

## *DESTINY*

*It is said that Destiny is: 'the seemingly inevitable or necessary succession of events, one's fate? What is ours as the year 2006 begins its story from origin?*

*We are faced with an ongoing 'War against Terrorists and those that harbor them'. But are we really at war, certainly undeclared and our leader has said 'we will continue with a sense of normality'? At the moment of 9/11 we did not think normality, we were surprised, angered and we wondered why someone could hate us so much as to commit this dastardly act against innocent people of many ethnic backgrounds at their place of work. Was it an act of war? Some of us believed like Pearl Harbor this was an act of war. That generation prevailed; what are our prospects?*

*At the moment we are in an 'undeclared war', our borders are porous, loyalty of our Muslim and many illegal 'citizens' are suspect, the insurrection in Iraq seems endless, the 'roadmap' to peace between the Jew and the Palestinian seems to have detoured, the threat of rogue-acting powers seeking nuclear weapons is real, our volunteer military is stretched thin and unable to confront any 'realistic' new threat, our President is badgered over the war, disaster response, God, no God arguments, Supreme Court selectees, and cultural enigmas of varying consequences.*

*The nature of our system does not seem to blossom readily into possible answers. Churchill found 'Democracy imperfect but the best of concepts for a free people: compromise, argument and thrust of equality,*

*laws and custom.' Unlike our response to the threat of Fascist Japan and Germany, we seem to rationalize and equivocate now with no finite strategy.*

*If I were President now I would think as a War President: consultations with experts, politicians, others - and even with God alone in prayer I would consider:*

*a. Declaration of war on those countries who continue to: harbor, indoctrinate and push Islamic terrorism.*

*b. Determine loyalty of our citizens especially Muslim and Mexican with respect for their culture. If loyalty is suspect, deportation or other is possible.*

*c. Reestablish citizenship criteria: to include a swearing-in concept plus requirement for English as principal language with no disrespect to their culture.*

*d. Establish border control facing Canada and Mexico employing National Guard, electronic devices and other methods: selective proviso for citizenship.*

*e. Consider universal military training or government-type program for all youth 18 years of age for 2 years with no college deferments.*

*f. As Saudi-Arabia is an Islamic country, we need to declare as a Christian country; unlike Saudi Arabia we will continue to respect all religions and those with no religion.*

*g. As long as this country is in a 'state of war' then war-powers should include: monitoring enemy communication/human traffic, plans to infiltrate the lair of the enemy, selective use of Habeous Corpus and recall of OSS/CIA methods to know enemy as in total war.*

*h. Rogue nations (North Korea and Iran) will be reminded that we will continue with diplomacy to thwart a nuclear program therein, but will employ any method of retaliation to insure compliance. Any attack on allies of the United States will not be tolerated.*

*i. Unconditional surrender (total war strategy) was the crucible against Japan and Germany and it resulted in a docile enemy in peace. Retrospectively, it was not applied in Korea, Vietnam or Gulf Wars, allowing insurgencies to rise...and problems.*

*j. Militant Islam (Wahhabism) projects an aura of hatred, and non-acceptance of other religious and democratic principles and should be the main target of any Declaration of War. Mosques, Madrassas and other locales spouting hate and death to the 'infidel' west-unless curbed by leadership-will be targeted.*

*As a soldier in 3 wars I remember our total commitment in WWII -almost too late. We were united and prevailed. I worry about us today. And I called on God in moments of fear, now part of my total belief.*

*When Whittaker Chambers wrote his classic work, "Witness" he was, of course, a witness against Alger Hiss whom he knew to be a communist and well-entrenched in our government and a witness to God as he had forsaken communism. Because he believed communism was the wave of the future, and our decadence, they would prevail. He was wrong but his alert was one of many to get us to respond.*

*Jesus would pray for us as well as our enemies and turn the cheek. We see no 'turning of the cheek' by the many faces of Islam. War of Civilizations...?*

