

**The New Hundred Year War**  
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**Thesis**

Before America, the most powerful nation in the known history of the world was beyond doubt the Roman Empire. The power of its rulers was symbolized by a bundle of sticks – the idea being that one stick is easy to snap by one person, but a bundle of them almost impossible. These sticks were known as *fascas*. It is from this Roman symbol that we get the term *fascism*, a form of tyrannical government in which big business and big government are bundled together for absolute power over individuals.

During the 1930s, Mussolini, Hitler, and Tojo militarized fascism and by the early 1940s, they nearly pulled off world domination. Great Britain and America, the guiding lights of republican democracy, the protective shell of individual rights, snuffed those first modern fascists out militarily. But the seductive power of fascism was not lost on those who have lusted for unbridled power ever since.

While political opponents in the Free World are quick to label their opponents as fascists, in most cases that is a canard. True fascists are not individual persons but bundles of elite self-interest groups – governments, corporations, religions, militaries, ideologies – who want control over the world by controlling the individual, in effect making slaves out of free individuals.

While the prominent “isms” of our times – communism, socialism, Islamism, capitalism, corporatism – might at turns be mutually exclusive of each other, all of them can be married to fascism with lethal effect. Because it sheds light on abuses of power through institutional checks and balances, democratic republicanism is resistant to fascist takeover. But today globally pervasive players like the CCP, the UN, the WHO, the tech giants, financial behemoths, and other transnational corporations are the big players in this war. The mysteries of the last eighty years that have led to so many conspiracy theories might well be explained by the maneuverings and volleys and subterfuges of these bad actors rather than an organized conspiracy. The twists and turns of these giants at turns at war with each other and always at war against the free individual are the stuff of the New Hundred Year War.

From this perspective, in the great sweep of history World War II wasn't a war after all but just the first battle of a Hundred Year War for the sovereignty of the individual. Come this December 7<sup>th</sup>, America as the foremost representative of democratic republicanism, will enter year eighty of the struggle against fascism. Because this war is not nation vs. nation and is full of deceit and chicanery, it is difficult to tell up from down and friend from enemy. By 2040 or perhaps before, there will be a winner or a loser.

Will free men and women worldwide become slaves to the master elite class that run their lives in the ultimate expression of fascism? This is the single most urgent question of our times.

## Praxis

In the late 1970s, well meaning westerners encouraged China to inject some capitalism into its communist system to help bring its people out of poverty. Their mistaken belief was that capitalism would lead to democracy. China quickly became the go-to cheap producer of every dirty industry and later, all industry, but there was no requirement that China democratize or even liberalize. Instead, voilà: the perfect fascist state. The Chinese governmental elite, the CCP, allow private businesses and investment, but they by law own a portion of every single business.

Today China is roaring. It is spreading its influence around the world via investment and cultural outreach. It is a growing military and technical power, much of the hardware and software in both cases stolen from the West. Yet the people are still prisoners in one giant gulag, just dressed better. Where they work and what they do, their education and their health care, their housing options and freedom of movement, what they can say and believe and the art they are allowed to share – all are determined by their “social credit score,” a measure of how well they toe the line of governmental dictate. With the aid of new technology and AI, the CCP’s control over the population is tighter even than it was under Mao in the sixties.

This is the future for Americans if we do not win the New Hundred Years War.

Unfortunately China’s wealth accumulation has caught some U.S. political leaders in its snare, most notably recent presidents and many senators. China has exported tens of thousands of students to U.S. universities, all available to spy on U.S. citizens and resources, and it has pumped prodigious amounts of money in, compromising academic integrity. While no one at this point rates China as capable of winning a one on one war with the U.S., they have certainly done away with Hong Kong’s sovereignty without firing a shot and many doubt the U.S. would have the nerve – or with even worse leadership, care enough because of financial corruption – to stop China from taking Taiwan, which it has made no bones about wanting.

Meanwhile, the U.S. obsesses over spurious issues like sexuality and skin color and dope. Certainly many couldn’t care less about freedom or the lack thereof as long as they have their toys and their vices, but it is for individuals of any stripe who are seekers, doers, questioners, and creators, that the freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights are a beacon to the world.

What matters for preserving individual sovereignty in contemporary politics and culture? Who and what are the false gods leading free peoples away from freedom? How do we preserve our democratic republics in the face of the lethal combination of fascism, the CCP, force, AI, and corruption within our own ranks? Such are the questions Way Out Charlotte Pike poses and hopefully illuminates if not answers, while taking an occasional side trip just for fun. Your respectful comments and feedback are welcome. Thank you for your consideration.

- “John Arra” November, 2020  
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