# The Nature of Waymarks

- · We need to better understand the nature of waymarks.
- We learned the importance of threading waymarks together rather than viewing them in isolation.
  - We used to frame understandings of what happened at a waymark independent of the other waymarks.
- Even within a single waymark we should look for a story.
- We can do this with all the major waymarks from 1989 2019.

# 1989

 September 11, 1989 Hungary opened its borders which was seen as the first step in a culmination of events leading to the fall of the Berlin Wall.

September 11, 1989: When Hungary Tore A Hole In The Iron Curtain "Thirty years ago, Hungary lifted restrictions on travel to Austria, enabling tens of thousands of East Germans to flee to the West. The September 1989 events in Hungary are often described as the first cracks in the Berlin Wall." - https://www.rferl.org/a/hungary-1989-east-germany/30156892.html

Nov 9, 1989 the Berlin Wall fell.

## 2001

• September 11, 2001 the Twin Towers were struck.

Afghanistan: The Battle For Mazar-i-Sharif Seen As Turning Point [article published on Oct 18, 2001]

Afghanistan's Northern Alliance is on the offensive and the United States seems to have responded to the group's call for bombing Taliban front lines to clear the way for an advance. U.S. planes hit the Taliban front line north of Kabul yesterday and, further to the northwest, the forces of General Abdulrashid Dostum seem ready to take Mazar-i-Sharif, the largest city in northern Afghanistan. RFE/RL's Bruce Pannier reports that the fall of Mazar-i-Sharif could change the strategic balance in Afghanistan. - https://www.rferl.org/a/1097749.html

November 9, 2001 Mazar-i-Sharif fell triggering the fall of the Taliban.

"In their first major victory, Northern Alliance forces led by General Rashid Dostum and General Mohammed Atta, with U.S. Special Forces A-teams <u>595</u> and <u>534</u>, captured Taliban stronghold Mazar-e-Sharif on **November 9, 2001**. Thousands of Taliban and Al Qaeda fighters fled east to Kunduz. The defeat of Mazar triggered the collapse of

Taliban positions throughout the north." - https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/campaign/ground/battle\_pop.html

#### 2016

Donald Trump won the election on November 9, 2016.

Donald Trump Is Elected President in Stunning Repudiation of the Establishment [published on Nov. 9, 2016]

"Donald John Trump was elected the 45th president of the United States on Tuesday in a stunning culmination of an explosive, populist and polarizing campaign that took relentless aim at the institutions and long-held ideals of American democracy. The surprise outcome, defying late polls that showed Hillary Clinton with a modest but persistent edge, threatened convulsions throughout the country and the world, where skeptics had watched with alarm as Mr. Trump's unvarnished overtures to disillusioned voters took hold." - https://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/09/us/politics/hillary-clinton-donald-trump-president.html

December 18 the Electoral College voted.

The Electoral College Meets Monday. Here's What to Expect.

WASHINGTON — On Monday, <u>538 people will meet</u> to determine who will be the next president.

These meetings of the Electoral College, convened in every state and the District of Columbia just shy of six weeks after Election Day, have long been little more than a formality.

But the victory of President-elect Donald J. Trump, who lost the popular vote but is projected to win the most electoral votes, has thrust the Electoral College into the spotlight once more. The conclusion of American intelligence agencies that Russia tried to intervene in the election to harm Hillary Clinton's campaign has only intensified the focus in recent days. - https://www.nytimes.com/2016/12/18/us/politics/the-electoral-college-meets-monday-heres-what-to-expect.html

• This article is an excellent resource because it also explains how the electoral college works and its purpose.

## 2018

- September 21, 2018 was the beginning of the battle of Heraclea.
- It ended on December 19 when Trump ordered the full withdrawal of troops from Syria.
  - It centered around Ukraine, spheres of influence, and cyber-war.

Timeline:

- July 2018 their relationship was solid. Prior to that Trump had attacked NATO. Then met Putin in Helsinki in July.
- Sept 21, 2018 Trump unveils the National Cyber Strategy which rewrote the rulebook for how the USA engages and defends against cyber war. It adopted a strategy of offensive action as well as defensive action.
- Bolton said that it was put in place to unlock USAs ability to fight in light of Russian interference in 2016.
- OCt 28 2018 Putin met with Bolton and Putin complained about steps being taken by the USA that were not friendly. Their relationship began to sour.
- Oct 31 Bolton said USA was undertaking offensive cyber operations to protect the next US election. (Implied against Russia).
- Nov 16 Trump created a new agency within the Dept of Homeland Security -> a Cyber Security Agency.
- Nov 25 Russia takes Ukranian votes.
- Trump subsequently cancels meeting with Putin over Ukraine.
- Dec 12 Michael Cohen sentenced. He provided Mueller with credible information about Trump and Russia.
- Putin wanted Browder who brought sanctions against him which have tied up his personal wealth (approx 500 million).
- Dec 19 Trump ordered the fill withdrawal of US troops from Syria and Afghanistan.
  Isis was not yet defeated.
- Trump gave Putin Syria and Afghanistan. Jim Mathis resigned over this.
- In this three month period the MC was given on the earth (USA), the sea (Europe France in particular), and the islands of the sea (Pacific).
- Whatever Nov 9th is will have to do with the events surrounding Ukraine.

## 2019

Key Dates at the Center of the Ukraine Matter [published Nov 11, 2019] https://www.nytimes.com/2019/11/11/us/politics/trump-ukraine-timeline.html

• It starts on Apr 21 2019 when Zelensky was elected. May 6 they begin to attack the US ambassador and accuse her disloyalty. May 10 Guilianii told Fox News that Zelensky was surrounded by operatives of the Democrat Party. Zelensky then told US Aid would be withheld. July 18 Trump announced freeze in Ukraine aid. July 25 Trump told Zelensky what he wanted in return for the aid. This was repeated on Aug 9. Aug 12 the whitstleblower filed his complaint. Sept 1 Zelensky asked Pence about the aid. Pence told him to speak to Gordon Sunderland. Sunderland said no aid until an investigation into Hunter Biden. A whistleblower files a complain which reaches the House on Sept 9th. The Democrats control the House. They hear the complaint and launch an investigation. Sept 11 Trump caved and released the aid. Zelensky ended all plans to investigate Biden. Bolton quit Sept 9. Sept 11 all of Boltons staff in the White House resigned. So all of Trumps machinations in Ukraine came to failure on Sept 11.

- While we might not understand Nov 9 we have the beginning event that will be the cause for whatever Nov 9 is.
- Every waymark has a date connected to it. That date becomes synonymous with that waymark even though the waymark itself is a progression of events.
- The mistake made by FFA is like taking all the events that have been identified in connection with 1989 and squeezing them into a single day. This is what they do with 2019.
- This ability to see progression is important for when we come to Concord (Increase of knowledge) in this dispensation.