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The Price of Freedom is Eternal Vigilance

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Shut Out of the Conversation By Arnis Luks

Last weekend's demonstrations against mass immigration resulted in the disregarding of the electorate, and their thoughts as just expendable rhetoric. Immigration has more to it than just electorate stacking, although that is part of it. It promises to expand the economy, but at the expense of the host nation.

We must keep the financial system going no matter what – at least for the government's sake say the politicians. No talk of sorting out the system - ever.

The public don't seem to know about what is really happening to their nation. This level of disillusionment and confusion is concerning. We are in crisis mode, yet the public still sits on their hands unable or unwilling to move! None of the modern conservatives have enough resolve to touch this high-voltage-wire called debt-finance, and yet they know about it. This is the very thing which must be discussed if we are to have even a chance of overcoming the unfolding tyranny.

For more than 100 years the Douglas Social Credit movement has been warning of the financial catastrophe that is modern debt-finance. Debt obligations (for almost every nation) are impossible to pay back. The fact that the financial-system is gamed against the borrower seems of little import. We are in the midst of something in which we cannot think-our-way-out. We must look back to those that have preceded us for part of our answer to this riddle from eons past.

In **'...and forgive them their debts'**, renowned economist Michael Hudson - one of the few who could see the 2008 financial crisis coming - takes us on an epic journey through the economies of ancient civilizations and reveals their relevance for us today. For the past 40 years, in conjunction with Harvard's Peabody Museum, he and his colleagues have documented how interest-

bearing debt was invented in Bronze-Age Mesopotamia, and then disseminated to the ancient world. What the Bronze-Age rulers understood was that avoiding economic instability required regular royal debt cancellations.

Professor Hudson documents dozens of these royal edicts and traces the archaeological record and history of debt, and how societies have dealt with (or failed to deal with) the proliferation of debts that cannot be paid - and their consequences. In the pages of ‘**...and forgive them their debts**’, readers will discover how debt played a central role in shaping ancient societies, and how it continues to shape our world - often destructively.

The Big Question: What happens when debts cannot be paid? Will there be a write-down in favour of debtors (as is routinely done for large corporations), or will creditors be allowed to foreclose (as is done to personal debtors and mortgagees), leading to the creditors’ political takeover of the economy’s assets - and ultimately the government itself? Historically, the remedy of record was the royal Clean Slate proclamation, or biblical Jubilee Year of debt forgiveness.

The Real Message of Jesus: Jesus’s first sermon announced that he had come to proclaim a Clean Slate debt cancellation (the Jubilee Year), as was first described in the Bible (*Leviticus 25*), and had been used in Babylonia since Hammurabi’s dynasty. This message - more than any other religious claim - is what threatened his enemies and is why he was put to death. This interpretation has been all but expunged from our contemporary understanding of the phrase, “**...and forgive them their debts**”, in The Lord’s Prayer. It has been changed to “**...and forgive them their trespasses (or sins)**”, depending on the particular ... tradition that influenced the translation from the Greek *opheilēma/opheiletēs* (debts/debtors). Contrary to the message of Jesus, also found in the Old Testament of the Bible and in other ancient texts, debt repayment has become sanctified and mystified as a way of moralizing claims on borrowers, allowing creditor elites and oligarchs the leverage to take over societies and privatize personal and public assets - especially in hard times. Historically, no monarchy or government has survived takeover by creditor elites and oligarchs. Perhaps most striking is that - according to a nearly complete consensus of Assyriologists and biblical scholars - the Bible is preoccupied with debt forgiveness more than with sin.

In a time of increasing economic and political polarization, and a global economy deeper in debt than at the height of the 2008 financial crisis, ‘**...and forgive them their debts**’ documents what individuals, governments and societies can learn from the ancient past for restoring economic and social stability today.

Read also : The biggest debt write-offs in the history of the world - From ancient Babylon to 1930s Europe, debt jubilees have been far more common than

discussions over Greece would suggest by Mehreen Khan 2015

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/economics/11383374/The-biggest-debt-write-offs-in-the-history-of-the-world.html>

AJL: The Bible has been altered to mask this deceit, this fraud of debt-finance. Those who did know better didn't do anything about it. They let this slide. Shame on them. Greek *opheilēma/opheiletēs* (debts/debtors) There is no mistaking what it says – *'forgive us our debts'*.

CH Douglas' genius has uncovered the riddle that has haunted past generations leading to their impoverishment. Douglas has provided the solution to debt; a permanent answer, by placing the issuing of new money at the feet (disposal) of every individual with the National Dividend, and the Consumer Price Subsidy at the point of sale, surrendering for all time this power of credit-creation to the service of mankind. Money is to facilitate exchange of wealth in the form of goods and services.

