

Different Person Have Different Views-Covid-19 Origin of the Virus

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Abstract: The outbreak of “COVID-19 epidemic” is an encounter between all mankind and a global unknown virus, and it is also a major global public health event. This event is not only a mirror, it shows the true state of the whole Chinese society in a certain sense. A nation that is good at reflection is a nation with a high degree of rationality and self-consciousness, so that it can continuously gain the motive force for progress, because it can enable us to enhance the historical memory of suffering and not repeat historical mistakes. It is a tragedy to forget suffering. In real life, some people pay more attention to experience and pay less attention to reflection lessons. Since the outbreak of COVID-19, Chinese society, including Chinese churches, has experienced baptism in cognition, emotion and action. Christians once again realize that all aspects of individual body, church organization and social body need to attach importance to and strengthen the construction of “body”.

1. Introduction

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The “COVID-19 epidemic” outbreak is an encounter between all mankind and a globally unknown virus, and it is also a major global public health event. This incident is not only a mirror, it presents the true state of the entire Chinese society in a certain sense. Many people have truly felt the increasing challenges in life and work, and such pressures and challenges will inevitably affect the actual church pastoral work. At the same time, when the epidemic prevention and control is normalized, the work to be done, the ministry to be carried out, the laws and guidelines to be followed, and the external environment to be faced by the church are all very different from the previous ones, and they need to constantly adjust themselves. And update. A nation that is good at reflection is a nation that has a high degree of rationality and consciousness so that it can continuously gain momentum for progress. Because it enables us to enhance our historical memory of suffering and no longer repeat historical mistakes [2]. Forgetting suffering is a tragedy. In real life, some people pay more attention to experience and do not pay enough attention to reflection and lessons. One of the important reasons why China has been able to enter the fast lane of development is to remain open and integrate with the world, so that it has successfully acquired talents,

knowledge, experience, technology, markets and other global development resources. Theological self-confidence and theological consciousness are two sides of the theoretical research on the sinicization of Christianity. Theological self-confidence constructed by theological theories must involve theological self-consciousness, and theological self-consciousness is the logical prerequisite of theological self-confidence. In the general trend of deepening globalization, the church should also think about how to use its own faith resources to participate in, maintain, and build a community with a shared future for mankind.

2. Theological Thinking on the Origin of Covid-19 Virus

Facing the sudden epidemic, human beings were caught off guard and suffered heavy losses. In the painful experience, people need to rethink the limitations of human beings and the power of faith. The COVID-19 epidemic has spread all over the world, and the virus may have mutated. This fact shows that people need to study this complex epidemic from multiple disciplines and angles. Genesis 1:31 tells us that immediately after creation week: “Then God saw everything that he had made, and indeed it was very good”. In other words that everything, every living or non-living thing, physically or mentally was created by God, this include things you can experience but cannot touch. If God created everything, did God create the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19? The canonical Bible states this, then the coronavirus must be created by God; but why and how? This is stirring your curiosity about the relationship between God and Coronavirus, since in reality, (I have no religion and discussing from a neutral perspective of science and religion) not all people is religious and we barely linked them together. But people who believe in Christianity argues that all the virus human beings had been through in the past Thousands of years, were simply ordered by God; the world is cursed, mankind has been punished accordingly during the virus period. On the other hand, more realistic people would claim that this outbreak of this completely new virus is fully explainable by modern science [3]. “There’s been a huge amount of progress in the past several decades as well as ongoing studies in cell biology labs around the world to understand how aspects of our cells work and what happens when they stop working properly in disease and aging, but there’s still an astonishing amount that we don’t understand about this fundamental unit of life” (“5 Things We (Still) Don’t Know About Cells,” Allen Institute for Cell Science, Sept. 24, 2018). There’s also massive supports from the science world which those people believe the coronavirus were just an evolution of bacteria. Biology and chemistry are enough to explain the existence of such a recalcitrant in our world; because the people on this side must has no religion, they only have faith in science. Anyway, did god create coronavirus? The answer is both “yes” and “no”.

- Virus the friend? Or the devil?

