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Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

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I once went to a pep rally at Texas A&M (they call it “yell practice”) where the whole student body mobs on Friday nights to work up the fight for the big game on Saturday. 10,000 people seemed to produce 100,000 units of energy. And that’s what we need to do for the midterms: multiply our energy. The current team has two more years to set this country back on its feet. We’ve already come so far. Two more years, with Congressional support, could give us back a country worth handing on to our children.

Let’s start turning out the midterm vote for the best interests of the next generations. See suggestions herein.

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From the cockpit of the Sienna

CORAC founder Charlie Johnston travels coast to coast speaking to people weathering the storm. His long-suffering Subaru retired with 350,000+ miles, and now a Sienna van takes up the position.

Cheating Death

I have decided to be much more reticent when talking with people about details of medical approaches I have adopted.

Several people I trust who are close to me have noted that I seem to suffer more serious and extended challenges than most, particularly for a fellow of such gritty determination combined with a basically cheery nature.

It got me to thinking...hard. There are seven times over the course of my life that I have identified, where I have cheated death. On three of these occasions, the only reasonable explanation is supernatural. There are at least a dozen more significantly dicey situations.

That is not because of some peculiar, divine protection I don’t think – though that may play a role for reasons that are not what people usually think.

My attitude is dramatically different than most people’s. I like it here on this earth. Unlike St. Paul and many others, I do not pine for heaven right now. But I also know that I do not know best. God does. So I am very trusting of, and docile to, His will for me. I was moved when Beckita, who was my caregiver during my horrific bout of Covid in 2021, told me that when they were seriously worried for a couple of days about whether I was going to make it, I had told her that, “If God has more use for me there, He will take me. If He has more use for me here, He will leave me.” I was very glad that my attitude, under groggy duress, was the same as my stated everyday attitude.

I have found, though, that what I say as simple belief, many others say even more intently in a tacit effort to convince themselves. “I do believe, Lord. Help my unbelief!”

On a couple of occasions, I have been startled when, after I told people my approach in order to help them with their own challenges, they later wailed to me that, "It didn't work!" I realized they are looking for a means by which they can bind God to do their will in their lives rather than working to discern and accept His will with docility. The thing is, I do not want to die just yet, but I am willing, trusting that God knows what will best avail. So my approach *always* works. But not to get me whatever I want. The trick is to accept whatever outcome God decrees.

I think I am responsible to God to do my dead-level best – and then leave outcomes to Him. A rigorous examination of conscience helps me to avoid tacitly blaming Him for a seemingly bad outcome, but He is not a genie in a bottle and prayer does not consist of finding magic words to make Him do what I want. That is why, in the Prayer of Miraculous Trust, I encourage you to candidly say what YOU want and then end by thanking God for hearing your prayer and averring, "Thy will be done."

I guess it helps a lot that I fully believe we were conceived for eternity. As scary as physical death is, I mainly see it as our birth to eternity. It is all one continuum. The biggest fear for me is fundamentally disappointing God or neglecting what I believe is my duty.

It has occurred to me that, given the three cases where a supernatural intervention was, by far, the most reasonable explanation for my survival, I have started to wonder if it may be the case in the more natural-seeming outcomes. Natural seeming outcomes are often a cover for the raw supernatural. I know that before I was open about my visions and visitations, I went to great pains for people to see things that would give them natural explanations for my often weirdly prescient insights. Don't want to either spook the horses or claim special privilege.

If, given my conviction that I am to do everything I reasonably can to deal with a situation, then accept the outcome God allows after rigorously examining myself for any cheats, how can I really know whether an outcome was naturally or supernaturally determined? All I can really know is that it was allowed by God – either for His purposes or by my fault. Thus, it may be that, like a trained horse, He is sometimes just putting me through my paces, to prove whether I really mean what I say I believe and to keep me ever mindful of it. If so, then it would not really have much therapeutic value for anyone else except to the extent they could embrace my attitude about the whole thing in their own lives. But if they do it in order to get an outcome they have devised, well, as they say, your results may vary.

I have a deliberate approach to almost everything. Yes, my fears rise up at times and I have a few soft spots. But even in those, the dominant thing I am thinking even in the midst of crisis is, "Am I doing everything I reasonably can to achieve the goal honorably and effectively?" If I am satisfied with that, it is almost inconceivable to me that God's will would not prevail, however much I like or don't like it. And trust me, that said, it is a running joke between me and the Almighty that, when I don't like the outcome, I will look upward and say in my best Oliver Hardy style, "Well, this is another fine mess you've gotten us into!" I chuckle, I'm pretty sure God chuckles, and I move on.

