

Sustained Debate

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Framework

Humans, Groups

Population

Humans, Groups, Individuals

Questions

- Who cannot sustain a debate?

- What is the difference between shared beliefs of religion and shared beliefs of a Nation?
- How long do Nations last?
- When should constitutions be torn up and re-written?
- How long should civilization last?
- When is the best time to have revolts, revolution and societal collapse?
- What are you prepared to fight for? What are you prepared to ignore?
- Is **Constant Revolution** better than **Constant Evolution**?

Initial Conditions

Individual, Group

Self reference

Individual, Group

Preamble

Despite 5 years of writing to politicians, courts and media there is no sign of any change. The cognition levels of Greens/Labour types and ABC media types is very poor. Tribalism, division is rampant - especially amongst the declared victim tribes Women and Blacks. Children are taught to be entitled, tribal and violent using the **constant revolution entitled victim narrative** of the Marxists oppressor/oppressed frame. Unions are victims, Trans are Victims - all groups are clamouring onto the victim cart so they can chant mob slogans and violently attack and destroy people and things - very much like Isis and another religious extremists groups supported by Penny Wong and the Greens/Labour politicians using taxpayer money.

'The Constant Enemy Destroys Humanity' - Author(Jonathan Pearson) Year[2020] Age(62)

Keyword(Development Thinking Group)

Greens/Labour seem to mainly a tribal criminal class - very much like militant unionists or religious extremists - extremely dim-witted , violent and willing to destroy and corrupt everything they can find. Tribal Women and Blacks repeat this behaviour in schools universities, courts, media, politics, public service and most public institutions now - libraries, town councils, public prosecutors, police - no part of society seem to untouched by rampant tribalism and corruption.

Most of the population - especially women and blacks tribal types (designated and legislated as "victims") are particularly uneducated and willing to go along with all the corruption as long as "their tribe" wins more - get more "free stuff" from Taxpayers - which Greens/Labour are always so willing to splash about on themselves and their friends - the "in-group"

Introduction

I speculate many things and write them down. I Think and have some hypothesis that can be examined. I make mistakes and get things wrong. We learn from each other.

Sustaining a Debate

The idea of having sustained **public debates** and continuing debates over long periods of time is an **idea of the west**. The idea that **debates must continue and need to be re-visited** is also an idea of the West. This idea developed during the 1600s in Europe.

*"At the heart of the First Amendment is the recognition of the fundamental importance of the **free flow of ideas and opinions on matters of public interest and concern**. The freedom to speak one's mind is not only an aspect of individual liberty – and thus a good unto itself – but also is essential to the **common quest for truth and the vitality of society as a whole**. We have therefore been particularly vigilant to ensure that individual expressions of ideas remain free from **governmentally imposed sanctions**." - Hustler Magazine v. Falwell - United States Supreme Court' - Author(United States Supreme Court) Year[1988] Keyword(Humanism Truth Group)*
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hustler_Magazine_v._Falwell <https://www.thefire.org/first-amendment-library/decision/hustler-magazine-and-larry-c-flynt-v-jerry-falwell/>

If there is no such thing as permanent certainty than what remains?

Most people struggle with the **idea of sustained debates** and constantly look for certainty to “win” the argument in a tribal warfare sense. Chris Bowen will look away and change the subject or leave when he is questioned about anything - he avoids debate and mocks and attacks people who dare to try to engage him with a sustained debate. Most Greens/Labour types (Dan Andrews, Andrew Barr, Andrew Leigh, Mark Dreyfuss, Penny Wong, Katy Gallagher, etc) are like this - women and blacks (tribal entitled victim narrative - on average) in particular rush to personal attack, “outrage” (18C) and victim narratives. Anything to stop debate. Muslims, Totalitarian/Authoritarian Chinese, Khans, Barbarians and extremely dim witted people do this - because they are deeply and permanently ignorant and are desperate to remain as ignorant as possible - “safe” from anxiety. Many people will say things like:

- Let us agree to disagree
- We have already had that debate
- The issue has been resolved
- There is nothing further to discuss
- I have mandated legislation on that in the constitution

See **Discussion Stoppers** <https://humanistman.com/home/humanism/discussion-stoppers/> , **Debates – Human Difficulties** <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Debates-Human-Difficulties.pdf>

Other people will deliberately re-evaluate previous decisions to see if it is time to change their position on a topic or move house or change jobs - active re-evaluation of circumstances and environment. Fat, Dumb and Lazy - people get stuck in Pig-ignorant complacency and failing to notice things around them.

