

Ship Of Fools-Tucker Carlson

“Over time, this trend [in 1970, middle class wage earners took home 62% of all income paid nationally, by 2015 the number was 43%] reshaped America. What had been essentially an egalitarian country, where people from every income group save the very top and the very bottom mixed regularly, has become increasingly stratified.”

“In 1970, less than 5% of America’s population were immigrants. By 2018, that number had risen to nearly 14%”

“If you grew up in America, suddenly nothing looks the same. Your neighbors are different. So is the landscape and the customs and very often the languages you hear on the street....Again and again, we are told these changes are entirely good. Change itself is inherently virtuous, our leaders explain....We must celebrate the fact that a nation that was overwhelmingly European, Christian, and English speaking fifty years ago has become a place with no ethnic majority, immense religious pluralism, and no universally shared culture or language. It’s called diversity. It’s our highest value....but is diversity our strength? The less we have in common, the stronger we are? Is that true of families, neighborhoods or businesses? Of course not. Then why is it true of America? Nobody knows. Nobody’s even allowed to ask the question.”

“In fact diversity is not a value. It’s a neutral fact, inherently neighed good nor bad. Lost in the mindless celebration of change is an obvious question: why should a country with no shared language, ethnicity, religion, culture, or history remain a country? Countries don’t hang together simply because. They need a reason. What’s ours?”

“From Iraq to Libya to Syria to Yemen, America has embarked on repeated military adventures in the Middle East. None of these wars were waged in response to a genuine existential threat, and none were popular over time....Thousands of Americans have died fighting abroad. The wars have cost more than a trillion dollars and damaged America’s credibility and prestige on the world stage. Enough money has been spent on recent conflicts to retire all student loan debt in America. Yet the world is less stable than it was fifteen years ago. Have these wars against terrorism even made America safer from terrorism? It’s debatable. One of the main lessons our elites seemed to derive from 9/11 is that the best way to fight Islamic terror is to welcome huge numbers of immigrants from places known for Islamic extremism.”

“You used to hear debates between Republicans and Democrats, liberals and conservatives, on issues that mattered to the rest of the country. That’s over. Our public debates are mostly symbolic. They are sideshows designed to divert attention from the fact that those who make the essential decisions, about the economy and the government and war, have reached consensus on the fundamentals. **They agree with each other. They just don’t agree with the population they govern.**”

“The worst decisions always come from unquestioned bipartisan consensus [Israel, the Iraq War, etc.], which over time is exactly what we got from the leaders of both parties.”

“In retrospect, it was important to have sincere liberals around. Someone needs to fret about the excesses of capitalism. When liberals stopped doing that, the country lost a needed counterbalance. In an ecosystem, every species has a role to play, even the pests. If you succeeded in eliminating the mosquitos, birds would starve. When the last liberal stopped sobbing about unfairness, American society became less fair.”

“The Democratic Party is now the party of the rich. Eight of America’s ten most affluent counties voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016, in most cases by a large margin....In Manhattan, by contrast, Trump won less than 10%

of the vote. In the District of Columbia, he got 4%, a smaller proportion than third-party candidates and write-ins combined.”

“Employees of Google, Facebook, Apple, Microsoft, and Amazon donated to Hillary over Trump by a margin of 60-to-1.”

“Designed by well-meaning academics to make American society fairer, standardized testing transformed the attitudes of the privileged....they had little understanding of the defining role luck often plays in life.”

“Shareholders win, workers lose. Bowing to the diversity agenda is a lot cheaper than raising wages. **Marissa Mayer** figured this out early. A longtime Google executive, Mayer spent five years running the tech giant Yahoo. During that time she became one of the most famous business leaders in America, and definitely one of the richest. How did Yahoo do? Under Mayer’s leadership, the company’s business model collapsed completely; Yahoo shed half its employees. Mayer responded by making several disastrous acquisitions. She bought the blogging platform Tumblr for more than a billion dollars, a ludicrous overvaluation. Meanwhile, Yahoo neglected its most basic duties to customers, allowing massive privacy breaches that exposed users’ personal data to hackers. In the face of all this, Mayer mounted a public relations campaign that emphasized her role as a female pioneer in the tech business. She sat for an endless series of treacly media profiles, including a spread in the fashion magazine Vogue. In the end, her tenure was a measurable disaster. Yahoo’s core search business was sold to Verizon for less than \$5 billion, a \$95 billion discount from what it was once worth. Yet somehow, in return for presiding over Yahoo’s destruction, Mayer became richer than ever. She collected a total of \$239 million in compensation from the company, \$900,000 for every week she spent destroying it.”

