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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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Antichrist's Illegal Alien Assault on America By Steven T. Matthews

"Your land, strangers devour it in your presence" (*Isaiah* 1:9).

"It's a total free for all in Eagle Pass right now. Mass illegal crossing taking place for over an hour and a half. Almost 2 years to the day we saw 15,000+ Haitians under the bridge in Del Rio, we now have thousands of predominantly Venezuelans gathering under Eagle Pass bridge."

That was a recent post on X (formerly Twitter) from Fox News' Bill Melugin, one of the few, perhaps the only, legacy media reporters who's consistently covered the illegal alien disaster taking plan on America's southwest border. A disaster, the proximate cause of which is the policies of the current presidential administration.

A *New York Times* article¹ written the same day as Melugin's post, September 20, 2023, reported that "Thousands of migrants crossed into the small city of Eagle Pass, Texas, from Mexico on Wednesday, crowding onto the bank of the Rio Grande and under an international bridge in what officials describe as an unfolding crisis."

In a town hall on September 6, 2023,² New York mayor Eric Adams caused quite a stir when he ripped the Biden Administration for providing "no support" to the city for the burgeoning illegal alien crisis and said, "This issue [the illegal alien crisis] will destroy New York City. Destroy New York City." Given the scale of the illegal alien crisis in his city, it's hard to argue with Mayor Adams' assessment.

Many more such headlines can easily be found, but the three cited above are sufficient to give a sense of just how serious the illegal alien crisis in the United States has become as of September 2023. Rather than quote more headlines of mass border crossings, illegal aliens raping and murdering Americans, human trafficking, and cartel drug running – all of which are an outrage to any Christian – let's ask this question, who is driving the treasonous immigration disaster on our southern border?

Reading only the headlines will never give you a sense of who's driving America's illegal alien disaster. Even digging down into the stories themselves will not get you to the bottom of it. This is true not only of reports from legacy media outlets but even of those from independent journalists. As an example of the latter, consider a recent video from popular YouTube news commentator Tim Pool. In a recent video,³ Pool talked about the ravages of the ongoing border crisis, saying, "What will make it [America] worse? Open borders where various random groups of people from a bunch of different

¹ "Officials Scramble to Respond as Migrants Overwhelm Texas City" by J. David Goodman, Edgar Sandoval, Miriam Jordan, and Eileen Sullivan, *The New York Times*, Sept. 20, 2023, https://www.nytimes.com/2023/09/20/us/texas-border-eagle-passmigrants.html, viewed 9/24/2023.

² "Mayor Adams warns migrant crisis will 'destroy' NYC, rips Biden for failing to help" by Nicholas McEntyre, *New York Post*, Sept. 7,

^{2023,} https://nypost.com/2023/09/07/nyc-mayor-adams-says-migrant -crisis-will-destroy-the-city-during-town-hall/, viewed 9/24/2023.

³ "STATE OF EMERGENCY Declared In Texas As THOUSAND (*sic*) Of Illegals (*sic*) Immigrants STORM US Border" by Tim Pool, September 20, 2023, https://youtu.be/KmbIndcXVPw?si=5Z13 dzk4kRwOPZUp&t=219, viewed 9/24/2023.

countries come here to extract the resources, and that's why you are seeing outrage in New York City." Pool does a good job reporting on the magnitude of America's border disaster, but he has nothing to say about the origin of the policy that is driving it. And make no mistake about it. The illegal alien assault on America's southwest border is not, as some would have you believe, a natural phenomenon. Neither is it the result of "climate change" as some government officials and even Pope Francis have claimed.⁴ Rather, it is the result of a deliberate government policy.

All practice – and this includes the practice of flooding America with illegal aliens – is the practice of some prior theory. When it comes to the American illegal alien crisis, we need to seek the source of the ideas that have led to the flooding of our nation with millions of illegal aliens over just the past two and a half years. Once we have located the source of those ideas, we likewise will have found the source of the crisis.

And what is the source of the theory that is causing the illegal alien assault on America? The very first quotation above gives it away, although it may not be obvious on the surface. The source of the ideas driving America's illegal alien disaster is the Roman Catholic Church-State.

Let's go back and look at that first quotation from Bill Melugin.

It's a total free for all in Eagle Pass right now. Mass illegal crossing taking place for over an hour and a half. Almost 2 years to the day we saw 15,000+ Haitians under the bridge in Del Rio, we now have thousands of predominantly Venezuelans gathering under Eagle Pass bridge.

I'd like to draw your attention to the third sentence in the quote where Melugin writes, "Almost 2 years to the day we saw 15,000+ Haitians under the bridge in Del Rio,⁵ now we have thousands of predominantly Venezuelans gather under Eagle Pass bridge."

Interesting, isn't it? Almost exactly two years apart, a similar event is taking place, the massing of huge numbers of migrants under a bridge on America's southwest border. Is there a link between them? I think there is. It's not stated in Bill Melugin's post or in any other post or article that I have read either from the mainstream media or from the independent media. What is that link? It's National Migration Week (NMW) and the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR), two annual events celebrated by the Roman Church-State every September. The mass border rush of the Haitians occurred at the time of the 2021 NMW and WDMR, and the current crush of illegal aliens from Venezuela is taking place during NMW and the WDMR in 2023.

Worth noting is that the United States is not the only nation experiencing a migrant surge in connection with the WDMR. The Italian Island of Lampedusa is experiencing what could reasonably be called an invasion, with CNN reporting that 7,000 "migrants" (their term) had arrived in a period of two days, and this on an island with a population of 6,000.⁶ Worth noting is that Pope Francis himself paid a visit to the island in 2013 and recently commemorated his visit with a letter to Archbishop Alessandro Damiano.⁷

Now one would suppose that some reporter out there would draw a connection between NMW, the WDMR, and illegal alien surges on America's southwest border. But in all the pieces that I have read – I do not claim to have read them all, but I do follow the immigration issue closely – I have yet to see one person draw that connection.

The Lord must give people eyes to see and ears to hear the truth or they will miss it. For over a hundred years now, the American Protestant church has been

⁴ "Pope Francis brings spotlight to climate migration: 'Many are being devoured in conditions that make it impossible to survive" by Catherine Clifford, CNBC, April 1, 2021, https://www.cnbc.com/2021/04/01/pope-francis-on-climate-migration -many-are-being-devoured.html, viewed 9/24/2023.

⁵ You may recall there was a big fuss in 2021 related to the accusation that agents of the Border Patrol had whipped the Haitian illegal aliens. The agents were later cleared but not after a media campaign against them that included the President saying "People will pay" for the supposed whipping that never occurred.

⁶ "7,000 people arrive on Italian island of 6,000 as migrant crisis overwhelms Lampedusa" by Barbie Latza Nadeau, Chris Liakos, Claudia Colliva, and Sharon Braithwaite, CNN, September 15, 2023, https://www.cnn.com/2023/09/15/europe/italy-lampedusa-migrant-crisis-intl/index.html, viewed 9/24/2023.

⁷ "Pope urges solidarity with migrants on 10th anniversary of Lampedusa visit" by Devin Watkins, *Vatican News*, July 8, 2023, https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2023-07/pope-francis-letter-tenth-anniversary-lampedusa-italy-visit.html, viewed 9/24/2023.

blinded to the present reality of the papal Antichrist and his evil deeds and thus fails to see his work, even as he sets about destroying their country right in front of their noses, or "in their presence" as the prophet Isaiah put it, via an illegal alien invasion of historic proportions.

There's another possible reason for the failure of the American media to draw proper connections between immigration events such as the recent border surge and the policies and politics of the Roman Catholic Church: fear of criticizing Rome. It seems highly unlikely to this author, given Rome's open and repeated encouragement of mass, illegal immigration, that the nation's entire press corps is ignorant of the central role the Roman Church-State plays in this phenomenon. Yet there is nothing but thunderous silence from the press, both the legacy media and independent news organizations. Perhaps the people who run these organizations are more solicitous of being labeled "anticatholic" or offending supporters and advertisers than they are about speaking the truth concerning Rome and its seditious immigration activities.

In his book *The Incarnation*, Gordon Clark criticized the Council of Chalcedon for its failure to define the terms it used in the famous creed it produced. "Discard or define," was Clark's slogan. John Robbins put the same thought this way, if you don't define your terms, you don't know what you're talking about. So, in the spirit of Clark and Robbins, I'd like to take time to define the terms used in the title of this talk.

Antichrist

My definition of Antichrist is that which was accepted by nearly all Protestants before the 20^{th} century. Antichrist is the office of the papacy. The original language of the *Westminster Confession of Faith* summed up this view quite nicely in Chapter 25.6. It reads, "There is no other head of the church but the Lord Jesus Christ: nor can the Pope of Rome, in any sense be head thereof: but is that Antichrist, that man of sin and son of perdition, that exalteth

himself in the Church against Christ, and all that is called God." But this language was altered in the 1903 revision of the *Confession* by the Presbyterian Church USA to remove the language identifying the pope as "Antichrist," "man of sin," and "son of perdition."