Revisiting and checking things is an important part of human development. The idea of Maintenance for roads, houses, your health and the HEALTH OF THE NATION are important concepts. Things change all the time so instead of remaining Fat, Dumb and Lazy you need to double check and see if things are working - as intended and as expected.

This requires constant discussion and debate - which is a threat to sunk cost, confirmation bias internal schemas.

Imagine if you were in a spacecraft going through space. Every few minutes you would go through various check routines to make sure nothing was going wrong. You would remain alert and aware for things unexpected. Then you would rest and let someone else take over. Then after some rest you would start again looking, checking, discussing and making sure you were still on track. **You did not say** - this spacecraft is perfect, well designed (by gods) and therefore there is nothing left to do but go on our journey.

For example the United Nations is now mostly corrupt and Australian legislation like the Discrimination Act and Family Law have become fully corrupted by Women and Black tribes to the extent where most parts of society have been severely damaged. Education, Legal, Political and media organizations are all severely damaged and widespread tribalism, lies and corruption dominate much of public life. Full on criminality dominates political parties, unions, public service and many parts of society. This is celebrated by women, blacks and weak minded men - Binary, Tribalists.

For the last thousand years or more - Papal Debates https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Papal_conclave and religious debates occurred with Catholic and Protestant churches on a regular basis. Even though Pelagius <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pelagius> Pelagius (354 to 418) was condemned as a Heretic for expressing ideas like humans had "Free will" and "Choice" - **he was not killed for his beliefs** and willingness to debate - although for centuries - many were killed for exactly that and less. Condemnation, excommunication, punishment, purchasing forgiveness (profiteering), buying "forgiveness" or "Piety" or "Indulgences", expulsion and other measures were sometimes used instead of death. Large amounts of money were made by the Religious Organizations by keeping people in a constant state of Anxiety and Fear and constantly seeking Piety and Forgiveness for their "sins".

Very similar to what we see now in Australia, USA and many other places with constant hysterical outrage and fear and religious pious certainty and virtue signaling along with all the profiteering which goes along with it.

In general - **less heretics kill believers than believers kill heretics.**

"Heretics" tend to want to argue the issue not kill the man.

'The reasonable man adapts himself to the world: the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man.' - Author(**George Bernard Shaw**) Year[1903] Age(47) Source_Document(Man and Superman Argued in detail in "Man and Superman" and Quoted in "**Maxims For Revolutionists**") Keyword(Humanism Diversity Group) <http://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/26107/pg26107.html> <http://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/3328/pg3328.txt>

*'The belief, not only of the socialists but also of those so-called Liberals who are diligently preparing the way for them, is that by due skill an **ill-working humanity may be framed into well-working institutions. It is a delusion. The defective natures of citizens** will show themselves in the bad acting of whatever social structure they are arranged into. There is no political alchemy by which you can*

get golden conduct out of leaden instincts.' - Author(**Herbert Spencer**) Year[1884] Age(64)
Source_Document(Man Versus the State) Keyword(Humanism Enlightenment Group)
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Man_Versus_the_State <https://mises.org/library/man-versus-state>

'XLI. **The idols of the tribe** are inherent in human nature and the very tribe or race of man; for man's sense is falsely asserted to be the standard of things; on the contrary, all the perceptions both of the senses and the mind bear reference to man and not to the universe, and the **human mind resembles those uneven mirrors which impart their own[21] properties to different objects, from which rays are emitted and distort and disfigure them.**[11]' - Author(**Francis Bacon**) Year[1620] Age(59)
Source_Document(Novum Organum Novum Organum; Or, True Suggestions for the Interpretation of Nature - XLI.) Keyword(Humanism Truth Individual) <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/45988/45988-h/45988-h.htm>

'The first step in regard to the subjects of pure reason, and which marks the **infancy of that faculty, is dogmatic**. The second, which we have just mentioned, is **sceptical**, and it gives evidence that our **judgement has been improved by experience**. But a third step, such as can be taken only by **fully matured judgment, based on assured principles of proved universality**, is now necessary, namely to **subject to examination**, not the facts of reason, but reason itself, ... not the censorship but the **criticism of reason**, whereby not its present bounds but its **determinate and necessary limits**.' - Author(Immanuel Kant) Year[1781] Age(57) Source_Document(Critique of pure reason Critique of pure reason - The Impossibility of a Sceptical Satisfaction of Pure Reason in Conflict with itself) Keyword(Humanism Reason Group)
<https://www.marxists.org/reference/subject/ethics/kant/index.htm>
<https://oll.libertyfund.org/titles/lker-critique-of-pure-reason>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Councils_of_Carthage#Council_of_418 . Pelagius had found support from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cyril_of_Alexandria **Cyril of Alexandria** (376 to 444) - who also was well educated and thoughtful and willing to debate the issues of the church - but he too was considered a heretic.