“As Zuckerberg explained, the ‘social norm’ of privacy itself no longer existed. People no longer had any right to worry about strangers snooping on them.”

“The media were not among these critics [of Chelsea Clinton]. They celebrated Chelsea as the stunningly accomplished woman they considered her to be. A 2013 profile in Parade magazine is typical: ‘Clinton’s concentration does not waver. She demonstrates a masterly command of the issues and swiftly zeroes in on crucial questions. Statistics roll comfortably off her tongue; praise comes as quickly as critical suggestions. Wonky words like metrics and cohort fit naturally into her carefully constructed sentences.’ Now if you’ve graduated from high school, you might not consider words like ‘metric’ and ‘cohort’ advanced vocabulary.”

“**Cesar Chavez** [boycott grapes, ‘Si, se puede!’] didn’t support illegal aliens. Chavez didn’t like immigration at all generally, especially the low-skilled kind. Chavez understood that new arrivals from poor countries will always work for less than Americans. Immigration hurt the members of his union, undercutting their wages and weakening their leverage in negotiations with management. Cesar Chavez believed in vigilantly defended borders. When government refused to protect them, Chavez did it himself. In the early 1960s, Chavez fought the federal Bracero Program, which gave farmers permission to import hundreds of thousands of seasonal workers from Mexico to pick crops. Growers loved the program because it lowered their labor costs. Chavez hated it for the same reason. Congress killed the Bracero Program in 1964, after which Chavez turned his sights on illegal aliens—or, as he called them, ‘wetbacks’. In 1969, Chavez led a march down the agricultural spine of California to protest the hiring of illegal workers by growers. Marching alongside him were future presidential candidate Walter Mondale and Reverend Ralph Abernathy, longtime aide to MLK. By 1972, the problem of illegal labor streaming over the border had worsened. In an interview with a San Francisco television station, Chavez railed against the ‘wetbacks’ and ‘illegal immigrants from Mexico’ who were threatening his workers. ‘As long as we have a poor country bordering California, it’s going to be very difficult to win strikes’ he said. When the U.S. government failed to secure the border, Chavez’s unionized fruit pickers acted unilaterally. In the winter of 1979, UFW members, almost all of them Hispanic, began intercepting Mexican nationals as they crossed the border and assaulted them in the desert. Their tactics were brutal:

Chavez's men beat immigrants with chains, clubs, and whips made of barbed wire. Illegal aliens who dared to work as scabs had their houses bombed and cars burned."

"At one union meeting, which was tape-recorded, a UFW official confronted Chavez about using the terms 'illegals' and 'wetback'. Chavez responded angrily. 'No, a spade's a space,' he said. 'You guys get these hang-ups. Goddamn it, how do we build a union? They're wets, you know. They're wets, and let's go after them.'"

"Jerry Brown said pretty much the same thing himself to the Los Angeles Times: 'There is something a little strange about saying 'Let's bring in 500k more people' when we can't take care of the one million Californians out of work.'" For Brown, the obligation to citizens already in California came first. Senator Joe Biden of Delaware agreed; he introduced legislation to curb the arrival of Vietnamese immigrants, accusing the Ford administration of not being honest about how many refugees would be arriving."

"Here's how one prominent Democrat described his position on immigration in 1995: 'All Americans, not only in the states most heavily affected but in every place in this country, are rightly disturbed by the large numbers of illegal aliens entering our country. The jobs they hold might otherwise be held by U.S. citizens or immigrants. The public services they use impose burdens on our taxpayers.' The speaker? President Bill Clinton, addressing Congress in his State of the Union speech....At one point in his speech, Clinton cited Barbara Jordan, the civil rights figure and former congresswoman from Texas who was then the chair of the U.S. Commission on Immigration reform. Jordan was an enthusiastic Democrat. She gave the opening speech at Richard Nixon's impeachment hearings. Nobody confused Jordan with a right-winger. At the time, a restrictionist position on immigration wasn't considered incompatible with liberalism. In 1994, Jordan noted that 'it is both a right and a responsibility of a democratic society to manage immigration so that it serves the national interest.' The next year, she launched a broadside against multiculturalism in the pages of the NYT. 'Those who choose to come here must embrace the common core of American civic culture' she wrote. 'We must assist them in learning our common language: American English.'"

