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**THE QUEST OF ANNIHILATION**

**THE DEATH  
OF WHAT  
WAS NEVER  
THERE**



# PEACE

**H**ave you ever been in a backyard or a park and suddenly took notice of the peace around you? The stillness and quietness. The joy of others at play or rest. Did you thank God for that moment? If not, I bet you wish you had. Because there is a storm coming and it will be so fierce, the weather itself will be on the sidelines.

The storms of hatred, bigotry and prejudice are coming. Like previous wars in history, anger will reach its peak, many will be killed and blood will be spilled like never before. For those whom appreciated the peace they experienced, it will become such a valuable commodity, more than gold itself. As the factions rally and build their rhetoric toward those who know and do not know better, the targets are those who are different in one way or the other. It makes you be thankful that we all have one head. If we had two we may not have existed in the first place.

Not until the husbands, wives, father, mothers, sons and daughters blood is fertilizing the grass and plants that surrounds them will the questions come. The real question how much blood has to be spilled to stop the madness. Then comes the other questions. Was it worth it etc? In many cases, that question is known but never answered. There are places on this earth where wars has been going on for centuries and the people there look the similar. Differences does not have a prayer.

Reading this you may label me as a pessimist and you would be right. There is no need for hope. History has clearly shown that hope was a notion that was destroyed as much as the deaths that created it. Bleeding with everyone else in the ground. As nations accuse each other of human rights violations, no matter Democracy or not, the quest for rule and power will be never ending. Like the casinos, everyone can't be a winner. Those who are not in the club of the haves are subject to whatever the powerful wills.

The pursuit towards a better life becomes clearer as a farce. It is down to survival and this has been known well in other areas of the world. How do you think America was created? The earth has been conquered, there is no place else to go and live in peace. We have nothing better to do than to destroy each other. Those who try to live the dream no matter what level will be overrun. The blood will continue to flow. As we run out of space here, the strangeness is that man wants to go to Mars to do it all over again.

No matter what they call it, anything else then Democracy simply put is a lost of what few freedoms and rights we have. For those of color and minorities, it will be immediate. For those in a higher social class it will arrive slowly until the realization of what is good for the goose hits home.

Laws are designed to keep the civilization in humans. To slow down the wildness from complete annihilation of our species. The weakness of these laws is ever increasing along side the precious freedoms we all enjoy. When a person can kill an unarmed people and walk away, some freedoms have been lost. When false electors and ballots are created to make an election results in a certain way, some freedoms have been lost. When people hear lies from their political representative in agreement towards a hardline evolution, some freedoms have been lost. When the replacement of Democracy come knocking on our door and the peace you so loved walks out, what is good for the gander hits home and it will be too late.



# WAR

**W**e know this well as it has been ingrained in

history. Yet in a repeated fashion do we realize until lives are lost and the blood flows, the horrors. The warning signs are all around. The biggest sign is when you see a veteran return from a conflict. Of course they are not the same. This should be expected before they even leave, would you?

The war against the pandemic produces similar results. The knock on the door hit many with some saying the mistake they made. Do we as Americans regret the wars of the past to a point of learning not to have them

in the future? Do we learn all together as a neighborhood, town, city, state, country, continent and world? You know when I met my wife, she told me that with all her education, she sometimes learns the hard way. I can say that was an understatement for all. We always fail to see the warning signing using hindsight at last. Even with a learned lesson, we get amnesia which creates the circles of history and the future more predictable.

Since we do not learn well no matter the education level, we are doomed. Even science gets it wrong, however those in that world take notes and have records to review in order not to repeat those errors. Even though in a sense, it is about trial and error. It seems the key element here is risk. Is the risk worth the goal? In many cases we take the risk not realizing what the goal is. If we take the time in the study, we may realize that the risk was not worth it acknowledging the history being tried before.

In all my time in the military (24 years) I was not in a war itself. I was in a couple of what was called skirmishes however, death was there as well. It hit me like a bolt that I will not know the person who kills me. I will not know who their families were. Who was the love of their life or anything like that. The same will be who I killed as well. All the while those in power live on with their daily lives not knowing or understanding anything as well.

If you come to the realization that war is a waste, what good is it to come to that fact if all do not come to it as well? You could be part of a thirty thousand force and if all do not realized the waste and consider other options, it becomes the death that was never there.

We never learn that we are all the same and the winners are none and losers are all in war. Even those who win lose. The winners have to spend the resources controlling the losers. In time it becomes apparent that it was cheaper to leave the losers alone in the first place. Was this apparent during the war of independence? Did Charles Cornwallis realized the fight for land was still worth it as he laid cornered in his last battle? Was it realized after the Civil War? Did the plantation owners come to a reckoning after they lost their slaves to the union army and the destruction of their families, plantations and towns? It becomes apparent that all want peace. Some want to live in peace and others want to live with a piece. In peace and war it becomes the fight as never ending.



# THE FIGHT

**W**hether in peace or war, the fight is there. This is no more true than in politics.

Which in many case has lead to war. In recent times, many believe may lead to Civil War 2.0. Do we have the understanding that this will change nothing from wars of the past? Are we willing to spill more blood than the first Civil War just over differences? What will be the reason for this next Civil War? Will it be worth it?

