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A Blessed and Holy Easter to our Readers

**CULTURE AND NATURE IN HARMONY,
IN BALANCE**



But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his Fig tree; and none shall make them afraid. - Micah iv, 4.

It was in the BBC film version of *Pride and Prejudice* that the words by Lizzie's Uncle about 'culture and nature in harmony' conveyed a most important truth to me and I thought worth pondering on.

And then Hewlett Edwards in *The Cultivation of History* reinforced the point for me when he referred to the South Sea Islander's saying:

Know the roots and you will know the tree. Know the tree and behold! It will answer to your cultivation.

Edwards continued:

"History is the endless record of experiments; a series that cannot be broken and of which there is never complete specification nor adequate separation from a multiplicity of similar operations. The movement of events cannot be arrested for examination and analysis, history shows and must show approximation upon approximation. Within itself each event appears to be complete and completed, it cannot be undone; but, as a part of a series which is one whole, what is so indeterminate as an isolated event? It seems conclusive, yet it is always moving on to fresh conclusions. It is in this difficult complexity that policy is crystallised and becomes history in which men of understanding as well as of action have erected signposts for the use of their successors...."

Source: *The Fig Tree*, September 1954

And, having grasped that truth beforehand, I then related quite a bit of what Jordan B. Peterson had to say about human beings and prehistory from a psychological perspective. So, when he addressed a recent Forum with the other speakers being from an Orthodox Christian background, my interest was again sparked.

THE WORLD IS HELL BECAUSE YOU DON'T SPEAK THE TRUTH

Jordan B. Peterson gave his version of the Garden of Eden story from a psychological viewpoint. He shared the platform with two Orthodox priests, and an artist/craftsman who uses his talents to craft Icons for the Orthodox church. The following has been slightly edited as the spoken word doesn't always read well: "It's part of the Christian doctrine that at the beginning of time Adam and Eve lived in the Garden of Eden. The Garden was within a walled city, a protected place, where the two properties Culture and Nature, properly balanced allowed everyone to flourish. But as the story relates, something terrible happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God and were banished from the Garden."

Peterson stirs his listeners:

"When you ask, why terrible things happen in the world, the answer is quite simple. The answer is: because you're not good enough. And it's because you don't tell the truth – and you know it!" *(continued on next page)*

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Why do you call me Lord and don't do the things I say?

I have to say I think there is more to this than Peterson is allowing for and it is this:

How can we 'tell the truth' when we have not sought to know the truth? But more on this later, let's continue with Peterson:

He challenges:

"You're not living up to your potential. What happens when you move towards the truth? Why, everything comes together. That really is the answer – everything comes together. Around someone who is telling the truth everything comes together and that is the potential destiny of the world that you can partake in.

It's the call to the greatest adventure there is. You can bring forth something akin to paradise by speaking the truth and you can start in your own life, in the life of your own family. These, in principle, are the ones that you love, so why would you do anything but speak the truth to them, to protect them?

And you can interact with them – and bring forth new things. You can be called for your failure to do it. You call out yourself for your failure. You wake up each morning and you torture yourself for your failure, your inability to bring forth new things and enhance your soul.

And when you speak truth, you speak paradise into being, and when you speak falsely you speak hell into being. That's the truth, and what that means is that every decision that you make you decide for yourself and for everyone else whether you are going to tilt the world a little bit more towards hell or a little bit more towards heaven – and that's the burden you bear for your existence.

The choices are the choices you make as you pass through life. It's the fleeing from that that is at the bottom of the nihilism of Post-Modernism and the escape

THE CREDIT SYSTEM: INSTRUMENT OF POLICY

Many years ago C.H. Douglas warned us this civilisation was collapsing because it was based on a Lie. So, in order to tell the truth we must first seek to know the truth.

Douglas also told us, that the evils which have arisen from a defective use of the credit system, are without exception due to the use of it as an instrument of policy and not as an accounting and distributive system.

This is the financial embodiment of the basic cleavage between Socialism and Social Credit. He also told us that this state of affairs is nothing new, but has been with us 'these last two thousand years at least'. (Programme for the Third World War)

In *The Fig Tree* September 1937, Douglas wrote:

into the totalitarian certainties of idol worship. And none of this is fictional because we've seen the consequences.

It is hellish because you don't call forth new things and the world transforms into hell because that's its tendency anyway. And we have had no shortage of the evidence of that for the last four hundred years.

The suffering of Being is to redeem itself in Truth.

It's not a rule. As Solzhenitsyn understood it: The small sins of the individual culminate in the great sins of the State."

He spoke of The Sermon on the Mount

"I spent a lot of time trying to understand the Sermon on the Mount and I'm going to tell you what I think it means: It means conceptualise the highest good that you can, and so that means the highest good for you, the highest good for the family around you that you love, the highest good for that family in the State and the highest good for the State in the World. And that would be the highest possible good. Aim at that even if you don't know how. Make that what you want – and then personally tell the truth – to your family, your neighbour, your community, your State and the World.