It is little wonder he is also ignored by the elite – as they wish for him to go away and never be considered. But, discussed and considered he must be, as he has provided the solution to this millennia old problem, of how debt-finance is able to impoverish nations against their will. 'Joseph' with his coat of many colours showed how the impoverishment was done, while Douglas answered this riddle for all time.

Michael Hudson's record has revealed that debt-forgiveness is a necessary adjustment for one last time. Yes, but Douglas has taken it further by highlighting the mechanism that causes the debt-problem, and then provided the permanent solution with the A&B theorem – a chronic shortage of purchasing power. It took until this time in history for the solution to be obvious to all. And there it is, what Douglas saw and knew 100 years ago as he entered this age of automation and advanced control.

The sov-cits and others offer up a solution to opt-out from society, or so it seems. Whereas Douglas' solution is for all to enter a time of material abundance and security. The financial-system was always to blame. It was gamed against the people and the nation, and they never knew it. Those few who did, they did nothing about it as they usually stood to benefit from within this ruse.

Fortunately others have gone before us to prepare the right (true) pathway. Nothing happens while we continue to do nothing. It will take effort, determination, and political will(power). Not impossible, just with a degree of difficulty.

The policy result of dwindling home-ownership rates for young Australians is obvious, yet the government remains firm with the result - bad luck they say. Canberra, nor the leafy inner-city suburbs will never be flooded with new arrivals. Not for them; just for the little people where they cannot do anything about it.

New homes don't grow on trees, they need to be built. That means policy, and sufficient finance to be made available for them. There are plenty of young people out there willing to build them, providing the wages are rewarding enough. We have the materials, the wood and bricks, the plaster and cables, the tiles and iron. What we 'think' we don't have is the money. The ticket system to release reality for new homes.

The electorate has every right to protest this result, while the government lays blame at the feet of older Australians, instead of itself for this result. The political-results are too attractive to ignore – a ready-made voting block in favour of the incumbent government. Liberals have previously benefited from the same policy,

so they remain mute, even stunned that Labour would be so audacious to triple the intake levels. Governments 'are' out of control, distant from the voting public, having engineered a replacement of voters by utilising mass-migration to shore up their voting-numbers for each new election. Labour heavy weights are being brought into the fray to shout-down any dissenters, rather than listen to the electorate's claims.

The politicians have forgotten that they are the stewards who re-present the voters, not delegates of authority for some UN policy. The politics of everyday life requires everyday solutions. This means that: the RBA needs to issue new, long-term, low-interest, loans for our young people. This will put in play an entire building industry, to release the land, to release the materials, to build the homes they so desperately want. If there is any type of holdup, those responsible should be set aside for others more competent to do the job. It is not rocket science to release reality, it is money - as servant of the people. While Michael Hudson has recorded the monetary-crimes throughout ancient history, it was CH Douglas who solved the whole-riddle by providing the correct analysis of the MO *modus operandi*, and then providing the solution with the National Dividend and the Consumer Price Subsidy at the point of sale. It is not difficult to imagine a weekly payment to prop-up your spending power. It is also not difficult to imagine a reverse-GST at the point of sale to lower prices. This is what Douglas is saying. The Bible is preoccupied with debt forgiveness more than with sin. We are to bring about God's Kingdom on Earth as in Heaven.

The Cross-Roads - Wednesday Morning Streaming

Our usual Broadcast / Podcast for Wednesday morning each week will now include streaming through Zoom technology. Should you wish to join us, simply click on the front page link in alor.org - just below the main menu items and before the videos.

While we won't be able to bring you 'live' into the show at the moment, the questions and statements from the chat box can be passed around the team to consider your thoughts.

We look forward to catching up and fielding your interaction across the panelists. This is a new initiative for ALOR, and you are most welcome.

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The Signs of Dissent (of a psi-op) By Neville Archibald

We live in interesting times. Times where George Orwell's character, Winston Smith, would feel at home, where Aldous Huxley's, Bernard, would fit right in. They would see the goings on for what they are. Careful manipulation of the truth and downright lies. They would feel again, the weight of being at odds with everyone else.

You fear the ruin of your country, you see it's very foundational values being replaced. You feel the pinch of hard times upon you. Your children cannot hope to have what you have. Why?

I hope you are all asking yourself these things. For if you are not, if you do not, then we are doomed to get what we are given.

