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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare [are] not fleshly but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ. And they will be ready to punish all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled. (2 *Corinthians* 10:3-6)

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## Your Land, Strangers Devour It in Your Presence: Antichrist's Destructive Doctrine of Immigration, Part 2

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### Globalism

“The Vatican calls for One World Government. Really.”<sup>1</sup> Thus read the nearly the breathless headline of a 2011 article by Rod Dreher in *The American Conservative*. Dreher, who by this time was an ex-Catholic,<sup>2</sup> seemed genuinely shocked, SHOCKED, to find globalism in the Roman Catholic Church.

Wrote Dreher,

Here is news about a new economic policy statement from the Vatican. Lots of good stuff (*sic*) in the document about abuses in the neoliberal world economy, and the need for reform. But then there's this, from Reuters:

The Vatican called for the establishment of “a supranational authority” with worldwide scope and “universal

jurisdiction” to guide economic policies and decisions.

Such an authority should start with the United Nations as its reference point but later become independent and be endowed with the power to see to it that developed countries were not allowed to wield “excessive power over the weaker countries”.<sup>3</sup>

Note well that the Vatican's use of the globalist terms “supranational authority” and “universal jurisdiction,” which are meant to keep developed countries from wielding “excessive power over the weaker countries.”

Commenting on the Reuters report, Dreher continues,

World peace can be ours if we only submit to a one-world government that manages our lives and our finances. But who will lead this new international order to guarantee peace and prosperity? Who, oh who?

Lord have mercy. What was once only in the febrile prophetic imagination of Jack Chick and

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<sup>1</sup> Rod Dreher, “Vatican Calls for One World Government. Really,” *The American Conservative*, October 24, 2011, accessed October 25, 2022, <https://www.theamericanconservative.com/vatican-calls-for-one-world-government-really/>.

<sup>2</sup> Dreher is a bit of a religious chameleon. According to his Wikipedia entry, he was raised a Methodist, converted to Roman Catholicism in 1993, and then later moved on to Eastern Orthodoxy in 2006.

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<sup>3</sup> Philip Puella, “UPDATE 2-Vatican urges economic reforms, condemns collective greed,” *Reuters*, October 24, 2011, accessed October 25, 2022, <https://www.reuters.com/article/idUKL5E7LO1LS20111024>

Hal Lindsey is now a press release from the Vatican. A friend (who is not Evangelical) writes:

This is going to FREAK the evangelicals out. But it makes me wonder what the heck is going on in the minds of these Vaticanites! Don't they have a clue how the world will perceive (*sic*) this? One world authority?? Really?

Count me with the Evangelicals. It freaks me out too and will freak out many Orthodox Christians. I bet it has the same effect on not a few Catholics as well. Maybe Malachi Martin wasn't such a conspiracy freak after all....

Obviously, Dreher lacked an Historicist understanding of *Revelation*, in particular its teaching about the identity of the pope of Rome as the Antichrist, man of sin, and son of perdition. Had Dreher read *Revelation* with Historicist glasses and understood a short article on the Vatican's website about the papal tiara, he would not have had to ask the question "Who, oh who?" would lead the one-world government proposed in the Vatican's press release.

According to the Holy See Press Office, "the Papal Tiara...symboliz[es] the triple power of the Pope: father of kings, governor of the world and Vicar of Christ."<sup>4</sup> It also tells us, "Use of the Tiara, a ritual during solemn ceremonies, was abandoned during the Papacy of Paul VI." But while we are told that the use of the Tiara has been abandoned, we are not told that the popes of Rome have abandoned their claims to "the triple power" symbolized by the Tiara.<sup>5</sup> *Semper eadem*, always the same, is the motto of Rome. And at least in this case, we should take Rome at her word.

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<sup>4</sup> Holy See Press Office, "Tiara" updated March 4, 2001, accessed October 25, 2022, [https://www.vatican.va/news\\_services/press/documentazione/documents/sp\\_ss\\_scv/insigne/triregno\\_en.html](https://www.vatican.va/news_services/press/documentazione/documents/sp_ss_scv/insigne/triregno_en.html). This article notes, "the bronze statue of Saint Peter [in Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome] is crowned [with a Tiara] every June 29<sup>th</sup>, the feast day of the Saint."

<sup>5</sup> The crowning of Saint Peter's statue in Rome every June 29<sup>th</sup> with the Tiara (see note 4), seems to imply that all Peter's successors who sit in his chair also wield the triple power symbolized by it.