It's an adventure because you don't know what's going to happen. You've no idea. What if you treat things, people, instrumentally? What if you use them as tools for your own desire? There is a problem with that. The problem with that is, what do you know what you desire? Many things that you change will turn out to be empty.

Well, what happens if you just tell the truth? Well, the world will unfold around you in strange and mysterious ways. There isn't anything more exciting than that. Perhaps the suffering that's attended on Being will redeem itself by that adventure.

That's the Call, that's the Western call to the Individual. The suffering of Being can redeem itself through Truth."

False Witness

It cannot have escaped notice that economic systems, and perhaps even more economic reforms, are increasingly associated with questions of, or criticisms in regard to, religion.

There are several suggested derivations of the word "religion," but the most probable, and indeed the most generally accepted, is that it is derived from the Latin word "religare," meaning "to bind back" or otherwise "to relate" in the sense of "establishing a relationship between." That is to say, religion is truth, and I think all right-minded persons could agree with the Theosophists in their fundamental postulate that there is no religion higher than truth.

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Now it is a very curious fact that almost every aspect of economics and politics, as they are active in the world today, is a denial of religion in this fundamental sense.

The financiers' continuous cry for "confidence" of the description given by the small boy in regard to faith, as belief in "what you know ain't so," **is only one instance of it.**

The painting of such things as war, in colours intended to dissociate it as far as possible from its true description as mass murder and general lunacy, **is another.**

The constant insistence upon an unemployment problem as though the object of life in the world was grinding and continuous work **is a third.**

And the instinctive identification of a better economic, political and social system with the emergence of truth is an intuition of fundamental significance.

Bearing these matters in mind, the immense importance, for good or evil, of modern newspaper production, broadcasting and other agencies of mass information or misdirection requires no emphasis. It has frequently been remarked that the technique of misinformation is not so much in the dissemination of false news as in the presentation of true news which the public is allowed to learn, together with the suppression of the sources from which this news proceeds.

A measure which will engage the attention of the Alberta Legislature in its present activities, empowering the competent authority to require from all newspapers or broadcasting agencies the publication of any news received by such agencies, should the Government so desire, and also the disclosure and publication of the sources from which news and criticisms which are published have been obtained, should go some considerable distance towards educating the public to whom it refers in the weight or otherwise to be attached to the printed or broadcast word.

It has been said that the control of credit and the control of the news are concentric; that if you control the news you control credit, or if you control credit you can control the news. That this conception of the power to pervert information is well understood by those powers, which do not desire financial credit to reflect facts, is obvious, and there is very little doubt that any measures to circumscribe the extent to which this perversion can be exercised will arouse the most lively antagonism in these quarters."

Well, of course it did 'arouse antagonism in those particular quarters'. But over eighty years later we have the chance to PROCLAIM those truths 'from the house tops' through such media as the internet. Let us not fail in this task. ***

ON TARGET

IMPROVE OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

Floods, cyclones, droughts and bush-fires are part of Australian life.

So why don't we build flood-proof roads, bridges and railways, cyclone-proof powerlines and helipads, drought-proof water supplies and bush-fire proof towns and cities?

Instead of building infrastructure to cope with bad weather, we waste tax funds, subsidies and credits on wind towers and transmission lines that cannot cope with cyclones; solar panels that are blinded by snow, rain, hail or clouds; hydro schemes that fail in drought; and timber-belted towns and cities threatened by bush-fires every dry season.

We also waste money and human energy on worthless climate models, mis-directed research, a job-killing war on carbon fuels and never-ending climate conferences that have brought no benefits to anyone except promoters and beneficiaries.

Stop wasting taxpayer money on global warming chimeras that may or may not appear next century no matter what we do, and focus on adaption to real weather threats we know will happen.- *Viv Forbes, Qld*

"PROLEFEED!"

This term was invented by George Orwell and used in his novel *1984*. Orwell defined the word as: "the rubbishy entertainment and spurious news handed out by the Party to the masses."

I suggest that attaching this descriptor to much of what passes for "culture" nowadays, in particular what passes for "news", would be a very effective way of both discrediting it and alerting thinking people to its underlying purpose.

I have been thinking, too, that wrestling with computers and smart phones to input what you want rather than what the device "helpfully" imposes could become a major means, apart from the others obviously being activated, to render the Internet less useful to targeted groups of people.

