**An Ungodly Human Philosophy**

If you know me very well, you know that I refuse to mix the gospel with politics. However, the Scriptures warn repeatedly about the dangers of worldly “wisdom”, particularly when those philosophies conflict with the wisdom of God (Colossians 2:8; 1 Timothy 6:20).

There are any number of human philosophies that are not only harmless, they are helpful. You will find them in fields like business, education and quality management. There are philosophies that conflict with one another but that have no real spiritual implications. One Christian may favor the Keynesian economic model while another ascribes to the principles of supply-side economics. God has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3) and it is our responsibility to approach every area of life in ways that are consistent with His revealed will.

In 1848, Karl Marx and Frederick Engels wrote the *Communist Manifesto* and there have been folks who have been devoted to the Marxist philosophy ever since. But recently, they have become more vocal and have taken to the streets to destroy businesses, attack innocent bystanders and call for the abolition of the police. There are human philosophies that Christians may find acceptable; Marxism is not one of them.

**Any movement that foments animosity along class or racial lines is ungodly.** God shows no partiality with regard to race (Romans 2:10-11) or social class (James 2:8-9) and neither do disciples of Jesus. As Dr. King dreamed, every individual deserves to be judged, not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

**Any movement that strives to tear down government is ungodly.** Romans 13 directs each of us to be in subjection to the governing authorities. Verse 2 says, “whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.”

**Any movement that seeks the elimination of family and religion is ungodly.**  It is by God’s design that a devoted husband and wife provide a safe, loving environment and partner in raising children of character. The family was not designed by men to “perpetuate bourgeois dominance”. Those who refuse to acknowledge God profess to be wise but have become fools (Romans 1:21-22).

Christians are passionate about justice and their love for others knows no racial or social boundaries. At the same time, there are folks whose professed devotion to social justice is merely a front for their Marxist views and objectives. Each of us has the personal obligation to do our research before deciding who to support. There are lots of philosophies that are simply matters of judgment for the Christian; Marxism is not one of them.

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