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Broadcast: American Marxism – Part 2

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Dr. James Dobson: You're listening to Family Talk, the radio broadcasting division of the James Dobson Family Institute. I am that James Dobson and I'm so pleased that you've joined us today.

Roger Marsh: Well, welcome back to Family Talk. I'm Roger Marsh and it is the first day of March here in 2024. Hope that the new year is treating you well, especially as we start another new month. At the end of this month, we will be celebrating Easter, and I pray that you take some time this month to reflect on the significance of what Jesus did for us by dying on the cross and paying the penalty for our sin and paving the pathway for salvation. In Galatians 1:4, we read the words of the apostle Paul, who, describing Jesus says, "He is the one who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age according to the will of our God and Father." Now on today's edition of Family Talk, we're going to hear part two of Dr. Dobson's conversation with author, radio and TV personality Mark Levin.

They'll continue their conversation about Mark's book entitled *American Marxism*. This program was originally recorded in September 2021, regarding the hot button topics of that summer, but I'm sure you'll agree those same topics are still relevant even today. So now let's join Dr. Dobson and his guest Mark Levin on today's classic edition of Family Talk.

Dr. James Dobson: Well, hello listeners. I'm Dr. James Dobson, the host of Family Talk, and if you were with us last time, you know that we were talking to Mark Levin, who's an icon, who is heard and watched by millions of people on radio, television and on social media. He's in the radio Hall of Fame, a distinction that I'm also honored to hold. Mark has a Juris Doctorate from Temple University School of Law. He's a *New York Times* best-selling author of many books including the latest one, *American Marxism*, which is flying off the shelves today. And we're going to continue talking about that today. He's back with us and welcome, Mark. It's a delight to have you back.

Mark Levin: Thank you, Dr. Dobson. The honor is all mine.

Dr. James Dobson: We want to get back to your book, but first I would like you to address the American military's shameful and botched withdrawal. It wasn't the fault of the

military, but our departure from Afghanistan, we are embarrassed. I am. I know many Americans are by what took place there. In fact, I'm outraged by it. I'm outraged with President Biden for leaving many American citizens and those Afghans who were our friends and they translated for us and they helped us in the war effort. This is a death sentence for many of them, isn't it?

Mark Levin:

Yes. I've never been more disgusted, to be perfectly honest. We all knew Biden was a disaster. What he's done on the border is a disaster. All the inhumanity that's taking place there and the way he is destroying our fiscal state in this country with this reckless, unbelievable deficit spending, how they want to use the budget process to destroy our constitutional system and massively increase the welfare state and the power of the central government, destroy our voting system and the state authority. It's as if everything this man touches in the civil society is destroyed. He's a wrecking ball. And now of course, that includes Afghanistan, which will go down in history as probably the greatest blunder, militarily and diplomatically since the end of World War II.

He has thrown away decades and decades of national security policy and military policy. But when you pull out undercover dark and don't tell your allies, and so you take out all your air cover, you take out our CIA operatives and all the intelligence, you take out our contractors, who we're providing mechanical support for the helicopters and so forth, after you spent two decades training an army, the Afghans, to fight traditionally as we do with air power, with intelligence, with special forces and so forth. And they were putting up a fight early on, well, they collapsed. And this administration has some responsibility for that. But it has every responsibility for every American citizen who's now behind enemy lines. This is so horrendous, the implications for our national security. Now they have a terrorist state right next to a nuclear state. The opportunities for the Communist Chinese and the fascistic Russians are manifold, and the danger that we now face is a hundred times worse than we did when we had those 2,500 troops there.

Dr. James Dobson:

You know Mark, Shirley and I often pray at the end of the day, and we have been grieved by what's happened to those, primarily the military people who are abandoned and what must be going on with them now. They know that they're likely to be executed or put in prison or done worse to tortured. And you can imagine that they're hiding there somewhere in the grass and who knows where they are. Who's feeding them? Those who are wounded are perhaps without medical care and they feel alone and lonely. They want their families, they want to be home. And we walked away and left them. That is unconscionable to me.

Mark Levin:

You know, Dr. Dobson, we left school children over there. We left little girls over there. We know what's going to happen to them. What shocks me is that some of the generals at the highest level of the Pentagon didn't resign in protest over this. This is a humiliation that is going to result in getting more and more Americans dead. And now that the cameras are gone, the media is not there,

the slaughter begins, the genocide begins. And based on what we know from the past and some of what we've seen, you can imagine how horrendous this is going to be.

