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**FREEDOM AND COUNTRY LIVING** Art by Ramona Stevens



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**Do you long for a simpler life? I do. In my article “A Minimal Lifestyle Or 5G” I go into this in more words. In this issue (The Stormrider Issue 7) we will also consider Cancel Culture. By all means visit our websites: <https://hobbyhomesteadingprepper.ca> <https://hobbyhomesteadingprepper.ca> <http://www.zionchristianministry.com> <http://freedomandsocialorder.com> <https://seriousrv.ca>**

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Shawn Stevens**

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# A MINIMAL LIFESTYLE OR 5G

What if we just sped up your life by a magnitude of 5? Would that be a good thing? Well, our society is on the cusp of a big change and that is the technological change from 4G to 5G.

What is 5G? 5G is the fifth generation technology for cellular networks that is currently being assembled. Once the infrastructure is in place, 5G technology will greatly expand bandwidth allowing for a faster internet and for much greater amounts of cyber information being communicated. This will revolutionize our modern world, opening the floodgates to the latest technology and everything will be greatly sped up. Right now the floodgates of technology are held shut by the limitations of 4G networking capabilities. However, the technology exists in tech towns like Silicon Valley and many others, to revolutionize our societies. Driverless cars, wireless VR, wireless homes and much more is coming to your life, your workplace, your city. Computers will do the thinking for us through artificial intelligence, all made possible through 5G.

Yes, that's right. Computers will think for us. Did you know that computers can think? You say, "How can a computer

think when it is not alive?” Well, it might as well be alive. Artificial intelligence is so far developed that it would shock us all to know just how much computers can analyze, forecast, organize, plan and command.

For computers to organize and command our lives, 5G needs to be operational. 5G is that point of connection between technology and our personal world. 5G brings this technology to us, facilitating the big change.

“Change” will take on new meaning with the enablement of 5G. Wave after wave of technology will roll in, affecting everything. Your employer, and also the government, will have many new tools to potentially micromanage our lives.

Welcome to 5G. I am concerned that this technology may also expose us to new threats. Cyber bullying, cyber hacking, cryptojacking, cyber terrorism and cyber war could be propelled to the next level. Cyber criminals never dreamed of all of the new opportunity that this technology opens up to them.

Do we need more technology? Do we really need more technology? Is your life going to be better for it? Everything will be faster but will it be better? Do you need a wireless smart home to have a home? Do you need a driverless car to be happy? Imagine the NASCAR race driver who is told, “You don't need to drive the car anymore, just sit in the

driver's seat and look out the window.” “What if I like driving the car?” he responds.

Do we need more technology or does our government need more technology to reign us in and rope us down? Some would say “Yea, but 5 G is progress.” Really? Progress for who? Be careful that your life, your livelihood, your future is not damaged by “progress.”

5G is also about making us more globally connected. It will streamline globalism. In this new world that we are on the cusp of, what you do tomorrow may depend on what happens in the financial markets of China, India or Bangladesh, today. What you do tomorrow may depend on the political winds in The UK or Turkey, today. What you do tomorrow may depend on political and economic shifts in Saudi Arabia or the European Union, today. What you are to do in response will be calculated by a thinking computer, in a nanosecond, and you will be made to know the where, what, how and why on a need-to-know basis.

I happen to like the freedom that low technology delivers. They haven't got their cyber tentacles around me yet. I would be fine with going back to 3G or maybe even, going off grid. The person who is off-grid is unplugged from the whole system, from the entire system. He or she is turned off.

Turned off to control and turned on to freedom. Are you turned off?

Many forward-thinking people today are embracing an off grid lifestyle. One that involves living remotely, running a homestead, having a hobby farm, raising chickens, living off of the land. Off grid living may still include some technology. Solar panels bring electricity to many homes. These people are not running away from the world; they are creating their own little world, a better, freer world that is free of manipulation, cyber bullying, control, and rat-racing. “Less is more.” Whether you or I take the plunge into off-grid life, or not, it is still possible to live a more minimalistic lifestyle. Any amount of readjusting to a minimalistic lifestyle is a step away from the system and a stepping forward to freedom and independence. Minimalism is scaling back. It is embracing a life that is less cluttered and that needs less. A life that needs less also costs less. The minimalists find themselves more and more free, expectation-wise and financially. This may look different for each one of us but I encourage you to start unplugging, get turned off, scale it back and pursue a minimalistic lifestyle. I am trying to as well. God bless you.

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## **WE LOVE YOU BUT CANCEL CULTURE IS WRONG**

Wikipedia defines “Cancel Culture” as “a modern form of ostracism in which someone is thrust out of social or professional circles – whether it be online, on social media, or in person. Those who are subject to this ostracism are said to have been 'cancelled.'” ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cancel\\_culture](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cancel_culture)) Cancel Culture has become a Liberally acceptable form of denying Conservative people their right to speak or hold to their beliefs. It has gained approval among the political left over many years and is rapidly becoming their mode of operation.