Those two authors wrote about what they saw coming. It was distant and vague back then. The Soviet Union was showing it's features, as was China. In fact, of our own governments and their lack of interest in their people, Orwell (pen-name of Eric Blair) wrote in his war-time diary, 3 July 1941:

"One could not have a better example of the moral and emotional shallowness of our time, than the fact that we are now all more or less pro Stalin. This disgusting murderer is temporarily on our side, and so the purges, etc., are suddenly forgotten." https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Orwell

As for Huxley?

"Biographer Harold H. Watts wrote that Huxley's writings in the "final and extended period of his life" are "the work of a man who is meditating on the central problems of many modern men". Huxley had deeply felt apprehensions about the future the developed world might make for itself. From these, he made some warnings in his writings and talks. In a 1958 televised interview conducted by journalist Mike Wallace, Huxley outlined several major concerns: the difficulties and dangers of world overpopulation; the tendency towards distinctly hierarchical social organisation; the crucial importance of evaluating the use of technology in mass societies susceptible to persuasion; the tendency to promote modern politicians to a naive public as well-marketed commodities. In a December 1962 letter to brother Julian, summarizing a paper he had presented in Santa Barbara, he wrote, "What I said was that if we didn't pretty quickly start thinking of human problems in ecological terms rather than in terms of power politics we should very soon be in a bad way." Source Wikipedia. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aldous_Huxley

Both of these men were forward thinking and questioning men. They had varied life experiences and were often mislabelled by those around them who found they could not 'use' them to further their aims. Those who could 'use' them also found ways to 'adopt' them as their own. Reading between the lines of their lives and their writings it is easy to see why.

Both had a profound dislike of being manipulated, and they had justifiable concerns of being ‘captured’ for the benefit of the very people who were creating the problems they saw. Societal problems, facing mans true emergence from a moral decline. Both could have been considered agnostic or atheist, some even say Humanist. Huxley in particular who was associated with Heard (another philosopher /writer of the time) was to take part in the creation of the Human Potential Movement. (seen as Humanist)

It was this disgruntlement with World leaders, and the totalitarian nature of rule, even in their own country (including the Colonialism of the West. In Burma for Orwell, it was the empire and the fledgling global corporations of the time and their rising control of life around them) that set them apart from ruling classes of the time. They were also popular authors and often wrote of the true injustices they saw in everyday society. This made them targets for manipulation, to be used or abused as best befitted.

When Huxley wrote to Orwell, congratulating him on his novel Nineteen Eighty-Four, he predicted:

"Within the next generation I believe that the world's leaders will discover that infant conditioning and narcohypnosis are more efficient, as instruments of government, than clubs and prisons, and that the lust for power can be just as completely satisfied by suggesting people into loving their servitude as by flogging them and kicking them into obedience."

There is much to be gained by reading about these two, not just their well known novels (Nineteen Eighty-Four; the Island; or Brave New World.) but some of their lesser known articles. This last paragraph is just as prophetic a comment for today as much of their other writings. The methods of control are easy to see.

But here I am digressing, going down the rabbit holes of personality, when what I am trying to do is draw parallels. Huxley's *Brave New World* depicts the dehumanising aspects of both scientific progress and mass production, and the use of Pavlovian style conditioning on a public to control them. Along with Orwell's *Animal Farm* and *Nineteen Eighty-four*, which depict a similar view of how to control others, they create a blueprint for achieving this very control. One that our current crop of leaders world-wide seem intent on following.

Orwell's *Ministries of Government*, along with his word usage coming into modern vogue, suggest perhaps a greater influence and awakening to what is really happening to us than we would like to believe.

Mass psychosis and mass hypnosis are playing a big part in our lives. The change in the way we see things, via mass media, and our language corruption has led us to adopt Orwellian terms, even to the point of not knowing we are.

They include: **doublespeak** (the ability to say something that sounds like one thing, while meaning another); **newspeak** (using new words or repurposed old words whose meanings are changed, to sabotage our conversations about real things); **the memory hole** (where real facts go when they are the opposite to what is desired);

Big Brother (needs no real explanation, they are watching you);

grouphink (creation of sects or like minds that feed off each others indignation mostly, to chant mindless unthinking rhetoric rather than think critically about a view);

two minutes of Hate (where we are so incensed about an act or crime or person that we pour out all our anger, our frustration, our sense of being wronged, into a venting of this angst. It lets off this steam and redirects it away from the true culprits);

unperson (what you will become if you realise you are being misled and speak out about it) and finally;

Room 101 (the re-education facility that you have to attend in order to repent for your diversion from truth-speak) lodged as a basement torture chamber in the ministry of love. It is because they love us that we must be corrected. (there are probably others for avid 1984 readers)

All of these terms have relevant parallels to today.