Dr. James Dobson: I mentioned in the last program that I try not to miss your *Fox News* show, *Life Liberty and Levin*, and you said the other night, if we don't stand up to the Taliban, we're going to lose this great republic. Elaborate on that.

Mark Levin: Well, here's the thing. Just because we announced the 20-year war is over, it's not over. There's evil in the world. There are evil people, there are evil organizations. America is an exception. It's an exception. And unfortunately, we have a generation of people in this country, younger generation that's really never had to confront it. They didn't fight in Vietnam and North Korea and all these other places. And so for them, when they hear a Biden or they hear a Pelosi or they hear a Blinken, the Secretary of State, it all makes sense. But none of it makes sense. And so what I was trying to say, and what I'm trying to say now is we can leave Afghanistan, but Afghanistan is not going to leave us.

We have now encouraged and provoked every one of our enemies, whatever they're up to, to do it faster and bigger because they know what we have in the Oval Office is a man who's even worse than Neville Chamberlain. And so now the Iranians are moving at breakneck speed on their nuclear weapons system and Biden's trying to negotiate with them. And he's already gotten billions of dollars to them, which is exactly the wrong thing to do. And he has pressured the Israelis to give hundreds and millions of dollars to the Palestinians. Hamas praised the Taliban.

Dr. James Dobson: The other thing that concerns me so much is the open border where we're practically inviting terrorists to just walk through. They don't even have to register, or let anybody know that they're there. They can just walk in and take whatever they want or bomb, whatever looks attractive to them. Anybody could see that. Why is it so difficult for the far left to recognize what we're doing here?

Mark Levin: Of course, you're 100% correct and most of the media have not gone down there. Joe Biden hasn't gone down there to see how wonderful his policies have been. I'll tell you why. Because the Democrat party is the funnel through which the American Marxist movement now works. The squad... it's not a squad, it's a cabal. And that's the tail that wags the dog. And so what are they getting off the border? They believe it's going to empower them. They believe that the people who are coming in will get amnesty. They'll become American citizens. And two-thirds, the three-fourths of them will vote Democrat. I also explained in the book, there's this LACRIT movement throughout our colleges and universities, particularly in the Southwest and the West, where students are being taught that America is an illegitimate country.

That white European Protestants conquered this land, that it belongs to the people who we call illegal aliens, that the only illegal aliens in America are the Europeans. This is what they're being taught. And so this is a natural and very necessary response to what took place when this territory was illegally conquered. And so, one of the first things Joe Biden did when he came into office was he signs all these executive orders that instituted all these various movements, and of course, immediately opened the border wide open. So the virus comes through, he will blame DeSantis, crime comes through, he'll blame the cops. No, no, no, no on, and it's not going to stop.

Dr. James Dobson: Talk about the bullies who are out there in China and North Korea and Cuba and Venezuela and Russia, who see weakness in this presidency and in this country, and we're almost inviting them to take a shot at us. What do you think is going on in their heads these days?

Mark Levin: Well, let us, your audience, put our heads where their heads are. You see an extremely weak president. You see an extremely weak top level, the Pentagon generals and admirals. You see a Secretary of State who you kicked around not too long ago, a national security advisor who believes that the way to deal with terrorism is through financial aid and diplomacy. And you're thinking to yourself, "Wow, now's my opportunity. What is Biden going to do if we invade Taiwan? What's Biden going to do if we get nuclear missiles and aim them at Tel Aviv and Jerusalem?" What's he going to do? He won't even save American citizens who are now behind enemy lines. He won't even do that. So what's he going to do? So when you have somebody like this and you have circumstances like this, and this is why many of us can't sleep at night. We are in an extremely gravely dangerous situation right now that I do not remember any other time in my lifetime. We have never had an executive like this before.

Dr. James Dobson: Address your comments to the American family. I am extremely concerned about what American Marxism means for marriage and the family and especially for children. That is addressed in your book. Talk about it here.

Mark Levin: First of all, parents, you're responsible for your kids. You can send them off to school, but you're going to make sure each and every day you know what they're learning and you make sure that you're teaching them. And I'll even say indoctrinating them with morality, with home principles, with the golden rule. I mean, doesn't the Golden Rule kind of say everything in the 10 Commandments? And real American history. You cannot assume anymore you're sending your kid off to school and they're going to learn these things, but in many cases they're going to learn the opposite. They're going to learn to hate you, the family and your country. So this is very, very important. The other thing we need to do is attack these institutions, not just passively accept what's going on. We pay for these government schools, we pay for the colleges and universities. We pay for everything.

