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Exclusively inclusive

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,

And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. Proverbs 9:10

Just nineteen words that you do not hear in any context today about the unfolding crises in the world. Everyone seems to have some idea or plan to save the world, but it is totally amazing, none of those plans include God in any fashion. Some of that I suppose is that God doesn't consider a top priority that everyone on earth currently, have a large flat screen TV and a retirement account which you can use to quit early and become a human consumptive vegetable.

What we see almost everywhere is greed, cancerous greed, empowered by collusion. Much of that collusion is political, which means in this country that the two political parties maintain control of all elections by forcing political candidates to espouse exclusively exclusive views to receive funding to run for office.

Putting it in a larger context and expanding this enlightened

view of extremism, the United States just finished the eight year leadership of a true laissez faire capitalist, evangelical Christian. Under the leadership of George W Bush we have seen the demise of both laissez faire capitalism and religious right Christendom.

The significant fruit of that exclusive exclusiveness is that Americans elected the most leftist president in the history of the country. While Barack Obama claims that the American economy is on the brink of collapse if his economic stimulus package is not enacted immediately, it is impossible to recall another first three weeks of a president in modern times, bungling so much, so soon.

From their vantage point, the remaining political right commentators are promoting the concept that Obama is creating a version of European socialism. What they seemingly fail to understand, is European socialism



finds its power from a semblance of centralized planning. There is no central plan in either Obama's economic stimulus, or in his treasury secretary's plan to restore financial stability.

From the perspective of the last year under president Bush, with pretty much the same Wall Street focus and actors in charge, it is impossible to get much traction stating, "Trust us we know what we are doing."

Of course the true context coming from the Obama administration, is really, "Trust me, I haven't got a clue in what we are doing. I don't yet claim to be messiah, but I am working really hard at least to be Moses, who will lead you back to the American Promised Land." Of course I am going to do that by allowing leftist secular progressives to create my programs and agendas.

Recall not that many years ago, George W. Bush used that same, we are working really hard line, to attempt to ease public fears, for some reason. For some reason, I cannot recall what that reason was, essentially because there was a total disconnect between the hard work and the results. Alas, times are different now?

The truth is if you have a bunch of well meaning people, working really hard to do what is right in their own eyes, you are going to try a bunch of things that seem right, but don't work. The closing of the Biblical book of Judges, closes with, "In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes."

We got into this mess because, everyone was and is, doing what was and is right in their own eyes, and there was and is no absolute kingly absolute to provide either secular or religious standards of behavior.

When you take that behavioral paradigm and put it into immorally designed greedy and collusive infrastructures, the product is greed and collusion. That is simple cause and effect, knowledge and wisdom are not needed, for there are no checks and balances in place.

Whenever I now hear the term balance, I think of the Fox News' slogan, "Fair and Balanced." Fair and balanced being defined as a number of extremist pundits, if not yelling and screaming at one another, at least continually

interrupting each other, to make some bizarre point, that relates tangentially to their recent book. These people are given the platform, because they work for free, at least in the sense, they don't get directly paid by Fox. Their books appeal only tangentially to real problems, but enforce some concept of self worth in book buyers, in which everything operates in a speed and scale beyond human control and understanding.

"Everything is spinning out of control." That concept describes what is really happening essentially in a world without absolute standards of some sort, absolutely nothing works toward the higher purpose of humanity and human civilization. This spinning concept is used more and more to describe reality across the universe of human and natural activity. Often the adverb "seemingly" is added to give the concept described a sense of a certain reality of the existential. However with or without the adverb, the sentence seemingly describes an underlying reality of anarchy or chaos. That bluntly means the described is not organized and hence not civilized.

Thanks to the demise of the religious right and their attempt to create a universe of utopian Christendom in a fallen world, exegesis of this context in moral religious terms no longer finds any tillable ground; it is just too exclusively exclusive to find meaningful space in the swirling chaos. So now that religious emphasis shifts to another humanly planned utopia, based on another solely human paradigm of the religion of human secularism.