So, on the cancer treatment, I will say that Ivermectin and Fenbendazole are the mainstays of the treatment I devised for myself – and Fenbendazole is not approved for human use. But I adjusted doses along the way, adding and subtracting elements as it seemed efficacious to me. But it was all very deliberate and pretty calm. I don't see how you could do this effectively if panic is always fluttering nearby. But most people don't have that nature. Even my high school principal commented on how odd I was that way. He said that most people, when they get mad, get wild and uncontrolled. I, on the other hand, got more quiet, thoughtful and deliberate. "If a man did not know you well, he would think you were not mad at all - and would have no clue what dangerous ground he had stepped on," he said, noting he had never known anyone quite like that before.

So in the future, I would say find a doctor who, preferably, is open to alternatives from degraded standard protocols, has a healthy respect for homeopathy, then put on the full armor of God, and trust that, in His mercy and justice, the outcome you get is the best outcome for your eternal soul.

Charlie Johnston

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TURNING OUT THE MIDTERM VOTE

Historically, the out-of-power party wins the midterms, so we need to work harder to make sure that doesn't happen this year. Vote watchers say that the key to this midterm election is simple turnout. What can we all do to help turn out the vote?

- Post early voting locations and hours on all your communications channels.
- Vote early yourself and wear your "I VOTED" sticker wherever you go straight through to Nov. 3.
- Call your county Republican headquarters to find out if anyone needs a ride to their voting location.
- Sponsor a "ballot chaser." These are folks who knock on doors to encourage voting. TPUSA is focused on swing districts in battleground states. <https://www.tpaction.com/donate>

An increase in the number of socialist and communist candidates, in any state, spells trouble ahead. Shutting them out before they get a toehold will be a gift to our country in the future. There is not one case of socialism ever improving a society, and nearly universal evidence of socialism crashing economies and dooming religious rights.

Huge advances have been made in election integrity in the last few years. It's not perfect, but more than ever, we can be sure our votes will count. We just have to get out there, and bring in as many people as we can.

NEWS

STAY AWAKE

It's become fashionable, even in conservative circles, to doubt President Trump's motives. We're in the work phase of a plan, where the action is more important than the press conferences. Think of a term paper. At the beginning, you make statements as to what your work is going to eventually conclude. Then you methodically work through a lot of research, not all of which is terribly interesting, and the reader may wonder where you're going with it. The reader may even think you can't possibly prove what you said you could. But you plod on, doing the work. Finally, just as the reader is about to doze off, the weight of all the research funnels down to an inevitable conclusion, and voilà! You have proved the point.

I think that's where we are right now. The whole project of the Trump Administration could be nicknamed "Operation Rescue" and initially, we were thrilled about it. Now we're in the middle of the paper, and it seems to go on for so long that we're losing interest. In the background, billions of dollars of fraud is being exposed, criminals are being arrested, measures are being put in place to catch illegal voting, the rate of violent crime continues to plummet, billions of new capital investment is streaming in, domestic jobs are increasing by large numbers, real wages (net of inflation) are going up, the price of homes is going down, vaccine fraud is being exposed, and the largest financier of international terrorism is going bust. The work is steadily being done.

Our job is to stay awake.

PROMETHEAN ACTION

We need to dig deeper than the mindless media's surface show. Big, momentous things are in play, and Promethean Action is one source for more reliable news than the bought media.

[Why Gas Prices Are A Distraction; The Midterms Will Be Won Or Lost On One Question](#)

The physical economy is being built up again because you can't run infrastructure on a service economy.

TRUSTWORTHY NEWS

Great coverage of the new America.gov website here: [Government 2.0](#) at Coffee & Covid

A couple of great episodes on [The Dark Horse podcast](#):

- What Paramedics Saw During Covid
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rAlkqS3w7XU>
- Organic Wisdom with Joel Salatin, the lunatic farmer
<https://www.darkhorsepodcast.org/transcripts/organic-wisdom-joel-salatin-on-darkhorse>
- Where Feminism Went Wrong
<https://www.darkhorsepodcast.org/transcripts/yysd1mllsl8xp047deks5g3iq16udq>

From [Victor Davis Hanson](#), who is always worth listening to:

- Republicans Are Getting Sidetracked <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wxzKcnd07b8>
- Democratic Party Is Unrecognizable <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V8dM2hgDKpI>

ELIZABETH NICKSON *v.* THE BRITISH ELITE

Nickson has long warned about the power and malice of the British elite. She's quite open about it; the subtitle of one article is "My Eternal Loathing of Charles." In this episode, she talks about the climate and green scam that most of the major religious entities have been embracing. Think *Laudato Si'*. Is she on to the reason our Church places environmentalism over faith? <https://elizabethnickson.substack.com/p/the-disastrous-king-charles-has-looted>

I also enjoy her continuing assertion that males will rise up and save civilization.

