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As a pretext, let me establish (first and last time in this piece): every death is a tragedy, the coronavirus is relatively dangerous and vulnerable people (and their circles) should limit their socializing activity according to their need. I've been saying from Day One, that the economical, health, societal consequences will be 15-25 times worse than the corona brought on us (or: China sent to us). In other words, I'm not minimizing corona; I am looking for the balance between the two events.

Having established the basics, it is now time to conclude: the way the world has handled the entire "corona" issue is "the" worst, unmitigated political, societal, and medical disaster in human history. Also, it is "the" darkest chapter of the human brain's ability and willingness to suspend any and all own thinking capacity and process. It –at its core– is closely paralleled with the 1939-45 Germany's holocaust, where part of an intelligent, educated society was a willing participant helping grandma off the train and escorting her to the gas chamber. At least that happened by the Germans while everyone else was against it; in the corona case –most everybody complied. Please don't come to me with your "you are comparing nazism to corona"; no, I don't. I do compare however people's willing suspension of thinking. I am beyond certain that every single person today, following government orders, has his/her own reasoning; but people who participated in and/or contributed to the holocaust had their reasoning that sounded logical to the person at that moment. In fact, I am sure Hitler had his. There is always a "reasoning;" the question is, how the given reasoning fits with humanity? Was the "reasoning" based on the people thinking for themselves? Used their brain?

Before we bring proof into the conversation let us review the corona history worldwide vis-à-vis Sweden. In short, Sweden didn't stop the economy, didn't order people to stay at home, didn't order masks, social distancing, or not-to-shake-hands, etc. They asked their citizenry to make a well thought, personal decision, and act accordingly. The world did the diagonal opposite.

- Starting around February, this is what I heard from people around me: "You just wait! Sweden is digging its own grave! They **will have** a huge disaster!"
- Came late March, early April, I reminded people of the projected disaster; "It's not over yet! Just wait! It **will come!**"
- Today, we hear "Just **wait** for the second wave of the virus!" ...
- ...and "But if we didn't close down, we **would have** had a lot higher casualty number!"

I underlined the operative part of each argument. They show:

- All their statements were/are "free of data"
- Their first three arguments are projected into the future (so the "data-free" nature sounds OK)
- Their fourth (and most recent) argument is a close approximation to the "if my grandma had pants, she would have been my grandpa"

To really prove the entire thesis' "data-free" base, on the day of this text's writing (May 27th), Dr. Fauci declared: "*The second wave is not inevitable, if we do things right.*" What a convenience!! At street corners, flea markets, beaches and tattoo parlors it is called "now you see it, now you don't;" IF the "second wave" came (it won't), we "didn't do things right;" IF it didn't come, --"well, my fellow citizens, we did." And this is what is called "medical expert's opinion and forecast" today.

With that, here is the fundamental, publicly available data:

as of 05/14/20	Population	N. of cases	N. of deaths	Population / N. of cases %	Population / N. of deaths %	No. of cases / No. of deaths
Italy	60,360,000	223,000	31,368	0.37%	0.052%	14.066%
Spain	47,000,000	230,000	27,321	0.49%	0.058%	11.879%
UK	66,900,000	233,000	33,614	0.35%	0.050%	14.427%
Norway	5,500,000	8,187	232	0.15%	0.004%	2.834%
Switzerland	8,570,000	30,463	1,589	0.36%	0.019%	5.216%
France	67,000,000	141,000	27,425	0.21%	0.041%	19.450%
Denmark	5,800,000	10,713	537	0.18%	0.009%	5.013%
Netherlands	17,300,000	44,481	5,590	0.26%	0.032%	12.567%
Germany	83,000,000	174,000	7,871	0.21%	0.009%	4.524%
SWEDEN	10,230,000	28,582	3,529	0.28%	0.034%	12.347%

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What you see is what you get; Sweden, by not wracking their society and economy, did far better than most European countries. It's just the fact. As Churchill said in 1925: *"You must look at facts because they look at you."*

But, for the extent of this piece, let's stay in the US, with US data.

	Population	Cases	Deaths	Population / Cases	Population / Deaths	Cases / Deaths
US	328,200,000	1,530,000	90,263	0.466%	0.028%	5.900%
Sweden	10,230,000	28,582	3,529	0.279%	0.034%	12.347%

This writing's scope is not to decode everything that happened in connection with corona; that Italy, Spain sent all young (and asymptomatic) people home where their parents lived and locked the door on them (to make sure everyone gets infected); that we in the US did the same with college students; that we handled Manhattan, N.Y. the same way we handled Utah and Nevada (instead of considering population density, whereby 70% of the US economy could have stayed open); that the government –under huge pressure from the public- accepted the “medical experts” forecast; all of them have proven to be lunatics; that we locked down everybody instead of segregating the vulnerable; that some 40% of all N.Y. corona deaths came from nursing homes (thanks to Gov. Cuomo's order); that by mid-May collected data established: “lockdown” actually harms the population; etc. The Swedish/US numbers serve as a summary of all that.

