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“The Ant and the Grasshopper-2007”

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I remember in my growing up how Mom would read some great bed time stories, some of which were taken from Grimm’s Fairy Tales, most of which held some type of moral lesson. One fable or story I heard and read a lot was the tale of the Ant and the Grasshopper. I’m sure you all remember it. Please allow me to share a modernized version of the story showing how, if we applied today’s politics to the situation, the outcome and ultimate moral lesson of the tale would change.

The Old Version

The **Ant** works hard in the withering heat all summer long, building his house and laying up supplies for the winter. The **Grasshopper** thinks the **Ant** is a fool and laughs and dances and plays the summer away. Come winter, the shivering **Grasshopper** has neither food nor shelter, so he dies out in the cold. **MORAL OF THE STORY:** People should be responsible for their own future!

The Modern Version

The **Ant** works hard in the withering heat all summer long, building his house and laying up supplies for the winter. The **Grasshopper** thinks the **Ant** is a fool and laughs and dances and plays the summer away. Come winter, the shivering **Grasshopper** calls a press conference and demands to know why the **Ant** should be warm and well fed while others are cold and starving.

CBS, NBC, PBS, CNN, and ABC show up to provide pictures of the shivering **Grasshopper** next to a video of the **Ant** in his comfortable home with a table filled with food. America is stunned by the sharp contrast. How can this be, that in a country of such wealth, this poor **Grasshopper** is allowed to suffer so?

Michael Moore and **Kermit the Frog** appear on **Oprah** with the **Grasshopper**, and everybody cries when they sing, “**It’s Not Easy Being Green.**”

Jesse Jackson and **Al Sharpton** stage a demonstration in front of the **Ant’s** house where the news networks film the group singing, “**We Shall Overcome.**” They then have the group kneel down to pray to God for the **Grasshopper’s** sake.

Nancy Pelosi and **Harry Reid** exclaim in an interview with **Larry King** that the **Ant** has gotten rich off the back of the **Grasshopper** and both call for an immediate tax hike on the **Ant** to make him pay his fair share. **Teddy Kennedy** demands that the Senate and Congress pass a **Hate Crimes Bill** to punish the **Ant** for his obvious malicious hatred he has for the **Grasshopper**.

Finally, the **EEOC** drafts the **Economic Equity and Anti-Grasshopper Act**, retroactive to the beginning of the summer. The **Ant** is fined for failing to hire a proportionate number of **green bugs** and, having nothing left to pay his retroactive taxes, his home is confiscated by the government.

John Edwards agrees to represent the **Grasshopper** in a defamation suit against the **Ant**, and the case is tried before a panel of federal judges that were appointed by **President Hilary Clinton** from a list of single-parent welfare recipients. The **Ant** loses the case. The story ends as we see the **Grasshopper** finishing up the last bits of the **Ant's** food while the government house he is in, which just happens to be the **Ant's** old house, crumbles around him because he doesn't maintain it.

The **Ant** has disappeared in the snow. The **Grasshopper** is found dead in a drug related incident and the house, now abandoned, is taken over by a gang of spiders who terrorize the once peaceful neighborhood.

MORAL OF THE STORY: Be very careful for whom you vote the next election.

Unfortunately, the scenarios presented in the above re-writing of a fictional fable are not far off from where those on the left would have us be in several years. Pretty much the foundation of the **National Democratic Party** platform is built out of liberal socialistic lumber and if we keep giving them all the tools and supplies they need it won't be long before our country will have been taken from the people and completely renovated into a socialistic society. Think about it folks. Right now the power is in your hands...don't you think it should remain there?

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