## How America morphed into 'Bizarro World'

## Exclusive: David Kupelian takes readers on tour of upside-down dimension we now inhabit

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Note from Pastor Kevin Lea: This is a good analysis of our country's moral demise. The author even comes close to concluding his thoughts with a sound spiritual message. He mentions that our problem is sin and that we need to repent. However, he falls short in providing the gospel message when he fails to mention that JESUS came to die for our sins so that if we humble ourselves, repent from our sins, and believe/trust in Him, then (and only then) will true change and revival take place.

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As part of my well-rounded childhood, growing up during the 1950s in suburban Washington, D.C., I read Superman comic books. That's right. Also Superboy, Batman and Robin, Aquaman, Flash, Green Arrow, Green Lantern and others – but my favorite was Superman. And one of the most memorable characters in those adventures was a guy named ... Bizarro.

Created when the "man of steel" was exposed to a "duplicate ray," Bizarro was essentially a defective clone of Superman. Although he was ugly, surly and spoke broken English like Tonto in "The Lone Ranger" (*"Me hate Superman. Him bad"*), Bizarro's defining characteristic was his total rebellion against everything normal, everything sensible, everything Superman stood for. Indeed, he took pride in being the exact *opposite* of Superman in every way.

Thus, Bizarro eventually relocated to Bizarro World, a cube-shaped planet called Htrae ("Earth" spelled backwards), which operated according to "Bizarro logic" – meaning it was wrong to do anything right, moral or good. That gave rise to the Bizarro society's legal system based on the "Bizarro Code," which meant it was "a crime to do anything well or to make anything perfect or beautiful."

For example, I remember reading, as a 9- or 10-year-old Superman fan, how on Bizarro World, when the street-sweeping truck came down the road, instead of sweeping up dirt and debris, the Bizarro street-sweeper guy would actually *throw dust and dirt onto the streets* to make them dirtier! In every area of life, Bizarro folk did the opposite of whatever was logical and normal. Got the picture?

Now, let's look at today's USA, which increasingly resembles a "Bizarro" version of traditional America – not just different, not just "transformed," but morphed in so many ways into the opposite of what it once was.

First, for those who weren't around during the 1950s and early '60s, let me just say that the America of my youth, despite its shortcomings, was basically confident, unconflicted, prosperous and full of life, hope and unlimited opportunity. People were patriotic and our culture was strong and essentially moral. America was the undisputed leader of the world – not just militarily and economically, but in terms of freedom and goodness. (To my liberal friends: Do me a favor, and don't tell me, "But the '50s had racial segregation." Yes, and today we torture, decapitate, dismember, vacuum and chemically burn to death 3,000 beautiful human babies every single day. So just drop it.)

Compared with the vibrant nation it once was, today's America has become a different country. Divided, angry, squabbling, the world's largest debtor nation, with rampant divorce, family breakdown and unprecedented sexual anarchy, 1 in 7 on food stamps, 1 in 9 on antidepressants – on so many levels America is disintegrating.

Let's review a few highlights of the current scene...

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