At its core, Cancel Culture believes that people should not have freedom of speech or freedom of expression in certain areas, if they hold to socially conservative beliefs. More specifically, if a person holds to a Christian worldview and Biblical positions on sexual purity, heterosexuality, sanctity of human life (pre-born and post-born), freedom of religion, family values, ect., cancel culture says that they must not be allowed to express those views openly. Now, there are also

other communities and cultures outside of the Christian community that hold to some items on this list and who also come under fire for their conservatism. However, more often than not, this struggle is between the political left and Christians.

At the forefront of the Cancel Culture are groups like Antifa which exist to promote Communism, Socialism, anarchy, LGBT rights, and the Black Lives Matter movement. One thing that differentiates Antifa activists from some other more libertarian Liberal activists, is their willingness to use force, to achieve the shutdown of speech. They have a strong presence on many university campuses and use many left-wing protest organizations to promote their platform. As well, they are known to come out to conservative rallies to disrupt and oppose conservative free speech, which they call hate speech.

Threats from Cancel Culture advocates resulted in the University Of British Columbia cancelling a 2020 speaking event featuring journalist Andy Ngo. Ngo had been assaulted by Antifa in 2019 for covering an Antifa rally because he is viewed as being opposed to Antifa. His camera equipment was stolen that day and blows and injuries to his head resulted in him going to emergency. Ngo was still on their watchlist of speakers that they want shut down and the University Of British Columbia complied with their demands



on vague and unspecified grounds of “safety and security” concerns.

A similar example of Cancel Culture occurred at the University of Alberta in 2015 where a pro-life display and presentation was covered over and drowned out by the sheets, towels, banners, and mega-phones of demonstrators. The school security took no action to stop the demonstrators, or to discipline the students involved in the shutdown. Some students boasted publicly on social media about their involvement. Instead the University told the small pro-life club who erected the display, that they could no longer make such displays on campus unless they paid \$17,500 in security fees first. This was challenged in the Alberta Court of Appeal and the \$17,500 fee was thrown out.

The Alberta Court of Appeal set aside the University’s \$17,500 security fee, ruling in favour of free speech on campus. The University of Calgary was also reprimanded by a court “for having found some pro-life students guilty of non-academic misconduct simply for having peacefully expressed their opinions on campus.”

The above situation is one small victory for free speech advocates. However, there are so many examples of Cancel Culture bullying out or trying to bully out conservatives. I have seen this with my own eyes. Cancel Culture argues that they are trying to stop hate speech. However, they fail to

understand that Christian expression is not hate. We do not hate those on the left. Again and again Christian followers have made a clear distinction between loving the sinner and hating the sin. We oppose immoral behaviour that we see our Bibles defining as such, that our God condemns, but we do not hate those who are committing these offences.

Cancel Culture should take an honest look at their own expression and ask themselves “is what I do hate?” I have attended a peaceful public demonstration where Social Conservative speakers, one of whom was an MP, made presentations on their opinion that child medical transition does harm to children. I was taking in the excellent presentations by respected social conservative leaders, whom I admire. Then some activists began disrupting the meeting. Many held placards with pro-LGBT messages. While some stood there quietly, others marched through the crowd, one with a megaphone, shouting obscenities. One sprayed a purple dye into the air amongst us all and others threw eggs into our crowd. One female activist stripped down and walked bare-breasted amongst us, fingering us. Again, some protesters stood by quietly. I am not calling what the quiet protesters do, Cancel Culture. However, the intentions of the aggressive ones was to communicate as much hatred towards us as they could and to drown out our speakers with swearing. This is Cancel Culture. This is hatred. This is wrong.

We do not hate our opposers. If you are reading this from the other side of the fence, we wish to communicate that we love you. Real love is always connected to truth. You can't affirm immorality and be loving at the same time. Love will expose and challenge immorality but in the context of hope. There is hope for you that is found only in Jesus Christ. He can set you free if you will turn to Him, surrender to Him, repent and put your faith in Him. Then you will be free.

Cancel Culture is coming at Social Conservatives from all sides. It is coming from groups like Antifa, from university administrations, from activists, from social media giants like Google, facebook, Utube and others who often dismiss and cancel social conservatism as misinformation. Lastly, it is coming from government, Liberal and left-wing government which supports hate-speech legislation. The term "hate speech" is a very subjective term. Usually hate speech laws are used by those on the political left to prosecute social conservatives for their views on moral issues. Do you doubt this? Do you disagree? What examples can you give of social conservatives using hate speech legislation to prosecute Liberals? Please write me if you know of a single example in Canada.

No, the political left smiles upon Cancel Culture. They enable Cancel Culture to operate in the court system by means of hate speech laws. Because Cancel Culture has much backing in our courts and government, it can also be

called systemic discrimination. Christians living in Canada increasingly feel the heat and the pressure when following our God instead of following the culture. The evolving Liberal worldview is always moving farther and farther to the left. The modern Liberal worldview is increasingly more and more antithetical to Christian faith and to Christian values. It is becoming more and more aggressive in mandating its value system. They expect us to convert to their views, which we can never do without compromising our faith.

We do not hate anyone. We do not wish ill on our opposers. However, we will not follow the low-bar value system of a Liberal government and culture. By the grace of our God we will continue to walk the strait and narrow. We will continue to speak the truth in love.

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