"As late as 2006, there were still NYT columnists willing to concede that immigration came with a downside. 'Immigration reduces the wages of domestic workers who compete with immigrants' economist Pal Krugman wrote that year in the paper."

"In places, the 2000 Democratic platform sounded similar to what Donald Trump would advocate just fifteen years later. 'We must punish employers who engage in a pattern and practice of recruiting undocumented workers in order to intimidate and exploit them' it said. 'We believe that any increases in H1-B visas must be temporary and must address only genuine shortages of highly skilled workers.' The platform vowed to protect American farmworkers, not just foreign pickers imported to replace them."

"Thanks almost entirely to immigration, the population of the country had gone from 84% white in 1965, when Congress stopped favoring European immigrants, to 62% white in 2015."

"Ironically, the more fully Democrats embraced open borders, the closer they came to where the leaders of the Republican Party had long been. Paul Ryan was elected Speaker of the House in the fall of 2015....Ryan spent the early 1990s in Washington working for former Buffalo congressman Jack Kemp, one of the most aggressively pro-immigration Republicans in the House. During his time in Kemp's office, Ryan watched the voters of California approve Proposition 187, which barred illegal aliens from receiving state welfare benefits. Ryan was appalled. He and Kemp led Republican opposition to the law."

"In 2015, Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders sat for a largely friendly interview with the publican Vox....Sanders responded that open borders would 'make everyone in America poorer' by driving down wages and taxing social welfare systems, all in the interest of pleasing business owners."

“A 2018 story in National Geographic about Hazleton Pennsylvania, is typical of the genre. In the year 2000, the story explained, Hazleton was 95% white and less than 5% Hispanic. Just 16 years later, 52% were Hispanic. Less than half spoke English at home...National Geographic’s verdict ‘Hazleton was another former coal mining town slipping into decline until a wave of Latinos arrived.’”

“One place notably unaffected by demographic change is any neighborhood policy makers happen to live in...The more abstract our elites’ commitment to diversity becomes, the more deeply it is cherished and defended. Diversity matters more than anything.... For Americans in the top 20% of income distribution, mass immigration is one of the best things that ever happened—cheap help, obedient employees, more interesting restaurants, and all without guilt. There’s no downside, at least none that you personally experience.”

“Even at the higher end of the income scale this is true. You love the idea of retraining out-of-work Michigan autoworkers to code software, but let’s be realistic. Are they actually capable of that? It might be easier just to hire coders in Bangalore and bring them here. They’d be grateful for the chance. And isn’t that the point of America anyway, to give opportunity to the world? There’s a poem on the Statue of Liberty that says something like that. It’s basically in the Constitution.”

“...describes Boot as one of the ‘world’s leading authorities on armed conflict.’ None of this, it turns out, means anything. The professional requirements for being one of the world’s Leading Authorities on Armed Conflict to not include relevant experience with armed conflict. Leading authorities on the subject don’t need a track record of wise assessments or accurate predictions. All that’s required are the circular recommendations of fellow credential holders [Nassim talks about this]...In the spring of 2003, with the war in Iraq under way, Boot began to consider new countries to invade. He quickly identified Syria and Iran as plausible targets, the latter because it was ‘less than two years’ from building a nuclear bomb. North Korea made Boot’s list as well. Then Boot became more ambitious. Saudi Arabia could use a democracy, he decided.”

“‘Once we have deposed Saddam, we can impose an American-led, international regency in Baghdad, to go along with the one in Kabul’ Boot wrote. ‘To turn Iraq into a beacon of hope for the oppressed peoples in the Middle East: now that would be a historic war aim....’ In retrospect, Boot’s words are painful to read, like love letters from a marriage that ended in divorce. Iraq remains a smoldering mess. The Afghan war is still in progress close to 20 years in. For perspective, Napoleon Bonaparte seized control of France, crowned himself emperor, defeated four European coalitions against him, invaded Russia, lost, was defeated and exiled, returned, and was defeated and exiled a second time, all in less time than the United States has spent trying to turn Afghanistan in to a stable country.”