Even though “power is always the devil of human nature”, it happened that those “God's voters” were fascinated by the ghosts of “power”, deviated from God's kindness and tolerance in their hearts, and willingly degenerated from the “city on the mountain”. They flouted the warnings of history and reality with the so-called “political correctness”, completely ignored the long-term interests of the people of their own country and the world, and wantonly let selfish desires overcome public interests, let lies trample on the truth, let confrontation overwhelm cooperation, let closure replace openness, and make the struggling world even more difficult. Some people believe that a virus is an evil thing. Why did God create an evil virus? This view is biased, because viruses themselves are not entirely evil. As defined by the Medicine Net article “Medical Definition of Virus,” a virus is “a microorganism that is smaller than a bacterium that cannot grow or reproduce apart from a living cell. A virus invades living cells and uses their chemical machinery to keep itself alive and to replicate itself. It may reproduce with fidelity or with errors; this ability to mutate is responsible for the ability of some viruses to change slightly.” Notice the part about reproducing with errors, a built-in capacity to become modified was a part of the original viruses God created. So, when did the virus start to get nasty and dangerous? What causes the virus to change from good to evil? The answer is clear. The reason why the virus has changed is because of the fall and the crime of man. When man began to fall, when man began to sin, it was cool, and with the worsening

of the weather, nature began to become dangerous and vicious, including the virus, it changed quietly. Christians often use Bible verses to take care of their bodies in their daily life. It can be said that how Christians look at the Bible determines how Christians look at their bodies to a certain extent. If we read the Bible from a narrow perspective, the Bible books and scriptures will be read selectively, and spiritual life will become fragmented.

- Circa virus-the claws of demon

Through Christ's suffering, God participates in and shares the suffering of others, because only by personally participating in the suffering of the sufferers can God's most complete sympathy and love be revealed. Since God loves us so much, it requires that those of us who trust and follow Christ should follow Christ's example. In the crisis of epidemic, we should not criticize and convict, but bring Christ's sympathy and God's love to life. To reveal if the existence of coronavirus was related to God, first, we need to remember that God created all life-forms on earth, and all life is extremely complex. Throughout the course of history, disease outbreaks have ravaged humanity, sometimes changing the course of history and, at times, signaling the end of entire civilizations. About 5,000 years ago, an epidemic wiped out a prehistoric village in China. It's the Circa virus in 3000 B.C. The first known epidemic in history took place in a village now known as the Hamin Mangha Archaeological Site, in Inner Mongolia, China which is one of the best-preserved prehistoric sites in northeastern China.. The village contained 29 structure, and the digs have recovered the remains of 100 people, from all ages. The bodies of the dead were stuffed inside a house that was later burned down. No age group was spared, as the skeletons of juveniles, young adults and middle-age people were found inside the house.

Archaeological, and anthropological study indicates that the epidemic happened quickly enough that there was no time for proper burials, and the site was not inhabited again. Since Circa happened so swiftly and the Chinese didn't record much detail about it, our knowledge are limited. However, this was enough to prove that this diseases may be arranged by God. Moreover, before the discovery of Hamin Mangha, another prehistoric mass burial that dates to roughly the same time period was found at a site called Miaozigou, in northeastern China. Together, these discoveries suggest that an epidemic ravaged the entire region, mankind in the eastern hemisphere, particularly in ancient China had been cursed by God, Chinese are "paying their debts" by their lives [4]. I believe that the God would show up by punishing human like producing virus to teach them a lesson only when there's spectacular evolution or an overwhelming power appears among mankind. This case perfectly explains my theory, that around 3000 B.C., China was experiencing the beginning of the period of the Three August Ones and Five Emperors. This event was influential and overwhelming to the entire region, because undue wealth and aggressive power appears. To pull everything back on track. God must do something. Under such a condition, human seems like sand on the ground, stars in the universe, so weak that signaling the end of entire civilizations. Luckily, Chinese defeat the virus attesting their adaptation and survivability to God. Virus seems to be a weapon or a means of punishment from God. The COVID-19 epidemic has prompted Chinese Christians to realize more deeply that a person's new life is not only about spiritual life, but also about physical health and safety. Under this background, the development and establishment of proper body theology by Christians will greatly benefit personal belief life and community life.

- Plague of Athens-violent hand

Another serious and representative crisis was the Plague of Athens. Around 430 B.C., not long after a war between Athens and Sparta began, an epidemic ravaged the people of Athens and lasted for five years. Some estimates put the 100,000 people died. The Greek historian Thucydides (460-400 B.C.) wrote that "people in good health were all of a sudden attacked by violent heats in the head, and redness and inflammation in the eyes, the inward parts, such as the throat or tongue, becoming bloody and emitting an unnatural and fetid breath" (translation by Richard Crawley from the book "The History of the Peloponnesian War," London Dent, 1914). The similarities of Plague of Athens and Circa are that both virus came quietly in a sudden, even the modern scientists cannot pursue the virus's origin. This quote use metaphor as "people in good health...violent heats in the head, and redness...eyes." This suggests that even those healthy people living freely and vigorously

cannot defend themselves from the Plague of Athens. Consequently, the plague had serious effects on Athens' society, resulting in a lack of adherence to laws and religious belief; in response laws became stricter, resulting in the punishment of non-citizens claiming to be Athenian. Athenians start to abandon their religious beliefs and pay attention to the reality, since they found out praying to their God is not saving their life. Similarly, after the most grievous period of COVID-19, huge protests for freedom especially in market economy starts, some people even betray their religion...