There were debates about science and maths from religious believers as well
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Orazio_Grassi **Orazio Grassi** (1583 to 1654) - a Jesuit (The Jesuits had established an Observatory in Rome - many Jesuits were trained and taught Maths and Astronomy) - debated in writing with https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galileo_Galilei **Galileo di Vincenzo Bonaiuti de' Galilei** (1564 to 1642) about astronomy and the measurement of the path of comets in the sky but this was done as an **argument of logic, facts and measurement** - not an appeal to "God". Religious zealots learned maths so they could engage in the debate of their times - **no matter what their personal beliefs**.

Many of the Jesuits had developed a keen sense of exploration and investigation in all parts of the real world and not simply "Theology" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Athanasius_Kircher **Athanasius Kircher** (2 May 1602 – 27 November 1680) and
https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&source=web&rct=j&opi=89978449&url=https://brill.com/previewpdf/book/edcoll/9789047420231/Bej.9789004155510.I-174_007.xml&ved=2ahUKEwit-NLfv9uGAXWsVYBHTt_BiUQFnoECCoQAQ&usq=AOvVaw1S1QVocjas5xzwJ19ckhPG

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johann_Grueber **Johann Grueber**, 28 October 1623, Linz – 30 September 1680) - had travelled to China by sea and back overland through Tibet.

Even religious Zealots like Jesuits were starting to see Maths and Astronomy as sufficiently abstract and logically sound to help determine the “Truth” of things

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mario_Bettinus **Mario Bettinus** (Italian name: Mario Bettini; 6 February 1582 – 7 November 1657)

Large numbers of humans are weak minded, tribal, uneducated and lack cognition ability and also **lack opportunity to think and explore**. Objective Truth does not matter to them - only tribal and **mob subjective beliefs**.

Most of the **religious type** arguments are based on assertions which go like this:

- All knowing all powerful imaginary creature claiming to be God talks to a human
- Human relates messages of God to others and becomes “messenger of God”
- Messenger of God becomes Authority figure with power over life and death
- Certainty is mandated in Books from the messenger of God and his followers
- Authoritarian and brutal regimes are established to keep the messenger of god, devotees , acolytes and their grifters powerful and wealthy

There had been revolts against the Dogma while still trying to maintain the simple beliefs of “Certain God” and doing “the good works”. Many religious groups formed with the Pope’s approval to spread the word of God more than the dogma. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philip_Neri

Related to this idea of “Seeing God” or “Visions of Jesus” are people who claim to see Ghosts, Miracles, Aliens, Mary (“Mother of Jesus”) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marian_apparition , Devils, Werewolves, Monsters, etc - most of this is driven by psychosis, delusion and attention and profit seeking. They use the “Prove I am Wrong” assertion. - rather than “I can prove I am Right” See **Anything Asserted Must Therefore Possibly Exist** <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Anything-Asserted-Must-Therefore-Possibly-Exist.pdf> If you question their asserted belief you are labeled a “denier” or “heretic” and the Tribal Mobs are called out to attack with violence - like the Australian Senate does when it censures people for daring to ask a question and suggest further inquiry into any matter. Like the Melbourne police (With the approval and support of Dan Andrews) do to people asking “*What does freedom mean? Is there such a thing as free choice? Do I have free will?*” Shooting Rubber Bullets and grabbing people from behind and smashing their heads into the concrete or running them down with cars and kicking them in the head. This behaviour is growing in frequency now and few seem to notice or care. Many People from Melbourne support this behaviour

Within the detailed arguments of the “messengers of God”:

- God’s Magic and Miracles is done when priests cast spells over food and repeat incantations
- Miracles and Magic things are done by God and his disciples
- Those who claim to do magic are witches and agents of the devil
- It’s a sin not to do exactly as the dogma tells you
- Utopian Heaven exists for those who obey the messenger of God

