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Edification: "*A specter is haunting Europe — the specter of communism*". With those ominous words Karl Marx introduced his well worn classic "*The Communist Manifesto*". The meaning of this statement supplied the reason as to why he was publishing his manifesto. By "specter" he meant a ghost-like, unreal figure. What he was getting at was that at that time what was passing for communism in Europe was a mere shadow, a ghost-like figure of the true thing. By his manifesto he would clear away the shadow and present the real, fleshed out figure of this debased and wicked worldview. Thanks Karl! It's not often that I would want to quote a card-carrying communist such as Karl Marx, so I'll change it just a bit. *A long shadow is haunting the halls of the White House - the long shadow of "The Communist"*. Here's what I mean. A book was published recently entitled "*The Communist*". The author is Paul Kengor. He's a professor of Political Science at Grove City College. There is a connection between Kengor's book "*The Communist*" and the Obama White House. It is found in the book's subtitle; "*Frank Marshall Davis: The Untold Story of Barack Obama's Mentor*". In Obama's over-rated book "*Dreams of My Father*" he refers to a mentor named "Frank" over 20 times. He doesn't give the mentors full name, which is Frank Marshall Davis, probably because this man is well known as a card-carrying member of the communist party in America (literally, his card number was CP #47544). A true hater of America Davis wrote tirelessly against the evils of capitalism and the free market. He edited and wrote for a communist newspaper in Chicago (what a coincidence). His topics included advocating wealth redistribution, government stimulus for public works projects, taxpayer-funding of universal health care, and nationalizing General Motors. Sound familiar? With his many failures Obama succeeded at implementing every one of these. So it isn't merely guilt-by-association with Frank & Barack. Obama sought Davis out for counsel. And Davis found in the future president a sponge, willing to absorb all the anti-American, pro-communist sludge he could ooze. What emerges over time with regard to the president is that deep down he really is little more than a composite sketch, crafted by various "mentors" who now are living vicariously (some posthumously) through him. I think Marx would've approved of the long shadow cast over the White House and maybe the current White House occupier too.

*"I pledge myself to remain at all times a vigilant and firm defender of the Leninist line of the Party".*  
Excerpt from the *American Communist Party Oath of Allegiance, 1935*

Encourage: In 1 Corinthians 15:33 we're told "*Bad company ruins good morals*". I don't know if Obama ever had good morals, but I know for sure he kept bad company. As his associations are revealed so is the sobering condition of our nation revealed. But just as it was with Judas Iscariot in his day so it is with Barack Obama in ours. Judas was not a fluke or a mistake. Neither did he become the traitor he was by fate or chance. God Himself shaped and formed his life and influences so at just the right time he would of his own "free will" betray the Son of Man into sinful hands. When we consider the company Obama kept throughout his life it is striking how the Hand of Providence so clearly formed this man to be what he is today. This is both comforting, and as we said sobering. It's sobering to recognize that God Himself raised-up our current president under such shadowy figures. But the comfort of the Church is that she dwells in the shadow of the Almighty and He raises her up under the shadow of His wings. And under those wings is found good company, for there are all the godly!