

PROPAGANDA DEALING WITH DECEIT

Fallacies, fables, myths and mysteries constantly surround us. The media and political elite are always attempting to rewrite history and undermine Biblical Christianity to suit their agenda.

"And war broke out in Heaven... that serpent of old, called the devil and satan who deceives the whole world..." Rev 12:7

—by Peter Hammond

GOD IS TRUTH. GOD'S WORD IS TRUTH. JESUS CHRIST IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE

Satan is deceiving the nations. Multi-media has become one of the greatest weapons of warfare in the battle for our minds. Education teaches you **how** to think. Indoctrination teaches you **what** to think. The ability to think critically is becoming less and less common; we are being subjected to the greatest flood of misinformation and disinformation in the history of mankind.

Misinformation is error, either as a result of sincere mistakes or typographical errors. Frequently trusting in unreliable sources results in misunderstanding the facts of a matter. **Disinformation** is the intentional distortion of events or issues. While misinformation is unintentional, disinformation is intentional; in fact, Communist governments establish departments of disinformation to manufacture deceit and confuse the issues.

IT'S VERY DEAR TO ME,
THE ISSUE OF
GAY MARRIAGE.
OR, AS I LIKE TO CALL IT:
'MARRIAGE.'
YOU KNOW, BECAUSE I HAD
LUNCH THIS AFTERNOON, NOT
GAY LUNCH. I PARKED MY CAR;
I DIDN'T GAY PARK IT.
(LIZ FELDMAN)

Pervasive propaganda

Propaganda, the calculated manipulation of public opinion to serve political and ideological interests is pervasive. Propaganda aims to do other peoples thinking for them. Propaganda today has moved into **Prop-Agenda**, not only controlling what we think, but how we think, and what we think about. If you don't support gay rights or the notion of "sexual orientation", then you are a homophobic, narrow-minded, hateful bigot!

When wrong is called right

If you don't accept the politically correct fairy tale for grown ups, "Evolution", then you are unscientific. "A whole lot of time and a whole lot of nothing made everything. From goo, to the Zoo, to you. From mud, to monkeys, to man". If you demand evidence of these unproven assertions, or advocate Intelligent Design, then you are

YOU WRITE WHAT
YOU'RE TOLD!



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an ignorant, unscientific fool and you are too dangerous to allow as a teacher or lecturer in government schools and colleges.

Reframing the way people think

If you oppose abortion, then you are against women's rights! If you insist on calling it the killing of a baby, you may be prosecuted for hate speech. It is a Product of Conception (POC) and we need to refer to it as Termination of Pregnancy (TOP) - not aborting the baby!

If you insist on equal rights for unborn babies, then you are anti-choice and should expect to never be promoted or appointed to any senior position in a government hospital.

In a time of universal deceit, telling the truth becomes a revolutionary act.

Propaganda is everywhere

In a media-saturated world, propaganda has taken on a sophisticated and subtle form. It is no longer obvious when we are being manipulated.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ... RACIAL DISCRIMINATION?

Euphemisms

Secular humanist indoctrination requires that you use the politically correct euphemisms: racial discrimination is often masked as Black Economic Empowerment and Affirmative Action. Sexual perversion is to be called 'Alternative Lifestyles'. Looting of farms and murder of farmers is officially 'Land Reform'.

Killing of babies is to be called 'Removal of the Product of Conception' or 'Termination of Pregnancy'. Killing old or sick people is to be called Euthanasia. Censorship is to be called the 'Information Bill'. George Orwell in his book '1984', described it as: Newspeak and Thought Control.

The manufacture of consent

As American journalist Walter Lippmann, wrote: "The art of democracy requires the manufacture of consent." Karl Marx declared: "The first battlefield is the rewriting of history."

Vladimir Lenin, in his book: 'What Is To Be Done', required the Communist Party to use propaganda to indoctrinate the educated and intelligent masses, and agitation – the use of slogans, stories and selected half-truths to exploit the grievances of the uneducated and ignorant masses".



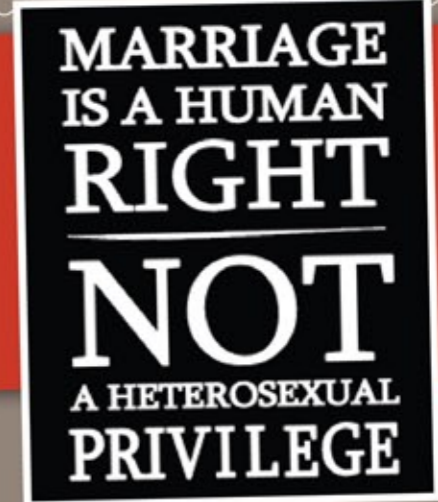
Repeat this propaganda mantra:

"Islam is a peaceful and tolerant religion!" If you dare to suggest that Islam can be violent and intolerant then you are a mean, intolerant, Islamaphobe! (and you may receive death threats or worse).



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"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32

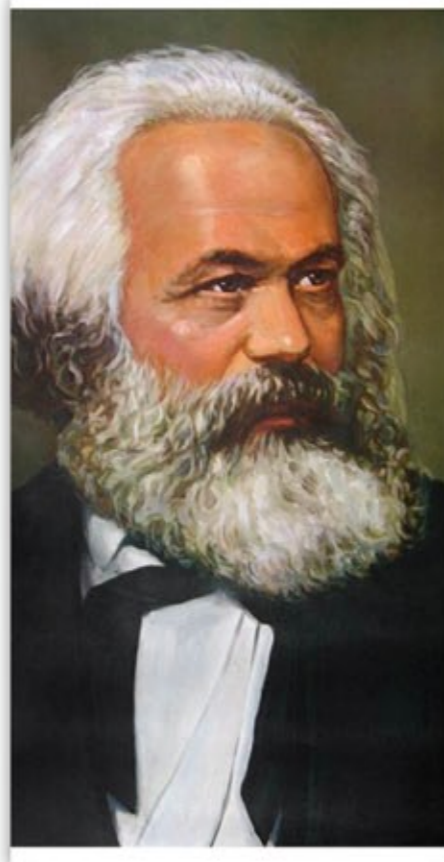


Justifying deceit

Every unit in the Communist Party is to have an Agit-Prop section. As Vladimir Lenin taught: "Deceit in propaganda is justified, because the end justifies the means. Treaties are like pie crusts, made to be broken. To tell the truth is a petty bourgeois habit, but to lie and to lie convincingly is a sign of superior intelligence."

