

# The Big Lie

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Before actually beginning this commentary, I would like to remind us of just why we have these weekly commentaries. I know over the years some have questioned why we spend time during Sabbath services on the politics and the pervasively carnal nature of a world in which we are not to become entangled.

However, hopefully, brethren, we can recognize this time is not merely a time filler with difficult things we do not care to hear, but another opportunity for each and every one of us to recognize the evil spirit driving the world we've been separated from, so that we don't get caught up in it; so that we don't get overwhelmed by it; so that we can be aware of things that may otherwise be a trap for us, because Satan's real focus is on destroying God's holy people that have been separate from the world in order to be one!

Let me remind you what it says in Revelation 13:5-10:

**Revelation 13:5-10** (*New English Translation*) The beast was given a mouth speaking proud words and blasphemies, and he was permitted to exercise ruling authority for forty-two months. So the beast opened his mouth to blaspheme against God - to blaspheme both his name and his dwelling place, and those who dwell in heaven. The beast was permitted to go to war against the saints and conquer them. He was given ruling authority over every tribe, people, language, and nation, and all those who live on the earth will worship the beast, everyone whose name has not been written since the foundation of the world in the book of life belonging to the Lamb who was killed. If anyone has an ear, he had better listen! If anyone is meant for captivity, into captivity he will go. If anyone is to be killed by the sword, then by the sword he must be killed. This requires steadfast endurance and faith from the saints.

Revelation 12:9 reminds us Satan, as the father of lies, deceives the whole world, which very well could include God's people, if we are not carefully heeding God's Word and following the direction of those God has gifted for watching, protecting, and teaching His precious flock. Hebrews 13 and 1 Peter 5, along with Ezekiel 33, make it clear God is holding His ministry accountable for the care and protection of His called-out ones, in whatever way He moves them.

According to *Webster's Encyclopedic Dictionary*, the definition of a "commentary" (in part) is to make remarks or observations either on a book or writing or on actions events or opinions.

With this in mind, the commentary today was going to be a quick survey of some of the lies that are bombarding our minds daily in order to demonize people of opposite opinions from the political status quo. However, because of limited time, we will only look at one.

We may not all be in agreement with the conclusions of the author of the following article, but the main point I want you to have as a takeaway is that this is all part of Satan efforts to wear you down and separate us from God and from those whom the Father has called into the Body of Christ at this time to be one—those who have been given the opportunity and ability through God's Holy Spirit to put these things of the old man behind us.

Remember, brethren, what it says there in Revelation 13: This is going to require the steadfast endurance and faithfulness of the saints.

You may not all agree with these things that I'm going to read, but the point is that these are all facts that are happening at this time and they're all causing great amounts of distress. But we need to deal with them in our lives and realize we are watching end-time events unfold, following the same pattern of the **BIG LIE** that began in the Garden of Eden, as Satan continues to move men to destroy themselves!

I am going to start by reading a part of an article from an on-line publication called *The American Thinker*. But please do not focus on the politics involved here—one side or the other—but on the reality of the tactics that are used within this world following the pattern of the big lie Satan has continued from creation.

The author of the following article writes:

For the past 2½ years, this nation has been roiled by the incessant drum beat of accusations that it's newly elected president, Donald Trump was a clandestine agent of Russia and colluded with them to alter the outcome of the 2016 election. On their face, these accusations were so preposterous that anyone with a modicum of common sense would have thought them to be totally unbelievable.

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Nonetheless, within 7 months after Trump's inauguration 54% of all Americans believed he had acted illegally or unethically in his dealings with Russia (80% Democrats). Within 14 months after the inauguration, 66% of Democrats believed Russia tampered with vote tallies in order to get Trump elected, and 59% accepted the premise that there were improper relations between the Trump campaign and the Russian before the 2016 election.

In what was a staged and unnecessary inquiry, and despite turning over every marginally relevant leaf; conducting a dogged 22 month investigation using partisan prosecutors, Robert Mueller was unable to link Donald Trump or his campaign to even the minutest degree of collusion with the Russian government. Nonetheless the drum beat of lies and insinuations was a major factor in the Democrats taking control of the House of Representatives in 2018.

The American citizenry now definitively knows that there was no collusion between Trump campaign and the Russians during the presidential campaign of 2016. Further, based on the testimony of Rod Rosenstein and others involved in the special counsel probe, the Russians did not tamper with any vote tallies.

How are Democrats, and their allies in the mainstream media able to suspend rationality and manipulate the emotions of so many Americans for so long? They followed the playbook first established by Adolf Hitler and Joseph Goebbels [Hitler's minister of propaganda] and utilized by others such as Joseph Stalin it is often referred to as the big lie theorem.

