

Letter to World Citizens

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The national breakdown is accelerating. The "higher coherence" (of Prigogene) is also accelerating. While Time Magazine ironically has an article on the "Global State," and the Earth Summit inspires grassroots people, the nation-state system crumbles further into ethnic conflict. Who are the Serbs? Who are the Croatians, the Ukrainians, the Latvians, the Kurds? Indeed, who were the Etrusians, the Carthaginians, the Babylonians? Ah, we humans are a strange and confused breed, continually separating ourselves from each other while prattling piously about a single Creator or Origin, or common primitive history. What are we to make of our present reductionist times...a reflection of the past?

Wise men and women throughout human history have always been concerned with identity. Who are we REALLY? Sages from time immemorial have endeavored to eliminate the duality between the individual and the universal. Then the priests followed - and follow - like leeches undoing the good work. "Believe us," they chant. "Don't seek wisdom or understanding for that is beyond your sinful ways. Have faith. Suspend judgment. We holy ones will redeem you for we are the appointed (and anointed) spiritual guides to heaven where sits the Messiah (or Prophet or Son of God or Jehovah) we alone represent."

Beginning with Emperor Constantine in about 300 A.D. when Christianity became the state religion, the state colluded with religion, an insidious contradiction in terms, the state being exclusive and religion supposedly inclusive. Put another way, religion deals with the hereafter and politics with the here and now. Today, with modern means of mental control, the ubiquitous state further drives wisdom from human society by creating religious states: Christian, Moslem, Jewish, Hindu, Shinto, and from there to tribal religious/political entities like Serbia, Croatia, Slovakia, Armenia, and the like.

The religious nation-state has become the surrogate of the divine usurping sovereignty.

All separatist religions therefore will be against world government, world citizenship, world law and even human rights, all holistic. These are "for" humanity and each human as an integral part of the whole, no relative labels, no "us-versus-them" dogmas. Being "against" is part and parcel of the religious hold on human minds and emotions. Our "god," right or wrong. If "Allah" is the only God, then Jehovah, the Tao, Jesus Christ, or any other religion's "god" - an oxymoron, incidentally, since God by definition is beyond religion - must be false. Surely political philosophies based on human unity and solidarity must be attacked as "ungodly" and sinful, even the work of the devil.

World Government is "godly" only in the holistic context of negentropic order. When Jesus admonished that "Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven," he was expressing the dynamic relationship between the conceptual and perceptual, between the macrocosm and the microcosm, the yin and the yang. The so-called ethnic conflicts raging throughout the world community are in reality expressions of ignorance of that "higher coherence" without which no particular ethnic culture can survive.
