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Fauci's Next Lockdown Victim: Free Speech

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Anthony Fauci delivered a bizarre commencement address on Saturday at the University of Michigan, where he implied freedom of speech should be the next lockdown target. After botching the Covid pandemic, team Fauci needs a backup plan to reduce their accountability in the upcoming midterm elections.

Fauci sang from the same song sheet recently used by other officials in the Biden Administration. Their top priority has become to control information and demonize those who dare to question the powers-that-be, in order to limit the political fallout that would otherwise drive liberals out of office.

"It is our collective responsibility not to sink to a tacit acceptance of the normalization of untruths," Fauci urged the impressionable young college graduates. Ironically, this was a combined graduation of several years for students who were denied a timely commencement ceremony because of the very misguided restraints imposed by Fauci.

A generation ago, liberal speakers urged college graduates to embark on the lifelong pursuit of free inquiry that they were supposedly encouraged by higher education to embrace. Today's liberals urge the opposite approach, to lock down debate and criticism of anything contrary to what Leftist elites dictate.

There Fauci stood, maskless, giving a pompous address that lasted not even 15 minutes in bestowing his words of wisdom during this so-called Comeback Commencement. Much of America has predictably stopped listening to Fauci altogether, and as recently as two weeks ago he had to reverse his statement that the pandemic was over because the White House tells us the opposite.

Apparently not even the almighty media can restore credibility to a man who has so often contradicted himself. Prior to the onset of the pandemic, Fauci disparaged mask-wearing as paranoid, and after the pandemic began he criticized drug store masks as ineffective, yet before long Fauci became insistent on mandatory mask mandates, even for schoolchildren having little to fear from Covid.

Fauci has demanded mandatory vaccination but recently the federal government had to reverse its recommendation for the Johnson & Johnson vaccine because of the severe injuries it apparently causes. Last week federal agencies finally admitted to 60 confirmed cases of a deadly clotting disorder known as thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome associated with this vaccine.

The chant by public health authorities of "anecdotal" and "no evidence" of harm caused by Covid vaccines finally stopped last week as the government confirmed nine deaths from this vaccine adverse effect. It took the federal government more than a year to admit to this vaccine-related harm after it was identified in early April 2021, then recognized but deliberately ignored by the Biden Administration.

On Sunday, despite being fully vaccinated with boosters, New York Democrat Governor Kathy Hochul tweeted to the public that she just tested positive for Covid. Cases have recently risen in New York to high rates not seen since January.

Against this backdrop, a new $10 billion spending bill for Covid has stalled in Congress, as congressional leaders instead focus on sending four times as much money to the corrupt government of Ukraine. It remains to be seen how congressmen will explain to voters this fall that they prioritized sending money to perpetuate a distant war before helping Americans against Covid.

Fauci's odd phrase decrying a "tacit acceptance of the normalization of untruths" sounds eerily like the Disinformation Governance Board that was revealed on April 27 by another functionary in the Biden Administration. The Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, Alejandro Mayorkas, spilled the beans about that Orwellian agency in his testimony to Congress.

Last Friday, the commencement speaker at the University of Minnesota Medical School graduation was Andy Slavitt, MBA, who was a senior Covid advisor to Biden. Slavitt had criticized President Trump's approach in 2020, while praising liberal New York Governor Andrew Cuomo for his tightfisted extreme lockdown.

But many more Americans have died from the coronavirus under Biden than under Trump, and a tidal wave of new infections is predicted.

The latest estimate is that 100 million Americans will be infected by coronavirus this fall, which may be rattling the economy now. Despite this, Biden demands that

Congress place greater importance on rushing $40 billion in new funding to Ukraine before helping Americans harmed by Biden's mishandling of the Covid pandemic.

Mandatory vaccination has not averted the continued harm caused to millions of Americans by the Chinese coronavirus. There is a loss in credibility by public health officials, who long pushed forced vaccination and masking that appears to have accomplished nothing or worse.

Perhaps realizing that the public no longer believes the sermonizing by Fauci and others, Democrats shift their game plan to control information and silence dissent. Fewer will realize how badly the socialists' approach to the Covid pandemic has failed if criticism of it is marginalized and blocked.

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