality. Churches tend to focus on entertainment and political correctness and forget the power of the gospel to change lives. Jesus was not always gentle and never politically correct. If necessary, He wasn’t afraid to hurt feelings by pointing out sinful inconsistencies. He changed the hearts of people who let His words saturate their hearts. Saul of Tarsus, for example, went from a murderous persecutor of Christians to a devout apostle by the power of Christ.

If you are a church member, I want to encourage you to get back to the basics of Jesus’ commission to His disciples. We can make up all the church mission statements we want, but Jesus’ command is our divinely-appointed business. In **Matthew 28:18-20** He tells us to make disciples, baptize them, and then continue teaching them. Every one of us has a place in the process of making mature disciples with Jesus and the Holy Spirit. If we ever get back to doing what we have been called to do, we will see a turnaround in the country and world as we advance the kingdom of God on earth as in heaven. If we keep our heads in the sand, hoping evil will go away, wickedness will consume us.

God is more powerful than our enemies, but we must fully commit to Him. Following Jesus is more than a Sunday ritual checking off a prescribed set of church decrees. It is a daily lifestyle of imitating Jesus. Following Jesus is trusting Him in the darkness of the storm when we do not see a way out.

We are in the storm. We can keep trying to save ourselves and wear out, or we can call on His power to set things right. Just as the disciples needed Jesus on the Sea of Galilee, we need Him in the midst of our storm. He can right the wrongs and set men straight. He can remind us of our accountability to Him and urge our repentance. We are not getting out of this mess without Him.

My daughter reminded me that on occasion I have told her about some things I have heard from alternative news sources and they have not come about – yet. I hope Tucker Carlson’s report on diesel fuel is one of those. Whether the bottom falls out or not, we need to be in step with God and leave all of the childish political correctness behind and embrace the truth, even if it is painful. In the long run, we will be glad.

Remember God is sovereign and has given us the instructions we need to live full and happy lives. Jesus said in **John 10:10** that He came to give abundant life and we have that life when He is Lord over all aspects of our lives. The Lord’s involvement in our lives includes our personal lives, family lives, church life, and community life, including how we establish our government. It is all in the Bible and when we incorporate God’s word we receive His blessings.

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