Two of the best Presbyterian theologians of the 20th century did not offer much in the way of objection to the removal of this language from the *Confession*. Writing in the November 28, 1936 issue of the *Presbyterian Guardian*, J. Gresham Machen commented that the edition of the *Confession* adopted by the Presbyterian Church of America⁸ was the same as the doctrinal standards that existed in 1902, "except that two brief statements – one declaring the Pope to be Antichrist and the other declaring it to be sinful to refuse an oath when the civil magistrate requires it, are omitted."⁹

B.B. Warfield noted in his article "The Confession of Faith as Revised in 1903" that "The motive of the revisers seems to have been to avoid calling the Pope of Rome 'that antichrist, that man of sin, and son of perdition, that exalteth himself in the church against Christ and all that is called God' – which does seem rather strong language. Why the revisers wished to avoid applying these terms to the Pope of Rome we can only conjecture. But their avoidance of it need not imply that they - some or all of them - felt prepared to deny that the Pope of Rome is the Antichrist of Scripture."¹⁰ As do many Biblebelieving Presbyterians, I count myself an admirer of B.B. Warfield, but these comments from him are disappointing. The most likely reason that the revisers excised the language identifying the Pope of Rome as Antichrist, man of sin, and son of perdition is the very one Warfield denies was their motive, that they – some or all of them – were prepared to deny that the Pope of Rome was the Antichrist of the Scriptures. The history of the American Presbyterian church since 1903 substantiates this reasoning, as even highly educated Presbyterians from that day to the present have become increasingly willing to deny that the Pope of Rome is the Antichrist of the

⁸ The Presbyterian Church of America would later change its name to the Orthodox Presbyterian Church.

⁹ J. Gresham Machen, "The Second General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of America," *Presbyterian Guardian*, November 28, 1936, Volume 3, Number 4, https://www.opc.org/cfh/guardian/Volume_3/1936-11-28.pdf, viewed 10/1/2023.

¹⁰ B.B. Warfield, "The Confession of Faith as Revised in 1903," *The Union Seminary Magazine*, Volume XVI, 1904-1905, 21), https://static1.squarespace.com/static/590be125ff7c502a07752a5b/t/5 adce3ce352f538288fe51ee/1524425681807/Warfield%252C+Benjam in+Breckinridge%252C+The+Confession+of+Faith+as+Revised+in+ 1903.pdf, viewed 10/1/2023.

Scriptures, something that was once clearly understood even by the plowboy with a Bible.

But what the revisers did by striking the *Confession*'s language about the identity of Antichrist was something far worse than merely sowing confusion about who Antichrist is. By denying that the Pope of Rome is the Antichrist, the revisers of the *Confession* also denied the entire Protestant system of prophetic interpretation known as historicism, of which system the identity of Antichrist as the papacy is a key component.¹¹

It seems to this Presbyterian in the Year of Our Lord 2023 that the removal of the *Confession*'s language on the identity of Antichrist, while it may have appeared minor to observers at the time, opened the floodgates for the false Jesuit eschatologies of preterism and futurism - both of which deny a present Antichrist, instead placing him far in the past or at a time still to come – to come pouring into Protestant church, thus blinding, as it were, even the elect to the work of Antichrist taking place right in front of their noses.

One of these works, I argue in this paper, is the flooding of America with illegal aliens, many of them Roman Catholics, for the purpose of subverting our Protestant Republic, capturing the nation for Rome, and incorporating it into Rome's planned system of world government.

Illegal Alien

Those promoting mass, taxpayer-subsidized immigration like to criticize the use of the term "illegal alien," the term used in the United States Code for those present in America contrary to American immigration law. "There's no such thing as an illegal human being," they like to say.

Nonsense. The evildoer is referred to by his evil deed in the English language. Someone who steals is

a thief. A man who kills another contrary to the law is called a murderer. Those who bear false witness are called liars. Likewise, foreigners who are present in a country contrary to a nation's immigration laws are illegal aliens.

The "alien" in U.S. Code (USC) 8 "means any person not a citizen or national of the United States.¹² There are different types of aliens. For example, a "resident alien" "is a foreign-born, non-U.S. citizen...who has been legally and lawfully recorded as a resident of the country. A resident alien must have a green card or pass a substantial presence test."¹³ A green card allows the resident alien to legally work in the United States.

Likewise, there is another category of legal aliens known as "non-resident aliens." "A nonresident alien is a noncitizen who 'has not passed the Green Card test or the substantial presence test,' according to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)...Typical examples of nonresident aliens are teachers, people seeking medical treatment, and students."¹⁴

Unlike resident and non-resident aliens, illegal aliens are present in the U.S. contrary to U.S. law. One definition of "illegal alien" is, "a foreigner who has entered or resides in a country unlawfully or without the country's authorization."¹⁵ The *Cambridge Dictionary* gives the following definition, "someone who lives or works in another country when they do not have the legal right to do so."¹⁶

A 1999 report by the U.S. Department of Justice used the term "illegal alien" "to refer to foreign-born persons who entered the United States without inspection by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, or who entered legally as non-immigrants but remained after their authorized period of stay had expired."¹⁷

¹¹ See the October-December 1994 *Trinity Review* "Antichrist" edited by John W. Robbins for a comparison of Protestant historicism with Jesuit preterism and futurism.

¹² "Alien," https://www.law.cornell.edu/definitions/uscode.php? width=840&height=800&iframe=true&def_id=8-USC-92903111-1485256781&termoccur=999&termsrc=title:8:chapter:12:subchapter: II:part:V:section:1252c, viewed 10/1/2023.

¹³ "What is a Resident Alien," *Investopedia*, https://www. investopedia.com/terms/r/residentalien.asp, viewed 10/1/2023.

¹⁴ "Nonresident Alien: What it Means, How it Works," *Investopedia*, https://www.investopedia.com/terms/n/nonresidentalien.asp, viewed 10/1/2023.

¹⁵ "Illegal alien," Dictionary.com

 ¹⁶ "Illegal alien," *Cambridge Dictionary*, https://dictionary. cambridge.org/us/dictionary/english/illegal-alien, viewed 10/1/2023.
 ¹⁷ "Illegal Aliens in Federal, State, and Local Criminal Justice Systems," https://www.ojp.gov/ncjrs/virtual-library/abstracts/illegal-aliens-federal-state-and-local-criminal-justice-systems, viewed 10/1/2023. According to a 2019 article, the biggest source of illegal immigration was not illegal border crossings, but visa overstays. As a result of the current presidential administration's policy of encouraging mass, illegal immigration across America's southern border, this may be changing. "Border wall debate ignores biggest source of illegal immigration: visa overstays," *Roll Call*, February 1, 2019, https://rollcall.com/2019/02/01/border-wall-debate-ignores-

Assault

"Assault" is a common English word meaning, "to attack or fall upon by violence, or with a hostile intention."¹⁸ By this definition, America has been under continuous assault by the papal Antichrist from before the nation formally declared its independence.¹⁹

It would likely come as a surprise to many 21st century American Protestants that there was a large body of literature written by American Protestants throughout the 19th century warning of the rise of Roman Catholicism in the United States and the threat it posed to American liberty. The warnings of these writers went largely unheeded and today are mostly forgotten. It is one of the great tragedies, perhaps the greatest tragedy, in American history that a Protestant republic tracing its roots back to the Puritans allowed itself to be usurped by the system of Antichrist, but this is what the historical record shows. The millions and millions of illegal aliens pouring across our southwest border in 2023 are a testament to the failure of American Protestants to resist the assault of Antichrist on the nation.

To give you a small flavor of the kind of warnings that were being sounded throughout the 19th century by Christian writers solicitous of the liberties threatened by the rise of Antichrist on American soil, here are a few examples.

In his book *Foreign Conspiracy Against the Liberties of the United States*, Samuel F. B. Morse – yes, that Samuel F. B. Morse, the one famous for the telegraph and Morse code – wrote, "That a vigorous and unexampled effort is making (*sic*) by the despotic governments of Europe to cause Popery to overspread this country, is a fact too palpable to be contradicted."²⁰ R. W. Thompson, formerly Secretary of the U.S. Navy, wrote two books on the threat Romanism posed to the United States, *The Footprints of the Jesuits* and *The Papacy and the Civil Power*. In the latter, Thompson wrote, "It has seemed to me, for a long time, that it was the duty of the people of the United States to make themselves familiar with the history of the papacy, its relations to the civil power, and its attempted encroachments upon the rights of existing governments."²¹

Rum, Romanism, and rebellion. That's a turn of phrase familiar to many Americans. But as was the case with this author for many years, it's likely that many, if not most, people familiar with this saying have no idea what it refers to. It's from a speech given by Presbyterian minister and Union Civil War veteran Dr. Samuel D. Burchard in 1884 in support of Republican presidential candidate James G. Blaine. And what was Burchard referring to in his speech? The Democrats. Here's the relevant quote in full. "We are Republicans, and don't propose to leave our party and identify ourselves with the party whose antecedents have been rum, Romanism, and rebellion. We are loyal to our flag."²² While there are Roman Catholic influences in the Republican party, the Democrat party has been the principal channel Rome has used to infuse its destructive and unconstitutional political and economic philosophy into the mainstream of American thought and practice. It is no accident that both of America's Roman Catholic Presidents, John F. Kennedy and Joseph R. Biden have been Democrats.²³ That the current immigration disaster on our southwest border has been brought about by a Roman Catholic president is unsurprising. As we shall see later in this paper, the current administration's immigration

biggest-source-of-illegal-immigration-visa-overstays/, viewed 10/1/2023.