Many other arguments of the “messengers” are things like what colour socks god wears, which way to face when praying to God, What words to use when singing about God, What words mean, How to torture and kill people to reveal the “truth” https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul_Zacchias *He is known to have argued that **minors make proper test subjects to be put to torture***, What words bring death and blasphemy - in other words - all the techniques of insanity, violence and incoherence used to stop any debate. *God type* nonsense words which bare essentially meaningless but you can talk about them for hours and express opinions - as if you know what you are talking about - like “Grace”, “Sacrifice”, “predestination”, “free will”, ‘Sin”, “Original Sin”, Dogma, etc - See <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jansenism>, “Redemption” https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Meritorious_Price_of_Our_Redemption, “Trinity”, <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Socinianism>, “Who came first? *Logos or God*” (a-priori) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pre-existence_of_Christ, Religion pre-dates everything, How to think - God and Infinity (Ein Sof) <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kabbalah> https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ein_Sof https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five_Articles_of_Perth e.g. kneeling during communion “*Take the knee*” “**Possessed** by the Holy Spirit” [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Cotton_\(minister\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Cotton_(minister)) Washing of Feet https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dordrecht_Confession_of_Faith Mary the **Virgin gave birth** to the son of “God” https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Congregation_of_Marian_Fathers_of_the_Immaculate_Conception What Clothes to Wear (Sandals) and “certain” Humility https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Discalced_Augustinians

So once you self declare that you “know God” you can then say anything you like - convincing as many gullible people as you can to believe you and donate to your “cause” and follow your certainty. Gifters have been doing this for thousands of years.

The problem with **certainty** and “certain gods” is that it **tends to tyranny**.

'Be Sufficiently Vague' - Author(**Jonathan Pearson**) Year[2021] Age(63) Keyword(Development Learning Individual) <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/15-Humanism-Corruption-Nation-Choice-Virtue.pdf>

'Be Sufficiently Certain' - Author(**Jonathan Pearson**) Year[2021] Age(63) Keyword(Development Learning Individual) <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/15-Humanism-Corruption-Nation-Choice-Virtue.pdf>

Another method is to **avoid all debate** the **messenger of God** declares that He and his followers are the **extreme authority on any debate of any issue** - as the authorized messengers of “God” (of **certainly** everything) i.e. they declare that within themselves - as messengers of “God” that they have ultimate “Truth”, ultimate “Reality” and ultimate Authority over Life and Death of everyone. The messengers of “God” write books from time to time to express their '**Certain Truth**'.

Various versions of the “Messenger of God” (of certainty) appear over the years.

- Unexplained events - “God knows” “God works in mysterious ways” “Faith in God and Dogma will give you knowledge” “Sacrifice more to God”

- Wind, Storms, Seas, Volcanoes, Ghosts, Climate, Plagues, Famines, Societal breakdowns - “God’s Wrath”
- Gods of some things like food, animals, trees, fertility, sea - Local Gods
- Gods of Certainly Everything - Many different all knowing Gods of Everything with different rules and dogma
- God of Aliens who know everything and are looking down from above on planet Earth from another planet or spaceship
- Gods of “Trust the Science”

The Constant Debates of Religious Believers

If you put all the religious believers into one room and asked them to explain how many people had been murdered throughout history for exactly what belief - they would not know. They would not know the detail of the arguments or the body counts of those killed. Who killed who for what reason. The word “Martyr” is used by some religious tribes when they describe the death of believers of **THEIR OWN TRIBE** and some of those killed have been magically declared “Saints” in “Heaven” - while others are consigned to “Hell” in binary certain ways. Tribal believers **completely ignore** the believers of OTHER TRIBES that their tribe has murdered. Women count women victims, Blacks count black victims, Jews count Jewish “martyrs”, Catholics count Catholic “Martyrs” and muslims count Muslim “martyrs” - typically suicide bombers and murderers who die while killing people are called “martyrs” by muslims. This is different to Cathoic, Protestant, Waldensian, Cathar Martyrs who were captured, arrested, tried and executed **not for** killing people or murdering people - only **believing different things**.

For example the Religious believers would not know how many people were tortured and joyously murdered for claiming that bread and wine were not magically turned into the body and blood of some mythical dead guy called Jesus Christ when priests chanted rituals, donned robes and bowed their heads. They would not know exactly how many Waldensians, Cathars, Quakers, Puritans, etc were tortured and murdered by whom and for what reason exactly. We do know some of the stories and we can see that the murderers had no doubts and were full of self belief. Many claimed themselves to be highly educated, intellectual and “Good”. They use words to describe themselves like “*On the Right Side of History*” as we see now with many deluded politicians and murderous tyrants around the world. “*The end ends justifies the means*”

