## Where Have All The Flowers Gone?

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The human condition is beset with a dichotomy, pure good and pure evil. Though most live their lives and fluctuate in the grey areas between the two extremes. However, that cannot be said of our leaders today, which are forced into extremes due to their positions. Mahatma Gandhi for instance freed India from colonial rule without raising a violent hand even though the colonial British were machine-gunning unarmed protesters and peaceful demonstrators/freedom 'fighters.'

'Mahatma' (which means great soul) Gandhi, clearly was an extremist though in the positive sense, he refused to adopt violence as a means to achieve his goal of liberating India. Gandhi understood the critical nature of REAL freedom which first must be achieved within and when achieved social freedom is a matter of course as FEAR is eliminated.

The TRULY free fear nothing as they are liberated from fear and are aware of the continuity of life and that one minute of REAL freedom frees an entity FOREVER, come what may.

Many died at the brutal hands of European colonialists that only know VIOLENCE and FEAR to be effective, which history informs us are failed methods, in fact violence only breeds more violence, hence the needless wars that rage today; indeed, it is modern colonial powers that have learned nothing, which are KNOWN to be behind these wars, America in particular, which population lives in constant fear of reprisals, as every American is aware of the criminal activities of their leaders.

America today is clearly not the home of the brave or free, it is in fact the home of terror and for obvious reasons, and it is that fear which is killing the nation far more effectively than any military weapon. America today is only a shell of its former self when it freed itself from British colonial rule. Today however, terrorised by their own government, Americans are clearly INCAPABLE of freeing themselves from the shadow rule of evil elites within, which nefarious individuals have hijacked the nation and are propelling it into a nuclear conflict as I write. Though very few Americans desire a nuclear war but they are SUBJECT due to misinformation and their lack of character, which lack is the result of mental and physical slavery -- and remember, a slave is truly fit for his/her psychological, economic and physical chains.

And so we are brought to the other extreme in the dichotomy, pure evil, personified by characters in history like Adolph Hitler, Stalin, Mao, and today's American neocons, to name only a few in the historical record. Now note that achieving REAL freedom is personally challenging, most of us are aware that it's far easier and requires less character to be a brute and impose ourselves on others, while not understanding that that method always leads to the demise of the brute/bully, as history bears out. So it's no secret, in fact it's in plain sight that the USA is screaming toward its own tragic demise, end. So who is responsible? Answer, the most powerful social force in any nation, THE PEOPLE for failing themselves and their country.

I needn't elaborate as we all respond to innate truths, our fate has always been in our hands, BUT first we must free ourselves from the paralysing effect of inculcated, insidious FEAR and that is an internal process. We are fortunate today to have many recent examples to draw and derive

inspiration from and more examples of the futility and self-destructive way of violence and perversity.

The following quotes are pure truth for those that relish in truth/reality:

## Nuremberg Trials:

"We must make clear to the Germans that the wrong for which their fallen leaders are on trial is not that they lost the war, but that they started it." U.S. Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson.

"To initiate a war of aggression, therefore, is not only an international crime; it is the supreme international crime differing only from other war crimes in that it contains within itself the accumulated evil of the whole": Nuremberg War Tribunal.

"Few are willing to brave the disapproval of their fellows, the censure of the colleagues, the wrath of their society. Moral courage is a rarer commodity than bravery in battle or great intelligence. Yet it is the one essential, vital quality for those who seek to change a world that yields most painfully to change. Each time a person stands up for an idea, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he/she sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring, those ripples build a current that can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance." -- Robert F. Kennedy

Indeed, we are all faced with the personal challenge we all share as human beings. If we succeed in freeing ourselves then social challenges cease to exist -- we are in fact the world.

And remember, all of the above is NOT idealism, it's REAL-ism.

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