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An aerial view of Miami, one of the cities threatened by climate change that is profiled in Jeff Godell's book "The Water Will Come: Rising Seas, Sinking Cities, and the Remaking of the Civilized World" (Wikimedia Commons/Murray Foubister)



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At the Working-Class Perspectives blog, [Allison Hurst explains](#) precisely why the Democrats lost last year. That is not the subject of Hurst's post; she is writing about working-class families and the challenges their kids face. Which college to go to is not on the list. Until Dems find candidates who can speak to these working-class families, they will not only lose but they will deserve to lose.

At the Humanum quarterly, [Kirk Kramer reviews](#) a new biography of John Senior, one of the most important, if lesser-known, Catholic thinkers of the 20th century.

At The Washington Post, [Bill McKibben reviews](#) Jeff Godell's *The Water Will Come: Rising Seas, Sinking Cities, and the Remaking of the Civilized World*, which does not bring comforting news about the effects of climate change: We are further along the road to a catastrophe, and while Rome burns, our new Nero is tweeting.

At Politico, Sen. Bernie Sanders writes on how to fix the Democratic Party. I do not agree with everything on his agenda: I worry about the effects of open primaries that allow unaffiliated voters to cast ballots. But [Sanders' diagnosis](#) further exposes some of the deep problems the Dems face.

Also at Politico, a [report from Alabama](#): Conservative evangelicals are standing by their man, Roy Moore. It would be funny if it were not so pathetic.

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