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Thought for The Week: Cicero, in book three of *'On The Republic'* lays the foundation for all natural law and proper thought, before, now, and for all time:

'True law is right reason in agreement with Nature; it is of universal application, unchanging and everlasting; it summons to duty by its commands, and averts from wrong-doing by its prohibitions. And it does not lay its commands or prohibitions upon good men in vain, although neither have any effect upon the wicked.'

It is a sin to try and alter this law, nor is it allowable to attempt to repeal a part of it, and it is impossible to abolish it entirely. We cannot be freed from its obligations by Senate or People, and we need not look outside ourselves for an expounder or interpreter of it.

And there will not be different laws at Rome and at Athens, or different laws now and in the future, but one eternal and unchangeable law will be valid for all nations and for all times, and there will be one master and one rule, that is, God, over us all, for He is the author of this law, its promulgator, and its enforcing judge.'

THE STRONG MAN IS BOUND By Arnis Luks

John the Baptist survived in the wilderness by eating locusts and wild honey. His message to the world was one of repentance and baptism (turning away and burying the old self and rising into a new life) in preparation for the coming of our Lord. For John's effort of challenging Herod's adulterous relationship with his brother's wife Herodias, John's reward was being bound, imprisoned and then beheaded. Nearly all the disciples suffered similar martyrdom for their faith. How do we of today each achieve this level of faith to facedown similar adversity?

Across the centuries Christians and non-Christians alike have been the object of mass genocide. The last century was probably the most prolific killing spree in the history of man. Hundreds of millions were executed by state powers through wars or liquidation. We are living in the most violent times with mankind having the ability at their fingertips, to not only obliterate cities but wipe whole nations off the map. The technological advancement of mankind, while having the potential to provide a world of plenty has not produced peace, nor any lasting joy. We have got it so very wrong. We are heading in the wrong direction. True leadership from our current systems and institutions has failed abysmally.

In the work *'Social Credit Philosophy'* M. Oliver Heydorn, the author examines the written and spoken works of major CH Douglas's being in alignment with fundamental Christian teachings and the nature of reality as to how things work best. Inherent within every facet of the universe is the 'canon'. This 'canon' of how things work best is observable within both the natural and the spiritual world.

A couple of random examples can be seen with the design of a cricket bat, or a yacht. In the understanding of different timbers/woods and their almost unique characteristics, can be accommodated, to the best advantage within the complex construction of both, a cricket bat or a yacht. Ask a batsman how good the 'sweet spot' is on any bat, and you may find that they hold a preference to one bat over all the others – discriminating you might note. Similarly, with the design of a yacht and the available area for sailing with the type of waves that are unique to that area. The design and construction of the hull, with the relationship of the mast with the rigging, in combination with the sail design, all coming together to enhance the exhilaration felt under full sail. Douglas referred to this phenomenon as having achieved the 'just right'. So, the relationships across family, community and society can achieve this same 'just right' spiritual phenomenon.

People come together to achieve a purpose (policy) for mutual advantage. This 'end' is the objective. The means to this end can take various shapes depending on the available resources and to some extent their world view. For a hunter-gatherer, achieving sufficient food as an 'end' requires a keen development of hunting methods and suitable weapons. For the settled agriculturalist, this same 'end' can come about from utilising animal power,

available land, suitable fencing and storage facilities which should provide a sufficiency across the entire season with much less effort. For the agriculturalist of the more recent past, access to land, fencing, basic machinery and fertilisers, an abundance can be produced with even less physical effort. Today, on top of these rudimentary instruments of agricultural production, we have specialised machinery, global positioning systems, robotics, advancements in seed and fertiliser technology, and optimising natural phenomena such as the lay of the land, sun direction, predominant wind direction, and companion planting to turn this agricultural discipline into an art form called Perma(nent)culture, to not only produce more, but enhance the vital life-forces inherent within the food produced. Uncovering these vital life-forces is a relatively new discipline. Perhaps Rudolf Steiner had an inkling in this direction practised under biodynamics.