“In other words, the tragedy of foreign wars isn’t that Americans die, but that too few Americans are willing to die. To solve this problem, Boot recommended recruiting foreign mercenaries....When foreigners get killed fighting for America, he noted, there’s less political backlash at home.”

“Depending on how you measure it, Carter may have been the only president in American history not to preside over a war. Only eight American servicemen died in action during his administration, killed accidentally during a failed attempt to rescue American hostages in Iran”

“It’s always a battle for something abstract, like freedom or sovereignty.”

“By the time World War I ended, four great empires with centuries-old monarchies had been destroyed. Wholly invented countries had risen in their place....In 1979, the Soviets invaded Afghanistan. Ronald Reagan came to power the next year pledging to do something about it, and soon did. By sending aid and weapons to the Afghan resistance, Reagan helped weaken the Russian position in Afghanistan, and ultimately the Soviet Union itself. Democrats fought him on the policy from the beginning. Republicans accused liberals of being effectively pro-Soviet, and some of them were. Yet decades later you’ve got to wonder how wise it was to arm Muslim

extremists waging a holy war in Southwest Asia. Both Osama Bin Laden and Taliban founder Mohammed Omar got their first taste of warfare in the Afghan mujahideen.”

“Secretary of State John Kerry gave an impassioned speech about Assad’s human rights abuses and argued that a military intervention was needed. A now-familiar cycle began again. The NYT was back with its full support. In an editorial, the paper noted that ‘it would be highly unlikely—if not irresponsible—for President Obama to authorize Mr. Kerry to speak in such sweeping terms and then do nothing.’ The next day, the Times ran an opinion piece titled ‘Bomb Syria, Even If It’s Illegal’”.

“At the end of March 2017, the administration indicated it would be ending the Obama-era policy of seeking regime change in Syria... Five days later, U.S. intelligence agencies announced that the Assad government had dropped chemical weapons on civilians in northern Syria, killing at least twenty children. No one doubted Assad was capable of committing atrocities, but this one seemed counterproductive, to put it mildly....According to American officials, he did it anyway....Within days, the Trump administration caved to the pressure and lobbed missiles into Syria. There were a lot of questions about the move, beginning with: What was the point? If we took out Assad, who would replace him? And by the way, how did we know for certain the Syrian government ordered the chemical attack? Didn’t the Syrian rebels have Chemical weapons too?...Questions like these went unasked. Instead, for the first time since Trump received the GOP nomination, elites in both parties cheered... Senator Chuck Schumer, leader of the Senate Democrats, described the attack as ‘the right thing to do’. The senior Democrat in the House, Nancy Pelosi, called it a ‘proportional response’. Senators Dick Durbin and Elizabeth Warren agreed.”

“Liberals discovered that war was an expedient form of social engineering, not to mention politically popular. Want to save children? Bomb their country.”

“The signature characteristic of America’s foreign policy establishment, apart from their foolishness, is the resiliency of their self-esteem. No matter how often they’re wrong, no matter how many disasters they unintentionally create, they never seem to feel bad about it. They certainly never blame themselves.”

“‘I’m not apologizing for something that I think was not wrong’ Kristol [Bill, childhood Trotskyite] said in 2014. ‘The war to remove Saddam was the right thing and necessary thing to do.’ Two years later, he seemed even more disconnected from reality. ‘The war in Iraq was right and necessary, and we won it.’ Krisol said. At the time, Moul, once Iraq’s second-largest city, was under the control of the Islamic State. Iraq was embroiled in a civil war that would kill at least 90k people.”

“Not that any ruling class has ever supported free speech for long. In the summer of 1917, a Socialist Party official in Philadelphia named **Charles Schenck** spent \$150 to have 15000 political pamphlets printed. The United States had entered the war in Europe that spring, and Schenck was hoping to convince draft-age men not to serve. ‘Exercise your rights of free speech.’ The headline over Schenck’s essay read: ‘Long Live The Constitution of the United States’. A judge promptly issued a warrant for Schenck’s arrest. Federal agents raided his office, seized his pamphlets, and carted Schenck off to jail. Charged under the recently passed Espionage Act, he was convicted on three counts and sent to federal prison.”

