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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance –

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"As you all know I am a strong supporter of the Jewish community. Like the Labor Prime Ministers before me stretching back to the time of Ben Chiffley, a time which saw the creation of the modern state of Israel, you can be assured of my consistent and strong support, both for Israel and for the Jewish community of Australia.

I will conclude with the same words that I concluded my address last year, "Am Yisrael Chai". In this country, the success of the Jewish people has always been to the benefit of the whole of Australia. Am Yisrael Chai." – PM Kevin Rudd, 2008. <http://www.ajn.com.au/news/news.asp?pgID=4989>

Israel's responsibility in the situation in Gaza and the history of the Israel-Palestine conflict: "The humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza is the natural outcome of what happened in Lebanon. Israel is consumed by revenge and the thirst for blood..." – <http://www.normanfinkelstein.com/article.php?pg=11&ar=2600> Youtube.com

"...The more vulgar apologists for U.S. and Israeli crimes solemnly explain that, while Arabs purposely kill people, the U.S. and Israel, being democratic societies, do not intend to do so. Their killings are just accidental ones, hence not at the level of moral depravity of their adversaries. That was, for example, the stand of Israel's High Court when it recently authorized severe collective punishment of the people of Gaza by depriving them of electricity (hence water, sewage disposal and other such basics of civilized life)..." – Noam Chomsky 2008

APPEAL TO WORLD LEADERS FROM RABBI OF NETUREI KARTA: According to Wikipedia online: Neturei Karta (Jewish Babylonian Aramaic: "Guardians of the City"), also self-identifying by the English name Jews United Against Zionism, is a small Haredi Jewish group formally created in 1935, that opposes Zionism and calls for a dismantling of the State of Israel, in the belief that Jews are forbidden to have their own state until the coming of the Messiah. They are mostly concentrated in Jerusalem, but also in and around Ramat Beit Shemesh Bet near Jerusalem, and Bnei Brak. Most others associated with Neturei Karta can be found in London, New York City, and other parts of New York, with smaller communities in various cities around North America.

Having made contact with the group to verify an earlier press release, we were placed on their mailing list. The following is a portion of the latest press release:

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"We urgently appeal to the leaders of the world nations, especially the great powers, to stop supporting the Zionist regime. Many nations believe that supporting Zionism shows friendship to the Jewish People. This is incorrect! True friendship to the Jewish People can be demonstrated by saving all the peoples of the Middle East, including Jews, from the bloodthirsty machinations of the dangerous State of "Israel" and by dismantling the Zionist regime entirely, peacefully and speedily in our day.

May Almighty God protect us from the influence of Zionism in general, their evil warmongering bloodthirsty leaders, and from their wicked servants who call themselves Rabbis."
Signed: Rabbi Meir Hirsh, net.bezeqint.neto@nkp

The message continues: "In the past week the late so-called Chief "Rabbi" of the so-called State of "Israel", Mordechai Eliyahu, and other irresponsible "Rabbis" employed by the Zionist State have made vicious and provocative statements asserting that Authentic Jewish Edict allows or permits harming or injuring Palestinian individuals in the Gaza Strip, thereby falsely legitimatizing the Zionist massacres in that area.

"Rabbis" of the Zionist State only carry legitimacy in the eyes of Zionists. Their status as a "Rabbis" is not much different from the leadership of Theodor Herzl, who also wore a long beard!

We are likewise forbidden to rebel against any nation. We are to remain peaceful and loyal citizens, in every country in which we reside. Therefore to oppress the Palestinian people, harm them, steal their land, expel them, etc., is totally forbidden according to our Holy Torah.

The Chief Rabbinate of the Zionist State, just as all Zionist institutions, has importance only because of its coercive power over the religious, economic and everyday life of the Jewish residents of Zionist occupied Palestine. Whoever recognizes and supports the Zionist State, even innocently, has been taken over by the heretical Zionist movement, no matter how large the halo that it is granted by supposed Jewish authorities..."

'THE' PLEBISCITE FOR AN AUSTRALIAN REPUBLIC BILL 2008: There is but a very short time indeed to make your submission to the Senate Committee on the above Bill. Consider the risk if people vote 'Yes' to the plebiscite question, "do you want Australia to become a Republic?" The following Referendum could not then include a question "Do you want to keep our Constitutional Monarchy?" it would simply deal with what type of Republic was to be implemented. A very sly move on the part of Bob Brown and his cohorts.

The Australian Monarchist League have set out further details in their flyer which we now reproduce:

A plebiscite is, ostensibly, a non-binding simple question put to the electorate. It will pass if it receives a simple majority of 50% plus!

- A referendum is a more complex vote requiring a majority of votes nation-wide plus a majority of votes in a majority of States, which means that as well as the national majority, it must receive a majority vote in four of the six States to win.

- The Republic Referendum held in 1999 lost both nation-wide as well as in all States.

- No question, on the Constitution, in the form of a plebiscite, has ever before been put to the people. This is because amending the Constitution is a complex matter which cannot be explained in a simple populist question.

- Should a plebiscite succeed and a subsequent referendum fail, it could well cast doubt on the future integrity of the constitution.

- A successful plebiscite question on the Constitution will provide politicians with a blank cheque to demean, to demoralise and to do whatever they, can to disintegrate the checks and balances of The Crown that block them from assuming absolute power and authority over the people.

- A plebiscite is not the way to proceed. The proper process for constitutional change is set out in

Section 128 of the Constitution, which is the Referendum process. This requires the electorate to be properly informed of what is proposed. No designer question could possibly do this.

- Senator Brown estimates that a plebiscite question held along with the next general election would cost approximately \$10.5 million. However, when one includes labour and material costs, it is more likely to be far in excess of this figure. Australia cannot afford to waste money at this time of financial concern, particularly on a matter which has already been voted upon by the people.