So can you imagine some kind of **new Game Show** where you put all the religious pious types in a room and **get them to explain** exactly why people should be killed for exactly what personal beliefs. Then if not death - torture, punishment, fines, imprisonment, etc. They could talk about history and death and all the reasons that people from their tribe of believers killed and tortured people from other tribes. Then you could have in the audience a group of “Experts” - expert historians, legal types, university professors - all who could comment on the debate. Mark Dreyfuss would be there explaining exactly why blacks are special tribes and women and men have to be split into tribal groupings. Religious “Historians” would simply deny the Jews were murdered by Hamas - that truth is not truth - in a kind of Orwellian post truth Way. Feminists experts would argue that killing men is OK but Woman and Their Children must always be “safe” - as legislated by Australian Parliament. Blacks experts would be there saying “*You can Go now*” to everyone and as “first nations” they

invented religion and religious murder. Pointing the bone and stranding people in the desert is “Not murder”. Each expert could express their “beliefs”.

Muslims don’t count the people they murder and all nuance to religious debate is reduced to “**unbelievers must believe what my tribe believes or they must be killed**”. Binary extremists, causers, religious fanatics, tribal types, tyrants, China, Russia, Women and Blacks (on average - tribal victim narratives) tend to this type of binary thinking as well - Us/Them.

That’s why getting “believers” to write history is a problem - they tend to use the Focus Model to emphasize some things and completely ignore other things. They don’t really want a comprehensive and cohesive view of anything - something closer to reality - instead they want to lie by omission or completely ignore things altogether. They are stuck in Belief and ignore reality.

	<p>See 15 Humanism – Corruption – Nation Choice – Virtue, Version 1, date 03/04/2020 https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/15-Humanism-Corruption-Nation-Choice-Virtue.pdf Hypothesis: Well developed explicit frames for choice for groups lead to improved trust and less corruption Hypothesis: Virtue is a repeated pattern of corruption, corrupts group choice and stops human development Hypothesis: There are feedback loops and “death spirals” of behavior which have the general type of “Complacency” – generally related to Fat, Dumb and Lazy Questions 1. Is virtue signaling a dominant bias? Is it a common corruption? 2. What is the human condition to balance corruption and especially virtue signaling? 3. Even without explicit frames in our shared schemas am I describing the implicit frames? How can you discuss implicit frames without making them explicit? How explicit do I need to be to be useful? – “do you know what I mean?”</p>
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The most common lie is the lie of omission.

Avoiding reality and the “The Truth” by emphasizing some things and completely ignoring other things.

Mandell Creighton - Lifespan[1843 to 1901] Born_Loc(Carlisle, Cumberland) Rank(40)
 Keyword(Religion, History), Wikidata(Q2362238) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mandell_Creighton
<https://history.hanover.edu/courses/excerpts/165acton.html>
<http://onlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/book/lookupname?key=Creighton%2C%20M%2E%20%28Mandell%29%2C%201843%2D1901>

Lord Acton/John Emerich Edward Dalberg-Acton - Lifespan[1834 to 1902] Rank(10)
 Keyword(History, Philosophy, Travel, Politics, Education), Wikidata(Q311778)
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Dalberg-Acton,_1st_Baron_Acton
<https://www.acton.org/research/lord-acton-quote-archive> <https://oll.libertyfund.org/person/john-emerich-edward-dalberg-lord-acton>

See **Arguments in Extremes – Arguments of the Uncommon Man** <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Arguments-in-Extremes-Arguments-of-the-Uncommon-Man.pdf>



In the 1600s the “**Real World**” was opening up and people were exploring more widely than their religious beliefs and anxiety induced obsessions. Dutch artists were painting life and country as it was in “reality” not in some idealized religious fantasy.

*'There is no alleviation for the sufferings of mankind except **veracity of thought and of action**, and the **resolute facing of the world as it is** when the **garment of make-believe by which pious hands have hidden its uglier features is stripped off.**' - Author(Thomas Henry Huxley) Year[1908] Age(83) Source_Document(Aphorisms and Reflections from the Works of T. H. Huxley by Thomas Henry Huxley) Keyword(Humanism Truth Group) <http://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/38097/pg38097.txt>*

The Search for Certain Belief - Oops, I have lost my Certainty

We search for certainty and **strong internal beliefs** to help overcome our feeling of anxiety. See **Obvious Deluded Psychopaths – Extremists – Feminists** <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Obvious-Deluded-Psychopaths-Extremists-Feminists.pdf>