As far as studying the issue is concerned, it is now clear there is no such thing as “one corona.” There are two coronas; 1- “how do we make sure you don't get infected” is the core of the first and “how do we make sure you recover if you were infected” as second. Since everything starts from the “are you infected?” question, the most important data is in the chart titled “Population / Cases.” Because this is “the” only data where “closing the economy down, locking up everybody, ordering mandatory masks, etc.” plays a role. Once you've got it, you've got it, what we need to –under a different set of guidelines- work on you getting well.

As data shows, Sweden is way under the US rate in No.of Population / No.of Cases.

“This” is the tight and direct definition of the “worst, unmitigated political, societal, and medical disaster in human history.” To “deepen the well” sort of speak, we should add this:

*“....Nearly half of Americans report the coronavirus crisis is harming their mental health, according to a Kaiser Family Foundation poll. A federal **emergency hotline for people in emotional distress registered a more than 1,000 percent increase** in April compared with the same time last year.... Online therapy company Talkspace reported a 65 percent jump in clients since mid-February. Text messages and transcribed therapy sessions collected anonymously by the company show coronavirus-related anxiety dominating patients' concerns.....' People are really afraid,' Talkspace co-founder and CEO Oren Frank said. The increasing demand for services, he said, follows almost exactly the geographic march of the virus across the United States....”*

(<https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2020/05/04/mental-health-coronavirus/>)

Since we're talking about the US, let me limit the scope to our country; the “first corona” was mismanaged, bungled, screwed up, stupidly rationalized, and was based on generated hysteria in a historical proportion. The second, -thanks to the Trump government- had a bad start but recovered in record time. Since Trump haters will want to jump on this wagon, let me cool you down; so far no one has disputed Trump's claim that “the warehouses were empty after the Obama government.” In fact, it has been proven that the State of N.Y. was offered a load of ventilation machines a few years ago and they refused it.

On the “how fast the Trump government woke up” to the problem, let me remind the know-it-all liberal camp: the liberal's darling, the resident genius, Dr. Fauci said this on January 21, 2020:

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"Obviously, you need to take it seriously and do the kind of things the (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) and the Department of Homeland Security is doing. But this is not a major threat to the people of the United States and this is not something that the citizens of the United States right now should be worried about."

....In other words: before the liberal camp puts its foot into its mouth too deep, the camp needs to decide: should Trump listen to "experts" or should he not? **Then** everyone was happy with Fauci's statement (as a matter of fact the liberals were blaming Trump for closing the border from/to China); **Now** all of them have grown brains? You must make up your mind.

Staying with the "corona 1 & 2" scenario, "1" has been 100% refuted by Sweden; lockdown, destroying economy, masks, social distancing; as it turned out, those ain't the cause or the cure folks. I know people love to jump from high blood pressure and emotion ... but again, as Churchill said: *"You must look at facts because they look at you."*

On "#2" I am sure there are areas the government could have done better and it should be examined and prepared better for times to come. There is something however that I regard as an integrated part of the unreasonable, unfounded, bordering insanity, anti-Trump liberal discussion: the constant S. Korea / US parallel. I don't know how many liberals are aware of the fact that the United States of America consists of the word "States" (plural); there are 50 of them. With 50 governors and 50 administrations. S. Korea has one (1). Can you comprehend the difference as to how a presidential order goes through and gets executed in the two countries? As of this writing, a battle has been going between President Trump and the 50 governors in the case of "opening churches;" President Trump wants to open all churches, various governors have various ideas on the matter. Constitutionally, President Trump cannot order the governors. In other words, to hang all problems on President Trump and keep comparing them to S. Korea is as grotesque as it can get.

What Dan Patrick the Lt. Governor of Texas said was right *"...Are you willing to take a chance on your survival in exchange for keeping America that all America loves for your children and grandchildren? And if that's the exchange, I'm all in."* The consequences of what has happened since 2020 February will have serious negative ramifications at least until the end of 2021, but it will be 2025 before most people's brain will be somewhat shaken back together; before at the ball game **Person "A" won't look at Person "B" (standing next) as a "dangerous germ farm."** Just think about the ramifications of this one phrase for the restaurant, gym, airline, and all entertainment (sports, concerts, exhibitions, company gatherings, conventions) industries.

