Bioethical Diseases of Political Bodies

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BIOETHICS CONCERNING DISEASES OF POLITICAL BODIES

Camus (1947): The Pest sickens the entire Political Body

- 1. The Political Body of the Leviathan
- 2. The Common Wealth
- 3. Software Tools
- 4. Hardware Tools
- 5. Communication Tools

- 6. Double Purpose Tools
- 7. Existential Risks to Political Bodies
- 8. Fighting Diseases: Start with myself!



The Political Body of the Leviathan, built from people, ruling the lands by military and spiritual power

Hobbes 'Leviathan Leviathan, or The Matter, Former and Power of a Common Wealth Ecclesiastical and Civil '1670 [sketches by Abraham Bosse]



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THE MATTER, FORMER,
AND POWER
OF COMMON WEALTH
ECCLESTISTICAL AND COMMON

PEOPLES

AGRICULTURES,

CITIES,

WALLS,

CASTELS,

CHURCHES,

CROWNS,

TANKS,

CANONS,

WEAPENRY,

WARS,

SYMBOLS,

MEETINGS



HARDWARE TOOLS

ALL KIND OF TOOLS ARE USED IN TECHNOLOGY AND BUSINESS,
CREATING CULTIVATED ENVIRONMENTS
HAMMERS, COMPUTERS, SEX DOLLS, AI TOYS, TRACTORS [non-animate],
FARM ANIMALS, PETS, CROPS, FRUIT TREES [animate:]











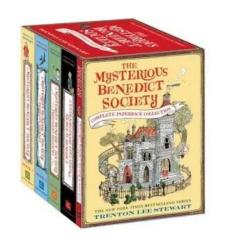
SOFTWARE TOOLS

GODS, ANGELS, PRAYER, NARRATIVES, COMMUNITIES, CHURCHES, LAWS











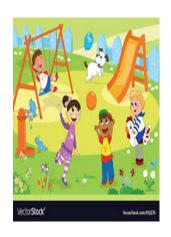




COMMUNICATION TOOLS

KIDS PLAY, DANCINGS, DISCUSSIONS, CONFERENCES, PARLIAMENTS















DOUBLE PURPOSE TOOLS Walls, Tools, Communities

City Walls protect from aggressors, but the Israelis encircled Jericho and throw fire into the walls,, the Tartars throw infected human corpses into the Crimean city of Kaffa, the Japanese throw infected mosquitoes into the Chinese city of Nigbo

Professional Tools such as dentist's pliers Czar Peter the Great learned to use in Amsterdam, can be used to torture prisoners as he recommended to use in Russia also for his son Alexei.

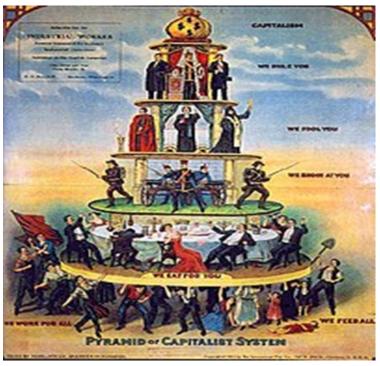
Communities need certain hierarchies to function as political bodies, but the capitalist system used hierarchies to protect kings and priest.











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Clinical Diagnosis of Existential Risks

Camus: "The Pest sickens Political Bodies"

'Treat the disease before it arises' (Dr Sun Simiao, 1400 AD)

MODERN RISKS: Foods, Electricity, Money, New Communities

Food and Water need long lines of safe delivery, it can be poisoned by nature, bad people, corporations and states



Electricity is essential for technology-based modern life [it can be sabotaged by nature, bad people, corporations and states]





Money is essential for modern life and business, but high frequency trading and manipulations by governments eroded trust.



Digital Communities: states and business collect secretive data, people escape into non-geographic 'second lives'

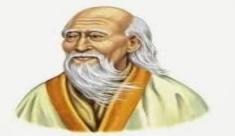




FIGHTING DISEASES OF POLITICAL BODIES: I START WITH MYSELF !!! LET'S START TOGETHER!!!

• Lao Zi's recommendation (Dao te Ching 54):修之身其德乃真修之家其德有餘 修之鄉其德乃長修之邦其德乃豐修之天下其德乃博

'Cultivate yourself and virtue will become true; cultivate the family and virtue will be complete; cultivate the village and virtue will grow; cultivate the country and virtue will be rich; cultivate the world and virtue will be wide'.



Redefining Lao Zi's recommendation for the 21. century:

'Cultivate yourself and virtue will become true; cultivate your families and virtue will be complete; cultivate political and corporate persons and virtue will grow; cultivate social and natural environments, communication and cooperation, compassion and competence and virtue will be rich; cultivate the geographies and internets of the worlds and virtue will be wide'.