And there are more of us than there are them on the radical left. And the teacher unions have exposed themselves through this pandemic and now, that they are not about your children, for the most part, they're about them. They're about acquiring power, exercising power. And so we need to figure out clever ways to shake them up. And I give some suggestions in the book. When you look at spending, I'm in my 60s, people in my age and older. It's the people who are younger, our children, our grandchildren, generations yet born who are going to have to cope with an impossible debt.

Dr. James Dobson: We're leaving a mess for our children, aren't we?

Mark Levin: And you know what? So big is this disaster, they're never going to be able to claw their way out of it.

Dr. James Dobson: Mark, surely, they know that. Why do they want to destroy the greatest country that ever lived?

Mark Levin: Because they don't believe it's the greatest country that ever lived. These are Marxists in mind and heart and soul. They do not share what we believe in. They have every reason from their perspective to hate us and to try and tear this country down, and that is their goal.

Dr. James Dobson: Mark, on page 217 of your book, you summarize four fundamental differences between Marxism and the Founding Fathers' vision for America: repression instead of engagement, compliance instead of speech, conformity instead of independence and subjugation instead of liberty.

Mark Levin: And I remember writing that chapter and then calling my wife over and reading it to her. And she said, "I think you've hit it on the head there." And I'm sure there could be other differences too, but that's right. I mean, when you think about Marxism and not to get too heavy and Rousseauism and Hegelism and all these isms. The bottom line is to destroy the individual. Now, when you destroy the individual, you completely undermine the entire purpose for America. The Declaration of Independence is basically a concise statement of the Renaissance, a concise statement of the Enlightenment, a concise statement of Judeo-Christian bottom line beliefs. The Declaration and the Constitution have been constantly attacked by the progeny of Marx, which is progressivism. That's what they named themselves.

We know it's not that, but that's what they call themselves. So the intellectuals in the late 1800s, early 1900s, they would embrace the fundamentals of Marxism and they understood that the Declaration of Independence needed to be trashed. And the Constitution and the limits that it would put on the social engineers needed to be trashed. This is a fundamental battle over the founding of America. This is a fundamental battle over faith and family, and this is the battle we're in. This isn't a battle over the edges anymore or just mere policy disputes. This is a battle over life and liberty versus tyranny.

Dr. James Dobson: Let's talk about some components of that. Where does gender fit into this battle?

Mark Levin: Well, like everything else, they have taken what traditionally and customarily has been accepted and blown it up. And so you actually have a transgender movement. A movement. And it doesn't matter that it's a tiny fraction of society. I have argued that it is a way, again, to attack the nuclear family. And so kindergarten and elementary school students need to be taught about it, you see, in these government/public schools. First of all, from my perspective, they shouldn't be taught anything about sex. Period. But I guess I'm kind of old-fashioned. So now it's transgenderism, a transgender movement. I write about that in the book. Professors are promoting it, the teacher's unions are promoting it. The United Nations is promoting it. And you do have to ask yourself why. Is it because so many people are discriminated against? No. And that can be easily addressed. No, it is now part of this intersectional, ideological American Marxism movement for the most part, which again, is an attack on tradition and customs in our country.

Dr. James Dobson: They're really undermining the very definition of personhood, aren't they?

Mark Levin: That's a very good way to put it. And because the overall attack is on the individual and the individual's human nature.

Dr. James Dobson: Well, another component of it is the language police. Diane Revich wrote a book. She's a historian and professor at New York University, and she was shocked when she looked into what's happening there. Can you talk about it?

Mark Levin: Yeah. I mean, she was one of the folks that was supposed to review these various textbooks going into the school system, and she was appalled. It's not that she's some big right-winger person, faith, maybe she's both, I don't know, but that's not her reputation. And she was utterly shocked at the attack on language. And you can see the attack on language now. I quote another author in there about how these various totalitarian regimes, communist regimes, they grab a hold of the language. And you can hear the language used by the American Marxists. You can hear the language used by Democrats and the Democrat party, that if you have a state like Georgia that wants to alter its election laws to go back to pre-pandemic period, and yet still liberalize the laws in many ways, that's Jim Crow. That's a use of the language to create hysteria and jealousy and anger, particularly among minorities.

Or they talk about human infrastructure bills. We used to call this Marxism and Socialism where they take our economy and turn it inside out and hand it over to the politicians and bureaucrats to redistribute liberty, to redistribute rights and redistribute wealth. But they call that human infrastructure. Or they talk about reimagining the police. You can hear Kamala Harris and a slew of others talking about reimagining law enforcement, which means destroying it and imposing something else. And I can go on and on and on. So language is critical.