<https://elizabethnickson.substack.com/p/the-great-spitting-out-continues>

TRUMP IRA

Ever since Trump accounts were created for minors, I've been wishing I could open one for myself! It's such a great deal. Read more about them here: <https://corac.co/2026/09/14/laying-down-the-trump-card/>

And here: <https://trumpaccounts.gov>

On January 1, 2027, I'll get my wish! We'll have Trump accounts for adult independent contractors, part-time workers, employees of small business and the self-employed. Low to middle income workers can qualify for up to \$1,000 per year in Federal matching funds. Users can choose from private-sector investment firms to manage their assets.

<https://www.fidelity.com/learning-center/personal-finance/retirement/trumpIRA>

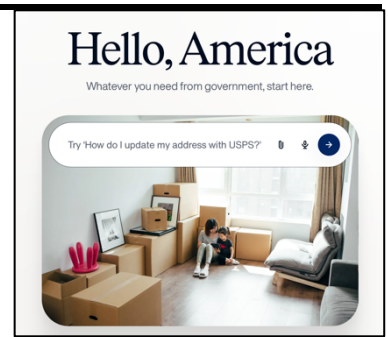
Or go to the horse's mouth: <https://www.trumpira.gov>

AMERICA.GOV

The Federal government somehow lassoed its 29,000 different websites into 1, and made it accessible to simple queries about all phases of government services. Personally, I avoid government websites at all costs, but this might make it a little less intimidating. You can give it a go here: <https://america.gov>

Jeff Childers gives it a good review here:

<https://www.coffeeandcovid.com/p/government-20-wednesday-september>



PILLARS OF FAITH

Bishop Strickland continues to teach the faithful from his website, Pillars of Faith. There are many opportunities to learn, from weekly podcasts to daily inspirations.

Scripture Study: weekly reflections on Scripture, beginning at the beginning: Genesis 1. You can jump in at any point: <https://pillarsofffaith.net/the-bishop-teaches/>

Vatican II reading challenge: reading and understanding the major documents of the Second Vatican Council, beginning with *Dei Verbum*, now finishing *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, and about to embark on *Lumen Gentium*: <https://pillarsofffaith.net/vatican-ii-reading-challenge/>

Arise and Shine, morning prayer inspiration: <https://pillarsofffaith.net/arise-and-shine/>

ECONOMIC TALK

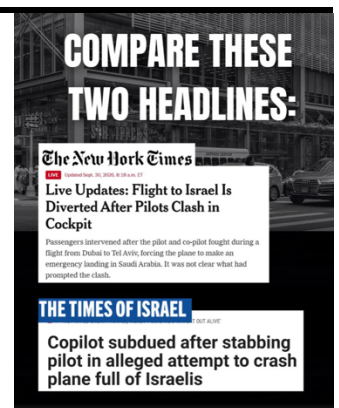
Inflation is a measure of change, not an absolute number. It measures the decrease in buying power from one year to the next, primarily due to money supply expansion. Therefore, inflation is cumulative. Say inflation now is 2%, quite a bit lower than the 15-20% we had a few years ago. That means the rate of change has slowed, not that prices have gone down. We're still living with prices that skyrocketed during the Biden years; they've just decelerated.

We would have to experience *deflation* or an entirely new monetary system, to see prices decrease across the board. In general, deflation is not preferred (there was deflation during the Great Depression) but massive increases in productivity, decreases in government spending and contraction of the money supply could possibly lead to a deflation that would not be crippling. This is not well-trod economic territory. Stay tuned.

THE VICIOUS PRESS

We didn't need more evidence, but the mainstream global media continues to prove its vicious malfeasance. In the same vein as they reported the attempted assassination of the President as "Trump falls on stage," the press just reported a story of Israeli citizens heroically preventing a tragedy in the air as "Pilots fight in cockpit."

On a September 30 FlyDubai flight from Dubai to Tel Aviv, a "confrontation between pilots" occurred. At least that's what the media reported. Actually, the Omani co-pilot stabbed the Indian pilot repeatedly, causing the aircraft to dive 14,000 feet in less than two minutes. The injured pilot managed to release the cockpit door so that passengers could enter, which they did, subduing the attacker and bringing the plane to a safe landing in Saudi Arabia.



