# FRIDAY CHURCH NEWS NOTES

### JOSEPH LISTER'S THEORY OF ANTISEPSIS MOCKED BY MAINSTREAM SCIENCE AND CENSORED BY THE MAINSTREAM MEDIA

Journalist at Large, London, 1873 - It has come to our attention that Joseph Lister's "germ theory" has been censored by the respected media publications of our day, and rightfully so, we say. As readers probably know, Lister is the controversial surgeon at Glasgow Royal Infirmary whose "deeply religious" character makes him immediately suspect. He claims that a new antiseptic method of surgery dramatically reduces the fatality rate from about 50% to 15%, but the vast majority of scientific opinion is against the man's theories. Four years ago, the British Association, meeting at Leeds, mocked Lister's ideas, and just this year the respected medical journal The Lancet warned that the entire medical profession is against Lister's ideas. It is difficult to see how that such an august group of medical men could be wrong. We find it commendable that our all-wise, mothering media have the policy of censoring "content that contradicts the consensus of local and global health authorities" so that dangerous ideas like Lister's will not be propagated and debated. As the wise saying goes, "We must follow the science."



Surgeons Using Lister's Antiseptic Method: Joseph Lister, centre, guiding the use of the carbolic spray apparatus on the right. Photo Credit & Source: Chemistry Explained.

### YOUTUBE CENSORS ROUNDTABLE ON COVID BY SCIENTISTS FROM OXFORD, HARVARD, AND PRINCETON

The following is excerpted from "Scientists from Oxford," PIMedia, Apr. 10, 2021: "This week, YouTube [owned by Google] deleted footage of a COVID-19 roundtable discussion between Gov. Ron DeSantis (R-Fla.) and medical experts from Oxford, Stanford, and Harvard. The doctors and medical experts reportedly disputed Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance that children wear masks in school to stop the spread of COVID-19. Codv McCloud, DeSantis's press secretary, condemned the move as 'another blatant example of Big Tech attempting to silence those who disagree with their woke corporate agenda,' NBC News reported. 'YouTube claimed they removed the video "it contradicts the consensus of local and global health authorities,"

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yet this roundtable was led by world-renowned doctors and epidemiologists from Oxford, Stanford, and Harvard, all of whom are eminently qualified to speak on the global health crisis,' McCloud argued. 'Good public health policy should include a variety of scientific and technical expertise, and YouTube's decision to remove this video suppresses productive dialogue of these complex issues.' Indeed, the panel included Jay Bhattacharya, a professor of medicine at Stanford University; Dr. Martin Kulldorff, a biostatistician, epidemiologist, and professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School; Sunetra Gupta, an infectious disease epidemiologist and epidemiology professor at Oxford University; and former Trump White House COVID-19 advisor Dr. Scott Atlas.'' **CONCLUDING NOTE**: "... those seeking absolute truth or an immutable dogma should look in a field other than science" (Juan Arsuaga, *Neanderthal's Necklace*, p. 17).

# CHINA LAUNCHES HOTLINE FOR NETIZENS TO REPORT "ILLEGAL" HISTORY COMMENTS

The following is excerpted from "China Launches," Newsmax, Apr. 11, 2021: "China's cyber regulator has launched a hotline to report online comments that defame the ruling Communist Party and its history, vowing to crack down on 'historical nihilists' ahead of the Party's 100th anniversary in July. The tip line allows people to report fellow netizens who 'distort' the Party's history, attack its leadership and policies, defame national heroes and 'deny the excellence of advanced socialist culture' online, said a notice posted by an arm of the Cyberspace Administration of China (CAC) on Friday. ... 'Historical nihilism' is a phrase used in China to describe public doubt and skepticism over the Chinese Communist Party's description of past events. China's internet is tightly censored and

most foreign social media networks, search engines and news outlets are banned in the country. Netizens in China already face jail time and other legal punishments for posting content that is critical of the county's leadership, policies and history. Legal amendments released earlier this year stipulate that people who 'insult, slander or infringe upon' the memory of China's national heroes and martyrs face jail time of up to three years. Last week, authorities in the eastern Chinese province of Jiangsu detained a 19-year-old man after making 'insulting' comments online about Japan's 1937 occupation of Nanjing." CONCLUSION: We wonder if China has considered hiring Mark Zuckerberg, Jack Dorsey, and Sundar Pichai as censorship advisors?



