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**Audio Books**  
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Dear Dan,

After the iPod victory, during my subsequent writing of these letters, I listened to two audio books (also available in print) at work. I learned about one from hearing the author being interviewed on Coast To Coast AM, and the other from a TV show that interviews victims of crimes.

The latter was the first book I listened to. It is called "A Stolen Life: A Memoir" and is read by the author Jaycee Lee Dugard, herself also the victim of the crime. The second book I listened to is called "A Thousand Lives" by Julia Scheeres and is about The Peoples Temple, Jonestown, Jim Jones and the followers that died with him.

While listening to the first book, I was put into the "shoes" of the victim, Jaycee and the criminal, Phillip Garrido. This was not easy, because it was not the Yoke of Christ, but the bondage of Satan I experienced while interceding.

The second book, the one about Jonestown was informative, and was also burdensome, but in a different way. Mr. Jones has passed away, so there is no longer any prayer, intercessory or otherwise, possible for him. But there were certain statements made by him as quoted by the author that the Lord highlighted to me as I listened.

\*\*\* Here is the first quote:

"I love **socialism**, and I'm willing to die to bring it about, but if I did, I'd take a thousand with me." —Jim Jones, September 6, 1975

*Scheeres, Julia (2011-10-11). A Thousand Lives . Simon & Schuster, Inc.. Kindle Edition.*

\*\*\* Here is the second quote:

"So you wanna die, huh?" Touchette asked.

**"Go ahead and kill me because I'd rather be dead than be here,"** Stanley answered.

When Jones saw that Stanley wasn't intimidated, he told Touchette to lower the weapon. Stanley repeated his defense that he was unjustly accused—he didn't have sex with Ellen—and Jones switched gears.

"You should never oppose **the office**," he told Stanley in a confiding tone, "or others will follow suit."

He made a deal with Stanley: he'd take Janice and him off learning crew if Stanley acted scared when they returned to the pavilion, as if they'd roughed him up. Stanley agreed."

*Scheeres, Julia (2011-10-11). A Thousand Lives (p. 159). Simon & Schuster, Inc.. Kindle Edition.*

\*\*\* And the third quote:

“It was now an offense to even utter the words, “I want to go home.” Danielle Gardfrey, thirteen, was assigned to the learning crew for doing so, and Jones warned Mary Baldwin, fifty-two, that she’d be condemned to a hospital bed for saying she didn’t like Jonestown. Residents sized up the jungle and their chances of getting through it alive. “Sometimes I feel like getting away from it all,” Brenda Warren, sixteen, wrote Jones. “I walk by the bush and say, ‘I could just leave,’ but I don’t really have the courage as I say I do.” Edith Roller knew better than to ask to leave. She was particularly annoyed by the tedious rallies, and after one meeting that lasted from dusk until dawn, she wrote Jones a memo suggesting ways to expedite them. When she showed the note to one of Jones’s secretaries, however, the woman warned her not to criticize “**the office**,” so she threw it away. That did not stop her from keeping a thorough accounting of the problems riddling the settlement in her journal.”  
*Scheeres, Julia (2011-10-11). A Thousand Lives (p. 181). Simon & Schuster, Inc. Kindle Edition.*

The two terms in these quotes that the Lord wanted me to think about were “socialism” and “the office”.

SOCIALISM - The Oxford American Dictionary

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noun

a political and economic theory of social organization that advocates that the means of production, distribution, and exchange should be owned or regulated by the community as a whole.

- policy or practice based on this theory.
- (in Marxist theory) a transitional social state between the overthrow of capitalism and the realization of communism.

The term “socialism” has been used to describe positions as far apart as anarchism, Soviet state communism, and social democracy; however, it necessarily implies an opposition to the untrammelled workings of the economic market. The socialist parties that have arisen in most European countries from the late 19th century have generally tended toward social democracy.

Dan, the next few paragraphs presuppose a demonic network over and through Jim Jones and his delegates

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At least as far as Jones went and the people of Jonestown, the demons loved their brand of socialism as it made it very easy to manipulate and control their enterprise, UNTIL someone (Stanley) was willing to take a stand even if it meant sacrificing his own life, then the demons backed down. Jones changed course at once in that the “demonic courage” that powered him diminished in the face of TRUE courage. He and his demons then immediately went into “manipulation” mode and negotiated with Stanley to assist in their deception.

More than anything the demons wanted to protect “the office”, that is, the authority of the man, in this case Jim Jones, and the Gifts of God poured out upon him, given to him without repentance.

Jones had been compromised early in his life, and apparently never recovered. But, even in his final state, perhaps he could have repented and been saved before dying. God knows. I do not.

Blessings...

Romanus Theophilus