Marxism In Academia: The Origins Of Political Correctness

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Back in 1959, President Eisenhower asked Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, to teach Nikita Khrushchev, Premier of the Soviet Union, some rudiments of American Agriculture. With their respective translators at their sides, Nikita Khrushchev and Ezra Taft Benson had the following conversation:

"Your children will live under communism." Khrushchev said.

"On the contrary," Secretary Benson replied, "My grandchildren will live in freedom as I hope that all people will."

Khrushchev then retorted: "You Americans are so gullible. No, you won't accept communism outright, but we'll keep feeding you small doses of socialism until you will finally wake up and find that you already have communism. We won't have to fight you; we'll so weaken your economy, until you fall like overripe fruit into our hands."

On January 27, 1838, Abraham Lincoln, giving an address before the Young Men's Lyceum of Springfield, Illinois, warned "If destruction be our lot, we must ourselves be its author and finisher. As a nation of freemen, we must live through all time or die by suicide." Ariel Durant, co-author of *The Story of Civilization*, asserted that "A great civilization is not conquered from without until it has destroyed itself from within."

Our Lord promised our forebears that if they would keep His Commandments (Deuteronomy 4:6), people will proclaim, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people." When Balaam realized he could not curse Israel if they were at one with God's commandments, he told King Balak how to get the Israelites to commit sin by enticing them with sexual immorality and idolatry. As a result, God sent a deadly plague against Israel (Numbers 31:16).

In his series of 24 commentaries, *Mightier than the Sword*, John Ritenbaugh explained how the poisonous ideas of godless philosophers like Nietzsche, Darwin and Karl Marx infiltrated into higher education, the public-school system, and now totally commandeer a major political party like a deadly pathogenic virus or parasite. In his recent book, *The War for America's Soul*, Dr. Sebastian Gorka adds some more names that John could have included in his series. Karl Marx posited a continual conflict within society, "the clash between the have and have-nots, the oppressor and the oppressed, the capitalist and the exploited workers, which would result in a final revolution after which there would be no classes and the vaunted 'means of production'—the factories that produced the wealth—would belong to everyone" (Gorka, 56)—the view espoused by Bernie Sanders, Alexandra Occasio-Cortez, and Ilhan Omar.

The problem that the Marxist parasites did not anticipate was that in most Israelitish, Western democracies, a vibrant middle class precludes anything resembling a downtrodden proletariat. Ironically, after the Berlin Wall was torn down in 1989 and the Soviet Union collapsed in 1990, the new home of the most virulent strain of Marxism—deadlier than COVID-19—was American Academia.

According to Dr. Gorka, the movers and the shakers of American Marxism, the Balaams of Academia who planted its tentacles into the American Universities—beginning with Princeton, Columbia, Brandeis, and the University of Chicago—were Herbert Marcuse (a product of the Frankfurt School of Critical Theory and called the Father of the New Left, introducing a more palatable pragmatic form of Marxism) and his right-hand lieutenant, Saul Alinsky, author of *Rules for Radicals*, the subject of Hillary Clinton's thesis at Wellesley College. Both Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama were avid, devout disciples of Alinsky.

The late Andrew Breitbart, in his book, *Righteous Indignation*, identifies Saul Alinsky as the "first modern community organizer," and a Communist, too, but a pragmatic one, and a realist who knew from experience what would work and what wouldn't work in Western democracies. Alinsky took the pretentious ideas of the Frankfurt School and turned them into clear and actionable rules for war, a war with Judeo-Christian civilization, informed

above all else by the maxim that the ends justify the means (cited by Gorka, 63).

Breitbart suggests that "if Marcuse was the Jesus of the New Left, then Alinsky was his Saint Paul, proselytizing and dumbing down Marcuse's message, making it practical, and convincing leaders to make it the official religion of the United States, even if that meant discarding the old secular religion of the United States, the Constitution" (cited by Gorka, 62).

According to Breitbart, Marcuse, unable to find a disgruntled proletariat, found another dividing line that could be exploited to exacerbate social strife and dismantle societal structures—namely "victim groups," the bedrock of identity politics. Attempting to build a new proletariat to build a revolution on, he preached that women are victimized by men (Elizabeth Warren's mantra). Creating a sense of exploitation, he stoked tension between white and nonwhite Americans, homosexual and hetero-sexual, championing the downtrodden transgender population.

Breitbart maintained that Marcuse's mission was "to dismantle American society by using diversity and 'multiculturalism' as crowbars with which to pry the structure apart, piece by piece." Marcuse and Alinsky continually incorporated the best weapons to effect the assault on the structures of society, maximizing the tension between victim and oppressor.

According to Gorka, "Marcuse instructed his acolytes to sell their totalitarianism as tolerance, "partisan tolerance," which he introduced in an essay he penned in 1965 as a guide for how to shut down debate and silence the critics of progressive Critical Theory" (Gorka, 61). Alarmingly, what Marcuse, Alinsky and their fellow radicals coined as "partisan tolerance" in 1965 has morphed into today's political correctness.

In Gorka's estimation, "Marcuse is why today an observant Jew like Dennis Prager is labeled a bigot and a Nazi on internal Google emails; why conservative speakers are disinvited from speaking on college campuses, where anti-Semitic initiatives like the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions movement against Israel are celebrated; and why anyone who calls a man a man on Twitter can be summarily suspended for "dead-naming" if that man just happens to have declared himself a woman yesterday" (Gorka, 62).

Thanks to Marcuse's ideas and Alinsky's tactics, we have "identity politics" that "pits Americans against each other based upon our skin color, our sex, and even our sexual preferences" (Gorka, 65).

Thanks to Marcuse's ideas and Alinsky's tactics, "the fundamental building block of civilization, the nuclear family, has been gravely weakened, especially in the black community where fatherless homes have become the norm" (Gorka, 65).

Thanks to Marcuse's ideas and Alinsky's tactics, "many Americans have been brainwashed into believing that killing a viable child in a woman's womb is analogous to birth control and reproductive health" (Gorka, 65).

Thanks to Marcuse's ideas and Alinsky's tactics, "women have been convinced that they should be like men, and that pursuing demanding careers should be their priority—even at the expense of marriage and motherhood" (Gorka, 65).

I find it highly ironic that while the United States Congress and the United States Supreme Court have made infanticide and sodomy the law of the land, President Vladimir Putin, a man Bolshevik Bernie and Nancy Pelosi called a thug, has proclaimed that gay marriage will *not* be legalized in the country as long as he is in control, adding that a marriage is a sacred union between a man and woman. He also said that as long as he is president, a same-sex couple will not be allowed to adopt a child. There will be a Dad and a Mom.

In my humble opinion, in this case there appears to more of God's truth in the halls of the Kremlin than in the current United States House of Representatives, where yesterday the Speaker of the House tried to smuggle in an abortion slush fund in the Emergency Corona Virus legislation.

Jacob's children have utterly failed to model God's righteousness to the rest of the world. As the prophet Hosea thunders in Hosea 4:6,

Hosea 4:6 (*New American Standard Bible*) My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being My priest. Since you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.