“for decades, the ACLU looked for vehicles to expand them [interpretations of the first amendment, e.g. their defense of American Nazi leader Frank Collins by Jewish lawyer in Skokie]...**Clarence Brandenburg** was a small-time KKK leader from western Ohio. In August of that year, he invited a Cincinnati TV station to film a rally consisting of about a dozen Klansmen. With cameras rolling, the group burned a cross, and Brandenburg gave a speech attacking blacks and jews. ‘We’re not a revengent organization’ he said, ‘but if our president, our Congress, our Supreme Court, continues to suppress the White, Caucasian race, it’s possible that there might have to be some revenge taken.’ Police arrest Brandenburg for his words. An Ohio court convicted him of violating a state law that banned the promotion of ‘crime, sabotage, violence or unlawful methods of terrorism’

for political ends, and sent him to jail. The ACLU took up his appeal. Five years later, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously that Clarence Brandenburg had a constitutional right to say what he did. The justices concluded that government could not limit expression except in cases where speech 'is directed to inciting or producing imminent lawless action' and is likely to produce such action."

"By the time Trump was elected, even the ACLU had given up on unfettered speech. After the group defended the right of conservative activists to rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, during the summer of 2017, some of its own staffers revolted. More than two hundred ACLU employees signed a letter complaining that the group's "broader mission" was being undermined by a "rigid stance" on free speech. The national ACLU caved, ending almost one hundred years of First Amendment absolutism."

"In California, the state's attorney general, **Xavier Becerra**, filed a complaint against the Center for Medical Progress, a group of anti-abortion activists, accusing them of illegally recording their conversations with clinic operators without consent. For this, Becerra charged the organization with 15 felonies...Tellingly, Becerra did not charge NBC for secretly recording Donald Trump on what became the now-famous Access Hollywood tape."

"In 2015, Senator Sheldon Whitehouse announced he had uncovered a 'massive and sophisticated campaign' designed to mislead Americans about climate change. Rather than rebut the 'misinformation' with his own views, Whitehouse called for prosecution. Whitehouse demanded that oil companies, and their trade associations, face a federal suit under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act (RICO)"

"Nowhere is speech more threatened than in Silicon Valley. In the spring of 2014, **Brendan Eich** became CEO of Mozilla Firefox, a company he helped found. Ten days later, he was forced to resign. Bloggers had discovered that six years earlier, Eich had donated money to Proposition 8, a referendum that banned gay marriage in California. Proposition 8 had passed by a wide margin. Fully 70% of California's black population supported it. The year it became law, both Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama publicly opposed gay marriage. ...None of that mattered. Eich was pushed out of his company for violating a never-specified but universally understood set of rules about what people are allowed to believe in Silicon Valley "

"No tech company clamped down on speech more aggressively than Google, the most powerful of all. In August 2017, a Google software engineer named **James Damore** wrote a memo assessing the company's political culture.... 'We need to stop assuming that gender gaps imply sexism' he wrote. 'On average, men and women biologically differ in many ways. These differences aren't just socially constructed.' Damore, a former childhood chess prodigy with a graduate degree in biology from Harvard, was precise and nonpolemical in his assertions.... Damore wrote the memo on a flight to China, as a way of organizing his thoughts. He never intended it to be shared beyond a circle of friends... Danielle Brown, Google's vice president of diversity, released a statement charging Damore with having 'incorrect assumptions about gender'. Brown didn't explain what those assumptions were, or how they were incorrect. She didn't need to. Nobody in the press asked. Google's CEO flew home from vacation in Europe to respond to the crisis....Within days, Damore had been fired by the company. In perhaps the most Orwellian statement written since Orwell himself finished 1984, Google explained the decision this way: 'part of building an open, inclusive environment means fostering a culture in which those with alternative views, including different political views, feel safe sharing their opinions.'"

"Segregationists in the American South once made similar points. In his 1947 book, *Take your Choice: Segregation or Mongrelization*, Senator Theodore Bilbo of Mississippi noted that it is 'to the credit of the black or Negro race in the United States that no right-thinking and straight thinking Negro desires that the blood of his black race shall be contaminated or destroyed by the commingling of his blood with either the white or yellow races.'"

“Often forgotten: Trump in 2016 (and of course 2024) had better performance among minorities than any Republican president in the 21st century”

“The loudest voices against white racism live in the whitest places”

“White identity politics will be a response to a world in which identity politics is the only game there is. In a country where virtually every nonwhite group reaps advantages from being racially conscious and politically organized, how long before someone asks the obvious question: why can’t white people organize and agitate along racial lines, too?”

