Let's Schmooze

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The Transcendent Underpinnings of US ~ People Together a worldwide political party

In other *Let's Schmooze* articles, we introduced two new ideas that we would like to weave together in this article. Before weaving these two new ideas into a common tapestry, we'll revisit each of them in turn in order to bring us up to speed.

First, in the article entitled *US People Together* ~ *Call for a New World Wide Political Party*, we introduced the idea that America ~ for various reasons ~ needs to mother a new political party with a global reach.

"America is not an infant anymore. The United States of America is more than two hundred years old, and now it truly needs to take its rightful place on the global stage ~ not just economically ~ nor just militarily ~ but also ideologically. That's where *US* comes in. It is ideas that drive true leadership, and it is America's turn to now provide some fresh ideological leadership ~ not just domestically, but also internationally. Let's look at a little backdrop.

The last major political movement that was fielded internationally was \sim "

The proposed **US People Together** party platform has only two major planks in it.

"**US** has a very simple platform. Foremost is the need to structure a social order providing for the optimal survival and success of the whole, or group. Secondly, within that structured order, individual personal freedom must be maximized without putting the existence of the group at needless risk."

And, the **US People Together** party is not bound by any particular ideology, but proposes to use current ideologies as different situations may lend.

"Outside of that, **US** is not glued to disparate ideologies such as liberalism, conservatism, capitalism, socialism, etc. ~ but would rather use those different ideologies in varying situations as they may appropriately promote the two foundational mandates of **US**. Again, the first mandate is the optimal survival and success of the group. And again, the second mandate is the maximization of personal, individual freedom within the group without putting the group at unacceptable risk. Everything else is subsequent to that."

To recap, the first new idea that we introduced was that the United States of America needs to originate and mother a new worldwide political party with a platform consisting of two major planks ~ optimal survival of the group and, within that group, maximized freedom for the individual.

Then, secondly, in the newsletter entitled *The Transcendent Underpinnings of the Abortion Debates*, we introduced the idea that there is a certain transcendent foundation to the existence and realities that we are experiencing. We took pains to make sure that terminology didn't get in the way of common understanding and appreciation.

"Before we dig in after those transcendent roots, let's review for a minute what we mean by the term *transcendent*. That way, all readers will be relatively comfortable with what follows. Many times, in written communication, mis-communication is caused by words whose definitions are inadvertently misinterpreted. We want clarity and togetherness in our discussion here.

We use the term transcendent as generic code for the concept of the ultimate source of all being and reality. Different cultures have given that concept different names ~ Father, Mother, Brahman, God, Qi, Allah, Jehovah, Yahweh ~ just to name a few of the better known. Whenever you meet the term transcendent in the following text, just substitute your own term or understanding ~ the one that you use ~ for the concept of the ultimate source of all being and reality. Then, we'll be on the same page for both term interpretation and meaning. For example, if we write "the Transcendent said" ~ a Christian would read "God said" ~ a Muslim would read "Allah said" ~ and a Hindu would read "Brahman said" ~ okay? Now that we have that pinned down, let's move on to tracing those transcendent roots of the abortion debates."

Then, we reviewed those aspects of the transcendent foundation of existence and reality that we were interested in at the moment.

"When the Transcendent set about to spin reality, it gave two great gifts to human beings. The first gift was life itself. The second gift was free will ~ the real, meaningful ability to make choices and decisions. Both of these transcendent gifts are of unfathomable value. Let's look at each of them a bit more closely."

The first aspect of the transcendent foundation of existence and reality that we are interested in is the transcendent gift of life to humanity.

"The value of the first gift ~ the gift of life ~ is readily apparent. Without the gift of life, we would not exist. It is the gift of life *per se* that allows us to spring into existence. From the standpoint of human psychology, the transcendent gift of life is probably incomprehensible. To really grasp it and get our little human minds wrapped around it, we would have to be able to stand outside of that gift ~ in order to get a meaningful and objective perspective ~ and if we did that, we would immediately cease to exist. We only exist within the transcendent gift of life, and in that sense, we can only exist within that particular fish bowl. For us humans, transcendent comprehension is not to be had when it comes to the transcendent gift of life. Can you really imagine being dead? Think about it. You can only imagine being dead if-and-only-if you are really dead, and the really dead don't imagine anything!"

The second aspect of the transcendent foundation of existence and reality that we are interested in is the transcendent gift of free will to humanity.

"The value of the second gift ~ the gift of free will ~ is equally unfathomable, but perhaps a bit more comprehensible, maybe. Without the gift of free will, but with the gift of life, we would have sprung into existence as puppets, or robots. Some would argue that puppets and robots are really not alive, since they have no free will. In that sense, it is the gift of free will that gives true meaning and value to the gift of life itself. Can you imagine being alive without the ability to make choices and decisions? What kind of life would that be? What good would that kind of life be? Who would want it?

... the gifts of life and free will are utterly transcendent, and the very foundation of our human existence."

To recap, the second new idea that we introduced was that there is a transcendent foundation to our experienced realities, and that there are two very important gifts from the Transcendent to humanity ~ life per se and free will.

Now that we have come up to speed on the two new ideas introduced in earlier newsletters, let's go ahead and look at the transcendent underpinnings of the proposed **US** ~ **People Together** worldwide political party.

Let's look at the first plank in the **US People Together** platform ~ *foremost is the need to structure a social order providing for the optimal survival and success of the whole, or group.* This platform plank taps directly into the transcendent gift of life itself. For all practical purposes, human life is harbored and sheltered in the group, or society. We are social creatures, and we look out for each other in dodging the dangers of the day ~ primarily in the kinship group termed the family. The solitary individual, left alone to the mercies of whatever a day might bring, has almost no chance of successfully surviving in the long term. When we concern ourselves with the optimal survival and success of the group, we are concerning ourselves with the transcendent gift of life and existence per se.

Now, let's look at the second plank in the **US People Together** platform ~ *secondly, within that structured order, individual personal freedom must be maximized without putting the existence of the group at needless risk*. This plank taps directly into the transcendent gift of free will. Even though all of us experience our lives within the social cocoon, we do experience these social lives as individuals. And, most, if not all, of us would agree that a human life is worth living only to the degree that one is allowed to make choices and decisions for oneself. When we concern ourselves with individual personal freedom, we are concerning ourselves with the transcendent gift of free will.

Both foundational planks of the proposed **US People Together** political party root directly into the transcendent underpinnings of human existence and reality. **US People Together** is a political party proposal that is in harmony with transcendent realities.

Being in harmony with transcendent underpinnings will pretty well guarantee the success of the proposed **US People Together** worldwide political party, or anything else in sync with transcendent realities. Right now, global humanity desperately needs a worldwide political party (1) that everyone can be comfortable with, and (2) that can bring workable solutions to today's manifold challenges that are increasingly pressing. **US People Together** ~ offers that to us, with transcendent blessings.

Together ~ we can do it! Let's save our world! Join us!

Want to help us get it going? US ~ People Together?

Send us an <u>e-mail</u> and let us know how you'd like to help. We need both manpower and funding.

We appreciate anything you can do. Together ~ we can do this!

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