In the above document I explain how I gave myself **personal certainty** - a starting point for solid belief. In my case “*I Will Never Rob a Bank*” - and then **once this is believed with conviction** - without escape clauses or “perhaps” or “it depends on the circumstance”(Once zombies or aliens invade I will rob a bank) - this becomes a very real, describable, visualized and solid personal and private belief which helps ground things for you as you develop. More things are then able to be explored and questioned. You do not need to re-visit this kind of harmless belief - it is there for you alone - not on constant display of virtue or specialness (victim narratives) - it is for you alone, providing some self grounding. Some might describe this as some kind of **Moral position** and you can see what they mean. Other people might stake their internal belief on something like “I will kill as many people as I can” or “I will always lie to get what I want” or ‘I will always do everything for Myself no matter what damage is caused to others’. We can see this thinking in many people - narcissistic psychopaths and politicians seem to display this type of belief.

One of the many problems with religious types is belief is founded in delusion and vague notions “I Will Be Good” or “I Follow God’s commandments as delivered by the local tyrannical psychopath of

today.” Or “I will always do as I am told” or “I must obey the tribe”, “Be kind to fairies at the bottom of the garden”, “I must obey the Authoritarian Overlords” or some kind of list of documented “Commandments”. Usually the “belief” has to be **displayed to the Tribe** so they do not kill you.

'Human decency is not derived from religion. It precedes it.' - Author(**Christopher Hitchens**)
Year[2007] Age(58) Source_Document(God is not great) Keyword(Religion Morality Individual)
<https://www.goodreads.com/work/quotes/3442838-god-is-not-great-how-religion-poisons-everything>

People fall into habits to overcome their feelings and avoid thinking. See **Habitual Delusion**
<https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Habitual-Delusion.pdf>

If you have some personal certainty - your own private beliefs - then this can **help you navigate** your way in the world. These are your own individual and private beliefs - no-one else’s business and not something to parade and scream at the rest of the world with.

“Mummy, Look at me - I have Certain Belief!!, I am so Happy, I am so Proud! My mob are so happy for me”

Foisting your own personal beliefs on others and killing them if they disagree is barbaric and common in Muslim dominated countries, tyrannical regimes, China, Russia, Iran, Women and Blacks (Binary tribal victim narrative - on average), religious fanatics, tribal binary extremists and many other backwards and barbarian countries which have a long history of tribalism and tribal warfare.

An **Idea of the West** is to not kill people because of their **personal beliefs**. This is something Muslims and other tribal barbaric types do not comprehend. It is a “Null” concept.

The Heresy of Free Will, Choice, Responsibility and Accountability

Of course it takes time for each human to learn about how to behave and **become a responsible adult**. That is why learning cooperation and being educated about things is important for the young and continues throughout life. No country wants to keep everyone in an irresponsible child-like submissive state - do they? What would be the point of repeating the same tribal chants forever?

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pelagianism> The Idea that **individuals can choose to do things** - is Heresy to Religious fanatics. The Dogma - and those who make it - must be obeyed on pain of torture and death. **Authoritarian Tyrannies** have been around a long time using violence and threats to abuse people - the **“Fear of God’s Almighty Wrath”** is wielded on earth by those who are most dim-witted, pig-ignorant, tribal and violent as they gather around them - the weak minded, uneducated and confused individuals.

The Idea that “God” lays down all the laws and declares how everyone must behave is insane - but held widely amongst ignorant, uneducated and tribal types around the planet. The **idea of the West** to have “Nations” which **must continue to work** on organizing society and taking responsibility and accountability themselves for what they do or say - scares many weak minded humans - children, religious fanatics, women (on average - victim narratives) and uneducated tribal types and other barbarians.

The Pursuit of Truth Via Evolution

There is no hiding from Evolution. The Truth will get you in the end.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/No-hiding_theorem

Believers never want their subjective beliefs to be tested for objective truth. It upsets them, their power, their delusions, their wealth and their “happiness”.

You cannot virtue signal “Truth”

*'There is perhaps no phenomenon which contains so much destructive feeling as **'moral indignation,'** which permits envy or hate to be acted out under the **guise of virtue.**'* - Author(Erich Fromm)

Year[1947] Age(47) Source_Document(Man for Himself: An Inquiry Into the Psychology of Ethics)

Keyword(Virtue Vice Group) <https://archive.org/details/in.ernet.dli.2015.28965/page/n9/mode/2up>

'Sincerity is the end and beginning of things; without sincerity there would be nothing. On this account, the superior man regards the attainment of sincerity as the most excellent thing.' -

Author(Confucius) Year[-500] Age(51) Source_Document(The Analects) Keyword(Sincerity

Development Group) <https://en.wikiquote.org/wiki/Confucius>

<http://classics.mit.edu/Confucius/analects.html>

Some people have trouble admitting that they are **sincerely ignorant**. The Human Condition.