Control over the language is critical, preventing people from using certain language like he and she or him and her or male and female. And what you see here is this growing poison of tyranny. And so they slam down on language, they slam down on free speech, they slam down on academic freedom, and they demand conformity and uniformity to their objectives. Again, this is something that Marx and Hegel and Rousseau and the rest of would be very proud of. They would think this is very smart.

Dr. James Dobson: Mark, is there a link between the woke movement, Critical Race Theory and Black Lives Matter and some of these other socialist movements?

Mark Levin: Yeah, Black Lives Matter is a product of American Marxism. At least two of the three founders have openly stated that they're Marxists. And early on in their mission statement, they would proudly say they are too. And what they want is to abolish the existing society. They call it the white dominant society through Critical Race Theory and critical theory. They use race as the mechanism through which to do it, but it is about taking out the society and starting it all over again, as a way of attacking the American system, as a way of attacking this country. Because you take down America, you take down everything else in the world, and they're well aware of that.

Dr. James Dobson: Mark, we're running out of time. Let's end with three quick questions. Where does Marxism lead and what are its implications for America's future?

Mark Levin: It leads to totalitarianism. In some societies, it's brought on faster than others. It turns human being against human being based on physical characteristics, based on religious beliefs. It is the disuniting of a society. And what does it lead to? It leads to violence, it leads to unhappiness, it leads to poverty, it leads to all the things that we see in the rest of the world, where they do not embrace. And to throw it away is just unacceptable, which is why I encourage people to stand up to this.

Dr. James Dobson: And they despise the heritage of our founding fathers, don't they?

Mark Levin: That's right.

Dr. James Dobson: How can we fight it?

Mark Levin: Well, I've done my best. I say what I say on the radio and TV, but I hope people will take a look at this book and I hope it'll give them many, many ideas. We cannot fight it in the abstract. We cannot fight it as an ambiguous force. We need to know exactly what we're up against and we need to find their weaknesses and their imperfections, and we need to pursue them. We need to use the strength of liberty and the strength of our constitution against them. That's all we can do.

Dr. James Dobson: I just pray that the American people will take seriously what you've had to say because in its own way, this is a warning. This is not just a historical statement. This is a warning for where this country is going and it's moving so rapidly it takes my breath away. And the very fact that many people have plunked down the cash to get a copy of this 300-page book and learn from it is encouraging to me. I appreciate the work that you do, Mark, and it's got so many dimensions to it. I don't know how you get it all done, but I appreciate you taking the time to be with us and to share your thoughts with us. And I look forward to hearing from our constituency. May God bless you and protect you from those who would be highly offended by the conservative traditional things you have written.

Mark Levin: Thank you, Dr. Dobson, and God bless you and your family and all your followers and listeners. God bless this country. You take care of yourself.

Dr. James Dobson: And you too.

Roger Marsh: Well, what a deeply thought-provoking conversation here on Family Talk and here at the Dr. James Dobson Family Institute, it's our prayer that the broadcast you've heard over these past couple of days has stirred your heart to hold the God-given values we want to protect in this country, and that you will have the courage to stand when the Lord calls upon you to do so. You've just heard the conclusion of Dr. Dobson's two-part interview with author and radio and television host Mark Levin. If you'd like to listen again to today's broadcast or yesterday's program, visit our website at drjamesdobson.org/familytalk. As parents work on maintaining a healthy marriage, they also have a huge responsibility of raising their children to be equipped to take on the world when they become adults. Seems like everywhere you turn, there's yet another ungodly agenda being pushed upon kids sometimes as early as infancy and toddlerhood.

Now we are here to walk alongside you during the parenting season and to provide you with timeless advice based on God's Word and tools to help you with this journey. Dr. Dobson has bundled two of his most popular books into one resource, the bundle, including *Bringing up Boys* and *Bringing up Girls*. We'll be happy to send you a copy of the *Bringing Up Boys* and *Bringing Up Girls* bundle as our way of thanking you for your gift of any amount in support of the Dr. James Dobson Family Institute today. So click on the link on the broadcast page at drjamesdobson.org/familytalk and express your desire to not only receive these resources, but to support our ministry today. Well, I'm Roger Marsh. Hope you have a blessed weekend. On behalf of everyone here at the Dr. James Dobson Family Institute, thank you so much for listening today. Tune in again Monday for another edition of Dr. James Dobson's Family Talk.

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