Prolefeed! - *RK, Canada*

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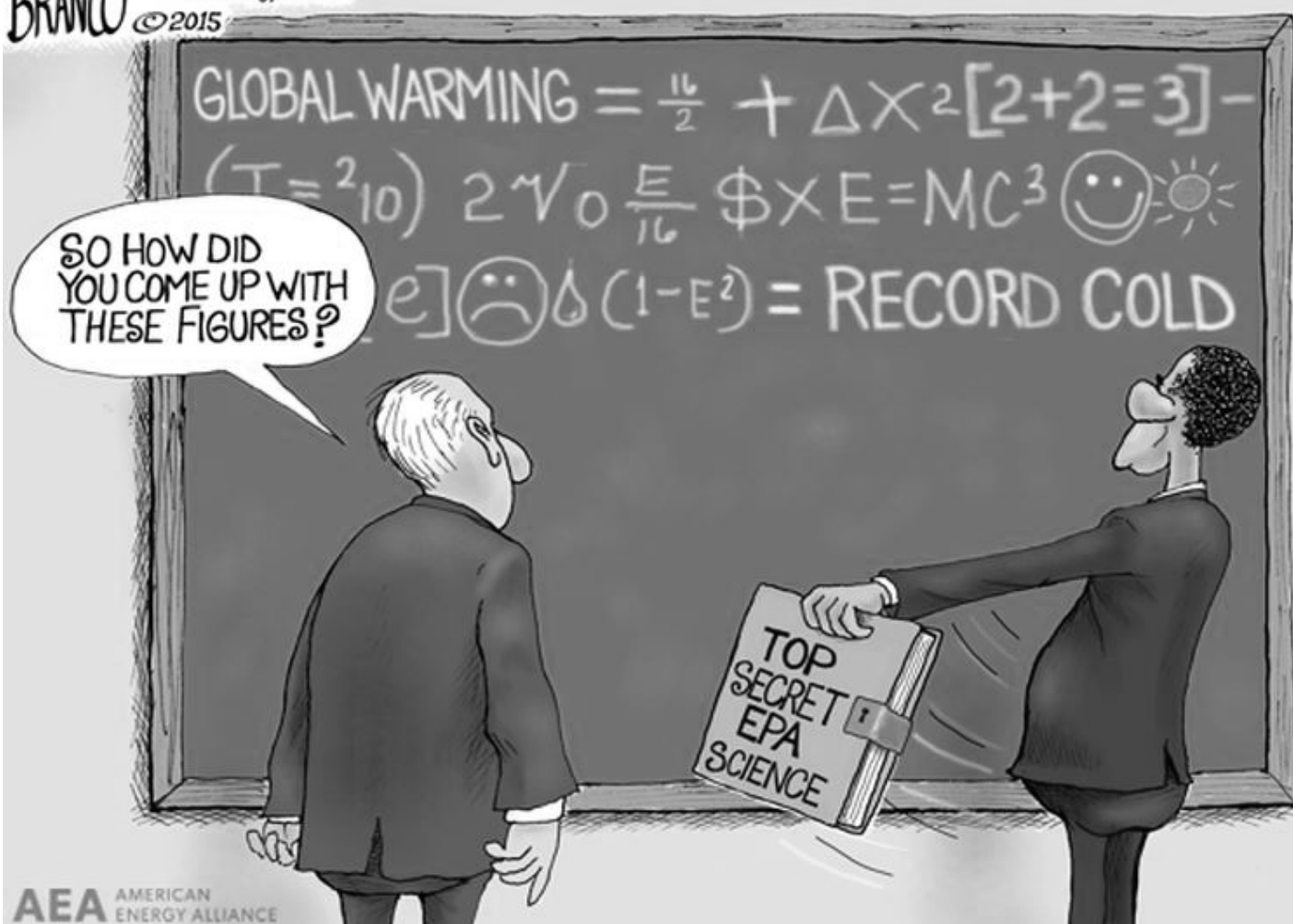
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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES APPROVES HONEST AND OPEN SCIENCE ACT

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WASHINGTON – The U.S House of Representatives today approved H.R. 1430: <https://www.congress.gov/115/bills/hr1430/BILLS-115hr1430rh.pdf>, the Honest and Open New EPA Science Treatment Act of 2017 (HONEST Act), introduced by Science, Space, and Technology Committee Chairman Lamar Smith (R-Texas) and Rep. Henry Cuellar (D-Texas). The bill passed by a vote of 228-194.

The HONEST Act requires that Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations be based upon science that is publicly available.

Chairman Smith: “The American people have a right to see the data that is used to justify EPA’s costly regulations. The HONEST Act requires EPA to base new regulations on sound science that is publicly available, and not hidden from the American people. The days of ‘trust me’ science are over. Allowing EPA’s data to be independently reviewed promotes sound science that will restore confidence in the EPA decision-making process. With House passage of this critical bill, we are one step closer to a more open and honest EPA.”

The HONEST Act gives independent scientists a fair chance to validate the studies EPA uses to make new regulations. This bill affirms laws prohibiting the disclosure of confidential or proprietary information.

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