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The psychology of addiction to money and power

There are currently two oligarchic trends that compete with each other for predominance in the world. One is comprised of those involved in arms development and war related technologies, principally calling themselves Democrats, and those in the business and production of merchandise goods, generally called Conservatives. Although they compete for the money raised from the general public for their own benefit, neither one ultimately work for the good of the citizens. They work for their own profit. Those two sectors although adversaries work together to control governments whose intrinsic purpose is to advocate for the common good. Those sectors buy politicians that create laws beneficial for them and reinforce those laws with judges of their own design. It is a slow process but they have been able to gain quite an influence in the world today.

The addiction to money, like any addiction is chronic, progressive and fatal. Consequently, guided by this pathology, the rich sets out on a path of self destruction that unfortunately now involves the general public. The letter of St. James in the New Testament, Chapter 5, describes these realities well enough.

The public has been transformed into consumers. People are not viewed by the oligarchs as human beings but entities that consume. Treated as such and educated as consumers the whole of society will consume itself out of existence.

Schools and universities prepare new generations of workers for these economic sectors. The purpose of education for these groups is not how to think but what to think. Therefore, new generations of workers are prepared in ignorance to serve the means of production. The bond between the workers and the owners of the means of production was at one time somewhat mutually beneficial. The worker would offer his time and effort to the company, and the owners of the company would take care of the workers and their families' well being. For a short while this was so. Benefits for the families and a decent standard of living for the workers was offered and supported. However, as the addiction to money progresses from chronic to its fatal stage, the bond between workers and the owners of the means of production breaks down. There is never enough money for the addict to capital or money. Workers, therefore, were abandoned in their own homeland, and cheap labor was sought elsewhere for the sake of more profit. The bond was broken and society began to descend into chaos and dissolution in the 20th century. The same workers that supported wars abroad and the capitalistic interests of their bosses saw themselves betrayed. However, they are still supporting the same bosses and politicians because they secretly envy their "success". It is only some of the intellectuals and younger, more sane generations, who realize the sickness of consumerism. Indeed, the working class is complicit in the madness.

Wars are inevitable when those two oligarchical sectors from one country need the resources of another. Consumption eventually makes everything scarce. The powerful will continue to

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invade and appropriate resources from weaker or less militarized nations in the world. Here the business sector and the weapons technology sectors of each society work together. They need each other to conquer new resources in other nations but they compete with each other thereafter for those same resources. It is a game of convenience and some of them even consider it a high stakes society game. Some of these oligarchs consider it their destiny to rule and manage whole societies and they take this ideology quite seriously while other sectors within them are in it for the pleasure of a luxurious life style. Those two sectors are often seeing criticizing each other. It is like a father and son relationship in which the father has taken a serious role while the son indulges in pleasures. At the end, both groups are delusional, living an unnatural life. There are special clubs and organizations whose only purpose is offering luxurious accommodations for the business and war technology groups to plan, entertain and profit from these war-business games.

What is the nature of their pathological delusions?

It begins with an obsession, circular, repetitive thinking regarding their own importance in relation to nature. Their condition is inherited through their social and family upbringing. The pleasures they are raised with and lack of consequences for their behavior feeds a certain sense of omnipotence and infallibility and acts as reinforcer of behavior. There is an ideology that maintains this delusion and even explains it, e.g. "our ancestors", "family traditions", genetic superiority, etc. This type of people do not think of death, the nature of man or the common purpose of humanity. They think only in individual terms and have no regard for others. Therefore, they live a life essentially deeply fragmented from humanity itself and their own humanity, a sort of schizoid mind state en relation to others. This leads to isolation which further cuts them off from their human-self. This isolation produces the psychopathic conduct this type of people are known for. Crimes are tools, not immoral behavior. Lies are means of seduction not unethical conduct; war is a fair instrument for obtaining their financial and political goals, etc. They are the actors of their own play with a script written for them by their families and associations. Some of them are born rich and they only have to maintain themselves that way. New individuals who join the rank of the rich strive to maintain their new status by adopting the old doctrine, although they are not well regarded by the old-money groups. Few new-money individuals escape this temptation to assimilate the old doctrine. Their self esteem depends upon it.

Why is it delusional? Because nature as manifested in every species intends that the members of the same species take care of each other in a collective harmony. Elephants move in packs taking care of each other and enjoying each other. Dolphins, whales, monkeys, lions, etc. each and all protect each other and seems to have a sense of unity and familiarity. Compare that with the capitalist mentality where the members of the human species are consumable goods. People can be used and discarded at will. Their well being is irrelevant. Only profit is relevant. What can be more contra natura, sin against nature, than this mentality? In the book of the Apocalypse these individuals are compared to the locusts that devour everything in their path and their advances are progressive, chronic and fatal. (Apocalypse Chapter 9, 3-on). This

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process begun about 500 years ago with the appearance of Capitalism, the worship of capital or money, in the world stage. Capitalism can be properly named cannibalism.

The need of the Western oligarchs in the US, UK and Europe to dominate through the financial system and the oil economy, regardless of the environment, which they are not interested in, will eventually pressure Europe particularly to follow their guidance and pressure other world powers like China and Russia to disengage from Europe. The Western oligarchic sectors of oil and finances considers Europe, the western world and, indeed, the whole world as "their" market. Hence, they perceive China, Russia, India and anyone else as a "threat" to their dominance.

The prospect of nuclear confrontation with other nations is irrelevant to those international oligarchic sectors that fantasize they can survive anyway. This is the madness and delusion of addiction to money and power which is like any addiction always chronic, progressive and fatal, if not stopped.

Society's disintegration will accelerate until those above-mentioned sectors reach the fatal phase of addiction. Here, in desperation, powerful nations mobilized by these groups of oligarchs will attack other powerful nations with mutually destructive consequences. Twice this happened in the 20th century. These events will repeat themselves in the early 21th century.

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