95% of the passengers were Israeli, many were military veterans, and several were off-duty pilots. The media has long been loathe to say anything positive about Israel, but the truth is, the Israelis on board stormed the cockpit,

saved the crew and passengers, and prevented a tragic international incident. Our media prefers to report it as a little tiff in the cockpit between two pilots, as though they were badly behaved toddlers.

More about the media mishandling of this story here: <https://www.camera.org/article/when-a-cockpit-stabbing-hijacking-distress-signal-and-nosedive-are-a-pilot-clash-fight-or-brawl-to-the-media/>

Online, people are now facetiously asking to be seated next to Israeli citizens on flights. Less facetiously, people of ill will are trying to blame Israel for the attack.

A QUIET MIND

We all know we're too distracted, but what to do about it? The desert fathers of the fourth centuries had some ideas: <https://aleteia.org/2026/09/19/the-desert-fathers-three-rules-for-a-quieter-mind/>



LATEST FROM CHARLIE

Charlie's Blog: A Sign of Hope

- Laying Down the Trump Card <https://corac.co/2026/09/14/laying-down-the-trump-card/>
- Renewal Starts From Within <https://corac.co/2026/09/03/renewal-starts-from-within/>
- Enough Is Enough <https://corac.co/2026/08/27/enough-is-enough/>

Brief Updates from Charlie

- Truth Before Tribe (12 mins) <https://corac.co/2026/09/11/truth-before-tribe/>
- Caveat Emptor (11 mins) <https://corac.co/2026/08/28/caveat-emptor/>
- Dying on the Vine (7 mins) <https://corac.co/2026/08/12/dying-on-the-vine/>

CORAC VIRTUAL RETREAT

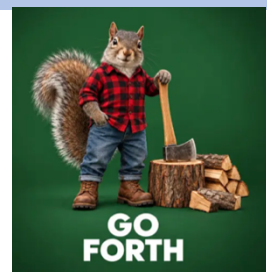
If you missed the CORAC Virtual Retreat on September 20, you can listen to the replay here: <https://corac.co/2026/08/05/corac-virtual-retreat/>

Synopsis: Charlie Johnston discusses what is being asked of us as the cultural conflict enters a more decisive stage, and why reaching the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart will require us to step beyond the apparent safety of the boat and learn to walk on water.

GO FORTH FIELD NOTES

If you're not familiar with the Go Forth initiative, read more here: <https://corac.co/category/go-forth/> and here: <https://corac.co/2026/09/10/go-forth-field-notes/> Go Forth is any action we take to help rebuild the City of God together. It's the most CORAC thing we do.

Read the latest reflections of a Go Forth veteran here:



Who Is Going To Live In This House, involving young people in our mission:

<https://corac.co/2026/09/30/whos-going-to-live-in-this-house/>

A Little Off The Top, ideas for helping are everywhere:

<https://corac.co/2026/09/29/a-little-off-the-top-a-lot-of-good/>

PHYSICAL HEALING PRAYER SESSION

Watch for the next CORAC physical healing session here: <https://corac.co/2026/08/05/sep30-physical-healing-prayer-session/> It is usually the last Wednesday of the month.

PRAYER

October Prayer Intentions:

*Renewed prayers for Charlie as he works to complete the CORAC manual: *Revival: A Handbook and Manual for Building Functional Communities*

*That CORAC members be inspired to plan and implement simple, helpful Go Forth projects in their neighborhoods

*That the Lord may heal many through the online Physical Healing Prayer Session (usually the last Wednesday of each month) and through online or downloadable prayer offerings on the CORAC website

<https://corac.co/#event-calendar>

<https://corac.co/prayer-teams/>

*For the intercession of Saint Joan of Arc, on whose Feast Day, May 30, 2026, Charlie had a mystical experience marking that date as “one of the most important days in modern salvation history. It is the day when all of the forces of heaven were perfectly arrayed and deployed to help the faithful carry out noble, Godly plans.” ~ *A Sign of Hope*, July 30, 2026

*That we continue to say “AMEN” to Charlie’s prayer: “[T]hat, for everyone, whatever they do for or earnestly wish for another, it return to them twofold. For those of good heart, it is a blessing. For those of scheming hearts, it is a curse.” ~ *A Sign of Hope*, April 24, 2025

*For all intentions carried in the hearts of CORAC members and those posted on the CORAC Prayer Hotline, with gratitude for prayers answered in our daily lives

*That CORAC members desire and act to support financially our website and ministries

St. Gabriel, enlighten us.

St. Michael, defend us.

St. Raphael, protect us.

Ave Maria, Stella Maris!