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Some Costa Mesa residents and city officials started an uprising against the crows, squirrels and other natural elements of the city. These are letters in response.

September 29, 2000

Dear Editor,

When I moved out to Orange County from the bleak winters in Wisconsin, the first time I was awakened at two o'clock in the morning by the song of a nightingale or mockingbird, I thought I had died and gone to heaven. Imagine bird life in the middle of the winter!

So what's this about killing off the little bit of sanity we have left in Orange County — the picturesque crows who honor us by being part of our life? After all, God created the birds before he made the mistake of creating the human race.

Better than killing the crows, I have a better idea. Let us make a bubble world and put all the complainers in it. Be sure there is a button to push to make the sun come out so they can control their sleeping habits. Make sure there are no trees, as they may make a mess or make a hump in the sidewalk. Put three stainless steel sinks in the kitchen. Surely one will not keep things sterile enough. Give them all rubber gloves so the health inspected food will not get contaminated. Make sure there are no children, as the sound of laughter in the streets may disrupt their crabby little brain. And for heaven's sake, do the crows a favor and keep them in the world with "Welcome" written on it.

Marie

October 23, 2000

Dear Editor,

ACHTUNG: Welcome to Costa Mesa, California, the city without crows, without homeless, and now we are about to oust the poor. A nice, clean little unbalanced city — neat, proper, every lawn inspection perfect, trees formed by humans rather than God, and inhabited by little robots with pursed lips and beady eyes all shaking their heads up and down to a dictatorial government.

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Jesus said, “The poor you will have with you always.” Why?? Because it keeps all of us arrogant rich bastards balanced — like the bugs and the butterflies and bees keep everything swinging.

Of course, the city gestapos are more intelligent than Jesus and certainly more powerful than God.

I would like to see every complainer’s name become public property. I would like to see this nation of so-called Christians living by the principles taught by our Lord. How many churchgoers are “seeking first the kingdom of God” as a remedy for their problems? How about “if you have aught against your neighbor, go to him, and if he does not listen or if it isn't solved, go to the church or the neighborhood for help??” These two scriptures, adhered to, could change a city, say nothing of one as well-known as “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”

Unfair government always pits one citizen against another. God’s government unites the people.

Our Constitution gives us our rights; however, the word of God, the Bible, teaches us how to live! I would venture to say that most complainers are professing Christians.

Marie