¹⁸ American Dictionary of the English Language, Noah Webster, 1828.
¹⁹ The Quebec Act was seen by American colonists as an attempt by the British Crown to impose Roman Catholic rule on the colonies. In the Declaration of Independence, one of the complaints Jefferson brought against the King of England was his, "abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province [Quebec], establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule in these Colonies." Though he did not say it directly, Jefferson's concern was that the Roman Catholic laws of Quebec would threaten the liberty of the colonists. John Adams wrote that the Quebec Act, "was dangerous to the Interest of the Protestant Religion and of these Colonies."

²⁰ Morse, Samuel F. B. Foreign conspiracy against the liberties of the United States: the numbers of Brutus, originally published in the *New-York Observer*. Leavitt, 1835, 30. See Google Books edition, https://www.google.com/books/edition/Foreign_conspiracy_against_t he_liberties/IrJJAAAAcAAJ?hl=en&gbpv=0, viewed 10/1/2023.

²¹ Thompson, R.W., *The Papacy and the Civil Power*, New York: Harper & Brothers, Publishers, 1876, Preface. Google Play Books, https://play.google.com/store/books/details?id=DwMQAAAAIAAJ, viewed 10/1/2023.

²² https://www.krabarchive.com/ralphmag/rum-romanismZM.html, viewed 10/1/2023.

²³ Al Smith, the first major party Roman Catholic presidential candidate in 1928 was a Roman Catholic as was John Kerry in 2004. No Roman Catholic has yet headed a Republican presidential ticket.

policy is simply the practice of the immigration theory of the Roman Church-State.

As further proof of Rome's longstanding association with the Democrat party and the endemic corruption that has for so long been the hallmark of that institution, consider what Protestant minister Joseph Hartwell had to say in his 1887 book *Romanism and Politics. Tammany Hall, the Stronghold of Rome.* Wrote Hartwell,

TAMMANY HALL is simply the political organization of the ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, with a Bishop Hughes or a Cardinal McCloskey or Archbishop Corrigan at its head and a Fernando Wood, a William Tweed, or a John Kelly for his fugleman [mouthpiece]. The proper name for it is JESUIT HALL. By this name it should be called, and by none other; for name and nature should correspond, so that when the one is called the other should be understood, and that would help to guide both the mind and the action of the American people.²⁴

During the American Civil War, Rome sided with the South. As John Robbins noted,

During the American Civil War, the pope favored the Confederate government, for they both favored slavery; they both opposed capitalism; and they both favored feudalism; that is, they were both medieval. The pope saw the war as a way to end the threat that America, a large, free, Protestant nation, posed to the political ambitions of Rome for world domination: divide and conquer.²⁵

The final quotation, and the one most apropos to this discussion comes from Charles Chiniquy, the French-Canadian Roman Catholic priest turned Presbyterian minister. Chiniquy wrote what is perhaps the best-known 19th century book of all warning people about the dangers Rome posed to the religious, economic, and political liberties of the American people, *Fifty Years in the Church of Rome*.

In this book, there is a quote from an 1852 letter written by the Bishop of Chicago to Chiniquy while he was still a Catholic priest. Wrote Bishop Vandeveld, "Before you [Chiniquy] began your great work of *directing the flood of Roman Catholic immigration towards this country* [the United States] *to secure it to our holy church*, he [a priest named Courjeault] was in favour of that glorious scheme, but his jealousy against you has suddenly changed his mind" (emphasis added).²⁶

The practice of "directing the flood of Roman Catholic immigration towards this country to secure it for our holy church" is a Jesuit form of immigration warfare called irredentism.²⁷ From Chinquy's book, we know that Jesuit irredentism has been going on for at least 171 years, and most likely for much longer.

America

By the term "America" I mean the United States of America. As noted above, the papal Antichrist has had this nation in its crosshairs from very early in its existence, if not before it formally declared independence from Great Britain in 1776. When I refer to "Americans," I am speaking about the citizens of the United States of America.

Now that we have established definitions of the key terms in this paper. Let us now turn to the principal theme of this talk, a discussion of Roman Catholic immigration theory as set forth in two major works, the 1952 apostolic constitution *Exsul Familia*

²⁴ Hartwell, Joseph. *Romanism and Politics: Tammany Hall the Stronghold of Rome*, New York, James A. O'Connor, 1887, 9-10. Download a free copy of the book at this link https://app.box.com/s/wsfefmgxb3oh6ac7bheqeh0fzuc9cf3d.

²⁵ John W. Robbins, *Slavery & Christianity*, The Trinity Foundation, Unicoi, 2007, 11.

²⁶ Chiniquy, Charles, *Fifty Years in the Church of Rome*, London: The Protestant Literature Depository, 1886, 391. Worth noting is that the Bishop of Chicago, James Oliver Van de Velde, second Bishop of Chicago from 1849 - 1853, who wrote to Chiniquy praising his irredentist efforts, was a Jesuit. "Bishop Van de Velde transfers from Chicago to warmer climate" https://www.mississippicatholic.com/ 2023/07/21/bishop-van-de-velde-transfers-from-chicago-to-warmer-climate/, viewed 10/2/2023.

²⁷ According to a recent *Noise of Thunder Radio* podcast by Chris Pinto, the Islamic version of immigration warfare is known as hijra, while the Jesuit version of this same practice is called irredentism. As Pinto notes in his 9/27/20923 podcast titled Immigration Warfare, Dr. Ronald Cooke has stated that irredentism has been used by the Jesuits to infiltrate Protestant Northern Ireland. Cooke's full comments are not yet available but will be released with Adullam Film's upcoming documentary *American Jesuits*. Here's a link to the "Immigration Warfare" podcast https://soundcloud.com/user-54104055/ immigration-warfare-9272023?si=a95d583816fd4517927129fe 55eb1617&utm_source=clipboard&utm_medium=text&utm_campai gn=social_sharing. Pinto's comments on hijra and irredentism begin at the 2:06 mark.

Nazarethana and the 2003 pastoral letter *Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope* issued jointly by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Mexican Conference of Catholic Bishops.

In his book *Ecclesiastical Megalomania*, John Robbins quoted Roman Catholic historian Brian Tierney's comment on Rome's doctrine of the of the two swords. This doctrine, which asserts that God had delegated both spiritual and temporal power to the bishop of Rome, is based on *Luke* 22:38 "And they said, Lord, behold here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough." Wrote Tierney, "A whole inverted pyramid of political fantasy was erected on the basis of this one verse."²⁸

In much the same way as with the doctrine of the two swords, Rome likewise has erected a whole inverted pyramid of immigration fantasy on the basis of three verses in the second chapter of *Matthew* that record the flight into Egypt.

Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him."

When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son." (*Matthew* 2:13-15)

This flight, according to Pope Pius XII's²⁹ 1952 Apostolic Constitution *Exsul Familia Nazarethana*,³⁰ the *Émigré Family of Nazareth*, hereafter EFN, is the "archetype of every refugee family." In the words of Pius XII,

The émigré Holy Family of Nazareth, fleeing into Egypt, is the archetype of every refugee family. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, living in exile in Egypt to escape the fury of an evil king, are, for all times and all places, the models and protectors of every migrant, alien and refugee of whatever kind who, whether compelled by fear of persecution or by want, is forced to leave his native land, his beloved parents and relatives, his close friends, and to seek a foreign soil.³¹

Clearly, Joseph and his family were refugees under any reasonable definition of the term. Had they remained in Bethlehem, it is certain that Jesus would have been executed by King Herod, who "sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men" (Matthew 2:16) in his attempt to kill the newborn King of the Jews. Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary gives the definition of refugee as, "one who flees to a foreign country or power to escape danger or persecution." According to the 1951 UN Convention and Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees, the term refugee applies to "any person who...owing to well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion, is outside the country of his nationality and is unable or, owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail himself of the protection of that country; or who, not having a nationality and being outside the country of his former habitual residence as a result of such events, is unable or, owing to such fear, is unwilling to return to it." ³² The definition of "refugee" in US law is essentially the same as that of the 1951 UN Convention.

