

# Securing Our Borders

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This commentary is a general overview on securing borders and closes by presenting one solution that could easily end our border crisis.

Since the beginning of mankind, civilizations have tried to secure their borders. Borders could simply mean the outside wall of your home, the wall or fence around your home, a moat or wall around a castle or town, or even a fence at a country's border.

All of the above methods have been and are being used to secure borders. In ancient times, securing a border could also mean invading the lands adjacent to a country, thus expanding borders by creating more distance an enemy may have to fight through to get to the seat of government.

Border crisis has always been with mankind. In fact, the Bible talks about lands and cities fortitude by walls to keep undesirables out. The words "wall/walls" are used 245 times in the Bible. Here are some of these verses: Jeremiah 1:18, Numbers 13:28, 2 Chronicles 17:2, Deuteronomy 3:5, and Numbers 32:36. Additionally God directed that walls be built to secure borders (Exodus 23:31, Numbers 32:17, Nehemiah 1:1-7:73, Revelation 21:25-27, and 2 Chronicles 14:7).

The purpose of walls is to keep unauthorized people from entering the city, and also protected the people of the city from attack. However, in the US opposition to building walls is mixed. Many of those opposing border walls have no problem living within a walled/fenced area or in gated communities. Many of them also say that it is not the "loving thing to do," and use biblical verses that tell us how to respond to sojourners, immigrants, and migrants with kindness and caring.

We need to understand that while the Bible commands us to help others, the Bible also tells us that we have the right to protect our nation from evil.

Throughout history, any newcomer entering a community was viewed with suspicion by the locals.. Their actions were observed, and the purpose of their presence was sought out. Rarely were they accepted without first being "vetted."

Ancient China built the “Great Wall of China” to protect against the invading Mongols. The ancient city of Constantinople (Istanbul) was protected by “sea walls on three sides and a 60 foot wide moat on the fourth side.

Some areas were protected by natural barriers such as ancient Rome by the Alps and the Apennines. Similarly, the Fulda Gap in Germany created a choke point from northern invaders and played a strategic role during WW2.

Coming forward in time to the 20<sup>th</sup> century and the Cold War, many European countries experienced border security construction using border patrol personnel who would shoot on sight, elaborate fences, mine fields, and electronic detection equipment. Between East and West Berlin was a wall manned by thousands of troops who would automatically shoot people trying to leave East Berlin by climbing over the wall. In essence, the meaningfulness of border security during the Cold War reversed itself toward keeping people within a country instead of keeping people out of a country.

Unlike the Iron Curtin walls around Soviet Russia and East Germany, the Israel-Palestine Walls were built to keep Palestinians out of Israel.

With time, in the 1990’s, the European Union essentially dissolved the concept of border security allowing people to freely travel from one country to another. This concept however did not catch on with non-European countries.

Until 2012 no major border crisis existed worldwide. However, that all changed when Syrian refugees crossed the external boundaries of the EU to escape the Syrian Civil War. The migration of Syrians and other nationalities was not recognized as a crisis until the end of 2014 when France, Germany, Sweden, and the UK declared the migration as a crisis. At this point, the EU ineffectively tried to implement border control without much success. To date the EU has spent more than \$32 billion to resolve a crisis that is still ongoing. Further, the solutions that the EU has implemented have not worked to stem the increasing flow of migrants, simply because it refuses to totally close its borders and implement turn-back policies.

Since 1980, the US has experienced a substantially increasing of immigrants from Central America. Most of those immigrants were fleeing poverty, corruption and murder, and were coming from Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras.

In 2014 the number of unaccompanied children crossing our southern border increased dramatically because of the impression that Obama permitted children with family members in the US could enter our country without any problem. This kind of thinking

still exists today under the Biden administration, largely due the Biden and leftist remarks to the media and others.

It is evident that Biden either as no desires to control the influx of migrants on our southern border, or is being controlled by a puppet master such as George Soros or Vladislav Surkov. (See the movie “Manchurian Candidate” for a better understanding of puppet master.) So the question remains “How do we secure our southern border?”

There are many solutions including completion of the wall, which the Biden administration will not support. We could also lay a mine field similar to what the soviets did during the Cold War, but the American people would not go for that.

To date, border security has been a federal government issue because we view it as a national security issue and not as community or state issues. In recent months that viewpoint has changed as the border communities and states are seeing increases in crime and state/community spending of social services climb.

States and communities need to step up to the plate and secure their southern borders, state lines, county lines and city limits. Locally walls can be built to keep illegal migrants out. There is no federal law prohibiting such actions. Residents in these areas will have to support such actions not just for the short term but also for long-term maintenance.

All of our border states need to declare themselves as “gun sanctuary states” and revise some of their laws. This does not mean that they retreat to the wild-west days of gunslingers, etc. Rather it means that the people will have greater latitude in protecting themselves and their property. It also means accepting the fact that illegal entry makes the migrants criminals and thus punished accordingly. The catch and release program is for fishing and should be revised as the catch and stay in jail program.

Biden stupidly reversed many of Trumps agreements with Mexico and other Central American countries to control the flow of migrants. Under Trump these agreements were a win-win for the US and the countries involved. With Biden in charge it has become a lose-lose environment for everyone. The only winners are the cartels, the deep state, and the leftist who want to destroy the US.

Although to a lesser degree, Mexico has experienced many of the same problems with migrants traveling through it to reach the US. The migrations have also caused Mexico’s crime rates to spike. These crimes include murder, extortion, rape and sexual abuse, and other exploitations of both Mexicans and migrants.

While it is to Mexico's benefit to block migrants at its southern border, it cannot do so effectively as long as many of its enforcement personnel are tied up along the US-Mexico border. That was possible under Trump but no longer under Biden.

So to solve our issue with migrants, we need to help solve Mexico's issue as well. One way to do this could be called bribery, extortion, or blackmail. With the exception of Trump, every president since George H. W. Bush has raised taxes, including corporate taxes. Bush also signed the NAFTA treaty with Mexico in 1992. These two events, combined with George W Bush's decision to grant China normal trading relations with the US, provide US corporations the impetus to seek cheaper manufacturing costs by moving out of the country. Many Fortune 500 corporations in the aerospace, automobile, medical and electronic industries moved operations and opened factories in Mexico. In the automotive industry alone, Mexico hosts plants for Ford, Chrysler, GM, VW, Toyota, Nissan, Mazda, Honda, BMW, Audi, and Daimler.

Unlike China, Mexico provides a favorable environment for manufacturers in the areas of logistics, labor costs, workmanship, and tariffs. However one very important point for any company doing business in China is the government's involvement in corporate decision making. China has already nationalized American and other foreign owned companies, and given its propensity for control will probably continue to do so.

From a political viewpoint, we need to ask ourselves, "What would happen if Mexico decides to nationalize American companies?" With Biden In office, there is every reason for Mexico to threaten nationalization if the US does not close or control its southern border so that Mexico can secure its own southern border. The mere threat of this would probably cause every corporation with assets in Mexico to exert extreme pressure on the Biden administration to change its policies and close our southern border.