A Nation of Religious Beliefs or a Belief of Nation?

If everyone has different beliefs then what kind of belief can help overcome that constant warfare and tribalism? What about if I create a nation and declare;

***In this nation** you can believe your own **personal** beliefs but we will be governed by a constitution - sufficiently vague and sufficiently certain - the rule of law - over the commonwealth of the Nation - for the common good of all.*

You can **believe anything you want to** - **EVEN IF I THINK IT IS INSANE** - but do NOT Mandate your insane beliefs on everyone else. **Your insanity** is **NONE OF MY BUSINESS**.

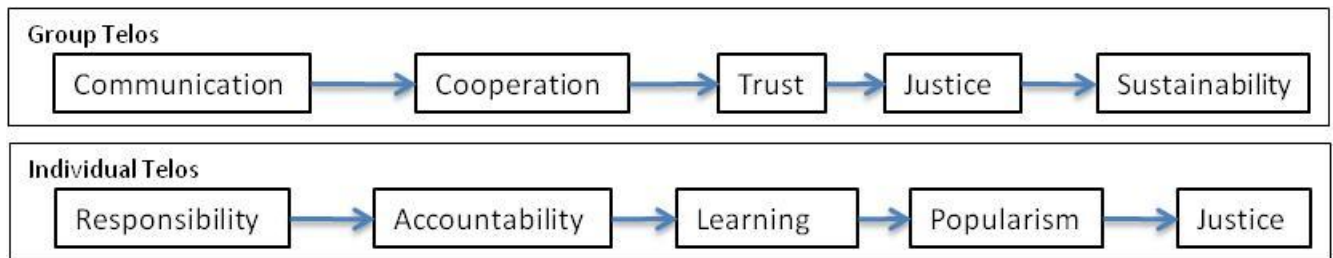
e.g. You can believe that I have RAPED YOU or CALLED DOWN THE DEVIL ON YOUR CROPS!!! BUT **Do not** go around SHARING YOUR INSANE BELIEFS with idiotic “heroes” and other deluded psychopaths to incite WITCH HUNTS, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LAWS, FAMILY LAW Acts, Witch craft Acts, Mob violence and murder.

Maybe nations need some kind of contract law or business statement?

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charter_of_Freedoms_and_Exemptions The Charter of Freedoms and Exemptions,[2] sometimes referred to as the Charter of Privileges and Exemptions,[3] is a document written by the Dutch West India Company in an effort to settle its colony of New Netherland in North America through the establishment of feudal patroonships purchased and supplied by members of the West India Company.

“I am “Innocent” of your asserted beliefs or delusions.”

Many people over many years have tried to overcome the tribalism and constant warfare. Maybe something as vague as this?



Doubt Versus Certainty

The Cartesian debates which raged in Utrecht and Leiden in the 1600s around Rene Descartes's philosophy were essentially about Doubt versus Certainty. The Certaintists all claimed **their** God as certain. Then they argued things like Soul. They had very fiery debates about how certain they were about everything and much of that certainty manifested itself as mandated dogma, heresy and witch trials https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Benedikt_Carpzov_Jr. around the country and the rise of "Puritanism" and extreme mandated religious dogma. Ongoing religious wars raged about "gods of certainty" and dogma. For example - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gottfried_Wilhelm_Leibniz **Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz** https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Discourse_on_Metaphysics put much of his certainty in his "God" - presumably the Protestant "**God**" of certain dogma.

Rene Descartes claims and his published writing that he had **personal doubt** was considered heresy. Even his **personal statement** "*I think therefore I am*" was considered heresy against the certain dogma. No one had a such a strong reaction to his maths and other achievements - they worked on them and improved them. They were more concerned about his **personal beliefs**.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cartesianism> **Cartesianism** is the *philosophical* and *scientific* system of [René Descartes](#) and its subsequent development by other seventeenth century thinkers, most notably [François Poullain de la Barre](#), [Nicolas Malebranche](#) and [Baruch Spinoza](#).^[1] Descartes is often regarded as the first thinker to emphasize the use of reason to develop the *natural sciences*.^[2] For him, philosophy was a thinking system that embodied all knowledge