The "wear mask" phenomena exhibits the entire spectrum of how the liberals first got people to stop thinking, then trained them to "march on order," then ordered the same population to lockdown, lose everything, stay away from each other and wear masks. A few questions just off the top of my mind:

- If the mask protects, then why do we need to stay 6 ft from each other?
- If we must stay 6 ft from each other, why do we need to wear the mask?
- How is it that we should wear masks outdoors as well as indoors?
- If the mask protects a person who wears it from inhaling "droplets," why do the rest of us need to wear it?

But this issue is minuscule compared to the fundamental, the underlying one; the "mask" has lost its "medical reasoning" probably after the second week in March. But, as a result of active and overwhelming brainwashing, the mask by today has become a "sign of care." If you don't wear the mask, "you don't care;" "you only are thinking of yourself;" and "you are cruel." It is more than convenient for the liberal establishment; as a matter of fact this is "the" objective. Liberalism has been a "fact free" world since its establishment; to be a liberal, all you need is to "care" and to "feel." This "mask" issue came in handy.

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After this, you might be surprised that I cannot care less about “corona;” as of May 25, I have not worn a mask once, I met with people, shook hands, and in general went about my business and personal life. Of course, I keep hand sanitizer everywhere, don’t touch my face at all, and in general, I am observant. That is all. But it must be said, corona is “the” smallest (if any size) point of this writing.

The fundamental question we are looking for the answer to: how did we get hundreds of millions of Americans to obey? I should say “blindly, mindlessly, unquestioningly obey?”

How did we come to this?



Or,... to this?

IL governor –threatens businesses with jail if they reopen

N.Y. mayor –promised to drag everybody out of the water if they catch someone swimming

L.A. mayor --ordered that beachgoers can walk on the wet sand of the beach but not on the dry

Long Island Nassau County Executive –banned doubles tennis, and ordered that every player must bring his/her own tennis balls

Or ... how people should enjoy their afternoon in the park in Brooklyn. Just think about the actual relationship, between the city “leaders,” or more importantly the “leaders” opinion of the “governed” that they felt it necessary to draw circles, like in kindergarten.

What’s really exciting is to think through how and why people obeyed this dictatorship?



..or to this: on the day of this writing (May 24th), I was at Planet Fitness in Plano, TX. I bought a membership just a week ago because LA Fitness is still closed. During my routine a Planet Fitness associate came to me saying ***“Sir, you cannot put your gym bag (water, towel, extra shirt, etc. in it) on the floor, because it is considered a health hazard”*** Needless to say, I immediately stopped the exercise, turned around, came home and will cancel my membership at the end of 30 days. Don’t get me wrong, I used to be a pilot; I have a great concept and understanding of and appreciation for rules, regulations, and protocols; I am just not going to participate in and be the object of organized stupidity.

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...but the “Oscar for Backstabbing, Hypocrite Stupid Dictatorship” goes to:

Pennsylvania Health Secretary, Rachel Levine --who ordered nursing homes to accept corona patients ... while she took her own mother out of a nursing home.

The “anti-everything-that-was-touched-by-Trump-or-any-republican” media has been providing great assistance to this lunacy; *“In late April, Georgia Gov. Brian Kemp defied experts by opening his state. The Atlantic magazine, once a serious publication that should now come with a stick of stale bubblegum, accused him of engaging in “human sacrifice.” Do you want to guess what happened? Guess, come on, take a guess. Instead of the predicted spike in deaths, the number of cases of coronavirus and associated deaths declined...Our politicians serve by our consent; we don’t run our businesses or live our lives by their consent. The suggestion to the contrary is an affront to Americanism...”*

(<https://nypost.com/2020/05/20/end-new-york-citys-lockdown-now/>)

The issue in this is not how and why these “leaders” announced such a grand stupidity; the issue: how come people are not revolting en masse? Which is the focus of this paper.

One of the governors (not knowing the true meaning of his statement; which is not all that unique for many governors) summed up in a TV interview where we are: “We want people to follow our orders because it will save their lives.” My first thought was: ***“It is not your job to save my life for many reasons; one, that I don’t trust you. But the main reason that in a free country, I am responsible for my life, not you.”***

To keep this discussion in a reasonable size and context, let me have this observation: between 1950-1990, there would have been no force on this planet that could order Americans home to “lockdown”, give up their freedom, their job, their business, their daily life; to order them “6ft from each other,” to wear masks, etc. (As the story goes, the shops were open in London during the WWII bombing). Dr. Fauci with his idiotic idea of “we probably have to give up handshakes for good” would have resulted in people demanding Dr. Fauci’s immediate resignation. Not at this time. I have been calling America “my home” since 1986; I came to America visualizing that in the “Home of the Brave,” people will fully utilize their Second Amendment Right against any “leader” who came up with the concept we’ve been living through since March. It is hard to put the degree of my disillusionment and disappointment into adequate words.

