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You can ignore reality, but you cannot  
ignore the consequences of reality

*Ayn Rand*

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## Immunized

By: Judd Garrett

## Objectivity is the Objective

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Last week, **Aaron Rodgers tested positive for Covid** which set off a fire storm throughout the media and the NFL because it was revealed that he was not vaccinated, but had stated he was “immunized” back in August.

Rodgers claimed that he is in the "**crosshairs of the woke mob**", and that the media is "**trying to shame and out and cancel all of us not vaccinated people, calling you “selfish for making a decision that’s in the best interest of your body.”**" This is the exact opposite stance that the media took toward Simone Biles, or any of the players who opted out last season because of Covid. In those cases, individuals making decisions that they believed were in the best interest of their bodies were not called selfish, they were called heroic.

Rodgers also claimed that "**saying that [the vaccines are] a blanket for all that ails you, in my opinion, is wrong and reckless,**" and saying "**that this is a pandemic of the unvaccinated is a total lie.**" He pointed out that the media is calling "**unvaccinated people... the most dangerous people in society.**"

The same week Rodgers tested positive for Covid, Denver QB Drew Lock who is vaccinated also tested positive which required his vaccinated teammate Teddy Bridgewater to produce a negative test in order to play on Sunday. This turn of events proves that the vaccinated can get Covid and spread it to the vaccinated. Drew Lock was just as much of a threat to his teammates as Rodgers, yet he escaped the media onslaught only because he took a vaccine that didn't work.

The Covid numbers in the NFL question the efficacy of the vaccines as well. **In 2020 when there were no vaccines, 262 players**

tested positive for Covid. Halfway through the 2021 season with over 94% of the players vaccinated, 124 players have tested positive; they are on pace for 248 positive tests which means that the vaccines have produced only a slight reduction in cases. The fact that vaccinated people can get the virus, and spread the virus as easily as unvaccinated people, torpedoed the argument that we must get vaccinated to protect others.

The lack of vaccine efficacy is shown in the general population as well. During the 10 months of March thru December of 2020 when there were no vaccines, the United States recorded a total of 352,000 Covid deaths. During the 10 months of January to October of 2021 with the vaccine rates reaching as high as 65%, the United States recorded a total of 353,000 deaths from Covid. There have been more Covid deaths with the vaccines than without it.

During both years of the pandemic, there have been zero deaths among NFL players due to Covid which means the lethality of the virus to NFL players has been nil. So, coercing players into taking medication that they don't need, whose efficacy is in question, and is only authorized for "emergency use" is dangerous. What happens 5 to 10 years from now if some of these players develop long term debilitating side effects from these vaccines? The FDA will wipe their hands clean, hiding behind the "emergency use" defense claiming that NFL players took the vaccines at their own risk. But will the players be able to sue the NFL and their teams to recoup the millions of lost wages caused by their careers being cut short by the vaccines that they were coerced into taking by the league?

One of the main reasons why there is vaccine hesitancy in this country is the politicization of the virus and vaccines. **The virus has been exploited from day one.** The Democrats used it to discredit Trump in their attempt to win the Presidency, and **they have been exploiting this virus every day since to grab more and more power over the American people.** The Democrats rule through fear. They strike the fear of God into the

citizens, and then use that fear to empower themselves. It is such a cynical and destructive way to approach politics.

Many people don't trust the vaccines because they do not trust the people who are the most vocal vaccine advocates. During the Presidential campaign, both [Joe Biden](#) and [Kamala Harris](#) said they would not take the vaccines because Trump helped produce them. Now that they are in power, they are all on board with the vaccines Trump was touting, and they are using vaccine hesitancy which they helped to create, to shame people, and take away basic human rights. These people's blind pursuit of power has endangered many peoples' lives through Covid-19.

Dr. Fauci has lied repeatedly; he lied about masks; he lied about the origin of the virus; he lied about his funding the gain of function research in the Wuhan lab which created the virus, and he is lying about the efficacy of the vaccines. But strangely, there is greater outrage over Aaron Rodgers lying about his vaccination status than Dr Fauci lying about his role in creating this pandemic. The dishonesty and the hypocrisy of Biden, Harris and Fauci has discredited them as advocates for the vaccines which in turn creates people like Aaron Rodgers who are scared or skeptical of the vaccines.