The question now before us is this, how do the megalomaniacal claims of the popes of Rome to rule the world tie in with Rome's destructive doctrine of immigration? To answer this question, let us return to a document we've already looked at, "[Roman]Catholic Social Teaching on Immigration and the Movement of Peoples" by Catholic priest Thomas Betz.<sup>6</sup>

Betz noted that there are, "three basic principles of [Roman] Catholic Social Teaching on Immigration." Principle one we've already looked at, "People have the right to migrate to sustain their lives and the lives of their families."

The second principle of [Roman] Catholic social teaching on immigration is, "A country has the right to regulate its borders and to control immigration." Now like many statements of the Roman Church-State, this principle appears to concede ground, in this case too it seems to acknowledge the authority of national governments to set immigration policy. But as is so often the case, what Rome gives with one hand, it takes away with the other. Just as Rome sometimes appears to support private property rights, but in reality, she subverts them with her doctrine of the universal destination of all goods, so too does Rome appear to acknowledge the authority of national governments while at the same time undercutting the very authority she seems to support.

Rome's third principle of Roman Catholic social teaching on immigration is "a country must regulate its borders with justice and mercy." What does this mean in practice? Betz continues,

A nation may not simply decide that it wants to provide for its own people and no others. A sincere commitment to the needs of all must prevail...Justice dictates that the world community contribute resources toward shelter, food, medical services, and basic welfare.... Even in the case of less urgent migrations, a developed nation's right to limit immigration

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<sup>6</sup> Thomas Betz, "Catholic Social Teaching on Immigration and the Movement of Peoples," United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, accessed October 25, 2022, <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/catholic-teaching-on-immigration-and-the-movement-of-peoples>.

must be based on justice, mercy, and the common good, not on self-interest.... Moreover, immigration policy ought to take into account other important values such as the right of families to live together....<sup>7</sup> Undocumented immigrants present a special concern.... The [Roman] Catholic Church teaches that every person has basic human rights and is entitled to have basic human needs met—food, shelter, clothing, education, and health care....<sup>8</sup>

So “a country must regulate its border with justice and mercy” (note the imperative “must,” there is no ethical option not to do this) turns out to mean that national governments must force their citizens to pay for the “food, shelter, clothing, education, and health care” of however many migrants “justice dictates.” But justice doesn’t speak for itself. So, we are led to echo Rod Dreher’s question, who, oh who determines what “justice dictates?” Who says whether a nation is regulating its borders with “justice and mercy?” It’s fascinating how officials of the Roman Church-State can make sweeping statements about what nations must do, while at the same time seeming to never explicitly state who determines whether national governments are behaving properly. But in truth, Rome has made very clear who has the final say. Pro tip, he’s the same guy who claims to be, “the father of kings, governor of the world and Vicar of Christ.” When a pope tells mere kings, presidents, and prime ministers to jump, their only

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<sup>7</sup> This makes clear where all the cries about “family separation come from.”

<sup>8</sup> During a debate of democratic presidential candidates in 2020, a show of hands question was posed to all the candidates asking them if their government healthcare plans would provide care for “undocumented immigrants” (*i.e.*, illegal aliens). All ten candidates, including eventual winner Joe Biden, raised their hands to the thunderous applause of the audience, “All Democrats Say Their Health Plan Would Cover Undocumented Immigrants,” NBC News 2020 Democratic Presidential Candidates Debate, June 27, 2019, accessed October 25, 2022, <https://youtu.be/aMSmoNOZJ9Y>. On June 30, 2022, Jesuit educated California Governor Gavin Newsom signed a bill, to make all low-income adults eligible for the state’s Medicaid program by 2024 regardless of their immigration status,” Adam Beam and Don Thompson, *Associated Press*, June 20, 2022, accessed October 25, 2022, <https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2022-06-30/california-first-to-cover-health-care-for-all-immigrants>.

proper response in the eyes of Rome is to ask, “how high your holiness?”

With this in mind, we can answer the question we posed earlier, how do the megalomaniacal claims of the popes of Rome to rule the world tie in with Rome’s destructive doctrine of immigration? The answer is that the popes seek to use immigration as a way of asserting control of a nation’s immigration policy and use it as a wedge to then assert control over other aspects of national policy. Put differently, Rome is attempting to use immigration as a means of regaining the control of the nations of the Earth that it lost following the Protestant Reformation. Put still another way, Roman Catholic social teaching on immigration is designed to weaken independent nation states and to advance globalism, which is alternatively known as the New World Order or the Great Reset.