So, where was this general (one might say “un-American”) attitude born?

Most of the current situation was orchestrated within the societal – medical – political triangle.

- The medical community jumped at the chance for their five minutes of fame;
 - There is not a single projection (“2.2 million US deaths, 1 million on the low side” --- remember?) that hasn’t been proven to be completely, utterly false. The latest one is CDC’s May 21st “reversal” on “virus lives on surfaces.” The entire shut down, cleaning surface order was based on that. Three months in, the CDC turned 180 degrees. Isn’t it nice?
 - There is not a single “expert statement” and its diametric opposite, Dr. Fauci, didn’t occupy in 3 months;
 - The WHO has proven to be a lying lapdog of the Chinese governmentBut they all were allowed to talk on television
- The political structure is understood; they were under such huge pressure, they had to do what they did. In this “you will see” population there was not a low enough number that would have sounded reasonable to people to keep the country open. If President Trump kept the country functioning and – instead of the 90,263- there were 2 (two) deaths, all socialists in this country would have stated: *“If we closed down everything, we could have saved one of them”* In a current societal structure, there was not a winning position. It is true for all governors; in fact it is true for all countries’ governments.
- The two points above resulted in unelected, wanting their five minutes of fame, having no clue about social-economical and financial matters, medical experts (whose “medical” forecasts were also wrong) dictating government policies.
- ...Which leaves us with the wild card element of the triangle: the people

The key question: how has the “Live Free or Die,” “Land of the Free” America been turned into an obedient society? “Not Thinking” while being free and as a result running into problems is a far better option than “Obeying Orders Without Thinking.” Even if the chance of making more mistakes in the first scenario is higher.

I have extensively written about the different partials of how people and societies can be changed. I am not claiming that all healthy, strong individuals who “followed orders during corona” are a bunch of mindless lunatics; people have their own motivations –which makes the examination a lot more complex.

The simple fact matrix looks like this:

- “Numbers” have never, not for a day, not at any time during this “pandemic” supported the actions governments ordered and people followed
- We understood from day one why Italy exploded
- We also understood the difference between “let’s ask the vulnerable population to stay safe” and “let’s lockdown everybody” models (we called it the “Swedish / Chinese” models)
- We understood the most likely age bracket of being responsive to a corona infection. While nursing-home residents make up less than 1% of the U.S. population, in many states they account for half of all Covid-19 deaths. In some states, it’s higher, such as Minnesota (81%), New Hampshire (77%) and Pennsylvania (71%)
- We –from day one- discussed the “Swedish model”

These are just the facts.

A reasonable argument can be made that the “corona dictatorship” (which is what this is) goes back to the early Bill Clinton era (beginning in 1992); the start of the real push for liberal ideology. It was somewhat moderated by September 11, then its aftermath swung into full motion around mid-2007 and went into overdrive during Obama’s years. Contrary to their own popular opinion, liberals regard “free speech” not much higher than leprosy; today’s “liberalism” (which has nothing to do with John Lock’s liberalism; has become characteristic socialism) structurally cannot tolerate free speech. They are rightfully afraid that free speech would kill, thus eliminate today’s liberal ideology. The main element of creating this liberal herd has been **education** arching from kindergarten to Ph.D. courses.

- I wrote about Cody Alicea, a 13-year-old middle school student in Denair, California, who was ordered by his superintendent Edward Parraz to take the American flag (in the United States of America) off his bike. *“...The First Amendment is important...We want the kids to respect it, understand it, and with that comes a responsibility...”* This fine superintendent did not mention **his** responsibility for teaching his students to be proud of their country.
- There has been a very long list of distinguished conservative speakers and leaders (prime example: Condoleezza Rice) disinvited from speaking at leading universities;
- Antifa gangsters’ rampage across universities and elsewhere is well known
- We established “micro aggression,” “safe rooms” and other mind-numbing idiocies at high schools and universities
- We are bringing dogs into universities to “emotionally support students”
- The situation, we have built at universities, has gotten to this: *“Colleges and universities have ceased to be champions of free speech and have become, rather, institutions that actively repress dissent.* The 2017 Goldwater Institute report that included the model campus free-speech legislation cited above declares, ***“Freedom of speech, that cornerstone of our liberty and most fundamental constitutional right, is under siege on America’s college campuses.”*** Speech codes, free-speech zones, and trigger warnings are frequently cited as unacceptable limits on free speech. In this vein, the James G. Martin Center for Academic Renewal, a conservative think tank in North Carolina, recently criticized “bias incident” reporting systems be used on some campuses, arguing that “empowering students to report other students for offensive speech is unwise at best and dangerous for serious debate of uncomfortable and complex political issues.” Barone succinctly sums up this position: ***“College and university campuses have been transformed over the past half-century from the***

