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**“Again... What’d He Say?”**

by

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As stated in last week’s article Barack Obama has told the American people that we must have change in this country to make it the great country it once was. My answer to that statement is that we are still a great nation but have allowed liberal political correctness over the years to strip the country of its uniqueness among other nations. We have been blessed as a nation for centuries because we were established under Christian principles and allowed those principles to shape our legal system; to give our communities a pattern by which to form governments and schools; and to establish the proper interaction among the citizens of our communities. The more we allow those Christian principles to be taken away the less blessing we will receive.

The change we most need in this country is to return to our primary Christian roots and culture of tolerance of, but not adoption of, foreign cultures that are trying to supplant our Christian heritage with their own. This is not a country of many cultures ... this is a country of one, Christian, culture... whose beneficence and munificence allows the existence and practice of other cultures and religions within our boundaries. We must CHANGE the once slow, but now rapid dissipation of our culture and make it clear that we will not allow it to be taken away.

European countries have warned that they have been too loose in regulating the number of Islamic refugees coming into their country. Consequently, more and more concessions to the foreign factions must be given by the government in order to keep the radical elements in check. We cannot allow that to happen in our country but, unfortunately, it has already begun.

My fear of what an Obama Presidency may hold for our country is that he will be too liberal in his treatment of our immigration policies, and be too quick to give away even more of our hard earned and hard won freedoms and rights of our citizens. His voting record in the United States Senate has been one of the most liberal and ultra-socialistic in nature of any past or present member of our Congress. When his fellow Senators say he is more liberal than Sen. Kennedy or Sen. Kerry that indicates trouble for the country. Imagine the type of Supreme Court Justices he would appoint.

As mentioned in last week’s article Obama has indicated he believes it is a Constitutional right for each citizen to have government sponsored health insurance and a government sponsored college education. Folks, nowhere in the constitution does it guarantee every citizen the *right* to either. Everyone already has the right to purchase health insurance if they are found to be insurable; and everyone already has the right to attend college if they choose to go. In each area of need, however,

they must be able to pay for it. It *IS NOT* the job of our government to subsidize every person's college, or health insurance cost. To say different is to tell a lie.

I have a college degree and also attended Graduate school, but the government did not pay for it. My wife and I both worked to make my college degree a reality. My oldest son and his wife also worked to achieve his college education and are currently working to pay for a Medical degree. This country is full of people who have their college degrees because they worked and paid their way. It is also full of people who will never get a degree because they're too lazy to get off their duffs and put forth the effort required.

The Constitution does not say that I or anyone else should have to work to educate them, or their children. Unfortunately, if Mr. Obama is elected President I'm fearful his persuasive rhetoric would be able to convince our weak-spirited Congress that it is their duty to put that burden on the American people. That's you and me folks.

Obama has said that our Social Security is in shambles and blames that on the Republican Party as well. He says CHANGE is needed to make it right. He is correct on that score but unfortunately, what he forgets to say is, President Bush has been trying for 7 years to change the way a portion of the Social Security deposits are invested so that each participant could have substantially more money waiting on them when they retire. What has prevented this from happening... liberal Senators and Congressmen like Senator Obama shouting it down... saying even thinking of doing things differently is heresy. Leave it the way it is they say! Well, you can't have it both ways. Again, their remedy to fix it will be to once again come to the working American men and women and tell us we have to put more of our hard earned money into the pot.

Folks, last week I mentioned the Russian Revolution of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and how a well-spoken individual by the name of Lenin convinced the people that the Tsar, his family and others like them, were the enemy and they must be killed so their wealth could be spread among the people. Well, socialism hasn't changed all that much in a 100 years... those who work hard and accumulate any wealth these days are also looked upon as the enemy by the liberals. You and I are the ones who are expected to turn over our wealth to those who will not work. Maybe they won't shoot us to death as they did the Tsar, but they certainly will tax us to death. Dead is dead regardless of the choice of weapon. Beware of the man, or woman, who promises too much.

One last comment before I close... aren't you just a little miffed that your two Senators have gone against the will of the people of your state and pledged their allegiance to someone you voted against?

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