As Walter Lippmann wrote in 'Public Opinion': "The simple minded and sheep-like people need to be led by a specialised class of enlightened elites. The goal is: the making of one general will out of multitude of general wishes." As Edward Bernays of the Committee of Public Information (CPI) declared: "The public must be regimented."

Sir Winston Churchill, the British Prime Minister during World War II asserted: "In war time, truth is so precious, that she should always be attended by a bodyguard of lies."



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The Communist Manifesto

Daily deception

On almost any given day you will be confronted with deception. Certainly through the news media and the entertainment industry. Deceit is their stock and trade. As has been observed, you can always tell when a politician is lying, his lips move. An even when he dies, he lies still.

Identifying propaganda

There are numerous tell tale signs that you can look for to identify deception in propaganda. Propaganda can be subtle, but it is aimed at your emotions. Over simplification, emotionalisation and sentimentality are all dead giveaways of deceit. Propagandists tend to reuse short, catchy slogans to communicate their agenda. Its repetivity begins to sound something like a mantra.

When you come across forcefulness and the authoritarian implied condemnation of any alternative viewpoint, then you are ensured that you are dealing with indoctrination, not education.

Propaganda commonly ignores the historical context, uses selective stories and a narrow source of experts, those who tow the party line. Propaganda demonises the enemy and uses such a narrow focus that you could describe it as using the zoom lens rather than the wide-angle lens of context.

Only one side of story is told

The "always", or "never" type of extremism also frequently rears its head in propaganda. There is only one side of the story when it comes to classic propaganda, hence why we must identify the bias and know how to detect deception.

Criminalising dissent

Propaganda often intimidates readers, listeners or viewers into joining the herd by using prejudicial and harsh labels for anyone who disagrees with the party line. This stampede into rubber stamping the prescribed agenda is a hallmark of all propaganda: "All thinking people agree!" "No one in their right mind would deny!" "Scientists have confirmed!" "All tolerant people confirm..." Lies, omissions and distortions are a hallmark of propaganda. There are frequently logical fallacies and inconsistencies if one looks for them. When laws need to be passed criminalising those who disagree with any given piece of indoctrination, then you know that it must be a lie. The truth does not need to bully people into chanting a mantra of agreement.

- 1 Ignoring the historic context
- 2 Using selective stories
- 3 Utilising a narrow source of experts
- 4 Demonising the enemy
- 5 Using a narrow lens; misrepresenting context



Hypocrites

In 1984, George Orwell wrote of 'Thought Crimes'. Today one is getting to the stage where if you disagree with, for example, perversion, you can be accused of a 'hate crime!' Those who claimed to stand for freedom became the most oppressive regime in history. Those who claimed to want to uplift the poor, actually oppressed the needy worse than any other state in history. Those who claimed to champion world peace, caused more war, bloodshed and massacres of civilians than any other movement in history. "Though they talk of freedom, they themselves are slaves of corruption." 2 Pet 2:19. »



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"The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity."
Proverbs 11:3

Justifying deceit

Under the 'Duties Required in the Ninth Commandment', the Westminster Larger Catechism lists: "The Duty of preserving and promoting truth. The duty to stand for the truth and to do so from the heart. The duty to speak the truth and only the truth in matters of judgement and justice, at all times. The duty to study and practice everything true."

Enemies of truth

Under the 'Sins Forbidden in the Ninth Commandment', the Westminster Standards includes: "The sin of giving false evidence, lying, concealing the truth, misconstruing intentions, exaggerating minor faults and perverting the truth to a wrong meaning."

Global warming! Sexism! Racism! Black Economic Empowerment. Affirmative Action. Alternative Lifestyles. Evolution. Atheism. Socialism. If you agree with the world on these issues then satan has deceived you.

The Scripture teaches us that satan is deceiving the nations. If we find ourselves in full agreement with the United Nations, we need to stop and carefully consider where we have been deceived. ■

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Deceptive agendas

Jargon is also used to obscure the truth. Civilian casualties are referred to as "collateral damage". Murder is frequently "liquidation". Terror bombing of cities is called "Saturation Bombing" or "Strategic Bombing Campaign". Starvation of civilian populations is called "an economic blockade", or "sanctions".

Scientology speaks about those people who have gone through their programmes as "clear". Those who have not are labelled toxic! Frequently we are encouraged "If it feels good, do it!", or "follow your heart!" Yet the Book of Proverbs warns us that those who trust in their own heart are fools! Jesus Christ said: "You shall know the Truth and the Truth shall make you free." John 8:32

In the past they used posters, today photoshop, film and amateur web blogs are tools of the trade.



Lenin defined propaganda as "the use of historical and scientific arguments to indoctrinate the educated and intelligent masses." How often do people undermine Biblical principles and values by using the exact same tactics? ■

It is absolutely essential that we know the truth of history to recognise the lies of propaganda and indoctrination. We need to study God's Word in the Bible so that we can be freed from the deceptions of the world, the flesh and the devil.