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zone of our society most tolerant of free speech to the zone least tolerant.” Greg Lukianoff dubs this trend “*unlearning liberty.*”

(<https://www.aaup.org/article/tale-two-arguments-about-free-speech-campus#.XsL5dS2ZOgQ>)

- We witnessed the rise of Black Lives Matter: the name in itself represented the entire thesis and practice that has been going for three decades. To start with, (for the last decade or so) we have been forced to listen to lectures about “blacks not being blacks; they are African Americans.” Up until “Black Lives Matter” (founded by blacks) came around, having problems with “African Americans:” I mean talk about a “mouth-full;” “African American Lives Matter.” So, “African Americans” became “black” again –for a (useful and opportunist) time being. Yet, most everybody was excited about them. Not to mention founding a “Black (not white, not Latino, not Asian, not even American Indian tribe people) Lives Matter” group –as the flagship vessel of liberal “INCLUSION.” With this, what can go wrong?
- On the legislative side we see a complete lock-step, herd mentality on the “democratic” side (which has not been “democratic” for about 20 years, but the name stuck). I mean just think about this: you have roughly 280 (give or take a few) “democratic” House and Senate members in Congress. How is it possible no one has ever had a different opinion?
- There could have not been a better tool to enforce “unity” than social media. Without going into reams of details, YouTube and Facebook have been regularly taking dissenting clips off; the Wall Street Journal has an army of “Moderators” (in essence a Stalinistic style censorship group) taking postings off they don’t like.
- On May 18, 2020 the United Nations’ *unwoman.org/en#GenerationEquality* group via @UN_Women issued this guideline: *If you don’t know someone’s gender or when talking about a group, use gender-neutral language.*
Mankind – Humankind
Chairman – Chair
Congressman – Representative
Policeman – Police officer
Landlord – Owner
Boyfriend/Girlfriend – Partner
Salesman – Salesperson
Manpower – Workforce
Maiden name – Family name
Fireman – Firefighter
Husband/Wife - Spouse
- On May 20th, Governor Cuomo answered this to NBC’s question (why did he force nursing homes to take corona patients in?) on national TV: *“Because the state followed President Trump CDC guidance.”* Beside it is as idiotic as it can get (the Javits Center and the military hospital ship docked in N.Y. have been nearly empty and the Central Park tent hospital of 2,300 beds has never had more than 680 patients), it is a very telling comment; Cuomo is actually not afraid that someone will ask him: *“Didn’t you have a grain size of brain and common sense?”* The fact that no one has asked him might bring us closer to the original question of “why people have been mindlessly obeying?”
- But nothing shows better on how far this population has gotten away from any-and-all American ideology than the Bernie Sanders phenomena. Interestingly, there are only two politicians who have not changed their opinion and program for four decades; President Trump and Bernie. So, I respect Bernie. His problem; that he is campaigning in the wrong country ... or is he? Let’s just say, Bernie had campaigned in the wrong country up until around 2010. Just think about this: how come that an old, self admitted socialist commands roughly 21% of the total US electorate? In the United States of America, in the “Mecca” of capitalism? What must have happened to say this?

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By now, the number of examples on how the liberal establishment set out to change the society into a left-wing, socialistic utopia is endless. They almost succeeded. The person who stopped them doing it, is named Donald J. Trump. No wonder they hate him with a vengeance. If you look through the few cited examples, you will see that this country has established a system where liberal brainwashing is happening at every level in all parts of life. Liberals need people without the ability to think, otherwise, they wouldn't even be elected to the position of a dogcatcher.

Not to be on either political side of the issue, just using simple logic: in your mind, which person will not question any order and will mindlessly obey:

- The one who needs safe space against "micro aggression" at the university,
- The one who requires a puppy dog to get through an exam period ...'
- ...Or the one who thinks for himself/herself, questions, then thinks some more?

It is my argument (and conclusion) that close to three decades worth of liberal brainwashing, this country has managed to lose its vital edge by making most people forget what the phrase "The United States of America" actually means, what she was founded upon, what is her founding ideology and spirit looked like; in short, a large segment of America has given up thinking.

But I could be wrong.