So far, so good. But *EFN* doesn't stop there. It continues by asserting that the flight of Joseph and his family are "models and protectors of every migrant, alien and refugee of whatever kind"³³ who is "compelled by fear of persecution or by want" to leave his native land. There are two principal

²⁸ John W. Robbins, *Ecclesiastical Megalomania: The Economic and Political Thought of the Roman Catholic Church*, The Trinity Foundation, 1999, 119.

²⁹ Because of his close ties to the Third Reich during WWII, author John Cornwell dubbed Pius XII "Hitler's Pope" in his 1999 book of that title.

³⁰*Exsul Familia Nazarethana*, https://www.papalencyclicals. net/pius12/p12exsul.htm, viewed 10/8/2023.

³¹ EFN, 1.

³² Convention and Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees, 16, https://www.unhcr.org/us/media/convention-and-protocol-relating-status-refugees, viewed 10/8/2023.

³³ Note the plural "models and protectors." Rome's superstitious and unbiblical assertion that dead saints can protect the living is on display here.

problems here. First, there's the unchristian notion that dead saints, in this case Joseph and Mary, can serve as protectors of the living. Second, Rome adds to the definition of refugee by including the category of those in want. The definitions of "refugee" quoted above said nothing about those in want. Neither the UN Convention nor US law recognizes economic refugees, but Rome does. Joseph and his family were fleeing persecution, they were not fleeing want. As a result, there is no basis in the passage about the flight from Egypt for Rome to argue that the family's flight serves as an "archetype" and "model…of every migrant, alien, and refugee of whatever kind."

But this is not the extent of the problems with EFN. In EFN, Pius XII continues Rome's longstanding attacks on both private property and the nation-state, two Biblical ideas recovered resulting from the Protestant Reformation in the 16th century.

Deeply concerning to everyone who loves political and economic liberty is Pius XII's reliance on *Rerum Novarum*, Pope Leo XIII's 1891 encyclical, as the basis for his immigration argument in *EFN. Rerum Novarum* is described in *Ecclesiastical Megalomania* as "One of the Roman Church-State's most influential statements on economic matters."³⁴ What makes *Rerum Novarum* so dangerous, and Rome's immigration theory that is built on it, is, as Robbins noted, the encyclical's aggressive Marxism.

Noted Robbins, "The encyclical's Marxism is so blatant that one Roman Catholic writer declared that 'much of the encyclical...appeared only to repeat in more orthodox language what Marx had said ten years before."

Writes Pius XII

Then,—according to the teaching of "*Rerum Novarum*," —the right of the family to a living space is recognized. When this happens, migration attains its natural scope as experience often shows. We mean, the more favorable distribution of men on the earth's surface suitable to colonies of agricultural workers; that surface which God created and prepared for the use of all.³⁵

When Rome speaks about "the right of the family to a living space," what they mean is that Western nations, including America, have an obligation to supply that living space. This is the basis for Rome's many statements about the supposed obligation of the United States and other nations to take in economic migrants. And that obligation is not merely to take them in, but to supply them with the wherewithal to furnish that living space.

Pope Pius XII continues,

If the two parties, those who agree to leave their native land and those who agree to admit the newcomers, remain anxious to eliminate as far as possible all obstacles to the birth and growth of real confidence between the country of emigration and that of immigration, all those affected by such transference of people and places will profit by the transaction.³⁶

And yet the people of the United States have not agreed to admit the millions of illegal aliens surging across our southwest border.³⁷ The current administration, abandoning its obligation to uphold American law, including American immigration law, has instead decided on a stand-down policy of nonenforcement while at the same time encouraging foreigners to violate American immigration law with promises of free housing, free medical care, and other benefits all paid for by American citizens by government force, either through direct taxation or inflation.³⁸

The pope further asserts,

³⁴ Ecclesiastical Megalomania, 43.

³⁵ EFN, 99.

³⁶ EFN, 100.

³⁷ According to the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR), as of June 2023, there are an estimated 16.8 million illegal aliens residing in the United States, representing a 16 percent increase in the first 2 years of Joe Biden's presidency. "FAIR Research Report, June 2023" https://www.fairus.org/issue/illegal-immigration/how-many-illegal-aliens-are-united-states-2023-update, viewed 10/8/2023.

³⁸ One could cite any number of outrageous examples of governments forcing Americans to subsidize illegal aliens. To pick just one, consider this story, "Massachusetts Taxpayers to Subsidize College Tuition for Illegal Aliens" by John Binder, *Breitbart*, August 14, 2023. According to this article, the Massachusetts Governor has signed a state budget that "includes an initiative that opens in-state college tuition rates to illegal aliens who attended high school or got their GED in Massachusetts." https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2023/08/14/ massachusetts-taxpayers-subsidize-college-tuition-illegal-aliens/, viewed 10/8/2023.

The families will receive a plot of ground which will be native for them in the true sense of the word; the thickly inhabited countries will be relieved and their people will acquire new friends in foreign countries; and the States which receive the emigrants will acquire industrious citizens. In this receive the migrants will acquire industrious citizens. In this way, the nations which give and those which receive will both contribute to the increased welfare of man and the progress of human culture.³⁹

Yet far from being the economic boon Rome claims, the masses of illegal aliens flooding America are a crushing tax burden on the American people. According to one source, "Annually, the 11 to 22 million aliens living in the U.S. cost American taxpayers \$163 billion. That amount does not include any of the social and economic costs – such as higher housing prices, depleted wages, lost jobs, increased crime, and strained public resources at hospitals and schools."⁴⁰ This is hardly an example of "contribut[ing] to the increased welfare of man and the progress of human culture" as the pope claims. Rather, it represents the destruction of Protestant, western civilization by the papal Antichrist.

In *EFN*, Pius XII quotes an earlier letter written by him to the American bishops dated December 24, 1948. In this letter, Pius attacks not only private property. He wrote,

The natural law itself, no less than devotion to humanity, urges that ways of migration be opened to these people. For the Creator of the universe made all good things primarily for the good of all. Since land everywhere offers the possibility of supporting a large number of people, the sovereignty of the State, although it must be respected, cannot be exaggerated to the point that access to this land is, for inadequate or unjustified reasons, denied to needy and decent people from other nations, provided of course, that the public wealth, considered very carefully, does not forbid this.⁴¹

Note that Pius draws special attention to the fact that "natural law" is the basis for what he calls "migration." In *Ecclesiastical Megalomania*, John Robbins noted that in Thomistic, that is to say, Roman Catholic economic thought, "Private property is neither part of natural law, nor an absolute right, but an invention of human reason...Rather than private property being part of the natural law, the possession of all things in common is the natural law."⁴² This natural law communism of the Roman Church-State is expressed by Pius in his words, "For the Creator of the universe made all good things primarily for the good of all." Thomas called this original communism "the community of goods."

Neither Thomas nor Pius XII would argue that natural law forbids the private ownership of goods. But they would argue that private property, not being part of natural law, but rather an invention of human reason, is rightfully subject to human regulation.

According to Thomas, the moral imperative for the "community of goods" is need. As Thomas put it,

> The division and appropriation of things which are based on human law do not preclude the fact that man's needs have to be remedied by means of these very things. Hence, whatever certain people have in superabundance is due, by natural law, to the purpose of succoring the poor.⁴³

How does this idea relate to the millions of illegal aliens pouring across America's border? Though he doesn't say so directly, Pius XII believed that because individual illegal aliens have need, they have the right to take of the superabundance of the American people, and it is not a sin for them to do this.

³⁹ EFN, 100.

⁴⁰ "Open Borders Boondoggle: Biden's DHS Sends Millions in Taxpayer Money to NGOs Facilitating Illegal Immigration," by John Binder, *Breitbart*, September 28, 2023, https://www.breitbart.com/ politics/2023/09/28/open-borders-boondoggle-bidens-dhs-sendsmillions-in-taxpayer-money-to-ngos-facilitating-illegal-immigration/, viewed 10/8/2023. Worth noting, this same article reports massive payments to NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations such as

Catholic Charities, and Annunciation House, a Jesuit organization based in El Paso, TX. These two organizations are openly working to subvert the United States of America by facilitating the flood of illegal aliens into the country.

⁴¹ *EFN*, 102.

⁴² Ecclesiastical Megalomania, 31.

⁴³ Summa Theologiae, ii-ii, 7th article.

