

6. ABOUT RELIGION AND THE NEW AGE MOVEMENT

WTM FAQ 6.6 What is the danger of the left-wing, pseudo idealist approach?

[Note: this answer is repeated in WTM FAQ 7.2]

The biological explanation of the human condition that is presented in [Video/Freedom Essay 3*](#) and [chapter 1*](#) of biologist Jeremy Griffith's book *FREEDOM: The End Of The Human Condition* reveals that humans' search for knowledge, ultimately for understanding of the human condition, caused humans to become upset angry, egocentric and alienated. Eventually many people became *so* upset that the temptation to give up the upsetting search became irresistible. As a result, many people have become advocates of abandoning the search, dogmatically insisting instead that everyone behave in a cooperative, loving, idealistic, 'politically correct', left-wing way.

But doing that was fundamentally irresponsible, because it meant abandoning the search for knowledge that we needed to pursue until we found self-knowledge, understanding for *why* we had become upset sufferers of the angry, egocentric and alienated human condition. In fact, giving up the upsetting search for knowledge—and then dishonestly and deludedly trying to justify that abandonment by saying it was the right thing to do because we were 'stopping' all the anger, egocentricity and alienation in the world—meant we had, in effect, 'changed sides' and were now *opposing* humanity's efforts to *actually* bring an end to all the anger, egocentricity and alienation. We weren't just abandoning the heroic battle to find knowledge, we were actively campaigning against it! We were behaving in an extremely destructive way, even though we were deluding ourselves that what we were doing was constructive, progressive and good.

We can now see that the left-wing was actually being *pseudo* idealistic because *true* idealism required that we continue the upsetting search for knowledge until humanity found the understanding of the human condition that would genuinely bring an end to all the upset anger, egocentricity and alienation in the world. The left-wing was leading humanity to oblivion, *not* to peace and happiness.

To assist with understanding this analysis of the left-wing, we suggest looking at Jeremy's short booklet *Death by Dogma** because it sets out clearly the biological reason for why the Left is leading us to extinction. It summarises the whole history of pseudo idealism going back to when the upset state of the human condition first emerged some 2 million years ago. In it Jeremy emphasises that while it is easy to identify with the ideal of everyone being cooperative and loving, the whole objective of the human journey was, as mentioned, to find

understanding of *why* humans have not been cooperative and loving and instead so divisively competitive and aggressive. That is the great riddle of the human condition that had to be explained, and what is finally revealed with Jeremy's biological explanation is that there has been an all-important, good reason for that divisive behaviour. It's always been easy to side with idealism and denigrate realism, but now at last we can understand the real world humans have been living in where we have had to be competitive, aggressive and selfish, and, most wonderfully of all, by revealing that reason, ending the need for that divisive behaviour.

We either go on pretending that humans' competitive and aggressive behaviour has no justification and 'cancelling' it, or we finally understand it and by so doing bring the need for it to an end.

The real need for love in the world has been to be able to love the dark side of ourselves, be able to understand that, and it turns out that there has been an incredibly important reason for our divisive behaviour. To use Jeremy's Adam Stork analogy, 'Adam' (representing us humans) had to fly off course in order to search for knowledge, and at any time he/we could give up that heroic search for knowledge and just fly back on course and obey his/our ideal behaviour expecting instincts, and that would certainly make him feel good—BUT his greater responsibility was actually to continue the upsetting search for knowledge, ultimately for self-knowledge, understanding of his corrupted condition that actually brings an end to his need to be competitively and aggressively behaved.

So we can see that the whole issue of the human condition is shot full of paradoxes—what we thought was ideal wasn't, and what we thought was bad, namely our competitive and aggressive 'reality', was actually unavoidable, necessary and thus good. That is what happens when the 'lights are turned on', when understanding of the human condition is found, it is revealed that the truth wasn't as it appeared—realism was actually more ideal than idealism!

Finally someone has explained this riddle of riddles of why we are good when we appeared to be bad, and that does suddenly undermine all the pseudo idealism that has been so seductive but so dangerous.

As difficult as it can be to have our delusions exposed, a fair analysis will reveal that every paragraph of *Death by Dogma* is true and logical. It is an urgently needed booklet, because it finally exposes the extreme delusion and danger of pseudo idealism.

So again, the extremely serious threat posed by pseudo idealism is fully explained in the booklet *Death by Dogma: The biological reason why the Left is leading us to extinction, and the solution**, which is freely available on our homepage as one of the WTM's four key books.

Death by Dogma includes an explanation of the danger of the pseudo idealistic left-wing's adoption of the dishonest 'savage instincts' excuse, and of Marxist 'blank-slate' nonsense to dismiss our human condition; and how the left-wing threatened humanity's search for knowledge; and it describes the progression toward ever greater levels of delusion in the progression of pseudo idealistic movements during the last 200 years.

And you can read more about the *legitimate* transformation that understanding of the human condition makes possible in [Freedom Essay 15*](#).

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