

## **\*Modern Day Ant and Grasshopper \***

\*There are 2 Versions - Read Both \*

### **\*TRADITIONAL VERSION: \***

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\*The ant works hard in the withering heat all summer long, building his house and laying up \*\*supplies for the winter. \*

\*The grasshopper thinks the ant is a fool and laughs and dances and plays the summer away. \*

\*Come winter, the ant is warm and well fed. The grasshopper has no food or shelter, so he dies out in the cold. \*

### **\*MODERN VERSION \* By Bill Ford**

\*The ant works hard in the withering heat all summer long, building his house and laying up \*\*supplies for the winter. \*

\*The grasshopper thinks the ant is a fool and laughs and dances and plays the summer away. He purchases a big home with a reverse mortgage and buys a Hum Vee for no money down and a six year note. Come winter, the shivering grasshopper calls a press conference and demands to know why the ant is entitled be warm and well fed while victims like him are cold and starving. CBS, NBC, PBS, CNN, and ABC show up to provide pictures of the shivering grasshopper next to a video of the ant in his comfortable home with a table filled with food. They assume the position of moral outrage as the grasshopper comes ever closer to death. Experts are interviewed to detail the dying process that is inevitable and caused by the ant's greed and avarice.

\*America is stunned by the sharp contrast. How can this be, that in a country of such wealth, this poor grasshopper is allowed to suffer so? \*

\*Kermit the Frog appears on Oprah with the grasshopper, and everybody cries when they \*\*sing, 'It's Not Easy Being Green.' Oprah states that there are many ways of faith to reach the glorious divinity and encourages the grasshopper to find his. She pledges to build a statute to the memory of the grasshopper lest his demise be forgotten. She is unable to provide succor

because the grass hopper fails to meet her perceived requirements.

Jesse Jackson arrives with his traveling paid bus loads of professional agitators to stage a demonstration in front of the ant's house. His Rainbow Coalition threatens boycotts of any business doing business with the ant. Jesse then has the group kneel down to pray to his god for the grasshopper's sake.

Nancy Pelosi, John Kerry, Obama, McCain & Harry Reid exclaim in an interview with Larry King that the ant has gotten rich off the back of the grasshopper, and call for an immediate tax hike on the ant to make him pay his fair share. The ant and grasshopper are morally equivalent.

The ACLU senses an opportunity and determine this is a great case. They sue the ant on behalf of the grasshopper for violating the civil rights of the grasshopper and engaging in hate speech, EEOC and RICO activities. The Government does the same.

The IRS audits the grasshopper and files litigation for tax fraud. He has stuff to tax and that must mean he has evaded taxes available or he would be in the same position as the grasshopper. The tax court expedites the case and finds for the grasshopper. All ant's assets are seized. The Fed seizes his land because he has a mortgage and they simply foreclose since the Fed holds the mortgage now. The Ant is thrown into the street to the joy of the media that announces justice is served.

We then see the grasshopper finishing up the last bits of the ant's food while the government house he is in, which just happens to be the ant's old house, crumbles around him because he doesn't work to maintain it. The homeless ant has disappeared in the snow.

The next year no ants create any food nor work hard in the Summer. Government intervenes the next winter by seizing all remaining food stocks and institutes rationing based on need and entitlement to insure fairness, tolerance and inclusivity. All hoarded private food supplies are seized for redistribution. The government uses this opportunity to acquire any remaining assets owned by citizens and then determines who will be allotted what. The government decides who will eat and who will not. This improves the population by weeding out the extremist workers and other members that do not fit the new world order.

The government may print money to exchange for the assets seized using any number of the companies or middlemen established that have access to the Treasury window. This monetization is not viewed as confiscation but merely a loan due to the national food crisis. It promotes the common good by ensuring access to food. They call it Quantitative Easing.

The next year no food is grown because it will only be seized for redistribution for fiat based greenbacks. That winter the nation joins the ant in the snow.

**Moral: When liberty is traded for security neither liberty nor security shall the recipients have.**