

"The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name."

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(Da Vinci's lament)

Moses identifies his God in Exodus 15:3 – interesting description to say the least. Moses is either a liar or his God is a bloodthirsty God of War. There are numerous references in the text confirming without doubt that the God of the Old Testament is a murdering sociopath suffering from an unquenchable blood lust. Numerous verses and passages offer incontestable proof to that effect but there are none better than the story of Jericho. Jericho stands as the oldest record of premeditated genocide. Kill everyone regardless; men, women, children and suckling infants.

True to his sociopathic character this deplorable 'God' is multifaceted; he is also a banker who loves gold and silver, which Joshua is always careful to plunder after the blood bath.

Joshua 6:

21"And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword...24.And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD."

Jehovah advised or countenanced deception ["Ezek. 14, 9; Num. 14, 30-34.]; stealing [Ex. 3, 21-22.], selfishness [Deut. 14, 21.], conquest by force [Num. 31 et al.], indiscriminate slaughter [Ex. 32, 27.], murder [Deut. 7, 16 et al.], cannibalism [Jer. 19, 9 et al.], killing of witches ["Ex. 22, 8.], slavery [Lev. 25, 44-46.], capital punishment for rebellious sons [Deut. 21, 18-21; 13, 6-9.], sacrifices of animals [Lev. 1, 14-15.] and other acts (infanticide and genocide in Joshua) which represent the concepts and actions of primitive men.

One man's God is another man's sociopath, to each his own! However, a problem arises when aberrant sects attempt to identify the prince of Peace, Jesus Christ, with the sociopathic God of Moses. This insane claim (made by Evangelicals and Christian Zionists) is a perfectly preposterous proposition. Two disparate characters as 'singular sameness' reveal a departure into unreason, illogic and mental disorder in those who blindly accept the absurd as reality – therein lies the irrationality of religion and religionists.

Religion is the irrational displacing the rational and if the world is to survive religionists should be removed from any position of responsibility or influence. Could you imagine the ensuing chaos and horror if a religionist became President of the USA?

I cite the above as introduction to the commotion surrounding the obvious work of fiction, "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown. Christian organisations are in an uproar over the implications that their God married and had a family etc. These are the same groups who actually believe that Jesus and the sociopath God Jehovah are the same character! It is far more credible and rational to believe that Jesus performed the usual human acts of procreation than subscribing to pathological unreason. Dan Brown's fiction is at least in the realm of a literary genre, whereas the religionists are 'out there' having tea with Alice.

But as analysts we should at least decode some aspects of the cultural pathology that finds its roots in the dis-eased minds of religionists.

Referring to a story in the Old Testament (in context) and drawing on the above quotes, we ask, why would Moses, the leader of a released group of slaves entering a new land identify his God as a God of War? Could it perhaps be related to the need to arm, fight and survive in an already occupied land?

Like most leaders Moses was a pragmatist. The imposition of social regulatory codes designed to unify a disparate group is prerequisite to the formation of any society/nation. Moses' success relates directly to the previous experience in Egypt; a theocratic society with a God-King as centre of power provided the perfect model. Moses exploited an existing ideological imprint and created a variation on a theme. However, faced with a hostile environment his theocratic indoctrination resulted in an extremely hostile and merciless, 'do what I command or I will kill you' type of God - a God of necessity, a God of War! Jehovah becomes a God of expediency, embodying strictures needed to regulate and formulate the new society! The magical (miraculous) elements were added later, notwithstanding Moses had a few tricks up his sleeve - the result of his privileged position and high education in Egypt.

If a personality profile of Jehovah were made using forensic methods of today, an extremely unstable and very dangerous emotional mess would be the result.

Viewed from a broader perspective all societies face the same fundamental challenges. The planet and everything on it is a free gift, the result of universal creation. No group or entity could claim ownership above another. The Jews of the past solved the 'ownership' dilemma by killing anyone who threatened their livelihood (according to the convenient dictates of their God). This savage behaviour is expeditious, pragmatic, materialistic and self-centred. There is nothing miraculous involved. The so-called miraculous events were all inserted after the event. A privileged education is not lost on the moronic masses.

The problems we face today were faced by our barbaric ancestors and the same (violent theocratic) solutions have been adopted to resolve the ownership question. When human groups vie for limited resources a number of outcomes/solutions are possible. Adopting the violent theocratic option is perhaps the most primitive and is indicative of a base mindset and violent disposition. Antiquated savage 'solutions' employed in today's world no longer resolve conflicts or settle differences. The religionists are actually the principal problem in the world, they have no claim to tenure in any civilised society. The complete eradication of all religionists is imperative if the world is to survive in Peace and Harmony - this is self-evident.

The need to organise and order society results in the formation of Laws or taboos etc; the reader would notice that all religions are saturated with regulatory behavioural codes or 'divine' Laws. However, it should be stressed that these laws and codes were strictly applicable to a historical context and local environmental conditions, which may not apply to the majority today. In fact, these codes and other associated behavioural constraints have become a liability in today's world. The old religions are antiquated - God is dead, or more accurately, never existed outside the mind of his creator, Man!

The fuss generated by a work of popular fiction relating to another work of theological fiction is typical. A familiar distinction between the opposing 'camps' becomes apparent; it is the theological camp that displays more violent and threatening behaviour. All religions today worship the same anthropomorphic God of bigotry, hatred, greed and violence - show me your God and I will show you

your psychopathology. Show me a religionist and I will show you a hypocrite of the worse order.

Cowardice is at the heart of every religionist.

It is to the brave Lovers of Peace and Harmony that Infinite Life will bestow the enduring essence of Itself.

We are ONE.

Peace.

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