

Origin of Defunding Law and Order

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As soon as any entity is defunded, whatever it was doing previously is impeded or completely annulled. Therefore the recent movement in America to defund the police has, at its roots, the goal of weakening or completely annulling the ability of law enforcement to serve and protect the citizens of the country. Later in this study, it will be shown that the action to eliminate law and order is nothing new. In fact, it began prior to the creation of Adam and Eve and will continue until mankind reaches the point where lawlessness would lead to utter global destruction unless God intervened to stop it (Mt. 24:12,15-22).

First, it must be emphasized that Almighty God created everything according to specific laws, and these same laws sustain both the physical and spiritual realm.

*You alone are the Lord; You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all things on it, the seas and all that is in them, and **You preserve** (SHD 2421; sustain life, cause to grow, continue to be safe and sound) **them all**.. (Neh. 9:6a; cf. Heb. 1:10-12; NKJV used throughout unless otherwise noted; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).*

If even one of these laws were suspended temporarily, it would lead to a catastrophe. For instance, if Almighty God switched off "the law of gravity" the following scenario would occur.

"Karen Masters, an astronomer at the University of Portsmouth in the UK, has explored the immediate consequences of losing gravity. The first problem is that Earth is rotating at high speed, rather like the way a

weight on a string rotates if you spin it around your head. "Switching off" gravity is analogous to letting go of the string. Things not attached to the Earth would fly off into space in a straight line that would take them away from the surface of the Earth. Anyone unfortunate enough to be outside at the time would quickly be lost. Earth's atmosphere and its oceans, rivers and lakes would be one of the first things to drift away into space. ("Oh, and of course we'd all die," writes Jolene Creighton for Futurism). Earth itself would most likely break apart into chunks and float off into space." (www.bbc.com/earth/story/20160212-what-would-happen-to-you-if-gravity-stopped-working)

So it's interesting that a connection can be made regarding the suspension a law like "gravity", and the catastrophic consequences that would follow, and yet some people are incapable of seeing there is a connection between suspending law enforcement and anarchy ensuing. Here is how Almighty God describes these people.

*For My people are foolish, they have not known Me. They are silly children, and **they have no understanding. They are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge** (Jer. 4:22; cf. Jer. 9:3, 13:23; emphasis added).*

Almighty God, in His word the Bible, did not "cancel" anything just because it could be construed as "unpleasant, uncomfortable, or racist". Instead, "the good, the bad, and the ugly" are all in plain view for the purpose of learning valuable lessons from the mistakes, and sins, of the past. The Apostle Paul explained this truth as follows:

*Moreover, brethren, **I do not want you to be unaware** that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, ²all were baptized into (by) Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and*

all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. ⁵**But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.** ⁶**Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted** (cf. Nu. 11:4, 34). ⁷And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play" (cf. Ex. 32:6-8). ⁸Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell (cf. Nu. 25:1-9; Ps. 106:28-30); ⁹nor let us test Christ, as some of them also tested, and were destroyed by serpents (cf. Ex. 17:2, 7; Nu. 21:5-7); ¹⁰nor murmur; as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed by the destroyer (cf. Ex. 16:2-3; Nu. 14:26-37). ¹¹**Now these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our instruction, on whom the ends of the ages have come** (1Cor. 10:1-11; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

There are specific examples in scripture of people defunding law and order, and each time the consequences were disastrous.

Then the Lord saw that **the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.** ⁶And the Lord was sorry that he had made man on the earth, and he was grieved in his heart. ⁷So the Lord said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."⁸But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord (Gen. 6:5-8; emphasis added).

Sodom and Gomorrah is another example of people defunding law and order. In this case, the whole community was so corrupted and lawless

that they attempted to rape the men who visited Abraham's nephew, Lot. Thankfully, these men were actually angels who had the power to disperse this lawless mob (cf. Gen. 19:1).

*Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, **all the people from every quarter, surrounded the house.** ⁵And they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally."⁶So Lot went out to them through the doorway, shut the door behind him, ⁷and said, "Please, my brethren, do not do so wickedly!" (Gen. 19:4-7; emphasis added).*

And they said (to Lot), "Stand back!" Then they said, "This one came into reside temporarily, and he keeps acting as a judge; now we will deal worse with you than with them." So they pressed hard against the man Lot, and came near to break down the door. ¹⁰But the men reached out their hands and pulled Lot into the house with them, and shut the door. ¹¹And they struck the men who were at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they became weary trying to find the door (Gen. 19:9-11; Ed. note in parenthesis).

Because the people of Sodom and Gomorrah were completely lawless and beyond rehabilitation in this lifetime, God wiped these cities off the map as an example of what will eventually happen when law and order is defunded.

Almighty God inspired the Apostle Paul to make it abundantly clear that mankind is to be subject to those responsible for maintaining law and order. If someone doesn't agree with the governing authorities, they can take the matter up with God through prayer, fasting and, where possible, voting out a particular governing authority. In countries where voting is not

possible, the only other option would be to seek residence/employment in a country that allows its people to vote.

*Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are **appointed** (SGD 5021; arranged for the purpose of maintaining order, cf. 1Cor. 14:33) by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves. ³For rulers are not (intended to be) a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. ⁴For he is God's minister (servant) to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God's minister (servant), an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. ⁵Therefore you must be subject, not only because of wrath but also for conscience' sake. ⁶For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are God's ministers (servants) attending continually to this very thing. ⁷Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear (respect of office) to whom fear (respect of office), honor to whom honor (Rom. 13:1-7; cf. Mt. 22:15-22; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).*

A long time ago mankind had a choice to trust and obey God's word, or reject it in favor of a governing system that claimed there would be no consequences for wrongdoing. Basically, this latter system had no funding for law enforcement because it didn't believe in following the legal system of Almighty God. In essence, it was hostile toward God's system of law and order as described by the Apostle Paul.

*For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. ⁷Because **the carnal mind is enmity against God;***

for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be (Rom. 8:6-7; cf. Isa. 30:9-11; emphasis added).

Therefore, anyone who ignores spiritual matters will automatically be focused on physical/material things, and not willing to submit to God's law because it is spiritual.

*For we know that **the law is spiritual...*** (Rom. 7:14a; emphasis added).

Those who reject God's law cannot be at peace according to what Paul said in Romans 8:6. This is why God stated the following:

The way of peace they have not known, and there is no justice in their ways; they have made themselves crooked paths; whoever takes that way shall not know peace (Isa. 59:8; emphasis added).

Because Satan is not concerned about obeying God's law, he is automatically "carnally minded" and hostile toward God's law and commandments.

*But when he (Christ) had turned around and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, **"Get behind me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men"*** (Mk. 8:33; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).

Therefore, when Satan had a conversation with Eve, it was aimed at promoting his system of governing which is contrary to that of Almighty God. Eve was attracted to the idea that Satan claimed there would be no consequence for disobeying God's word, or command, as stated in Genesis 2:15-17.

And the serpent (symbol for Satan; cf. Rev. 12:9) said to the woman, "You will not surely die" (Gen. 3:4; Ed. note in parenthesis).

As attractive as Satan's anti-law claim was, it proved to be a lie because Eve and her husband eventually died, which is the consequence of breaking God's command (cf. Jn. 8:44),

For the wages of sin is death... (Rom. 6:23a; emphasis added).

From this example, it is clear that the carnal mind prefers no consequences for breaking the law, whether it is God's law or laws established by human authorities to protect their fellow men and women. Therefore, anyone who seeks to defund police, or any other institution that serves and protects its population, has the goal of removing peace from society. This truth has been confirmed beyond doubt by the actions of lawless people who wish to tear down, rather than build up.

Many brave people died in World War I and II in order to preserve the freedoms these malcontents are able to enjoy. These same rebels would never "sign up" to defend America if another major war broke out. Instead, they prefer to destroy the very things that brave soldiers, airmen, and sailors gave their lives up to protect.