Make every effort to send in a submission before the closing date of 6th February 2009.

For those who want to make a submission, details of the Plebiscite Bill and Enquiry may be accessed via the link: <<http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/search/display/display.w3p;query=Id:%22legislation/billhome/s701%22>> or if this does not work, via and search for "Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Act 2008"

-- The Committee prefers to receive submissions electronically as an attached document by e-mail to or by hard copy to: The Standing Committee on Finance And Public Administration, Parliament House, Canberra, A.C.T., 2600. Telephone: + 61 2 6277 3530: Facsimile: + 61 2 6277 5809 : E-mail: fpa.sen@aph.gov.au

SAVING WESTERN CIVILISATION: GOD, SCIENCE & SEARCH FOR MEANING by Chris Knight and Brian Simpson: In the 21st century we increasingly find ourselves being plunged into a world of agonising scientific and technological change, a world where change is imposed on us without even lip-service being paid to questions of democratic consent. Science and technology has created a world seemingly "out of control" especially through massive changes to our self-concept and metaphysical image of our place in the universe.

Science, we are told, has allegedly demonstrated that all that exists is purely physical, there being no God, no soul and even no mind – according to the materialist philosophers. Man is thus free to "play God" within the elastic constraints of public morals.

Lee M. Silver in his book "Remaking Eden" (1997) says that we are living in a new age where the global marketplace rules supreme. Presumably in this age anything which promises to make a dollar should be done. Thus there is an economic imperative for human genetic engineering to occur, and it will occur, ultimately resulting in the creation of new and separate species of humanity (such as humans capable of photosynthesis) who can populate other planets and spread capitalism across the cosmos. All; of this will allegedly arise from the marriage of biology and machines.

So-called "scientific philosophy" has disposed of the soul and is now set to lose its mind! The standard position in philosophy now is dominated by artificial intelligence and computer systems where human beings are seen as no more than complex information-processing systems. Belief in God becomes merely a chemical reaction taking place in the neurons of the temporal lobes. Leading US atheist philosopher Daniel Dennett gives a good example of this reductionism in his book "Consciousness Explained" (1991) which sees consciousness as merely an evolving computer program where the "Self" is an illusion generated by the system.

The loss of ultimate philosophical and religious meaning among the intelligentsia is grounded in the scientific revolution of the 16th and 17th centuries, resulting in a disenchantment with the world. Science became the new religion of modernity. Brian Appleyard in his book "Understanding the Present: Science and the Soul of Modern Man" (1992) sees science as being far from metaphysically neutral; rather it is "spiritually corrosive, burning away ancient authorities and traditions." p.9) The philosophical underpinnings though of materialistic science is liberalism, a social policy where government's real concern is maintaining order among the greatest possible number of consumers. A liberal

society has no views on the ethical or transcendental nature of life. The smooth running of global capitalism and profit-making requires a neutral framework.

But this scientific liberalism ultimately destroys itself, destroying the very conditions that make life human. Although much ink has been spilt and more could be spilt arguing against the core aspects of scientific materialism, it is clear that this philosophical worldview is ultimately grounded and financed by the ideologues of the present financial order. They are materialists and want a world of robots and machines.

That is why it is important for social crediters to work for financial and economic change. What is now at stake is the survival of humanness for the battle is against those who would make us machines and level the natural order in the process. Rather than refuting their evil philosophies, what is needed is the undermining of their worldview through a change in the economic and financial system of society. A social credit economy will ultimately result in the withering away of the philosophy of scientific materialism and a renaissance in Christian wisdom.

CHURCH LEADERS SPEAK OUT ON 'FINANCIAL CHAOS' by **Betty Luks**: Church leaders in the United Kingdom used their Christmas sermons to highlight the personal hardships being experienced by the people due to the financial 'crisis'. Some dealt with what they believed to be the root cause – too many financial investment managers playing the derivatives casinos.

After reading the press reports, I first thought: "At last Church leaders have seen fit to tackle the issue." But then I managed to slip and hurt myself in a fall and my Christmas goodwill began to rather speedily evaporate leaving me with somewhat cynical thoughts. It is a fact that not only have local councils, charities and ordinary people lost big-time through the collapse of their investments – but so have the churches. And for just a wee moment, before my conscience 'kicked in', I thought "these people are only speaking out about the corrupt system because their own organisations have lost big-time as well." Be that as it may, I wrote to the Archbishop of York, John Sentamu on the basis of what I had read.

LETTER TO UNITED KINGDOM ARCHBISHOP:

Dr. John Sentamu, Archbishop of York,
Bishopthorpe Palace, Bishopthorpe, York YO23 2GE, United Kingdom.

Your Grace,

I have read media reports of your statements about the 'credit crisis', the resulting chaotic state of the financial systems around the world and the effects on all people whether they be rich or poor.

I write to thank you for speaking out and at the same time make a small contribution to the discussion. Included is an essay by Geoffrey Dobbs "The Just Tax" and I ask that you please take the time to read it.

I see that other leaders within the Christian Faith have also spoken out on the matter and although I am greatly encouraged, I must admit the reports leave me a little anxious. I realize the media may not have reported the statements as you and the other leaders expressed them, but I would like to contribute to the discussion on the basis of how I have interpreted the reports of what you said (in quotes).

Wealth and Economic Power: "The blind pursuit of profit has to end..." Perhaps we can best define 'profit' as the result which accrues to individuals when they make the proper associations. One grain of wheat produces a hundred grains. Is that not 'profit'? When I sow seeds in fertile soil, and there is sufficient sun and water, the unseen forces of nature operate, and God's providence returns me so much 'profit' that I share it with my neighbours rather than let it go to waste.

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