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In Roman Catholic social teaching, the notion that need is the only moral basis for ownership is called the universal destination of all goods. Writes Robbins,

The Thomistic notion of original communism – the denial that private property is part of the natural law, but that common property is both natural and divine – is foundational to all the Roman Catholic arguments for various forms of collectivism [including the sort of immigration socialism seen enacted on America's south-western border on a daily basis], from medieval feudalism and guild socialism to twentieth century fascism and liberation theology. The popes refer to this original communism as the "universal destination of all goods."⁴⁴

As then Bishop, now Cardinal, Robert McElroy of San Diego put it in a 2017 speech,

This stance of the church's teaching flows from teaching of the Book of Genesis, that creation is the gift of God to all of humanity. Thus, in the most fundamental way, there is a universal destination for all the material goods that exist in this world. Wealth is a common heritage, not at its core a right of lineage or of acquisition.⁴⁵

Once you begin to see the communist concept of the universal destination of all goods in Rome's arguments for mass, taxpayer-subsidized immigration schemes, as the saying goes, you cannot unsee it. We shall revisit the universal destination of all goods when we look at *Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope*.

Not satisfied with merely attacking private property, Pius XII continued by assault on liberty by

going after the institution designed to protect private property, the nation-state, and by implication tied the Vatican's immigration policy to world government. As I noted in last year's Reformation Day talk, Rome has always despised the idea of sovereign nationstates that are not subject to her control and constantly pushes for world government.⁴⁶ As Pius XII put it,

Since land everywhere offers the possibility of supporting a large number of people, the sovereignty of the State, although it must be respected, cannot be exaggerated to the point that access to this land is, for inadequate or unjustified reasons, denied to needy and decent people from other nations, provided of course, that the public wealth, considered very carefully, does not forbid this.⁴⁷

As is his father the Devil, the papal Antichrist is fond of speaking out of both sides of his mouth. In this case, he conceals his hatred for the nation-state by pretending to defend it, by claiming that there are limits to how far illegal aliens can go with their invading and devouring nations. They may do so, writes the pope, only as long as "the public wealth" (note, Pius does not say private wealth), is "considered very carefully." I hope that makes you feel better about having your land devoured in your presence. We will be destroyed, but not past the point where Antichrist, after careful consideration, deems our "public wealth" to be at risk. How merciful of him! But don't relax too much. One must "respect" "the sovereignty of the State," but must not do so in an "exaggerated" manner. But who decides whether respect for "the sovereignty of the State" is "exaggerated" or not. Obviously, it must be a power superior to all nation-states, and that implies a world government. And given the papacy's extraordinary pretensions to power - according to the Church-

⁴⁴ Ecclesiastical Megalomania, 38.

⁴⁵ "In powerful speech, San Diego bishop challenges organizers to disrupt, rebuild," by Brian Roewe, *National Catholic Reporter*, February 19, 2017, https://www.ncronline.org /powerful-speech-sandiego-bishop-challenges-organizers-disrupt-rebuild, viewed 10/8/2023. Robert McElroy was promoted to Cardinal by Pope Francis in 2022, "Cardinal Robert McElroy: Newest (and youngest) American 'red hat' a kindred spirit of Pope Francis," by Kevin Jones and Carl Bunderson, *Catholic New Agency*, August 26, 2022, https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/252129/cardinal-robertmcelroy-closely-aligned-with-pope-francis, viewed 10/8/2023.

⁴⁶ Rome is the premier globalist organization, and it is only the extraordinary spiritual blindness of our time that prevents people from seeing this. To give just one recent example, Pope Francis openly called for a New World Order in a 2021 interview. See "Pope Francis Calls for 'New World Order' After the Pandemic," by Thomas D. Williams, Ph.D. *Breitbart*, March 15, 2021, https://www.breitbart.com/national-security/2021/03/15/pope-francis-calls-for-new-world-order-after-the-pandemic/, viewed 10/8/2023.

State, the pope of Rome is the "father of kings, governor of the world, and vicar of Christ" – it is the pope himself who will head that world government and decide whether America, or any other nation, has an "exaggerated" view of its "sovereignty."

Put a bit differently, Rome will decide how many illegal aliens will invade America and how much wealth they will be allowed to steal from the American people. In Rome's eyes, the only people who have no say in the matter are ordinary American citizens and their duly elected representatives.

While Pius XII chose to build his case for mass welfare migration on the flight of Joseph and his family to Egypt recorded in *Matthew* 2:13-15, this is not the only passage in Scripture on which to build a doctrine of immigration. One could argue that, in fact, it is not even the best passage of Scripture to cite for that purpose.

There are several important differences between the situation with Joseph's family and the sort of mass border rush that's taking place in America under the current presidential administration. One of these we've already mentioned: Joseph and his family were truly asylees according to the modern definition of the term, but many of those pouring across America's southwest border are economic migrants.⁴⁸ Certainly, one can sympathize with those seeking a better life, but their situation is not the same as those fleeing for their lives due to persecution.

But the problems with Pius XII's argument don't end there. One minor point worth noting is that both Judea and Egypt were constituent parts of the Roman Empire at the time of Christ's birth. Fleeing from Judea to Egypt was simply going from one Roman province to another. Even Pius XII pretends to acknowledge that national borders matter, yet he builds his immigration case on an example where notional borders did not come into play.

A third problem with EFN's argument is the makeup of the refugee population. In the flight to Egypt, it was a family that was fleeing persecution. Yet one of the consistent features of the flood of illegal aliens coming across America's border is that the population is heavily skewed toward military-age men. There are also reports of large numbers of "Significant Interest Aliens" illegally crossing into the United States. A "Significant Interest Alien" is "a non-U.S. person who...poses a national security risk to the United States or its interests" and "Often...are employing travel patterns known or evaluated to possibly have a nexus to terrorism." In EFN Pius XII argued that "Jesus, Mary and Joseph...are, for all times and all places, the models and protectors of every migrant, alien and refugee of whatever kind." Does this include terrorists? The answer, apparently, is yes. According to the current occupant of the seat of Antichrist, Pope Francis, migrants' rights should override national security concerns.49

Fourth, another problem with Pius XII's argument based on *Matthew* 2 is that Joseph and his family returned home. The Roman Catholic Church-State does its level best to ensure that once illegal aliens get into America, they stay in America. There was a case in Cincinnati where an illegal alien woman from Mexico was arrested, spent the next ten years fighting deportation, lost her appeals, and was finally deported. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati engaged in a massive campaign to prevent her deportation, ⁵⁰ pushed to have her case reopened, ⁵¹ and finally succeeded in having her brought back to the United States. ⁵² You could call this Rome's get 'em in, put 'em on the dole, keep 'em in strategy.

To illustrate the absurd lengths that Rome will go to so that no alien, illegal or otherwise, is returned to his native land, consider Rome's stance on the deportation of Salvadorans living in America as Temporary Protected Status (TPS) recipients. TPS

⁴⁸ "Mexico feels the strain as Haitian migrants, caught in limbo, mark time" by Brendan O'Boyle, *Reuters*, 4/17/2023, https://www.yahoo.com/news/mexico-feels-strain-haitian-refugees-153343682.html, viewed 10/15/2023.

⁴⁹ "Pope says migrants' rights should override national security concerns" by Philip Pullella, *Reuters*, 8/21/2017, https://www.reuters.com/article/us-migrants-pope/pope-saysmigrants-rights-should-override-national-security-concernsidUSKCN1B11RX, viewed 10/15/2023.

⁵⁰ "Archdiocese Decries ICE Removal of Mother of Four," *The Catholic Telegraph*, 4/6/2017, https://www.thecatholictelegraph.com/

archdiocese-decries-ice-removal-of-mother-of-four/40844, viewed 4/6/2017.

⁵¹ "Maribel Trujillo-Diaz Case Reopened" *The Catholic Telegraph*, 1/17/2018, https://www.thecatholictelegraph.com/maribel-trujillo-diaz-case-reopened/48189, viewed 10/15/2023.

⁵² "17 months after deportation, Maribel Trujillo-Diaz back home in Fairfield," by Mark Curnutte, *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, 9/24/2018, https://www.cincinnati.com/story/news/2018/09/24/fairfield-mother-four-returns-mexico-immigration-hearing-maribel-trujillo-diaz/ 1408959002/, viewed 10/15/2023.

allows foreign nationals in the United States to live and work here as long as it is unsafe for them to return home. In the case of the 200,00 Salvadorans living in the U.S. as of 2019 under TPS, they were granted TPS in 2001 due to a pair of earthquakes that struck their country in, wait for it, 2001. A full eighteen years later, they were still living in the United States with TPA status! When it appeared that the government was getting serious about requiring that they return to El Salvador, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops got to work and issued a statement decrying the cruelty of the move.⁵³ The government backed down. As of this writing, the Salvadorans are still under TPS status.⁵⁴ One must ask the obvious question, if Salvadoran TPS recipients cannot be required to return home twentytwo years after an earthquake, when can they be? The twelfth of never seems to be the answer.

