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## **Europeans Are Waking Up to Government Covid Tyranny.** Why Are We Still Asleep?

Tens of thousands of Germans marched through Berlin on Saturday, proclaiming a "Day of Freedom" and demanding an end to government-mandated face masks and "social distancing." The UK and Netherlands also saw large protests against their governments' tyrannical actions in response to the coronavirus outbreak.

According to media accounts, the Berlin protesters held signs reading "We are being forced to wear a muzzle," "Natural defense instead of vaccination," and "We are making noise because you are stealing our freedom!"

Good for them!

The New York Times Tweeted that the masses of Berlin demonstrators were all "Nazis" and "conspiracy theorists." Does the "paper of record" really want us to believe there were perhaps a million Nazis active in the streets of Berlin? Wouldn't that be alarming?

The fact is, Europeans are realizing that their government-mandated lockdowns did little or nothing to protect them from the virus, while causing economic catastrophe and untold human suffering.

They likely looked around and noticed that Sweden, which never locked down its economy, rejected face masks, and kept its restaurants and other places of business open, did not fare any worse than the countries that have been turned into open air prisons for much of the year. In fact, Sweden had a lower death rate from the virus than strict lockdown states like the UK and France. No wonder people are starting to get angry.

Unfortunately, while the Europeans are waking up, Americans are still asleep as our freedoms continue to be trampled. While Europeans demand an end to government tyranny, here we see states with minuscule new deaths returning to lockdown. It is as if all the wannabe tyrants from mayors to governors are finally realizing their secret dreams of ruling by decree. Their dreams are our nightmares!

New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy put citizens "on notice" that he will lock the state back down if people dare to go outside without a face mask or even to have guests inside their own homes! What kind of politician puts his own constituents "on notice"?

It is not as if the "experts" are even looking into treatments for the viral infection. Doctors who report

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their own successful experience treating Covid patients with hydroxychloroquine, for example, are ridiculed, censored, and even fired from their jobs. The rush to silence "America's Frontline Doctors" last week and to disappear their video down the memory hole should terrify anybody who still believes in free speech.

No, they say, we must keep locked down and masked until we have a vaccine. The US government is dumping billions into a vaccine that may be less than 60 percent effective to prevent a virus that has something like a 99.8 percent survival rate. What kind of math is that?

How many more may be harmed by the vaccine than helped? We'll probably never know because the US government has just granted big pharma immunity from liability claims if the vaccine produces damaging side effects.

They keep moving the goal posts to keep us terrified and isolated. First it was body counts and then "cases." The numbers have been so wildly off that it's hard to trust any reporting. People are getting angry. They are confused. They are facing an economic depression of historic proportions. But worst of all, they are watching as Leviathan government snatches every last bit of freedom.

Three cheers for the Europeans! Let's hope America wakes up soon!

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