

NEWSLETTER

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OH, TO BE WOKE

My 12th grade English teacher, Mrs. Barnes, is turning over in her grave hearing some of the rhetoric in our country these days. I have been hearing the term recently by some when identifying the neo-Marxist "woke" cultural revolution in this United States of America. I'm not sure what is worse, the new term to be woke, or the fact that Marxist can have enough supporters to be called a cultural revolution in America.

I put a sentence or two in this newsletter a couple of months back revealing how the Smithsonian Museum is presenting "white culture" as something that should be deemed a sin and in need of fixing. This new religion of "woke" comes from a Marxist ideology and is coming to America faster than you could have ever imagined possible.

THE CULTURAL WAR

We find ourselves in a cultural war these days. There is a clear divide in this country. There seems to be no unity, especially between the red states and blue states. We have always had differing political views in this country, but it doesn't seem that it was as bad as now. Capitalism vs Socialism, Dark skin vs light skin, haves vs have not, educated vs non educated have always been at odds but in at least my lifetime I've not felt the tension so high you can sense fear throughout the country.

This is just one person with an opinion so you can take it with a grain of salt. I am a middle aged, white, Christian man who believes vehemently in God, family, and country. I believe that capitalism and free enterprise is without a doubt the best social model for wealth creation to anyone who is willing to do the work or put in the effort to achieve. I also believe the United States of America is the fairest playing field for this system of enterprise.

On the other hand, the Socialist/Marxist ideology believe that the world should not be an employer/employee relationship. They don't think one person, or one collective (a company) should do business with one another, rather an oppressor and an the oppressed. Obviously, we are not at this point yet but remember the old saying, those who do not remember history are bound to repeat it. We are going down that road in the U.S. today. The same road Russia went down before Lenin and Stalin came to power. The mentality being expressed by the woke culture expressed through Black lives matter, antifa and the like are that

the collective is more important than the individual. When the group is most important hateful things can be done to the individual in the name of the group with no remorse. We can see this play out in news reports nightly it seems with peaceful protests being hijacked by radical demonstrators who have no respect for private property or the rule of law.

THE RESPONSIBLY ARMED CITIZEN

What concerns me is when these radicals get in power. What will keep them from redefining those who are God fearing, family loving, capitalist as radical therefore a criminal who needs to be arrested. You can see one example after another where mobs get up in the face of people in restaurants yell and scream at them unless they comply with their demands raise a fist or espouse conformity to their mob. Or you see the disgusting pictures of the mob in the face of police officers who are out there trying to protect the public, being spit on, yelled at trying to get them to show some force that can be used as a clip for the news feed the next day.

As responsibly armed citizens the only thing we have at our disposal now is to try to remain calm and not let these thugs get under our skin. While armed the only time we can use our weapon is if our lives are in danger. They know this and exploit it to the max. The other arrow we have in our quiver is to vote for people who will not allow our country to be treated like this. Be sure to register and vote.

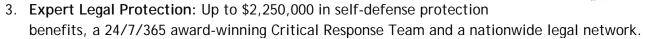
RESOURCES

As I teach in my classes the USCCA is so much more than just a self-defense insurance company. My next class is Saturday October 10th. Their membership offers the necessary resources for training that are second to none. Going to a class, getting a certificate to apply for an enhanced carry endorsement does not a responsibly armed citizen make. It requires training to build those skills. Training takes many forms, some is in the classroom, some is on the range, and some can be through study guides or videos on different subjects. These other resources are what separates the USCCA from just simple self defense insurance.

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