Was Rodgers wrong for misleading the public about his vaccination status? Of course, but it is understandable why he would do so. We no longer have control over our bodies, over our health decisions. We are told what medicine we must take, or we will be unable to earn a living. There are no other illnesses or ailments where this is the case. In the NFL, if a player gets injured in a game, he is not required to follow the team's doctor's medical advice. He is allowed to get a second opinion on how to treat his injuries. Yet, he is not allowed a second opinion when it comes to these vaccines.

In the face of the questionable vaccine efficacy, advocates will shift their argument, claiming that the vaccines are not meant to stop infection or prevent the spread, they are meant to mitigate the

symptoms, hospitalization and death of the vaccinated. That is all great, and true, but it simply **proves that these “vaccines” are not really vaccines; they are pre-emptive medication which disputes the approach that our government and many companies has taken in regarding these medications.**

This not an argument to dissuade people from getting the “vaccines”, it is an argument for honesty and freedom. We are currently living in a world that is outside of reality. We regularly change the definitions and meanings of words to fit our narratives, and we are doing that with these “vaccines”. If these “vaccines” do not work like vaccines, why do we continue to call them “vaccines”? Why do we implement vaccine mandates when these medications do not work like vaccines? And why do we shame the unvaccinated, and label them health risks when the vaccinated spread the virus just like the unvaccinated? Getting the vaccine does not prevent NFL players from contracting or spreading Covid, it just immunizes them from incurring the wrath of the media which is really what this is all about.

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# **Perspective:**

## **The Looming Peasant State**

**The disappearance of the middle class  
is the erosion of an American ideal**

By Victor Davis Hanson  
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The ideal of an independent middle class, originally agrarian, rather than a subservient peasantry was the American ideal, at least until recently. All politicians still praise the middle class, but few have

sought or found ways to preserve it in a radically changing globalized world.

The result is the emergence of a new American peasantry, of millions of Americans who own little or no property. The new majority has scant, if any, savings. Fifty-eight percent of Americans have less than \$1,000 in the bank. A missed paycheck renders them destitute, completely unable to service sizable debt. Most of what they buy, from cars to electronic appurtenances, they charge on credit cards. The credit card indebtedness is over \$8,000 per household and over \$2,000 per individual — paid through monthly installments at average annual interest rates of between 15% and 19%, at a time when most home mortgages are usually below 4%.

Such short-term debt is often roughly commensurate with the payments and share-cropping arrangements that premodern peasants once entered with lords and made it impossible for the serf to exercise political independence or hope for upward mobility. The chief contemporary difference, of course, is that the modern American peasant is the beneficiary of a sophisticated technological society that allows him instant communications, advanced health care, televised and computer-driven entertainment, inexpensive food, and a social welfare state. These material blessings often mask an otherwise shrinking middle class without confidence that it is in control of its own destiny.

A fifth of America receives direct government public assistance. Well over half the country depends on some sort of state subsidy or government transfer money, explaining why about 60% of Americans collect more payments from the government than they pay out in federal income taxes, in health care entitlements, tax credits and exemptions, federally backed student and commercial loans, housing supplements, food subsidies, disability and unemployment assistance, and legal help.

Such social insulation, along with science fueled by free market capitalism, has succeeded in ending starvation, dying in one's 30s

and 40s and, for the most part, chronic malnourishment, as well as ensured access to a wealth of material appurtenances.

But otherwise, 21st century American “peasants” — currently perhaps about 46% of the population — usually die with a net worth of less than \$10,000, both receiving and bequeathing little, if any, inheritance.

Drive on El Camino Real on the perimeter of Stanford University’s elite campus and witness hundreds living in curbside trailers in the manner of the poor of Cairo or visit the side streets near the Google headquarters in nearby Mountain View where thousands live in their cars, or walk among the homeless on tony University Avenue in Palo Alto. Then juxtapose their lifestyles with estates in nearby Woodside, Atherton or Portola Valley, and the Mercedes-Benzes and BMWs of those in their early 20s parked in the student lots at Stanford University.