- Reality

Bacteria are vital to the survival of higher life forms including human beings. However, many types of bacteria can be either beneficial or detrimental, depending on where they are and how many there are. Likewise, the bacteria in the plant and animal world, including our environment and food sources, must all be in perfect, harmonious balance. Of course, we know that is not always the case in our world. Consider that viruses, like bacteria, are themselves an integral part of the natural ecosystem. If the virus didn't exist, our ecosystem wouldn't be able to sustain itself. In medicine and agriculture, certain viruses can play a role in the elimination of germs and pests, is a good friend of mankind.

- First clue

The first cluster of Covid-19 infections was traced to the Huanan Seafood Market in Wuhan, leading to early speculation that it may have been where the virus jumped from animals into humans. Usually no matter which seafood market in the world, are not 100% clean with no viruses. But Chinese researchers have since found that several of the earliest known cases of Covid-19 in the city were unrelated to the market, meaning the virus may already have been spreading in the community. Although coronavirus can survive under extreme weather and condition, living in the sea is not appropriate to the characteristics of coronavirus from biological view.

- Second clue

Then our sight turns to the possibility of a zoonotic, or animal origin, a joint investigation this year by the World Health Organization. The team's report, released in March, found that the virus probably emerged in bats and jumped to an intermediary animal before it spread to humans. Bats are well-established hosts to a broad range of viruses that are known to cause severe disease in humans, including the Hendra virus, Ebola virus and, most notably, coronaviruses. Many of the virus human being been through were from the bats, because the bats can adapt in plenty of condition where most of the other animals cannot survive. Although bats are the most likely hosts of these coronaviruses, their emergence in humans has also sometimes involved "intermediate" hosts such as the palm civet (in the case of SARS-CoV) and dromedary camels (MERS-CoV). Bats begin to be the most suspicious animal as the origin of coronavirus even in recent days, it's in the list of urgent research subjects. People are always aware of Bats and other animals from the same family.

3. Enlightenment

When God enlightens himself in different historical periods, he will bend over human beings who are limited in reason and influenced by sin, so he will adopt a way that people can understand at that time, with the help of familiar images or concepts at that time. These are recorded in human language by biblical writers who are limited by the times and circumstances. With the progress of mankind, God will adopt the way of the new era and borrow the concept of the new era to enlighten himself. In the world, we should advocate that all countries respect life, avoid the tearing of people caused by mutual hatred, and realize that all ethnic groups are interdependent. Therefore, human beings need to support each other, cooperate with each other, overcome the epidemic, build a Community of Shared Future for Mankind, and seek the common well-being prepared by God for the created people. God prepared an ultimate salvation plan for us. He incarnated Jesus Christ to show us that God entered human history for the sake of loving the world. Through the death of Jesus Christ, we can see that God chose to suffer with mankind and bear the consequences of Adam and Eve's depravity. No matter what kind of challenges, trials, sufferings and dilemmas human beings experience, they should look forward to waiting for God's final promised achievements with

confidence and patience. With God's company and promise, human beings have the courage and strength to face all difficulties and hardships positively. When we understand God, we often inadvertently project our inner desires to God. We hope that God can instantly relieve our pain by miracle, and immediately save us from diseases and difficulties. In the face of the epidemic, everyone is faced with strong psychological pressure. Teachers and students of the whole hospital, together with pastors all over the province, are fully aware that they should lead by example, guide believers to face the epidemic correctly, relieve their negative emotions and strengthen their confidence.

4. Conclusions

The global pandemic of COVID-19 epidemic has brought loss and pain to people, and also prompted people to stop and reflect on the value of life and the significance of faith. During the special period and after the outbreak, the church can advocate healthy living habits and publicize the health and epidemic prevention system in the public space of the church, and the church with conditions can provide faith-based psychological counseling and consultation for the limbs. Through the incarnation of Jesus Christ and the resurrection from the dead, we know that the Trinity God has not abandoned this world, nor abandoned the world affected by sin. He still cares for all things with love, and saves the world with love that gives his life and bleeds. Individuals and priesthood groups in the church should, first of all, judge things objectively and cultivate a mature and stable mind in public events. Secondly, they can upgrade their service content and form and practice the ability to output positive words. God chose to experience suffering with others precisely to show his greatest sympathy and grace, which gave Christians confidence and strength to face and overcome all suffering. Although the epidemic situation has not been fully controlled in the world at present, we should firmly believe in God and care for each other with love, so that God's salvation can come to those who need care through us.

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