# ALBERTA POLICE IMPOUND GRACELIFE CHURCH PROPERTY

On April 7, the property of GraceLife Church in Alberta was impounded by the government at the behest of Alberta Health Services (AHS). With a heavy show of force that included police and RCMP, authorities confiscated the church's property and erected three layers of chain link security fencing and a black tarp to obscure the entrance. The church has not followed the Covid-19 lockdown rules that limit church services to 15% building capacity and require masks and social distancing, contending that the rules restrict their ability to practice their faith. The senior pastor, James Coates, was arrested on February 16 and jailed for a draconian 35 days. He was released on March 22 but still faces a court appearance. The church continued to hold services during his incarceration. John Carpay, president of the Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms, the law firm representing the church, released the following statement on April 7: "The Alberta government has known for many months that it will be called to publicly account before the judiciary for its lockdown destruction of the Alberta economy and trampling of Albertan's civil liberties. Freedom of conscience and religion is the first fundamental freedom listed in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. It is listed first because it is one of the key bedrock principles on which Canada is built. The government has so far refused to justify the limits on worship and gathering. Health orders are inconsistent, differing from province to province, and arbitrarily created by one public health official who is under no obligation legally to advise the legislatures

of the science and rationale which supposedly are the basis of the orders." John MacArthur of Grace Community Church in California said it is "amazing to see an underground church in Canada." MacArthur said, "This is a first for the Western world, to have the government lock out believers from a church" ("MacArthur Commends 'Underground Church in Canada," The Daily Wire, Apr. 12, 2001). Of the 160,000 who have tested positive for Covid in Alberta, 2,000 have died, a fatality rate of 1.25%, but of course since only a portion of the population has been tested and since a high percentage of those infected with Covid are asymptomatic, the fatality rate is lower, probably much lower. The average age of the fatalities in Alberta is 81! Even the latest permeations of Covid hold small danger to young people. Currently there are 376 hospitalized with Covid and 90 in ICU (alberta.ca/stats). What the authorities promoting the lockdowns are not doing, it appears, is to look at the whole picture: human liberty, economy, mental health, the myriad of other medical issues beyond Covid, whether lockdowns are even effective, etc.



## A SINGLE STEP IN THE MARCH OF ETERNITY

"The material universe, in all its beauty, forms but a single link in the plans of that adorable Being who is without beginning of days or end of time; and its whole duration is but a single step in the march of that government which is from everlasting to everlasting" (*Biblical Illustrator*). "But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer" (1 Peter 4:7).

### CANADIAN FATHER JAILED FOR TALKING ABOUT COURT-ORDERED TRANSGENDERING OF HIS TEENAGE DAUGHTER

The following is excerpted from "Canadian Father," Conservative Review, Mar. 26, 2021: "On March 16 Robert Hoogland was arrested at the British Columbia Supreme Court in Vancouver for speaking against court-ordered testosterone injections for his teenage daughter. Hoogland was denied bail, and Justice Michael Tammen issued an oral decision last Friday confining Hoogland to prison until his case is tried April 12-16, 2021. [Note: Hoogland pled guilty on April 13 and accepted "a sentence of 18 months probation with one month off to reflect the time he has already spent in custody." He was facing a potential five years in prison.] Hoogland's arrest has garnered significant attention, nationally and internationally, and prompted an online petition for his release. ... As previously reported, the BC Supreme Court [in February 2019] ordered that Hoogland's daughter should begin receiving testosterone injections when she was 14 years old, regardless of parental consent. The court further declared that if either of the girl's parents referred to her 'as a girl or with female pronouns,' that parent would be considered guilty of family violence. ... Desperate to get his story heard, Hoogland began granting interviews to The Federalist and other outlets in February 2020 in which he criticized by name the doctors involved in prescribing his daughter's cross-sex hormones. ... 'What kind of father would I be if, let's say in 5, 10 years my daughter is detransitioning, and she turns to me and says ... "Why did none of you do anything to stop this? I was a child. None of you stuck your neck out for me back then. You just let me do it because I was an immature kid, thinking this was something great," he said in an interview. 'When my daughter asks me that question, I'll say ... I did everything that I possibly could. Whatever happens to me pales in comparison to what's already happened to my daughter,' he said. ... The Vancouver Cybercrime Unit compiled a lengthy police report documenting when Hoogland referred to his daughter 'as his daughter' and noting that he '[used] female pronouns numerous times.' The cybercrime report also underscored numerous interviews in which Hoogland criticized by name the doctors involved in giving his daughter testosterone. ... Towards the end of the hearing on Friday, Hoogland raised his hand to speak. 'I do love my child. That's why I did this. I did what I thought was right.' In an interview shortly before his arrest, Hoogland said what others can do about his case is: 'Pray--anybody can pray.' And, 'Educate people. Tell people what's going on ... talk to your neighbor and say, Hey, this is what's going on in the world. To even do a simple thing like that ... that's commendable; that's courage to me. To even do a simple thing like that."

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