Fifth, the passage in *Matthew* 2 tells us nothing about how Joseph supported his family while in Egypt. Perhaps he worked as a carpenter while in exile. Maybe he was supported by members of the Jewish community in Egypt.⁵⁵ Maybe the Lord provided for the family in some miraculous way or used some combination of these possibilities. But one thing is clear about the illegal aliens coming to America, they most certainly have a claim on the welfare state.⁵⁶ Not only are the American people having their nation overrun by illegal aliens, but they get to pay for the privilege as well. Sixth, there's the issue of scale. In the passage from *Matthew* 2, there were a total of 3 people fleeing oppression. According to a report from FAIR, the illegal alien population in the United States as of June 2023 was approximately 16.8 million.⁵⁷ According to the 2020 census, the population of Ohio is about 11.8 million, making it one of the largest states in the nation on a population basis. Yet the population of Ohio is dwarfed by the masses of illegal aliens in the country. The same report from FAIR puts the number of illegal aliens who have entered the United States during the current presidential administration at 2.3 million.

Clearly, there are problems with the Pope's argument in *EFN*. Are there other passages of Scripture that could be used to help formulate a Christian view of immigration?

The Example of Moses

There is an example in the Bible of a mass exodus, which is found, oddly enough, in the book of Exodus. Of course, this is a reference to Israel's leaving Egypt for the promised land of Canaan under Moses, an event that is recorded for us not in Exodus only, but in the following books of the Pentateuch.

It may come as a surprise to some just how large the Biblical exodus was. Various numbers are given. According to Numbers 1:46, the total number of men aged 20 and above able to go to war was 603,550. This would put the total population of Israel who left Egypt at well over 1 million. This is a large number,

⁵³ "Migration Chairman Deeply Disappointed by Termination of Temporary Protected Status for El Salvador; Calls for Congress to Find a Legislative Solution" 1/8/2018, https://www.usccb.org/news/2018/migration-chairman-deeplydisappointed-termination-temporary-protected-status-el-salvador,

viewed 10/15/2023.

⁵⁴ Temporary Protected Status, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service, https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/temporary-protected-status, viewed 10/15/2023.

⁵⁵ According to the article "Jewish Diaspora in the late antiquity," the Jewish population of Alexandria, Egypt was 200,000 out of a total population of 500,000. The Hellenistic Jewish philosopher Philo, who lived during the time of Christ, claimed that two of the five city districts of Alexandria were majority Jewish.

⁵⁶ To give just one example, in a Tweet from 5/25/2023, U.S. Customs and Border Protection stated, "NOTICE: Claims that migrants will be provided free travel and transportation to their destination are false. The U.S. government does not provide help or financial support for noncitizens." Bill Melugin of Fox News responded, "This is blatantly false. The U.S. government indirectly provides financial support for migrants by giving hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars to NGOs [NGOs such as Catholic Charities] via FEMA's Emergency Food &

Shelter Program. The NGOs then assist migrants w/ transportation around U.S. & other services." https://x.com/BillMelugin /status/1661789511049953280?s=20, viewed 10/15/2023. Another example is that of children born to illegal aliens on U.S. soil. These children are automatically granted American citizenship and are eligible to receive welfare benefits which can be requested by their illegal alien parents. Writing in Newsweek, Jonathan Tobin noted that the Biden administration's scrapping the "public charge" rules is "an open invitation for the United States to become an international welfare state at the expense of American taxpayers," https://www.newsweek.com/bidens-public-charge-reversal-meansviewed taxpayers-fund-global-welfare-state-opinion-1681195, 10/15/2023. As a final example, see "House GOP Report: Illegal Aliens Costing American Hospitals Billions in Unpaid Medical Bills" by John Binder, Breitbart, 6/15/2023, https://www.breitbart.com/ politics/2023/06/15/house-gop-report-illegal-aliens-costing-americanhospitals-billions-in-unpaid-medical-billshouse-homeland-reporthospitals-illegal-aliens/, viewed 10/15/2023.

⁵⁷ "How Many Illegal Aliens Are in the United States? 2023 Update," 6/22/2023, FAIR, https://www.fairus.org/issue/illegalimmigration/how-many-illegal-aliens-are-united-states-2023-update, viewed 10/15/2023.

even by today's standards. Given the smaller world population at the time, it was proportionately much larger.

How Moses and the large number of Israelites conducted themselves while wandering in the wilderness is, I submit, a much better point to begin a discussion about the mass movement of people than the flight from Egypt found in *Matthew* 2. Not only is the scale much more comparable to what we see today, but the account of Israel's journey provides us with important principles for judging whether Pius XII's migration theory and the current presidential administration's immigration practice pass Biblical muster. A brief examination of two key passages from Numbers, 20:14-21 and 21:21-24 shows the utter failure of Pope Pius XII and the current Roman Catholic American president to understand the mind of God concerning the theory and practice of immigration, migration, and refugee resettlement.

In *Numbers* 20:14-21, the Israelites under Moses came to the border of Edom, the land of the descendants of Esau, and sought passage through the Edomite territory:

Now Moses sent messengers from Kadesh to the king of Edom, "Thus says your brother Israel: You know all the hardship that has befallen us, how our fathers went down to Egypt, and we dwelt in Egypt a long time, and the Egyptians afflicted us and our fathers...now here we are in Kadesh, a city on the edge of your border. Please let us pass through your country. We will not pass through fields or vineyards, nor will we drink water from wells; we will go along the King's Highway; we will not turn aside to the right hand or to the left until we have passed through your territory." (*Numbers* 20:14-17)

Now if there is anyone in all of history, if there is any nation in all of history, who were in a position to rightfully make financial and material demands on other rulers and nations it was Moses and the Israelites. Was not Moses the greatest of the Old Testament prophets charged by God himself to lead his people out of Egypt? Were not the Israelites God's chosen people? Who was the king of Edom and who were the Edomites that they should have any right to refuse anything Moses demanded? And yet we see none of the onerous and thieving demands out of Moses that are commonly issued by the popes and bishops of Rome about the "obligation" of nations to feed, clothe, and house illegal aliens, refugees, and other migrants. That sort of thing never so much as enters Moses' mind. Unlike the popes of Rome who regularly lecture whole nations about their supposed Christian duty to take in migrants and foot the bill, Moses respects the territory of Edom by asking for passage through it and respects the property of the Edomites by promising not to take or damage their belongings.

The Edomites refused Moses' offer, responding, "You shall not pass through my land, lest I come out against you with the sword" (*Numbers* 20:18).

The children of Israel counter-offered by saying, "We will go by the Highway, and if I or my livestock drink any of your water, then I will pay for it; let me only pass through on foot, nothing more" (*Numbers* 20:19). Note well, the painstaking emphasis in this verse concerning respect for the property of the Edomites. The popes of Rome love to tie up heavy immigration burdens on the backs of the American people, grievous to be born, but will not themselves so much as lift a finger to move them. But that is not the attitude at all of Moses and the children of Israel.

To this second offer, the king of Edom sent armed men out against Israel. And what did Israel do? Did they revile the king of Edom and armor up to do battle? No, not at all. The Scripture tells us, "Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his territory, so Israel turned away from him" (*Numbers* 20:21).

In *Numbers* 21, we see a similar situation when Israel comes to the border of the Amorites. Moses sends messengers to King Sihon with the same request as he made of Edom. But this time, Sihon, "gathered all his people together and went out against Israel" (*Numbers* 21:23). We read that Israel defeated Sihon and his men, and Israel "took possession of his [Sihon's] land" and "dwelt in all the cites of the Amorites" (*Numbers* 21:24, 25).

Someone may argue, "See, the Israelites did too think they had the right to take others' property." But consider the important difference between the interactions of Moses and Edom and Moses and the Amorites. In the former case, the Edomites threatened Israel but did not attack. In the latter case, the Amorites reacted aggressively with deadly force to a peaceful offer asking for passage. By fighting back and defeating Sihon and his army, Israel was acting in self-defense. The account of Israel's defeat of Sihon king of the Amorites in no way supports the immigration socialism of Pius XII in EFN or that of his successors.⁵⁸

There are a few items I'd like to address before wrapping up this treatment of *Exsul Familia Nazarethana* (*EFN*), the Apostolic Constitution that provides the theoretical framework for the Roman Church-State's massive and ongoing illegal alien assault on the United States of America.⁵⁹ The first of these is Rome's "welcome the stranger" argument.

The Welcome the Stranger Argument

The Bible contains several statements and commands regarding hospitality, which the Vatican twists to bolster the case for its program of international migration socialism.⁶⁰ A favorite passage of Pope Francis is *Matthew* 25:35, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."⁶¹ Another passage cited by Francis and other immigration socialists is *Leviticus* 19:34, "The stranger who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD you God."⁶²

Now, no one would argue that these passages have no bearing on the issue of immigration. But there is a vast gulf between what the Bible means by these passages and what the Vatican means by them. The difference is between private charity – the Biblical model – and government welfare – the Roman Catholic socialist model.