There is perhaps nothing in all the world that the popes of Rome hate more than nations that do not jump when they tell them to. When the Peace of Westphalia, the treaty that settled the Thirty Year’s War, was signed in 1648, it ended the tyranny of papal rule in much of Europe and instituted a whole new system of international relations known as the Westphalian World Order. Just what is the Westphalian World Order? When I tell you, you’ll probably say it’s common sense. But understand, it took the Protestant Reformation and a thirty year-long pan-European war to bring it about. The Westphalian World Order is “A global system based on the principle of international law that each state has sovereignty over its territory and domestic affairs, to the exclusion of all external powers, on the principle of non-interference in another country’s domestic affairs, and that each state (no matter how large of small) is equal in international law.”<sup>9</sup> Put more simply, the Westphalian World Order tells nation states to mind their own business and not to interfere in the domestic matters of other nations. President Millard Fillmore captured the spirit of the Westphalian World Order in his 1850 State of the Union address where he argued, “The great law of morality ought to have a national as

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<sup>9</sup> Course Hero, Boundless World History, “Nation-States and Sovereignty,” accessed October 26, 2022, <https://www.coursehero.com/study-guides/boundless-worldhistory/nation-states-and-sovereignty/>.

well as a personal and individual application. We should act toward other nations as we wish them to act toward us.”<sup>10</sup>

As you may expect, Innocent X, the pope at the time of the signing of the Peace of Westphalia, did not appreciate having his authority in international affairs so greatly reduced. The papal Antichrists love lording their power over the nations. Writing in his papal Bull *Zelo Domus Dei* (“Zeal of the house of God”) Pope Innocent X thundered that the Peace of Westphalia was, “null, void, invalid, iniquitous, unjust, damnable, reprobate, inane, empty of meaning and effect for all time.”<sup>11</sup> As the saying goes, now tell us what you really think.

Some have argued that the Westphalian World Order in which each nation state is treated like a legal person in international law is not a necessary deduction from the Scriptures. But in the opinion of this author, the Bible does imply such a system of international relations. Consider that it was the Lord himself who broke up the first globalist empire when he scattered the people at the Tower of Babel. Why did the Lord do this? The Apostle Paul gave one reason in his famous Mars Hill address: “And He [God] has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their pre-appointed times and boundaries of their dwellings, so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him” (*Acts 17:26-27*). Note well, God divided the world up into nations, “so that they should seek the Lord.” It seems that there is something about worldwide empires that makes men more impressed by their own accomplishments

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<sup>10</sup> President Millard Fillmore, in office from 1850 until 1853, is often the butt of jokes. Perhaps his name has something to do with it. Perhaps it’s because, for whatever reason, he is considered “uninspiring.” In any case, his 1850 State of the Union address contains one of the best statements on foreign policy this author has seen. Fillmore wrote, “The great law of morality ought to have a national as well as a personal and individual application. We should act toward other nations as we wish them to act toward us,” Uri Friedman, “Ron Paul invokes the...Millard Fillmore doctrine?” *Foreign Policy*, January 17, 2012, accessed October 26, 2022, <https://foreignpolicy.com/2012/01/17/ron-paul-invokes-the-millard-fillmore-doctrine/>.

<sup>11</sup> *World Religions and Democracy*, edited by Larry Diamond, Marc F. Plattner and Philip J. Costopoulos, Johns Hopkins Press, 2005.

than with their Creator. Perhaps limiting the power of human government helps to drive men to seek for God. Now the phrase “every nation of men” can be understood to mean what we today would call “people groups” rather than nation states in the Westphalian sense. But what is a nation state if not the political expression of a people group? If we accept that definition of nation state, then the Westphalian World Order serves the purpose of God as a means of helping men to seek the Lord rather than relying on their own strength and cleverness or being overly impressed with the own accomplishments. The Westphalian World Order also helps serve as a bulwark against tyranny, as it sets up multiple, completing centers of power in contrast with an empire, in which a central authority dictates what everyone should think and how everyone should live.

It was mentioned above that the logic of Rome’s three basic principles of [Roman] Catholic social teaching imply that the pope of Rome will have the final say in determining whether a nation is regulating its borders with “justice and mercy.” In effect, this allows the popes to override the decisions of a nation’s elected officials in favor of Rome’s own policies, meaning that Antichrist, not Congress, not the president, and not the American people is in charge of American immigration policy. This is globalism; this is the New World Order; this is the rise of Antichrist.

