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’ 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.

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The very serious threat posed by pseudo idealism is fully addressed in Freedom Essay 35*, which is such a significant essay it has also been produced as the standalone booklet titled 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.

www.humancondition.com/wtm-faq-what-is-the-danger-of-pseudo-idealism  * indicates a link
*Death by Dogma* includes an explanation of the danger of the pseudo idealistic left-wing’s adoption of the dishonest ‘savage instincts’ excuse and Marxist ‘blank-slate’ nonsense to dismiss our human condition; how the left-wing threatened humanity’s search for knowledge; and the progression toward ever greater levels of delusion in pseudo idealistic movements during the last 200 years. You can read more about the legitimate transformation that understanding of the human condition makes possible in *Freedom Essay 15*. 