As mentioned in the opening of this study, the movement to defund law and order began before Adam and Eve were created. The source of this was Satan, who originally was known as Lucifer, which can be translated as "light bearer – bringer". This is very important because it confirms there was a time in the distant past when Lucifer brought the "light" of God's law to those in the spirit realm.

For the commandment is a lamp, and the law is light... (Prov. 6:23a; emphasis added).

However, just like the ungrateful, pampered, self-centered, and unstable rioters in society today,

Lucifer decided he no longer wanted to act in a peaceful manner, and rebelled against his heavenly Father who had equipped him with wisdom, musical talent, good looks, and appointed him to an important position within the government of God.

*You (Lucifer) were the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. ¹³You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone was your covering; the sardius, topaz, and diamond, beryl, onyx, and jasper, sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. **The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes was prepared for you on the day you were created.** ¹⁴You were the anointed cherub who covers (God's throne); I established (appointed) you; you were on the holy mountain of God; you walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones (symbol of God's law; cf. Dt. 33:2). ¹⁵**You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity (sin; cf. 1Jn. 3:4) was found in you.** ¹⁶By the abundance of your trading you became filled with violence within, and you sinned; therefore I cast you as a profane thing out of the mountain of God; and I destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the fiery stones. ¹⁷Your heart was lifted up (became proud; instead of thankful) because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor.. (Eze. 28:12b-17a; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).*

Sadly, because Adam failed to fulfill the commission he was given by God, Satan's judgment was delayed and, as a consequence, he continues to have a negative effect/influence on mankind, especially those who reject God's law and commandments.

*And you (who repented of sin) were dead, through the crimes and the sins ²in which you used to live when **you were following the way of this world, obeying the ruler who***

governs the air, the spirit (being) ***who is at work in the rebellious.*** ³*We all were among them too in the past, living sensual lives, ruled entirely by our own physical desires and our own ideas; so that by nature we were as much under God's anger as the rest of the world* (Eph. 2:1-3; The Jerusalem Bible; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

Not only did Satan rebel against his heavenly Father, he also deceived a third of all the angels who had previously enjoyed a life of the peace and happiness as described in Job 38:7. This peace and happiness was a direct result of obeying God's law.

His (Satan's) *tail* (symbol representing lies; cf. Isa. 9:15) *drew a third of the stars* (angels; cf. Rev. 1:20b) *of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the women who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born* (Rev. 12:4; Ed. notes in parentheses).

Now, because of Satan's misuse of the power he had been given, these angels are awaiting judgment for their lawless actions.

And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own habitation, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day (Jude 6; cf. 2Pet. 2:4; 1Pet. 3:18-20).

So those who destroy other peoples' property, and cause bodily harm, are under the influence of Satan, as well as those who promote the defunding of law and order. Although Satan cannot be seen with human eyes, his "veil of deception" is revealed by those who perpetrate chaos because this is one of his specialties.

But even if our gospel (good news about God's soon-coming kingdom) ***is veiled to those who are perishing,*** ⁴***whose minds***

the god of this age (Satan) ***has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God*** (Almighty), ***should shine on them*** (2Cor. 4:3-4; cf. Rev. 12:9; Ed. notes in parentheses).

So the lawlessness, selfishness, and stupidity associated with defunding law and order, confirms Satan's deception upon people who do not love their fellow men and women (Mt. 24:12). These same people feel justified when they see others suffer as a result of their destructive actions. Thankfully, there is a judge in heaven to whom these malcontents, including Satan and the fallen angels, will give account at the time of the second resurrection (Jn. 5:24-30; Rev. 20:5-6).

At this future judgment, all sinners will be given enough historical "examples" to see the harm caused by defunding law and order. Those who repent of their past sinful conduct will be forgiven, but anyone who refuses to accept responsibility for their sins will inherit everlasting death. Rather than wait for the second resurrection, it would be advisable to repent and begin living a new life in accordance with God's law and commandments now (Rom. 6:1-4).

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