The natural historical referent for this dichotomy is certainly not the booming middle classes emerging following World War II. Instead, the image is one of the manors and keeps of medieval Europe amid peasant huts outside the walls.

For all practical purposes, it is almost impossible for young families to buy a home anywhere in California’s 500-mile progressive coastal corridor from San Diego to Berkeley or in the greater Portland and Seattle areas. The same is largely true in the metropolitan and suburban areas from Boston to Washington, D.C. Whatever this bifurcated new culture is — and it is new and different from that of a half-century ago — it is not so conducive anymore to classical citizenship.

Even those of the middle class who can be thrifty, who save some of their income and develop modest passbook savings accounts, are now targeted by institutionalized cheap interest. The result of massive and chronic trillion-dollar annual budget deficits — the national debt is now near \$30 trillion — and the zero interest rates of the often jittery Federal Reserve is the destruction of any interest income on savings accounts.

The modest, middle-class citizen saver thus faces daunting options just to preserve the value of his money. He can engage in risky real estate speculation or invest in a booming stock market, fueled not by business performance, per se, but often by those who have nowhere else to park their money. So middle-class families, to be safe, often keep their modest savings in passbook accounts or buy federal bonds, where interest payouts below 1% do not cover the erosion in value of their principal due to annual inflation.

Yet American citizenship always differed even from the Western tradition found in the Europe of the last three centuries. The founding of America saw an entire array of newly expanded rights, responsibilities, and privileges for the vast majority of the resident population. This late-18th century new birth of citizenship arose in part because of an almost limitless supply of land, in part because colonial America lacked many of the European mainland's traditions of class distinctions, primogeniture, peasantry and serfdom, in part because of the parliamentary traditions that Britain had implanted in North America, and in part because of the protections of the Constitution of the newly formed United States. America would soon become the freest and most egalitarian society in the history of civilization.

The point is not that late-18th century America was perfect at birth or could even approach what we now enshrine as 21st century moral values. Rather, the new United States was unlike, or rather superior to, most contemporary nations. Indeed, almost alone of governments, America had hit upon a mechanism that would allow constant self-criticism, legal amendments to its founding documents and moral improvement. Such change came without the necessity of collective suicide or permanent revolution — and yet within the boundaries of constitutional absolutes that transcended time and space, and all made possible only by an empowered and autonomous middle class.

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# Chill Out About Global Warming

The evidence doesn't establish that it's *'the existential threat'*

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(Emphasis added)

At the United Nations Climate Summit (aka COP26) in Glasgow last week, President Biden declared that climate change is *"the existential threat to human existence as we know it."*

Based on that judgment, he plans to implement policies that will weaken America's national security and economy, as well as slow development in poor countries. Perhaps this question occurs to you: Is Mr. Biden's judgement correct?

Those arguing that it is not include Steven E. Koonin, who served as the senior scientist in the Department of Energy under President Obama. Mr. Koonin does not "deny" that the climate is changing or that human activity is influencing that change.

But in articles and a book published this year, [Unsettled: What Climate Science Tells Us, What It Doesn't, and Why It Matters](#), he makes a persuasive case that **the computer models that predict climate apocalypse are deficient and unreliable.**

He provides data showing that heat waves in the U.S. *"are now no more common than they were in 1900,"* that *"the warmest temperatures in the US have not risen in the past fifty years,"* and that *"Greenland's ice sheet isn't shrinking any more rapidly today than it was eighty years ago."*

If you've been led to believe otherwise, that's probably because **activists have been “exaggerating and distorting” the evidence** to make the case that “*we are facing the ‘last, best chance’ to save the planet from a hellish future.*”

He notes that the most recent report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change “*deems its highest-emissions scenarios of the future unlikely, even though those are the ones you’re mostly likely to hear about in media reports.*”

Since the late 1800s, he points out, the world has warmed by about 1 degree Celsius without significantly adverse consequences. He postulates that “even 1.5 degrees of additional warming by 2100 will have minimal net economic impact.” He scolds commentators who fail to grasp the difference between weather and climate.

