## Weekly Update by Mark Armstrong - January 19, 2024

Greetings from Tyler,

No doubt everybody has seen it. The things you have to do to save the planet! It did make a good visual though, people pushing their battery cars in the snow. Elon Musk is something akin to a genius, but surely he knows that battery technology is no good in sub freezing temperatures. Who doesn't know this? We have tremendous respect for his achievements in sending rockets to space and the opportunities for communication that governments can't easily stop. But he might have stopped thinking about winter and Teslas too soon.

No doubt these battery cars are wonderful under ideal conditions. But sometimes you need transportation, which is why a battery car is a status symbol. It has to be a second or third car, unless you're a true fanatic. Nevertheless, the endless harangue over "clean energy" continues to plague us. The windmills are frozen, useless. The solar panels? It's winter. Somehow I don't remember warnings about energy outages when I was a kid. Now they're warning that people should unplug their appliances, because the grid is under strain.

But they're having their elite meetings in Switzerland. As if anything they decide will matter if you know who is re-elected. The shadow of Donald Trump hangs over the meetings at Davos. Amazonian witch doctor or whatever, no amount of whooshing on people's foreheads is going to solve the world's energy problems. Facepaint or no facepaint. Does the world really have an energy problem, or are these slick talkers just blowing smoke and getting richer by the panic they create?

There's a full court press on TV news. They hate the prospect of another Trump presidency, or more accurately, fear it. They're scared to death. If he does a fraction of what he's promising in his campaign speeches, they should be. Seems to me he tried to play nice the first time around. It could be that they've misjudged him. That's what they're afraid of.

Oh no! What if the deep-state is dismantled. Call it what you want, but events over recent years proves it exists. They fear Trump, and they fear us. Maybe that's why the border is wide open and they're giving away the farm. Cell phones, accommodations, we can't give them enough. Is it true that a replacement is going on? Are we destined to be a minority in our own county? One that God ordained and blessed abundantly.

The carnage continues on i24. You can't watch much. Your heart can't take it. What are we supposed to do? You watch little children tell their stories. You see civilians walking around the scene of the festival the terrorists crashed and tell you what happened where.

If the comments I'm reading are any gauge, people have had about enough. It's clear that the pretender is not forging policy. In fact, long-standing American policies to do with Israel and the hostile surrounding nations have put this administration at odds with its base. You see all these demonstrations? Shutting down freeways and bridges. What are these people doing here?

Are we going to squander our blessings? If you read the Old Testament, it looks like the United States is what was promised to Abraham. We've got a Constitution that has been copied elsewhere, but is unique in the world. Nobody has the kinds of freedoms and protections that the American citizen has under the Law. Maybe some of these people blocking traffic ought to get a clue, or go home.

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