To see an example of Biblical, private charity, consider the parable of the Good Samaritan in *Luke* 10:30-36. There, we read that the Samaritan bandaged the man's wounds, "pouring on oil and wine," that he set the man "on his own animal," that he "brought him to an inn, and took care of him," and that when he departed, he gave the innkeeper two denarii to care for the injured man and promised to pay any additional expenses upon his return. The Samaritan gave of his own things, of his own time, and of his own money.⁶³

This is a far cry from Rome's petulant demands that the government force the American people to foot the enormous bill for the migrant flood Rome has unleashed on our nation. Government welfare is not Christian charity, it is theft, a violation of the Eighth Commandment. And not only is it theft, but Rome is also demanding that the government rob American people to pay for their own replacement, as millions upon millions of illegal aliens pour across our southwest border in numbers greater than the

⁵⁸ Pope Francis, the biggest promoter of immigration socialism of all the recent popes, constantly pushes nation-breaking immigration while denouncing the papal bugaboos of individualism, aggressive nationalism, and consumerism. Francis greatly dislikes any ideas that stand in the way of his dream of world government, a dream shared by his predecessors and all those who will come after him. If we're to believe the Jesuits, Francis' dislike of personal liberty and push for international migration socialism can be chalked up to his "Ignatian [Jesuit] spirituality." "Want to understand Pope Francis on immigration? Look to his Ignatian spirituality" by J. D. Long-García, *America: The Jesuit Review*, March 8, 2023, https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2023/03/08/pope-

francis-migration-10-years-244865, accessed October 15, 2023. The language in this article about "aggressive nationalism" is mirrored in EFN where Pius XII complained about "exaggerated nationalism." Antichrist has a special hatred in his heart for the Protestant Westphalian World Order and nations that refuse to bow to his will.

⁵⁹ While the focus of this paper is on the flood of migrants unleashed by the papal Antichrist on America, the analysis applies to the other nations of the West currently being overrun by the Vatican's migrant invasion.

⁶⁰ International socialism is another term for communism. By pushing international socialism via mass welfare migration, the Roman Church-State shows its support for the well-known communist aphorism "From each according to his ability, to each according to this need."

⁶¹ "To welcome the stranger is to welcome Christ, Pope Francis says," by Hannah Brockhaus, Catholic News Agency, October 26, 2016, https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/34813/ to-welcome-the-stranger-is-to-welcome-christ-pope-francissays, accessed October 21, 2023.

⁶² "Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 104th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2018," https://www.vatican.va/ content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/papa-

francesco_20170815_world-migrants-day-2018.html, accessed October 21, 2023. As proof of the continuing importance of *EFN* in shaping the Church-State's immigration socialism, Francis cites it in his statement.

⁶³ See John W. Robbins, "The Ethics and Economics of Healthcare," *The Trinity Review*, September-November 2009; also included in *Freedom and Capitalism: Essays on Christian Politics and Economics*, 2006. – *Editor*.

population of many states. The demands of Antichrist remind one of Jesus' comment about the Pharisees, saying of them, "For they bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on men's shoulders, but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers." While the cost for the illegal alien invasion is laid on the shoulders of the American people, Rome reaps the benefits and adds more and more demands as time goes by.

The popes, cardinals, and bishops of Rome are generally too clever to ever directly mention who foots the bill for their immigration socialism. They prefer to make broad, pious-sounding statements that mask the enormous cost of the burdens they intend to impose on the American people. In "Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope,"⁶⁴ a 2003 pastoral letter by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Mexican Conference of Catholic Bishops, we read, "Pope John XXIII placed limits on immigration, however, when there are 'just reasons for it.' Nevertheless, he stressed the obligation of sovereign states to promote the universal good where possible, including an obligation to accommodate migration flows. For more powerful nations, a stronger obligation exists." When the bishops talk about the "obligation of sovereign states," what they mean is the government is to forcibly extract money from you and me to pay for Rome's perverse, unconstitutional, and unbiblical illegal alien socialism. This is not Christian charity. It is theft.

In my research, the most honest statement I found from a Roman Catholic source on the cost of Rome's immigration socialism came from Giulivo Tessarolo, a priest and editor of a 1962 English language edition of *EFN*. In the Editor's Remarks section, Tessarolo made the following comment, "[D]ue to enormous financial implications, the phenomenon of emigration will find some relief only in Englishspeaking countries."⁶⁵

The communistic nature of Rome's immigration policy is made obvious in the 2003 pastoral letter "Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope." There, we read,

Pope John XII placed limits on immigration, however, when there are "just reasons for it." Nevertheless, he stressed the obligation of sovereign states to promote the universal good where possible, including an obligation to accommodate migration flows. For more powerful nations, a stronger obligation exists.⁶⁶

"For more powerful nations, a stronger obligation exists," is just a restatement of Marx's dictum "From each according to his ability, to each according to his need" applied to immigration. Communism is not Christian charity. And welcoming the stranger is not a call for immigration socialism.

What About Legal Immigration?

While the focus of this paper has been on the damage illegal immigration is causing to America, America's policies of legal immigration and refugee resettlement have been at least as damaging as the illegal variety, and for the same reasons. In the first place, the historic demographic shifts that they have caused in the nation's population and, secondly, the enormous costs that they have imposed on the American people.

In his book *Alien Nation*, Peter Brimelow stated, "Today, U.S. government policy is literally dissolving the people and electing a new one."⁶⁷ By "U.S. government policy," Brimelow mainly was referring to the 1965 Immigration Act, which

⁶⁴ "Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope," January 22, 2003, https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/strangers-no-longer-together-on-the-journey-of-hope, accessed October 21, 2023.

⁶⁵ Giulivo Tessarolo, editor, *The Church's Magna Charta for Migrants* (Staten Island: St. Charles Seminary, 1962), 13.

⁶⁶ United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Conferencia del Episcopado Mexicano, "Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope" (Issued by USCCB, January

^{22, 2003), 30.} https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human -life-and-dignity/immigration/strangers-no-longer-together-on -the-journey-of-hope, accessed October 21, 2023. It is worth noting that "Strangers No Longer" quotes from *EFN*. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and their colleagues in Mexico took the ideas from *EFN* and applied them specifically to the United States and Mexico.

⁶⁷ Peter Brimelow, *Alien Nation* (New York: Random House, 1995; Harper Collins 1996), xvii.

overturned the Immigration Act of 1924. The Immigration Act of 1924 set up a system of limited immigration quotas based on national origin. Nations with large immigrant populations in the U.S. were allotted a larger number of immigration visas. Those with smaller populations were allotted fewer. The 1965 Immigration Act changed all that. "The current wave [current in 1995 when the book was written] – and therefore America's shifting ethnic balance – is wholly and entirely the result of government policy. Specifically, it is the result of the Immigration Act of 1965, and the further legislation of 1986 and 1990."⁶⁸

a chapter titled "Immigration In Has Consequences: The War Against the Nation State," Brimelow noted, "But all over the world in the twentieth century, nations and nation-states have been under intense attack. And to the attackers, immigration is a potential ally."69 Brimelow is right about immigration being a weapon in the hands of those opposed to the nation-state. As we have discussed in this paper and in my address last year, the Roman Catholic Church-State, as the ultimate globalist organization, is also the greatest enemy of the nation-state.⁷⁰ This raises the question, did Rome have anything to do with the passing of the Immigration Act of 1965 that opened the immigration floodgates and brought about the astonishing demographic shift in the American population since that time? The answer, in my opinion, is overwhelmingly yes. Let us consider the evidence.

In *EFN*, Pius XII wrote, "Therefore, when Senators from the United States, who were members of a Committee on Immigration, visited Rome a few years ago, we again urged them to try to administer as liberally as possible the overly restrictive provisions of their immigration laws."⁷¹ Though he doesn't say it directly, Pius must be directing his complaint against the Immigration Act of 1924.

Pius also noted in *EFN* that he had written to the American bishops on December 24, 1948. In his letter, Pius congratulated the bishops on their success in helping get a law passed "to allow many refugees to enter your land. Through your persistence, a provident law was enacted, *a law that we hope will be followed by others of broader scope*" (emphasis added).

Giulivo Tessarolo's edition of *EFN* was mentioned above. Worth noting is that it was published by St. Charles Seminary on Staten Island in 1962, during the term of America's first Roman Catholic president, John F. Kennedy, and just three years before the passing of the Immigration Act of 1965.

And speaking of John Kennedy, the future president published a book titled A Nation of Immigrants in 1959 in which he decried "isolationism" and called for liberalization of American immigration law, much like what Pius XII had called for a few years earlier in his 1952 Apostolic Constitution.

The 1965 Immigration Act was also known as the Hart-Celler Act after its principal sponsors in the Senate and the House of Representatives. So, who were Hart and Celler? According to his Wikipedia page, Senator Philip Hart (D-MI) graduated from West Philadelphia Catholic High School and studied at Jesuit Georgetown University. Emanuel Celler was a Democratic Congressman from New York of both Jewish and Catholic descent first elected to Congress as a Tammany Hall Democrat.⁷² Although Celler apparently was a practicing Jew, his Wikipedia biography notes the following interesting

⁶⁸ Brimelow, 75.