However functioning communities exist both in nature and in historic human organizations based upon being exclusively inclusive. To put it bluntly, through natural selection, or human choice, the exclusively exclusive are eliminated from the gene pool. Radicals do not reproduce, and definitely don't evolve because; contrary to change spin, only that change that fosters unity in diversity will grow. That is a natural universal absolute law.

Every week since the inauguration of Barack Obama we have mentioned his community organizing skills are based upon radical confrontation with the establishment and his method of organization is Chicago school. In that paradigm potential community members are recruited to find identity in the exclusively exclusive. Using that concept one can in a short period of time be elected President of the United States. Again

as we have pointed out since he took office, running the establishment is a very different skill set, than confronting it, especially radically.

I suppose expecting the man to even understand that reality in three weeks is asking too much. However, it is his exclusive rhetoric that quantifies this financial crisis as the worst since the Great Depression. That fear driven exclusive tactic still has waiting in the wings for catastrophic inclusion, the Civil War, the American Revolution, the Tower of Babel, the Genesis Flood, and the fall of mankind, to be just a little more inclusive.

What is missing from this brief list however, is the underlying causative agent, which is the desire for humans to become god in their own eyes, to recreate reality in our likeness, by simple means we can understand. We are currently working under that human god paradigm known as the Enlightenment.

Teams win championships. Groups of very talented guys, all doing their own thing, lose. That holds true for all sports. That also holds true for all communities and civilizations throughout history. The outcome however relates to playing by the rules.

Alex Rodriguez yesterday admitted to using a performance enhancing drug earlier in his career. His explanation was basically that he was young and foolish as he attempted to be the best baseball player in history. As a consequence, he basically flushed his opportunity to be known as the best baseball player in history, even though removing the drug consequence entirely from the universe; he still probably is the best baseball player in history.

The same story repeats itself in the case of Michael Phelps the best swimmer in the history of the sport. One picture huffing on a bong and that milestone is forever tarnished.

Will that story be repeated in the case of Barack Obama, the first Afro American President of the United States? He is the one who has elevated his championship to the level of world changing. Of course just like Alex and Michael, he has been reading a considerable amount of positive press. In this case however, the consequences are much more far reaching.

Exclusive inclusiveness, rather than radical secular individualism, would and will prevent this sense disease of the super inflated ego. When all around you tells you that you walk on water, we all have that tendency to believe it, just as with the negative connotation. If everyone tells you, you are the worst scumbag in human history, you will believe that also.

So in this enlightened world we are taught to change the scumbag into the star by only our own efforts. Is it any wonder some make mistakes along the way? We all make mistakes along the way simply because we are isolated from a community in which our unique gifts and talents can be accepted as contributing to the greater whole, rather than just our self appeasement.

There is a flaw in our concept of economies of scale that promotes personal greatness rather than civic greatness. Barack, Michael, and Alex share this current stage with CEO's of banks, and other enterprises of humanity. The difference between Barack, Michael, and Alex is that they work cheap for the fame they have gained. They also all have shown a tremendous amount of continual personal discipline to achieve their fame.

What these corporate leaders have shown is a complete lack of any attributes other than greed and collusion to make money. For an example, flying under the current radar because of the stimulus package, is the increase of gasoline prices of about fifty cents a gallon in a month, while the price of crude oil has maintained a trading range around 40. What's up with that?

It is just another illustration that human enlightenment, knowledge, and wisdom based upon human enlightenment, knowledge, and wisdom does not contain any energetic value other than spinning out of control. That action follows the scientific laws of entropy, essentially that every action that doesn't fill up the gas tank, eventually runs out of gas.

Attempting to create that gas by creating money does not address any lasting problem. All that happens is that the ocean of non energetic debt capital gets deeper, drowning out true wealth and capital.

Back at the beginning of the environmental movement, a Pogo cartoon became famous because Pogo proclaimed to his friend Porkypine, "We have met the enemy, and the enemy is us." What was never answered in that cartoon was the fact that, conquering the enemy of us requires resources, beyond us. That reality still demands all our humanly limited resources. It will not change commonly until we look to becoming exclusively inclusive. For in the limitations of true human community lies the reality, that we are not alone, but we were created for God's purposes. In that light it logically follows the nineteen words:

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