I want to add here that this did not start with Adolf Hitler or anyone else. This is exactly what Satan did in the Garden of Eden. He told the big lie.

In 1925 Adolf Hitler in his screed entitled *Mein Kampf* coined the term "The Big Lie". A principle tool of propaganda defined as the use of a lie so colossal that no one would believe that someone could have the impudence to distort the truth so infamously. The execution of the strategy and the mindset of those prone to utilize it can be summarized in a report issued by the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) during World War II. In the report Walter C. Langer of the OSS (the agency that became the CIA) wrote,

His [Hitler's] primary rules were: never allow the public to cool off;

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never admit a fault or wrong; never concede that there may be some good in your enemy; never leave room for alternatives; never accept blame; concentrate on one enemy at a time and blame him for everything that goes wrong. People will believe a big lie sooner than a little one and if you repeat it frequently enough people will sooner or later believe it.

Please note, even though the author is describing a strong case for President Trump, it also describes many on all sides of issues of carnal minded men these days!

A little further down in the article, the author writes:

From January 20th, 2017 (inauguration day) through March 21st, 2019 (791 days), the major networks ABC, CBS, NBC evening newscasts produced a combined 2,284 minutes of collusion coverage. During this period no other issue received more than 10% of this level of attention. Further, the spin of the overall network coverage of Donald Trump was 92% negative.

Two cable networks, CNN and MSNBC, each devoted, on the average, nearly 2 to 3 hours per day on Trump and Russia collusion or an estimated 1,978 hours - 118,700 minutes - since the inauguration. Virtually all the coverage was negative, with innumerable false and misleading reports, accusations of treason, supposed imminent arrests and the unabashed reporting of any salacious or unproven rumor or allegation.

The print media went down the same path as their counterparts in the electronic media. The *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*, between them published nearly 1000 front page articles on the subject and had to issue numerous retractions days later after the damage was done. That process was repeated by news services such as *The Associated Press* and *Reuters* pumping out to its newspapers radio and television stations subscribers throughout the United States daily stories negative to Trump regarding collusion.

On a near daily basis, so-called celebrities in Hollywood and the entertainment establishment unabashedly regurgitated to their untold millions of followers on social media virtually all the false stories and innuendos promulgated by the media and the Democratic Party.

The illegal and unethical maneuvering of the upper echelon of the FBI and the Department of Justice immediately after the inauguration to appoint a special counsel added gravitas to the accusations regarding Trump and the Russians, as well as a means of finding anything that would either implicate Donald Trump in any potential criminality or misbehavior outside of the Russian matter that could lead to impeachment.

Further, their willing accomplices in the media breathlessly reported without hesitation or confirmation any leak or innuendo from the denizens of the deep state.

The author then went on to castigate the Democrats for their unethical and slanderous defamation that goes on to this day, even though Robert Mueller's \$25,000,000 investigation came up empty, in spite of the fact there was not one Trump ally on the investigative team.

As I said, you may agree or disagree this man's line of reasoning, especially in the face of some of the audacious things that President Trump himself has done.

However, what we must recognize within the body of Christ is that *the big lie*, no matter who drives it, will end just as Joseph Goebbels is infamously quoted as saying:

If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it. The lie can be maintained only for such time as the state can shield the people from the political, economic, and/or military consequences of the lie. It thus becomes vitally important for the state to use all of its powers to repress dissent; for the truth is the mortal enemy of the lie and by extension, the truth is the greatest enemy of the state.

This is the ominous view of the world before us, but we need to see Goebbels' remarks a bit differently: *The truth is the mortal enemy of the lie, and by extension, the truth that is in Jesus Christ is the mortal and greatest enemy of Satan.* Therefore, Satan will repress and make war on those who have been graciously separated from this world to live the real truth that is only found in Jesus Christ. He will try to divide and conquer with the Big Lie that *we can stay united in Jesus Christ and still allow ourselves to be consumed with the carnal minded politics of the Old Man.*

It is certainly not our place to get involved, but we must recognize the big lies in society today and seek the place of safety we have graciously been given in the truth that is in

Jesus Christ!

That prophetic statement from Joseph Goebbels shows a clear pattern that when the consequences of *the big lie* begin to take effect, the only course of action by the governments or those that put forth the big lie is to repress dissent! And brethren, we don't want to get caught in the middle of this battle that's going to take place very shortly.

We are witness to a time, as in the Days of Noah, when all of God's Creation is corrupted and turned from its intended purpose, under the Big Lie of men apart from God taking to themselves the right *to determine the knowledge of Good and Evil* and to be their own gods!