“If you were looking for someone to tell you how to live, you’d screen candidates based on the success of their own lives. You’d be looking for people who were happily married over a long period, with well-adjusted children who respected them. You’d want to know if they had stable, honest friendships. Sanity would be a key requirement, so you’d check that too. A cheerfully self-deprecating sense of humor might be one sign of emotional health. Calm self-confidence might be another. If you found a person like that, you’d have a role model. Have you ever met a professional feminist who fit that description? That’s a serious question, not a dig. There are surely happy feminists out there, living on goat farms in Oregon and making organic soap. It might be worth asking them the secret to their contentment. But they’re not part of the national conversation. They’re not on Twitter at Midnight enforcing codes of behavior on the rest of us. They’re not giving dating advice to teenage girls in cosmopolitan magazine. They’re not running the women’s studies department at your daughter’s college. The people who are might be the single unhappiest group in America. Not one of them has a personal life you’d care to emulate. You wouldn’t want to have dinner with them. They’re neurotic, miserable people.”

“Since about 1980, women have been more likely than men to go to college... women still live longer than men, as they always have, but now they have better credit ratings, too. Single women buy homes at more than twice the rate of single men....more women than men have driver’s licenses. When they run for political office, women are as likely as men to win elections....most managers are female.... Since 1972, researchers at the University of Chicago have collected data for a project called the General Social Survey... they’ve discovered a lot of interesting things, but maybe the most striking is this: women have become dramatically less happy over the past forty years.”

“It’s not obvious why abortion should be the one nonnegotiable value of feminism, or even a value at all. The earliest feminists saw nothing virtuous about it. Elizabeth Cady Stanton, one of the first suffragettes, called abortion the ‘murder of children’ Susan B Anthony referred to it as ‘infanticide’.”

“Modern feminists...clearly believe that having children is less impressive than working at an investment bank.”

“What Sandberg is describing is sameness, a world where men and women are interchangeable parts, like widgets in a bin awaiting assembly.”

“Girls thrive when boys fail. This is the underlying assumption of modern feminism, and it’s reflected in education policy, especially on college campuses.”

“On August 16, 2016, an illegal immigrant from Mexico with a long criminal record named **Angel Gilberto Garcia-Avalos** drove out of bounds in California’s Sequoia National Park and crashed his car. The accident ignited a patch of dead grass, which in turn sparked a forest fire that grew to 29,322 acres in size and incinerated a large percentage of the park...In the end, the fire burned for six weeks and cost taxpayers \$61 million before it was contained. The blaze destroyed 45 square miles of Sequoia National Park. The fire was an environmental disaster. Environmental groups ignored it. The Sierra Club, which was founded to preserve ‘the

forests and other natural features' of the very region the fire burned, didn't issue a single statement about it. The Environmental Defense Fund issued half a dozen press releases during the same period, none of which said a word about the fire.... Billionaire environmentalist Tom Steyer, a California resident, sent dozens of tweets about everything from fruit pickers to new climate measures. He never mentioned the fire."

"Seen this way, the movement's new priorities make sense. Environmentalism as a religion is more compelling than environmentalism as a means to save birds or clean up some river in Maine."

"Few preachers live up to the standards they set from the pulpit, and DiCaprio is no exception. In the summer of 2016, DiCaprio was scheduled to receive an award from the environmental group Riverkeeper. He was in Cannes attending the film festival at the time, so he chartered a private jet to fly from France to New York and back. That's an 8000 mile round trip, which in addition to being physically exhausting, amounts to a gargantuan carbon footprint, bigger than the average African might emit in a lifetime."

"If you can take a private jet to a global warming summit without guilt, you're probably not going to be troubled by a few inaccurate predictions, even if those predictions formed the basis of flawed public policy that affected the lives of billions."

"Psychology is a soft science at best, pseudoscience at worst, so Wilson pushed deeper. How did the hard sciences hold up to scrutiny? Not well. Pharmaceutical companies now assume that about half of all academic research is false."

"Within academia, the pressure to conform to climate orthodoxy has rendered the scientific method irrelevant. Judith Curry, a longtime climatologist at Georgia Tech [2 books, 186 articles on climate] resigned from her tenured position....In an essay announcing her resignation, Curry wrote that 'research and other professional activities are professionally rewarded only if they are channeled in certain directions approved by the politicized academic establishment.'"