There are many examples of Pope Francis attempting to impose the Church-State’s costly and destructive welfare migrant agenda on the nations of the world. Recall that Giulivo Tassarolo admitted to the “enormous cost” of the Church’s migration policy called for in Pius XII’s apostolic exhortation *Exsul Familia*, a cost that is paid for by national governments robbing their own citizens to pay for the “food, shelter, clothing, education, and health care” of foreign migrants.

One example of this phenomenon is from recent United States history. In response to the 2014 invitation from then Speaker of the House John Boehner and Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, both of whom are Roman Catholics, Pope Francis came to the United States in September of 2015 and became

the first pope to address Congress.<sup>12</sup> During his speech, he lectured Congress, and by extension the American people, that they must “not be taken aback” by the numbers of illegal aliens coming across our border, whom the Roman Church-State’s social teaching obligates the American people to support with their tax dollars. Francis attempted to cloak his call for robbing the American people in the Christian language by appealing to the Golden Rule. But government welfare is not Christian charity. Christian charity is the voluntary giving of one’s own things; government welfare is the forceable taking from one man and the giving of his property to another. It would seem as if Pope Francis got his wish with the inauguration of President Biden, whose policies immediately began to flood America with illegal aliens almost as soon as he took office, a flood which shows no sign of abating nearly two years later.

Hungary is another example of Rome targeting a nation with its destructive doctrine of immigration. So far, it is one of the few nations in the world to successfully resist the Roman Church-State’s demands to allow mass welfare migration, and the reason for its success is, in my opinion, due to the Calvinism of Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán. It is not widely known that Orbán is a Calvinist,<sup>13</sup> and it is his Calvinism that drives his understanding of his role as head of state. Orbán has the now nearly unheard-of idea that his job as head of state is to manage the affairs of Hungary for the benefit of the Hungarian people and not for the globalists who seek their destruction. In short, Orbán is among the few world leaders who believes in the principles of the Westphalian World Order, and this is the reason he is hated by the Western globalist elite.

Naturally, Orbán’s views of the role of the nation state put him at odds with Pope Francis on the issue of immigration. In September 2021, Pope Francis visited Hungary and, as he did the United

States in 2015, he proceeded to lecture Hungary on its need to “extend its arms toward everyone.”<sup>14</sup> Put in less metaphorical terms, Francis was demanding that Orbán allow Hungary – a nation with a long Protestant heritage dating back to Jan Hus in the 15<sup>th</sup> century – to be overrun with Muslim migrants and to force the Hungarian people to foot the bill for their own and for their nation’s destruction in the same manner as many other European nations have done.

Orbán’s successful resistance to the pope’s demands that he destroy Hungary with a Muslim welfare migrant flood is one of the few encouraging examples of Christian statesmanship in an otherwise very dark time. Here in the United States, we daily witness the practice of Rome’s destructive immigration doctrine, a doctrine that has been put into effect by a Roman Catholic president with close ties to the Jesuits.<sup>15</sup> May the Lord grant his people in the United States the eyes to see what is being done to them and the wisdom to take effective action to put a stop to the evil and destructive immigration policies of the Roman Church-State and of Antichrist.

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<sup>12</sup> Jake Sherman, “Boehner, Pelosi Extend Invite to Pope,” *Politico* March 14, 2014, accessed October 28, 2022, <https://www.politico.com/story/2014/03/john-boehner-pope-francis-congress-104635>.

<sup>13</sup> Capstone Report, “Viktor Orbán is the World’s Most Powerful Calvinist,” January 20, 2020, accessed October 28, 2022, <https://capstonereport.com/2020/01/20/viktor-orban-is-the-worlds-most-powerful-calvinist/33756/>.

<sup>14</sup> Chico Harlan, “Pope Francis, during visit, urges Viktor Orbán’s Hungary to ‘extend its arms toward everyone,’” *The Washington Post*, September 12, 2021, accessed October 28, 2022, <https://wapo.st/3FJNZdN>.

<sup>15</sup> Ralph Ovdal, “Romanizing America through Illegal Immigration,” April 10, 2006, accessed October 28, 2022, <https://www.pccmonroe.org/romanizing-america-through-illegal-immigration.html> accessed 10/28/2022.