Bjorn Lomborg, who heads the [Copenhagen Consensus Center](#), contends that policies aimed at cooling the planet quickly are bound to fail. **Even if the U.S. went “entirely net zero” on carbon emissions tomorrow, he has calculated, that “would only cut temperatures by the end of the century by 0.3 degree Fahrenheit” – barely measurable.**

That's because “*most of the emissions in the 21st century will come from China, India, Africa, the rest of Southeast Asia, Latin America – countries that are now trying to lift their populations out of poverty and obviously have much greater priorities than cutting carbon emissions.*” Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni recently [wrote](#): “*Africa can't sacrifice its future prosperity for Western climate goals.*”

Mr. Lomborg urges a different approach: increased investment in “green energy research” to develop sources of power cheaper than fossil fuels. And, of course, **we could cut carbon emissions immediately by switching from coal to natural gas and**

**bringing online nuclear power facilities** such as those France utilizes. Why those options are rejected by most activists we'll leave for another discussion.

Mr. Lomborg emphasizes the human ability to adapt to climate change. Farmers will switch crops. Levees and dikes can protect low-lying areas near oceans as is already the case in below-sea-level Holland and New Orleans. Since trees ingest carbon dioxide, boosting re-forestation can be helpful. Keeping free markets free spurs innovation.

By contrast, “climate summits” – 26 of them since 1992 – where politicians arrive on private jets, virtue signal, spew hot air, and make promises they can't or won't keep bring no progress. Perhaps you noticed that, **just before COP26, Mr. Biden was pressuring OPEC to produce more oil.**

Another shortcoming of the current approach is that “renewable” sources of energy are less renewable than advertised. The Manhattan Institute's Mark P. Mills has noted: *“Wind and solar machines and batteries are built from nonrenewable materials. And they wear out. Old equipment must be decommissioned, generating millions of tons of waste.”*

*“Building enough wind turbines to supply half the world's electricity would require nearly two billion tons of coal to produce the concrete and steel, along with two billion barrels of oil to make the composite blades,”* he added. *“More than 90% of the world's solar panels are built in Asia on coal-heavy electric grids.”*

As for electric cars: *“A single electric-car battery weighs about 1,000 pounds,”* Mr. Mills wrote. *“Fabricating one requires digging up, moving and processing more than **500,000 pounds of raw materials** somewhere on the planet.”*

Other drawbacks include the need for rare-earth metals and other materials that will be mined “*in nations with oppressive labor practices. The Democratic Republic of the Congo produces 70 percent of the world’s raw cobalt, and China controls 90 percent of the cobalt refining.*” Perhaps you’re aware, too, that Chinese President Xi Jinping, who didn’t attend COP26, is building new coal-powered plants.

Last month, Mr. Xi tested a nuclear-capable hypersonic missile that could be used to launch a first strike against the U.S. Also last month, [Nicolas Chaillan](#), a senior cybersecurity official at the Defense Department, resigned, explaining that because the Pentagon is not prioritizing cybersecurity and artificial intelligence, successfully competing with China in those strategic areas will be impossible anytime soon. Ignoring such warnings, the Defense Department last week [announced](#) plans to name a “senior person” to – perhaps you guessed – “prioritize” climate change.

Almost three years ago, Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, declared that “*the world is going to end in 12 years if we don’t address climate change.*” Based on that judgment, she’s determined to implement her “*Green New Deal,*” ignoring the perspectives of experts such as those quoted above. Perhaps it occurs to you that Mr. Biden and others who are following her lead are not following the science.

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## **American Liberty Report**

### **Gradually, Then Suddenly:**

# How We Will Win This Election Fight in the End

(Emphasis added)

The latest news about Wisconsin has got me thinking about that famous Hemingway quote from The Sun Also Rises. One character in the book asks another how he went bankrupt. The answer: *“Gradually, then suddenly.”*

I can't even remember the last time I wrote anything in depth about Wisconsin and the 2020 election before last week. Wisconsin just hasn't been on anyone's radar, especially with everything that's happened in Arizona and Georgia. But then I wrote about Wisconsin twice in one week. The story has continued to snowball from there, to the point where it now looks like people will be going to jail – and Wisconsin very well might be the first state to decertify!