This next Civil War will clearly be between the haves and have not's no matter what color. War against the poor is as old as man himself. Even when there wasn't a war, the poor and less fortunate had to fight like there was one. The fight for food, clean drinking water,

shelter, security and decent prices during an economic uncertainty has been a fight of survival within itself. Like my grandma said, "Lord knows we do not need another war." Many are tired of the fight. Some believe that if there was a war and they get killed, the the fight is over and they can rest. Is death that appealing? The thought along should have us stop in our tracks and take note towards a different path.

The fight is not easy. It is hard, tiring and has worn people down to the bone whether physically or emotionally if not both. However, it is a must as it is a part of the survival mechanism. Believe it or not there is a formula.  $War = Jealousy + time + hatred + fight \times X$ . The same could be made for peace.  $Peace = X^* + time / logic - fight$ . In most cases at the root of it all is jealousy. Some individual or group has something or is treated a different way. In time the jealousy grows into hatred to war. Logic does not fit in the war formula as it can be clearly seen, there would be no war if logic was used. Some may argue about the jealousy portion. When two individuals have differences, One is jealous of the other for some reason. The reason may be justified. There is such a thing as justified and non-justified jealousy. Whether searching through the pages of law or setting the traps to keep an enemy at bay, the fight is a constant like war, never ending.

Hypocrisy differences is a wonder within itself. Many do not understand it and those who do can never explain it to those who are ignorant of it. They become stupid not willing to admit the revelation that has just hit them. The concept of Lead by Example only works if others are looking and have the initiative to use those same qualities they have seen in others. This is a double edge sword as if the Lead by Example shows evil and power over others, the quest of that power is seen, recognized and followed with jealousy and fury. That is why good leaders are few and bad leaders are many. One rule those in power follow, "If you are going to change the world, you do not ask for permission."

This paper has no answers. What needs to be done man is not willing to do. That is why in my other paper (**Third Strongest Force**), women should rule. Then maybe hope has a chance. Only reproduction saves us from total annihilation as even children are cut down faster that they were born. History has proven the lessons learned are soon forgotten. Even for those whom have learned and do not want to fight are forced to do so. An empire like the U.S. cannot afford to back down to any threat. Yes, there are other tools in the arsenal that can be used and many are. However, as other countries modernized and become more powerful, they increase their military and spread their influence.

Perceived as a threat to other countries, the only question learned from history before the fight is, is it worth it? I am sure there are other nations who have contemplated such fights towards the U.S.. Those nations are biding their time as it is not so much the military that holds the U.S. enemies at bay. It is the 150-200 million civilians who are armed that presents pause. There is no army on earth with that kind of numbers in fire power. With many of those retired or x-military, even if they were not all infantry, they have the logistical and organization skills to keep the fight going.

A friend of mine brought up a good point that I failed to realize. After World War II there was a court held for those whom the world felt had caused many of the atrocities during the war. Many documents were collected with many more witnesses being heard. After which reconciliation was performed. In South Africa after Apartheid, there was a public hearing where witnesses and confessions of what happened and what was done to others was heard. After that hearing there was reconciliation. Even in Canada with its Aboriginal people's (First Native's People's of the country) There were many court hearings. Even the establishment of their own court (First Nations/Indigenous Court) was established to maintain justice for its people's. In each of these cases there was truth then reconciliation. What that reconciliation is another subject totally, however the point is there has been none of that in the United States.

Yes, there has been witnesses and statements brought before Congress, but there has not been any reconciliation. Even worst is the anti-knowledgeable state that many have taken not recognizing the truth no matter what the documentation states. As this division fight continues, the country slowly falls. This is why sports teams have such a challenge in winning the top prize in their sport as a team. No easy feat with 50-75 team members, how are the odds with 300-400 million citizen members of a country?

If there was a solid waste of skill America's veterans was it. When the government made their mothball equipment to so called plowshares, Most veterans was left to fend for themselves. They were taken out of society to do the government bidding and then dumped. Those veterans experiences no matter what job they performed while on active duty, understood you can bomb and send artillery shells all you want. Until you go house to house, building by building, you have not taken control of anything. Fight is a resource energy drainer. When Hitler started World War II, he could not see he had lost before it began. How can you use all your resource, take other countries resources all the while



making new enemies. Sooner or later the resources dries up and the need for more is ever greater. Hitler's quest was dead on arrival. No amount of effort would make it. It never existed. The German arrogance (which still exist to this day) made Hitler and other blind to the truth behind the strategy.

It is not hard to summaries what war is and what to do about it. The issue is the testosterone (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) of men. Even when it is up for their significant other, does it mean their decisions are sound? That is why women would be a better choice as in most cases, the testosterone equation is taken out. As a pessimist, I have lost faith in men. Only If women can rule without the influence of men do we have a hope of change towards survival and a better world. History is not only clearly shown this, but has affectively proven that no matter if it is war, economy, energy, nature, and other serious situations to consider. Whether in peace or in war the fight will be evident and man's only quest is the annihilation of himself and everything around him. If I am wrong, prove it.

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