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Ever since I started to realize there was something not right with our government, around the time of 9/11 and the ensuing war in Iraq, I've been on the lookout for truth in alternative forms of media. At first I had no idea how or where to look, but as I became more familiar with the internet, I was able to seek out places where other things than what was in the nightly news broadcast and on *National Public Radio* were being proclaimed and discussed. My first foray into the alternative media was actually on terrestrial radio in the form of *Coast to Coast AM* and George Noory. From there I heard about Alex Jones. At the time he to me sounded like a "carnie", a fast talking, hoarse-voiced charlatan, trying to put one over on people by proclaiming in the most sensational manner the conspiracies of the day from his insider point of view. Little did I know at the time that my first impression of him was mostly correct. However, there were other sources of information I came across, namely the films *Zeitgeist I & II*, *Loose Change*, and other videos regarding 9/11 truth and other topics. Of course all the while there have been more and more projects run by the Intelligence agencies including Sandy Hook, the Aurora Batman shooting, the Boston Marathon bombing, etc., that I could see were not what we were sold, but there was never a voice that you could really rely on to give you the straight dope. I watched videos, read books and articles and listened to interviews with such folks as Jordan Maxwell, Eckhart Tolle, John McAfee, Whitley Strieber, John Perkins, Ole Dammegard, Graham Hancock, Noam Chomsky and many others, at first feeling enlightened, but after a while realizing that just like had been happening my whole life, that in reality nothing was making an actual difference after all. It was all just more smoke, albeit in a slightly different way.

Then one day in the fall of 2019, upon being sickened by the disgustingly phony sight, sounds and antics of Greta Thunberg, I took to the internet to see what the search engines had to say about "Greta Thunberg fake". I noticed a link about a half page down that took me to a plain, white page article headed with a picture of the sniveling, scowling fraud from Sweden, and flew through the article, rejoicing in the plainly told truth that I had been seeking, but had so seldom ever (perhaps even never) found. Upon taking the link back to the main page, I found the now familiar plain yellow webpage with a long list of links to all the questions I had ever had about any conspiracy I had ever heard of—and many I hadn't. It was the famous *Miles W. Mathis* Updates page. When I saw that page I knew right away what I had discovered and it was as if I could hear the Hallelujah chorus from Handel's *Messiah* playing in my head, like so many movie clichés.

But that instantly sacred place I had just discovered was far from a cliché. No ads, wild sensational pictures and/or stories to grab your attention, as in the likes of the websites of Alex Jones or Jeff Rense, or the myriad other controlled opposition websites I had encountered over the years. Nothing. Just a plain, pale yellow page with a cute kitty at the top and reams of straight links to the stories I wanted to know about. No bullshit, just plain sense. I was beside myself with excitement and satisfaction at my discovery, and immediately commenced to tell everybody I knew about it. Unfortunately, as we who regularly read Miles Mathis have come to see from our family, friends and acquaintances, no one really cares about the actual truth that much, for whatever reasons, and I couldn't get a single person to share in my joy of this discovery.

However, I immediately began ravenously devouring every article I saw that interested me, which were many, and I wound up picking my way through several dozen of the topics most interesting to my (what I later discovered to be quite uneducated) eye. I eventually made my way from topics familiar to more unfamiliar and wound up learning about things I didn't even know I didn't know about,

eventually taking Miles' own advice and starting from the very beginning of his canon, and working my way through every single article on the page, whether I thought the topic interested me or not. Needless to say, I wound up learning *a lot* about our world and the way it *actually* works.

Somewhere along the way I decided that, seeing he had several guest authors that contributed articles to the site that, hey, maybe this is something that I can do too, and I endeavored to compose a submission of my own. Being a decent writer myself (despite not necessarily actually enjoying to write), with no experience to speak of writing formal papers except in college, and using Miles' papers and my own meticulous tendencies as a guide, I slogged through the process of writing my first piece for submission. Boy was it difficult! But with quite a bit of uncertainty and a lot of work, I finished it in a couple weeks time. I have since penned several more, but also have several unfinished drafts of various other articles I never did finish, for lack of confidence, gumption, actual desire to write, and I guess basic knowledge that Miles always seemingly just has at his fingertips. Perhaps one day I will finish one or more of these drafts when I summon up the courage and fortitude. But in the meantime I am more than content to read the fantastic articles that Miles and his other contributors expertly present for review.

Every other day I am eagerly scanning Mathis' site and the "companion" Forum that was graciously started and is continually maintained by our good friend and colleague "Swathy Krishna" at mathisianhaven.wordpress.com (in the wake of the demise of *Cutting Through the Fog*, another forum for us truthers and disciples of Mathis, that had apparently succumbed to the spooky masters of this world) for new articles and information and am always happy to settle in to a new, always fresh, eye-opening piece to advance my education, understanding and sometimes to just simply be entertained and enlightened by the stories, advice and humor from a worldly, genuine and encouraging soul.

I have had the pleasure of speaking personally with Miles, and I know he isn't a writing committee as some have alleged, but a real person doing real work in an age of fraud and phony convictions. This good and honest (not to mention brilliant, talented and hard-working) man is doing for the world, out of his own decency and reverence for the *truth*, what seemingly no one has done before, and most of the thanks he receives in return is slander, harassment, anti-promotion and loneliness. If you have a mind, send him a friendly note sometime, just to remind him that there are people out there, other than the paid spooks and shills trying to tear him down a notch, that really do appreciate the world-class content this guy churns out on a very regular basis, to no fanfare, but those of us who know, know how much it all is truly worth.