The following is excerpted from “Trump, the Pope, and the Wall” by Bryan Fischer, OneNewsNow, Feb. 19, 2016: “Building a wall for the safety and security of citizens cannot possibly be, in and of itself, an ungodly thing to do. If it is, we need to rip the entire book of Nehemiah out of the Bible. The Pope created a firestorm of controversy by going to our southern border and making the building of a border wall the litmus test of Christian faith. A person who thinks only about building walls, wherever they may be, and not building bridges, is not Christian. This is not the gospel. Setting aside the plain truth that the litmus test of Christian faith is what a man does with Christ, not what he thinks about a wall, the Pope has hoisted himself on his own petard here. The Vatican is surrounded by the mother of all walls, and has the stingiest citizenship and immigration policy of any sovereign state in the world. … The wall was originally built in the 800s for the same reason we need to build a wall along our southern border: to protect from invasion. Building a wall to keep people out is much different than building a wall to keep people in. One European country after another today is either building a border security fence or thinking about it because the tsunami of unvetted illegal Muslim aliens is threatening their safety and cultural identity. According to the Vatican press office, as of December 31st, 2011 the Vatican had granted citizenship to just 594 people: 71 Cardinals, 359 members of the clergy, 109 members of the Pontifical Swiss Guard, and 55 lay persons. In other words, outside of the Swiss guard, the Vatican uses a strict religious test for citizenship. The Pontiff would hardly be in a position to complain if the U.S. did the same. The Vatican is very stingy about granting refugee status to anyone. Its total contribution to solving the refugee crisis is to admit two—count ‘em, two—refugee families inside its walls, both of them Catholic.”

The following is excerpted from “Lucifer continues to be portrayed as a likable guy,” OneMillionMoms, Mar. 3, 2016: “Fox’s new drama Lucifer glorifies Satan as a caring, likable person in human flesh. The character Lucifer Morningstar makes being the devil look cool and irresistible to women. … The series focuses on Lucifer portrayed as a good guy ‘who is bored and unhappy as the Lord of Hell.’ He resigns his throne, abandons his kingdom, and retires to Los Angeles, where he gets his kicks helping the LAPD punish

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Few things are more important than for a Christian mother to be a keeper at home. Many fathers of godly grown children have told me that one of the wisest decisions they made was to keep their wives at home to be with the children. I can say that myself. My grown children can say that. The mothers of all eight of our grandkids are keepers at home, and it is paying good dividends to those families. Young families can easily use the extra income from the mother working outside the home, but God has promised to meet our needs when we put Him first (Mat. 6:33). Evangelist Billy Sunday and his wife, Nell, provide a sharp warning on this subject. In 1908, they left their three boys (age 15, 7, and 1) in the care of nannies and traveled together on the evangelism trail. Nell was Billy's campaign and business manager. Their boys turned out to be drunkards with nine marriages between them. They all died before age 40: George of suicide after being arrested for drunkenness and auto theft, Billy Jr. in a drunken car crash, Paul in the crash of an airplane he was piloting. Yet during World War I, Nell Sunday pushed for women to work outside the home. She said, “... at last, the doors of the Doll House have been opened and women have been invited to come into the great world outside.” The only Sunday child that turned out “right” was their first child, a daughter that Nell raised herself before venturing out of the home. If there aren’t children at home, of course, that is a different story. “The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed” (Titus 2:3-5).
KNOWLEDGE SHALL INCREASE

About 2,500 years ago, during the Persian Empire, an angel told the prophet Daniel, “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased” (Daniel 12:4). We are seeing a dramatic fulfillment of this in our day. Recent inventions include the following:

