

For a Radiant New Culture of the Self

Anyone who has made some effort to cultivate him or herself might get the feeling that the American culture industry who has by now destroyed any sort of cultural craftsmanship by imposing itself with its streaming frameworks, anyone must have the feeling that the very culture coming out of these frameworks is just but the representation of its very decadence, the decadence of an empire that as far as it has stretched its influence it is deflating from within.

As the Roman republic laid its roads and networks across the known world so did the American republic. For the latter however the transition from a Stoic republic into an Epicurean type of Empire has been far more compressed and occurred within only a few generations. As Americanism is in crisis, new sets of religion like ideology are setting in and are imposed across the americanized network making the Culture industry not only the place of circus like entertainment but a propaganda like machine enforcing strict rules of representation and expression. These impositions are affecting the whole of the Americanized world with its many centers spread across the peripheries.

Now I am not here instigating for a rise against the emerging of an empire, I am only making a comparisons that for many is far fetched yet it can help with highlighting the need not for a political type of autonomy but for a spiritual one amidst the rise of what I would call a new state-like religion. Bringing this far fetched comparison forward I believe that one ought to become a partisan of the new cultural/religious regimes just so as even to challenge the parameters and algorithmic like predictable production imposed by the new empire. It is not a question then of agreeing or disagreeing with the rules that have been imposed but it is a question of boycotting them all together for a more spiritually driven and anti religious and anti dogmatic approach, a spirituality that is driven by the single individuals without any enforced scheme, a spirituality/morality that can guarantee the freedom of each individual.

Rather than reproducing these schemes given and approved by the empire clerks we ought to promote only and exclusively a guidance that leads anyone aspiring to be cultural and or spiritual to begin by observing reality in relation to his or her responds to it. Reality ought to be undressed as much as possible from all the remediated perceptions filtered by for instance social media frameworks that too early on enter the lives of pupils. With the naked eye and left disconnected from mediation but highly connected with reality one could in fact develop the right sensibility that indeed will bring each and every noble soul to his or her own unique journey into the unfolding of a divine light already residing within each and everyone of us and repressed by the very ideological frameworks in which like angry dogs power driven institutions place us.

The new ideology absurd logic wants for more inclusivity when in fact what it is highly needed is for the very hotspots that represent the new Religion Industry to break apart and dissolve into reality, to be in some way not the intellectual work of highly sophisticated beings leaving in Parthenon like bubbles but the work of poor fellows scratching the dusty surface not with the Mercury winged shoes but with their Socratic broken sandals. The very spaceship that the Culture Industry in its wanting to devise a new ethic has developed, signs the end of the Culture Industry into a type of more Religion industry we should be aware of in order to maintain the possibility not to grow dull but have the chance of developing our own spirituality and relation with the solar nature we so much bypass poisoned by the very indignation that power struggles foment within us.

Let's in the first place be aware then! The watching of a new movie or any product of what we still conceive as culture is but a sermon preaching brotherhood yet in the end guaranteeing the survival of an empire. Only with this fakely ethical attitude can the empire overlive is otherwise inevitable death and with this in mind we ought to set up a new form of criticism, not the easy criticism of the very ideology trying in an inquisitory way to spot whether anything is in line with the new religious conventions set forth but rather a critical and autonomous mindset always alert not to be dragged in the formation of this new form of Imperialistic religion. This form of criticism should come naturally once we set forth and deep into an almost obsessive connection with our nature, as obsessive as a plant with its roots trying to expand them within the soil of reality and trying to get nourished from it, breaking free from crying like babies for the food we should be getting from social institutions.

The masses are so addicted to the institutional breast milk and the quasi religious night stories educating them that to grow into an autonomous being under such rigid scheme seems rather impossible. Yet it is by staying out of this mass-mediated nurturing that we can set forward a path for anyone to get back to reality, get back to a life more in accordance with our human nature and especially an ethic that can give us the right equipment to survive and restart human life once this ambitious imperialistic project will glamorously fail. Beyond getting simply back, by persisting in this nature we last cease to reflect like depressed moons in front of shining screen the electric light and will begin burning of our own natural radiance and suddenly all the many life congesting topics and discussions intoxicating us all throughout as if the world is coming to an end, suddenly will be felt there is not absolute need to dwell nor waste any more time with such trifles. All that will be needed in fact is for us to reactivate our nature and grow with it and this act alone and the fact that with our blossoming we will eventually die, should at least distract our clerk mentality from its imperialistic purposes.