These illustrations demonstrate an incremental-phenomenon (referred to by CH Douglas as the social credit). From the most basic to the most sophisticated there are step changes or increments of association. Hunting and gathering has been superseded many times over. I have recently read that in USA as little as 2% of the available working population are required within agriculture to feed an entire nation of 335 millions. Yet, the financial system would have us believe that unless you work, regardless of the type of work done, you shall not eat.

Mothers attending children at home and receive 'love' for their labours, yet those same mothers can attend the same children in a day care centre and receive a financial reward. The 'end' of this policy is what sets the two apart. One policy 'end' is to relocate mothers from the home into the workforce and have the state inject their philosophy over all children. The other is to foster and enhance the traditional family and traditional values.

Similarly, some people can attend a munitions factory to produce bombs and receive a financial reward while others not involved in this 'end' - destruction - receive nothing. Is work an 'end' in itself? Or is work a means to achieve the 'end' being sufficiency of food? There are moral answers to these pressing questions. If we are unable or unwilling to seek the Truth on these issues, there is a significant probability we will end up destroying ourselves.

What Is Truth?

In agriculture, if the 'end' is a sufficiency of food production simply for profit as the world-view, then the vital life forces inherent within food may be of a secondary concern. If the 'end' is a sufficiency of healthy-food, then the vital life-forces inherent within that food is elevated to be of higher importance. If the end objective of food is healthy-food for a healthy (loved) population, then the vital life-forces within the food are of primary importance. Achieving an adequate

method of distribution becomes of secondary concern to the feeding and maintaining of vital life-forces of the people with abundant nutrition. A well fed and healthy people is a factor for peace. Conversely, de-naturing food does provide an expanding market for remedies to alleviate the symptoms of poor health. I would suggest that malnourished people are also more prone to uncertainty and fear. The story of the *Wiles' Steam Cooker* is a point in question to illustrate the importance of proper nutrition during a time of actual deep-psychological and physical duress - war.

'It was realised that the Australian Army in war was tactically restricted, and the nation strategically endangered by food wastage, both gross and nutritional. The scientific use of foodstuffs by well-trained cooks and food managers (caterers) became essential to victory. It required a savage war to create this food revolution, and threatening world famine will, of itself, ultimately force food restriction on this nation.

How long will it take for the people of Australia as a whole to realise the double jeopardy of such a situation? The dangers are limitation of our domestic food supplies, and the outside threat of authoritarianism which will steadily advance by cynical promise to famine-stricken peoples, of better times - in the future!' *Brigadier Sir C. Stanton Hicks* - author of *'Who Called The Cook a Bastard'*.

https://alor.org/Storage/NewTimes_Survey/NewTimes%20Survey%202015/NTS%20September%202015.pdf

Hardening Up

When a child is sent to an orientation camp, and subject to significant outdoor activities, they generally eat everything put in front of them. If this happens to be nutritious and a healthy environment to boot, all the better. Twice as a teenager I was sent on 'exped' during my three years in the Royal Australian Navy. Twice, upon my return around lunchtime, I had no trouble consuming two very large bowls of spaghetti bolognese. I was famished, but boy I felt alive and vital.

Sleeping under a hutchy - a small tarpaulin pitched as a simple cover from the rain, I slept deeply and well inside my sleeping bag despite being soaked through in a wet tropical environment. I was not molly-coddled, but rather roughly handled. It did me no harm, and hardened me for life ahead. More than anything else that I recall from my youth, I see that exposure to mild adversity and some hardship as the most formidable - in a form that made me most able. If anything, this was the most significant takeaway from my three years in the services apart from the self-discipline and camaraderie. None of this training made me wealthy, but a richness of life came into my soul. I call this 'vitality' or 'life forces' within my person. So, it is with the food we eat and some adversity we may face.

I have mentioned previously of my working career in oil, gas and the building industry. This was only part of my personal development. I also dabble with cars, electrical systems, computers and film. The richness of exposure to such a variety of base-knowledge has assisted my latest transition from the practical world (of how things actually work) into writing (the area of the mind and imagination). Douglas Social Credit is a discipline of the mind, or thought processes, seeking out the phenomenon of ‘the increment in association’. These increments you may wish to call the ‘canon’ or describe this phenomenon as finding out ‘how things work best’.