⁶⁹ Brimelow, 222.

⁷⁰ Brimelow defines a nation as "the interlacing of ethnicity and culture." "And the nation-state," he tells us, "is its political expression." *Alien Nation*, 222.

⁷¹ I have not yet determined the names of the senators Pius refers to. Here is a link to a speech titled "Address of His Holiness Pius XII to Members of the United States Senate of the Committee on Immigration" dated Friday, October 31, 1947, https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xii/en/speeches/ 1947/documents/hf p-xii spe 19471031 senatori-usa.html,

accessed October $\overline{21}$, 20 $\overline{23}$. My supposition is that this is the occasion that Pius refers to in *EFN*.

⁷² Tammany Hall was the famously corrupt, Roman Catholicrun, Democrat political machine that dominated New York City politics in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. In his 1887 book *Romanism and Politics: Tammany Hall the Stronghold of Rome*, Protestant minister Joseph Hartwell had this to say, "Tammany Hall is simply the political organization of the Roman Catholic Church, with a Bishop Hughes or a Cardinal McCloskey or Archbishop Corrigan at its head and a Fernando Wood, a William Tweed, or a John Kelly for his fugleman [mouthpiece]. The proper name for it is Jesuit Hall. By this name it should be called, and by none other; for name and nature should correspond, so that when the one is called the other should be understood, and that would help to guide both

item. "In July 1939, a strongly worded letter from Celler to U.S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull helped set in motion an extremely prolonged process of 45 years that finally led in 1984, three years after Celler's death, to full, formal diplomatic relations between the United States and the Holy See."⁷³ So we see that both sponsors of the Hart-Celler Act had significant ties to the Roman Catholic Church.

One final Roman Catholic tie to the 1965 Immigration Act is that the bill's floor manager and Senate Immigration Subcommittee chairman was Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-MA). Said Kennedy during a Senate debate on the bill, "The bill will not flood our cities with immigrants. It will not upset the ethnic mix of our society. It will not relax the standards of admission. It will not cause American workers to lose their jobs."⁷⁴ As a general rule, Americans should understand that the truth is almost always the exact opposite of what their politicians tell them. The 1965 Immigration Act was no exception to this rule. The effects of this bill have been all the things that Kennedy said would not take place.

In conclusion, Antichrist's and Mystery Babylon's fingerprints are all over the 1965 Immigration Act. The Church-State managed to ram through Congress a weaponized immigration bill destructive of the American nation and beneficial to itself.

Closing Remarks

In his book *Geese in Their Hoods*, author Timothy F. Kauffman wrote of Charles Spurgeon,

Spurgeon was much like today's ecumenists who lament the passing of a "God-fearing, westernized, culture" and charge Christians daily to take back what is being lost to the secular world. But Spurgeon was different than today's ecumenists in one important way. He recognized that Rome was as much to blame for the cultural decay as were the ungodly desires of natural men. Where Rome prospered, there ignorance, technological backwardness and poverty flourished as well. Spurgeon – again, noting the exceptions where they were plain – never forgot that Rome was a cause of the cultural decay, and the Gospel alone was the cure.⁷⁵

While much ink has been spilled by those who see the danger that current American immigration policy – both legal and illegal – poses to the liberty and continuing prosperity of the American people, almost no one recognizes, or is willing to admit that he recognizes, the outsized role the Antichrist Roman Catholic Church-State has played in bringing about this immigration disaster.

The blame for this enormous blind spot lies not so much with the journalists who do their best to report on America's ongoing immigration crisis, but on the American Protestant Church which has forgotten its first love and become like the salt Jesus spoke of that lost its savor. If we are to have any chance of reversing the awful destruction wrought by Antichrist's immigration assault on America, American Christians must first repent of their sinful and inexcusable blindness as to the identity of Antichrist.

I'll close by quoting Spurgeon again.

It is the bounden duty of every Christian to pray against Antichrist, and as to what Antichrist is no sane man ought to raise a question. If it be not the popery in the Church of Rome there is nothing in the world that can be called by that name.

If there were to be issued a hue and cry for Antichrist, we should certainly take up this church on suspicion, and it would certainly not be let loose again, for it so exactly answers the description.⁷⁶

the mind and the action of the American people" (9). The book can be downloaded for free here https://app.box.com/s/wsfefmgxb3oh6ac7bheqeh0fzuc9cf3d. ⁷³ Emanuel Celler https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emanuel_ Celler, accessed October 21, 2023.

⁷⁴ "How the Immigration Act of 1965 Changed the Face of America" by Lesley Kennedy, History.com, August 12, 2019, https://www.history.com/news/immigration-act-1965-changes,

accessed October 21, 2023. This article called Sen. Kennedy the bill's "lead supporter."

⁷⁵ Timothy F. Kauffman, editor, *Geese in their Hoods: Selected Writings on Roman Catholicism by Charles Haddon Spurgeon* (Huntsville: White Horse Publications, 1997), 17.

⁷⁶ Charles Spurgeon, "Pray for Jesus," A Sermon Delivered on Sunday Morning, October 21, 1866, Sermon #717, *The Metropolitan Tabernacle Pulpit*, Volume 12, 3, https://www.

May the Lord grant his people eyes to see the work of Antichrist done right in front of their noses.

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New Edition of *The Philosophy of Science and Belief in God* by Gordon H. Clark

A new edition of *The Philosophy of Science and Belief in God* by Gordon H. Clark will be available for purchase by the end of September 2024. The new edition features several articles from *The Trinity Review* as appendices: "Science and Truth" by Gordon H. Clark; "The Scientist as Evangelist," "The Hoax of Scientific Creationism," and "The Sagan of Science" by John W. Robbins; "The Biblical View of Science" by W. Gary Crampton; and "The Bible and the Idolatry of Science" by Ronald L. Cooper. The cost of this new edition is \$16.95. Here is the Publisher's Preface for this new edition:

Publisher's Preface

Since the last edition of this monograph, the authority and tyranny of "science" has only grown as witnessed in the COVID-19 pandemic with the trope of "Trust the Science!" demanding everyone to "mask up, social distance, and get the vaccine," none of which were rigorously, scientifically tested for efficaciousness and effectiveness. Science has been politicized and weaponized to keep the populace in line. As John Robbins noted in his Foreword to the 3rd edition,

In the popular mind, "It has scientifically been proved" has replaced the Biblical formula "Thus says the Lord."

The Bible and science represent conflicting authorities, and it is the purpose of The Philosophy of Science and Belief in God to show that the popular beliefs about science are false. Were the limits and proper uses of science understood, there would be no need for this book. But science has become an idol in the minds of many; its nature must be thoroughly discussed.

This new edition adds several articles in the Appendices taken from *The Trinity Review* that further elucidate this conflict between the Bible and "science," or at least the modern, popular notion of what is science. They include "Science and Truth" by Gordon H. Clark, "The Scientist as Evangelist," "The Hoax of Scientific Creationism," and "The Sagan of Science" all by John W. Robbins, "The Biblical View of Science" by W. Gary Crampton, and "The Bible and the Idolatry of Science" by Ronald L. Cooper. Also included are two illustrations to depict the

spurgeongems.org/sermon/chs717.pdf. See also SermonIndex. net, https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/newbb/view

topic.php?topic_id=5345&forum=35, accessed October 21, 2023.

occult and pagan influence on modern 20th and 21st century science.

Science has improved our technology so that human beings can exercise dominion over the creation, but it does not and cannot furnish us with truth. Only the Lord God of truth can do that, and He has in His written revelation, the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments – the Bible. It is my prayer that this new edition will be useful in solidifying that in our minds.

Thomas W. Juodaitis 2024

And on the back cover the following:

For the past two centuries Christianity has been subjected to an unrelenting barrage of criticism from scientists who have argued that many historical statements in the Bible are wrong; that man, and the universe as well, evolved they were not created; that the Bible's view of the universe is primitive and mythological; and that the Christian view of God and man cannot be reconciled with our modern scientific discoveries.

In the popular mind, the modern statement, "it has been scientifically proved" has replaced the Biblical statement "thus says the Lord," as the final court of appeal.

In *The Philosophy of Science and Belief in God*, Dr. Gordon H. Clark analyzes science from a Biblical and logical perspective. His conclusions are rather starling, perhaps not to scientists themselves, but to many laymen who have been deceived by the modern idolatry of science. Science, says Dr. Clark, can offer no objection to either God or the Bible, for science can never discover truth. It is "ever learning but never able to come to the knowledge of the truth" (*2 Timothy* 3:7).

Dr. Gordon H. Clark was an eminent Christian philosopher and theologian, the author of 40 books, and the former Chairman of the Department of Philosophy at Butler University. He died in April 1985.