University faculty members being forced to undergo 're-education' for mis-gendering or other political 'crimes'. (Jordan Peterson)

Unpersons, being created when a scientific researcher discovers a fault in climate analysis or Covid vaccine side effects (any one of a number of well qualified persons).

Big Brother; cameras for speeding, mobile phone use or straying outside an area (ULEZ in Britain), airport security cameras, Covid face recognition implementation to log in to work or visit nursing homes or other government facilities during the height of covid and beyond in many cases. Digital ID for us via 'protecting' under 16s from nasty content online. All must prove who they are. The coming removal of cash, just tap your totally connected phone. We are watching you! We will know everything you do or say.

Two minutes of hate; witness the mindless protests by screaming, 'in your face' cultists, for climate or against racism, BLM. Protesters against farming, that cannot be reasoned with or in some cases even interviewed without reverting to blind hatred and yelling of catch phrases. These people do exist and do get the media attention. Reasoned well informed people who have a true message are passed over for the sensational sound-bite these others provide.

Finally the double-speak, political words now so commonly used with impunity, for almost no one in the media talks about this ability to lie and get away with it. \$275 reduction in electricity bills? You only need a medicare card to visit your Dr, GST? never ever, these and more are rampant in today's politics.

We are faced now, on a daily basis, with the psychology of manipulation by our 'betters'. If you are okay with it, don't complain. If you are not, make a list of Orwellian terms and write beside those headings the very things you see, everyday! As you do this simple exercise, you will find more and more of the goings on around you are simply about control and manipulation, not about a desire for good for you. The more you notice it, the more you see – it is everywhere.

When Huxley went to live in America, it was in part due to, as a friend said: "the search for a way forward in politics, art and science was exhausted in Europe."

Even at that time it was apparent to him, things were not good. It is here that you may see the reason for the rise of Eastern thought at that time, in the search for something, by the Beatles, by many who were influential at the time. The greater thoughts of mankind were not being addressed by the founding religion of our western countries (Christianity) and like Huxley, others were seeking a pure form of love. The divine spark, the god head in us all. Christ's most basic, 'do unto others' that was lacking in the bigger picture of politics.

The peace, love and harmony mantra of the hippie era was a direct outcome of the political attitudes of the time, purporting to be based on Christian ethic, but subverted by what Huxley and Heard (a fellow philosopher/writer) saw as "power politics" and an increasingly hierarchical system of control.

Like the Douglas Social Credit movement, they saw the problem most likely to be solved by: "addressing the big problems of the world through transforming the individual, "[...] a forest is only as green as the individual trees of the forest is green" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aldous_Huxley or as Eric Butler so often said for the solution to be successful, "it must come from the grass roots"

Huxley, who taught French to a younger Blair (Orwell) at Eton, also sought enlightenment on how we should live. Both saw, in the churches of their times, a lack: a lack of resistance to a increasingly corrupt manipulation by leaders. With the churches neither effectively trying to oppose it, nor pushing their congregations to recognise this un-Christian attitude. Perhaps that is the reason both began to look elsewhere and are more easily seen as humanist, or other, now

Huxley may have been agnostic, but he was continually searching for what could be described as, the best way forward for mankind, in keeping with respect for that divine spark in us all, the god within. And from my reading of it, not a God complex where we can be powerful-over everything, but a god internally, where we become a part of everything, to live in harmony with it. His and Orwell's novels, are a warning, of where we might end up if we don't wake up. They are not just good, but depressing reads, they provide instruction in the form of example. If you are seeing things like that in real life, then a dystopian future awaits us. Only time will show how bad it gets. In this we are fighting the God complex, those who would seek the power to impose, rather than from the ground up, us seeking to be that power in our own individual lives.

"Every prohibition of individual initiative is a victory for the enemy, to exactly the extent that it is effective. Not only does it, in itself, represent one more step towards the Slave World, but, except under certain conditions, it sets up a habit of apathetic acquiescence which is exactly what is desired....

"The first strategy.... is to insist that Members of Parliament are representatives, not delegates. I am still of the opinion that so long as Parliamentary institutions subsist... this line of action is vital. "But the same principle can be carried into every official quarter. Once get the mental attitude well established in oneself that institutions exist only legitimately to serve individuals, and it is possible to make demands of Government Departments with which their organisations cannot deal, but are yet entirely reasonable.... The underlying idea is to call the bluff of institutionalism " C.H. Douglas - "The Big Idea. "