Last week, a state office finished an “audit” of Wisconsin's 2020 election. I wrote about how that audit was actually very inadequate, because the state workers only examined small, random samplings of ballots from around the state. At first glance, it looked like they did manage to uncover discrepancies totaling more than three times larger than Joe Biden's alleged margin of victory (roughly 20,000 votes).

In a follow-up article last week, I dug deeper into that Wisconsin report and noted that there was a statistical probability that **320,000 people double voted** in Wisconsin. There were also about **60,000 voters who either lied on their applications or used fake IDs** to register to vote. And another **44,000 were allowed to vote without showing a photo ID**, which is illegal in Wisconsin. (Plus, **12,000 dead voters still on the rolls!**)

In total, there was a **2,150%** discrepancy in Wisconsin between Joe Biden's “victory” and what the result could have actually been. Then the Wisconsin state senate surprised us all by authorizing a full

forensic audit of the 2020 election, based on those findings. Be still my beating heart!

But the party was STILL not over!

Late last week, the Racine County Sheriff released the findings of a months-long criminal investigation. The Sheriff says the

Wisconsin Election Commission knowingly “shattered” state election laws to carry out a major voter fraud conspiracy. The WEC instructed nursing homes in Racine County (and the Sheriff believes in all 72 counties in Wisconsin) **to fill out ballots for incapacitated elderly people**. These were old folks who did not have the capacity to think or make an informed choice on a ballot. You know, like Joe Biden.

Instead of sending teams of one Republican and one Democrat to watch and assist elderly people in filling out their ballots, as required by law, the nursing home staff members filled out ballots for these people and cast fraudulent votes in their names. Observers are an important part of this process (voting for others by proxy). The Republican Party complained at the time that they were not being allowed to watch these proxy votes happen in nursing homes. Democrats were mysteriously silent. But the GOP was told that because of COVID, it was unsafe for observers to watch the nursing home proxy votes. It was just too dangerous to follow the law. Uh huh.

Meanwhile, the Sheriff noted that Door Dash delivery drivers were allowed into the nursing homes to drop off lunch for staffers. The workers who refilled the vending machines and all sorts of other people who were not election observers were allowed in. But it was just too unsafe to let election teams in to ensure the integrity of that proxy voting for seniors.

The Sheriff has turned all the findings over to the District Attorney in Racine County to begin prosecuting Wisconsin Election Commission employees and nursing home employees over this conspiracy. We went from not talking about Wisconsin at all a few

days ago, to people are about to go to jail, in the blink of an eye. How did I fall in love with Wisconsin? Gradually, then suddenly!

The best part of all is that the GOP in Wisconsin has been taken over by a bunch of Trumpers. They sent a nasty letter to the Wisconsin Assembly Speaker and the Senate President, who are both Republicans. The GOP in that state has warned the Republican legislators that they need to act on this immediately by firing everybody on the Election Commission and getting this audit taken care of ASAP. The tone of the letter is basically threatening to not fund their reelection campaigns – and maybe even primary them – if they continue to fail the voters of Wisconsin by allowing a false election result to stand. Daddy is taking away the keys if you don't get your grades up!

It's been a slow, gradual process, but then suddenly out of the blue, a Sheriff in Wisconsin has changed the whole conversation. Who had that on their bingo card? Keep your chins up, everyone. We're going to win this fight. **The whole truth is going to come out – gradually, then suddenly.**

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***If you do not take an interest  
in the affairs of your government,  
then you are doomed to live under  
the rule of fools.  
Plato***

kindest personal regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rip' or 'Ripm'.

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**Self-righteous progressives believe they put up with and suffer on behalf of us, and, thus, their irrational fury and hate for the irredeemables and conservative minorities springs from being utterly unappreciated by clueless serfs who should properly worship their betters.**

- Victor Davis Hanson