Our nation is under a full-scale attack by forces I can only describe as satanic. Our leadership has capitulated and offers no resolution to this malaise. We only have ourselves and the most powerful force known to man, Integrity, or, if you like the pursuit of ‘Truth’. This is the spiritual quality of the mind that is under constant attack, day in and day out, night in and night out, while every form of media influence is enabled and sought after.

If the works of CH Douglas are never read, and the Truth is never sought out, then no answer will be forthcoming. If the works of Oliver Heydorn and others are opened and studied, the Truth will set you free. I surmise that ‘Truth’ is a form of life-force that strengthens the whole body. ‘I am the way, the life and the Truth’ says our Lord. Christianity is that way, that life and that Truth (life force) that our culture is now lacking. Surely, we must seek His kingdom and what works best.

Christian faith ‘placed into action’ provides those vital ingredients necessary for societies to function well. Solzhenitsyn once said when asked ‘why have these things happened?’ He replied, ‘Men have forgotten God, that is why these things have happened’. We must remember God and place Him first in our life through our institutions and works that we perform.

Our current federal government plans to introduce 40 Bills or Acts into Parliament this session. Are we in such need of further restrictions? Their philosophy, that of our government ministers, bureaucracy and elites, is one of a completely planned society. Their ‘end objective’ is one of holding all power unto themselves while emasculating everyone else. While this objective may hold a world-view of infallibility of ‘some men’ over others, reality on the ground is of a living hell for the remainder of us.

Each human being contains a divine spark given from the Creator-of-all. This life-force is to come to know their Creator and find expression of worshipping Him in all that is done. By denying your brother this opportunity to find suitable expression towards God, you commit the gravest of sin against the Holy Spirit - hubris.

As Israel is controlled by the Mossad secret service, and Russia is controlled by the KGB, so the free world is also controlled by their own Secret Services. I understand the Jesuits control the Vatican and the money power (city of London) controls the Anglo’s, so does Wall Street

control the USA administration. Hence the need for the pervasive surveillance state to maintain their position of control.

The smart grid, appliances, meters, phones, the smart cars are there to monitor everything, see what you do, hear what you say and even attempt to predict how you may think. China’s surveillance state is an expression of technology developed and tested in the West. Free-will is suppressed in this environment. So, we see how far we have been led away from the real potential – the ‘canon’ or increment that does exist within every humanity.

The Two Way Street

The ‘Open-Source’ community make available every line of computer code written in their software. This facility is mutually beneficial between the coders and the public that purchase their software. Anomalies can be highlighted and therefore optimised, while unsavoury vagaries can be readily scrutinised for elimination.

In today’s cultural existence there is only a one-way street from the elites, being government, bureaucracy and educators, towards the people who receive the results from them, bar a dubious election process. USA is only now revealing widespread fraud from both major parties in their entire election processes. No one is holding those elites to account for the political and cultural results achieved – ‘ends’.

Every few years we have an election, yes, but the outcome of the election does not change the direction we are heading. We must seek and implement new methods for holding these public servants to account, and then reorientate back to those things of the good - God. The tyranny of ancient Empires has drifted into the tyranny of the bureaucracy and parliament itself. Our limiting constitutions are being totally ignored by our would-be dictators.

Mechanisms to hold our public servants to account must be sought out and implemented to achieve ‘ends’ that result in the increment of our associations – the ‘canon’.

The purpose or justification of the modern productive system (production) is to provide sufficiency for all – (consumption). The purpose of the modern political system - ‘ends’ – is representation for all, not the abstract majority. For this reason alone the ‘Hare Clarke voting method’ for the lower house is far superior to ‘majority-preferential’ voting (controlled by the self-serving party-machines).

Can you see it yet – the ‘canon’, or the ‘just right’, or the Truth?

‘The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath’ means ‘systems’ are there for the benefit of the individual – John, Peter, Mary George, all of them, and now, not in some dystopian future. The individual is superior to all systems. If government policy is detrimental to the individual, it must be removed. If church teaching is spiritually detrimental against the individual, it too must be rejected. If industry fails to

provide sufficiency for everyone, it must be modified until it achieves its 'true' purpose. The Voice is not within the 'canon' because it pits one person against another over a perceived injustice (impossible to reconcile as those actually involved are all dead and gone). Those attempting to impose the 'splinter of guilt' while they themselves have a 'plank' of evil in their own eye.