**Headway is being made in driverless vehicles.** Google and every major automobile company are engaged in research toward putting driverless vehicles on highways. Volvo plans to put 100 driverless cars on the streets of Gothenburg, Sweden, by 2017 (“The truth about driverless vehicles,” BBC, Oct. 13, 2014). Mines in Pilbara, Western Australia, are already using driverless heavy-duty trucks, each weighing more than 500 tons, and the U.S. Army is testing a fleet of “zombie” trucks. **Scientists at Cornell University have invented a scale that can weigh things as light as a virus or a DNA molecule.** The weight is measured by units of daltons, with one dalton being about the weight of a single proton or neutron (“How Much Does DNA Weigh?” WorldChanging.com, May 26, 2005). **The U.S. Navy has put the first weaponized laser into operation on a warship.** The 30-kilowatt laser on the USS Ponce can destroy anything from large attack boats to missiles and aircraft (“Navy declares laser weapons ready to protect ships,” Fox News, Dec. 11, 2014). The cost of a laser beam is about 59 cents as opposed to the hundreds of thousands and even millions of dollars needed to fire an interceptor missile. The Navy is planning to put much more powerful lasers on its larger warships. **The Navy is also nearing completion of an Electromagnetic Railgun** which promises to revolutionize long-range weapons. A prototype was displayed to the public for the first time in Washington, D.C., in February 2015. “The EM Railgun launcher is a long-range weapon that uses electromagnetic energy, instead of conventional chemical propellants, to fire projectiles. The electromagnetic force is so powerful that it launches the projectile up to Mach 6, firing projectiles farther and faster than current options. These projectiles reach an amazing 4,500 mph and precisely hit targets more than 100 miles away” (“US Navy’s new ‘Star Wars’-style railgun hits Mach 6,” Fox News, Feb. 5, 2015). **Researchers are nearing human testing of 3D-printed implants that can grow new body parts** (“3D-printed implant will help you grow new knee joints,” Fox News, Dec. 17, 2014). New knee joints have been grown in sheep using 3D-imprinted scaffolds infused with human growth proteins. This prompts the body to regenerate the scaffold, which deteriorates as the tissue grows back. **3D systems has unveiled the world’s first and only professionally-certified, kitchen-ready 3D food printers.** The ChefJet Pro is a large-format full-color, multi-flavor printer. The printing material comes in flavors such as chocolate, vanilla, mint, sour apple sugar, and cherry sugar.
KING GEORGE I AND HANDEL’S MUSIC

The following is excerpted from “Music and the Brain” by Laurence O’Donnell, cerebromente.org.br: “The key component of music that makes it beneficial is order. The order of the music from the baroque and classical periods causes the brain to respond in special ways. This order includes repetition and changes, certain patterns of rhythm, and pitch and mood contrasts. One key ingredient to the order of music from the baroque and classical periods is math. This is realized by the body and the human mind performs better when listening to this ordered music. One shining example of the power of order in music is King George I of England. King George had problems with memory loss and stress management. He read from the Bible the story of King Saul and recognized that Saul had experienced the same type of problems that he was experiencing. George recognized that Saul overcame his problems by using special music. With this story in mind King George asked Frederick Handel to write some special music for him that would help him in the same way that music helped Saul. Handel wrote his Water Music for this purpose.”

LUTHER AND THE IGNORANT GENTLEMEN AT ROME

We have a lot of differences with the German Reformer Martin Luther, but one of the things that we respect and appreciate from his life is his boldness for the truth as he saw it. He didn’t mess around and mince words. He was not a religious politician. He imitated Bible prophets such as Enoch (Jude 14-15) in his earnest contention for the faith. We need a lot more of this today. Here is a man who lived in a day when protest against Rome could mean imprisonment, frightful torture, even burning alive, but he could not be quieted. He nailed his protest against the pope’s indulgences to the door of a major Catholic Church. He stood before the pope’s men at the Diet of Worms and refused to back down, saying, “I cannot submit my faith either to the pope or to the councils, because it is as clear as day that they have frequently erred and contradicted each other. Unless therefore I am convinced by the testimony of Scripture, or by the clearest reasoning, and unless they thus render my conscience bound by the word of God, I cannot and I will not retract, for it is unsafe for a Christian to speak against his conscience. Here I take my stand; I cannot do otherwise: may God be my help!” Speaking of the right of the individual Christian to interpret the Bible, Luther wrote, “The Romanists profess to be the only interpreter of Scripture, even though they never learn anything contained in it their lives long. They claim authority for themselves alone, juggle with words shamelessly before our eyes, saying that the pope cannot err as to the faith, whether he be bad or good; although they cannot quote a single letter of Scripture to support their claim. Thus it comes about that so many heretical, unchristian, and even unnatural laws are contained in the canon law. ... In such a case, what is the need or the value of Holy Scripture? Let it be burned, and let us be content with the ignorant gentlemen at Rome” (Luther, Appeal to the Ruling Class).

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