Pray Sen Jacinta Price never accept this poison chalice to help navigate towards a voice.

May she continue on representing all Australians.

If we ignore Christ's unction to seek the Truth, the way and the life, then we reap what we sow, which is tyranny. It is the 'we', the 'us', the 'you', that has really failed to head His words. Blaming the elite is the out. Sun Tzu – 'The Art of War' reinforces deception as most fundamental tactic in his writings of the art of war.

Rule By Scientist

Take a known neurotoxin - fluoride - as an addition to our water supply for instance, we can consider the decrement-of-association for all those who formed motley teeth due to overdosing; or those who suffer impaired IQ and learning difficulties; and the general subduing of creative initiative from within society. Fluoride is a known sedative. This 'end' by foul means (deception) was its real policy.

Ordinary Becomes Extra-Ordinary

I am reminded with the recent loss of three old friends, that each of those across their life achieved the extra-ordinary by doing the ordinary many times while a level of higher-proficiency was also achieved. The increment of their association was realised through the self-discipline of tenacity, at times, un-appreciable. Letter-writing, public-speaking, book-publishing, social-media contributions, or providing a forum for other speakers, all coming together to leaven the whole as that increment. They did only what they were able to achieve; no more. They were not extra-ordinary within themselves, except in tenacity of doing the ordinary many times over.

Each person has an eternal soul of far greater value than any material wealth or position, with their own personal 'calling' that they alone are encouraged to fulfil. God has given us a free will to choose the good – God - over all else. (This life is not a spectator sport barracking from the bleachers over which battalion in the colosseum will achieve victory) It is far more important than that.

The strong man (you) is bound or released by the cords of these 'ideas within' being 'incarnated' into actions. The Word 'within' becoming Flesh. Institutions are there to serve the individual – education just one example of public service for the direct benefit of the individual. Educate – to lead out. If education has achieved its 'True' purpose - 'end', it will cause the enquiring mind to continue searching out other things and never accept mediocrity as an 'end' in itself. The increment, or canon, or Truth is found where two or more are gathered in His name doing those very things He would have us do.

Matthew 18: *Again I say to you, that if two of you shall consent upon earth, concerning any thing whatsoever they shall ask, it shall be done to them by my Father who is in heaven. For where there are two or three gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.*

Summary

God, while transcendent (above all) is also immanent (present and sustaining all). 'Integrity' is simply looking for the correct 'end', the alignment of our engagement with His creation – the 'canon', the 'True', or the 'just right'. We cannot be separated from His great love. But we can drift away from our True 'end' or chief aim, which is to know and love Him forever.

The Final Word

Dr Iain McGilchrist, in his mammoth works draws attention towards the 'embodied world' seen now, rather than the abstract 'future' or numbers-alone - statistics. How are things working under totalitarianism? Shopping centres are mostly shuttered, people are still wearing masks and rushing to collect their next job. None of this is natural, or in order. Fear has gripped nearly all as the method of psychological mind manipulation for control.

Perfect love cast out all fear

Jesus is not coming back to save us. We must save ourselves. When He does return, it will be to a victorious bride. If we, 'believers incarnating their faith with suitable works' are that bride, which I believe we are, then we must work through this age and its adversities to still bring about His kingdom (fruit) on earth as in heaven.

This time on earth for us is unavoidable. We must face it and overcome this age's evils. He has given us the Holy Spirit to empower each of us with sufficient faith to work through all those things which are within our own abilities. The out of season fruitless-fig-tree was cursed, picked up and thrown into the ocean. In season and out of season we are called upon to produce good fruit. The depiction of St George overcoming the dragon, while quite a foreboding situation, was within his calling as knight with lance, armour and a trusty steed. His most powerful attribute was his brave beating heart. Pray for that same brave beating heart to beat within each of us as we face an uncertain, but challenging future.

You never know when the enemy is closest to defeat.***

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