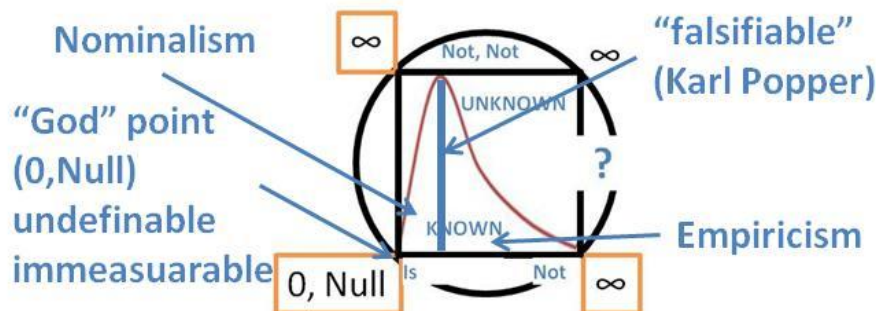
The idea of thinking and working on trying to understand and reason about things was completely different and a threat to experts who mandated the dogma. People all over Europe were able to embrace mathematics and formulas written by Descartes and others - and understand, **explore and discover** more things than even the "experts" in Dogma knew. This period in history is sometimes called "**The Scientific Revolution**". In Mathematical terms - what had happened is that the Pythagoras assertion was put into multiple terms in a "formula" and processes like differential calculus was applied to all the terms in the formula at the same time i.e. complexity for maths formulas had increased. **Algebra** had become more complex <https://www.britannica.com/science/algebra> and **Calculus** was developing <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Calculus> - mainly due to the advances in the models of the Universe and Astronomy. This *shift* in exploration of the world affected all things - chemistry, biology, botany, etc.

Professional “Expert” Theologians were threatened by Amateur thinkers making cogent Mathematical statements and correct Astronomical measurements and predictions.

Religious types kept asserting “God” and then “proving” their assertion https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramon_Llull - some with great long “logical” and “mathematical” statements - all failing to recognize the initial self-reference and recursions problems and their initial assumptions and assertions.

Even **Spinoza** starts with “God” [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethics_\(Spinoza_book\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethics_(Spinoza_book)) *The first part of the book addresses the relationship between God and the universe. Spinoza was engaging with a tradition that held that God exists outside of the universe, that God created the universe for a reason, and that God could have created a different universe according to his will. Spinoza denies each point. According to Spinoza, God is the natural world. Spinoza concludes that God is the substance comprising the universe; that God exists in itself, not outside of the universe; and that the universe exists as it does from necessity, not because of a divine theological reason or will.... Spinoza then uses the Ontological Argument as justification for the existence of God and argues that God must possess all attributes **infinitely**. Since no two things can share attributes, “besides God no substance can be granted or conceived.”*

“God is Nature, Nature is god” Initial self reference and Recursion. *a priori*. Once again Infinity becomes the definition i.e. infinitely undefined infinitely unmeasured as per my Plurality Model



Other asserted that Orthodoxy (**traditional beliefs** - e.g. “God” “That’s the way we do things around here”) were the essential starting point because nothing is perfect so we have to start somewhere it may as well be Traditional “God” https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gisbertus_Voetius “He maintained that human beings would be able to learn the truth from divine revelation, which was the only principle in the pursuit of truth.” i.e. you cannot have” truth” without belief in “god”.

Some were able to isolate their personal beliefs about religion from the reality of the world around them. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Balthasar_Bekker *An enthusiastic disciple of Descartes, he wrote several works on philosophy and theology, which by their freedom of thought aroused considerable hostility.[2] In his book De Philosophia Cartesiana Bekker argued that theology and philosophy each had their separate terrain and that Nature can no more be explained through Scripture than can theological truth be deduced from Nature.*

Debates about **maths and science** became (and still is) a major focus of thinkers and workers from around the time of Descartes - books, universities, scholars, and many others could DEBATE the topics of maths and science - blood, bones, medicine, botany, zoology, geology, history, anatomy,

optics, astronomy, chemistry, metallurgy, etc - WITHOUT KILLING PEOPLE FOR THEIR PERSONAL BELIEFS.

Journals and Magazines published scientific debates and arguments so more people could be involved in the exploration of ideas.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Journal_des_s%C3%A7avans *The **Journal des sçavans** (later renamed **Journal des savans** and then **Journal des savants**, lit. 'Journal of the Learned'), established by [Denis de Sallo](#), is the earliest [academic journal](#) published in Europe. It is thought to be the earliest published scientific journal...The first issue appeared as a twelve-page [quarto pamphlet](#)^[1] on Monday, 5 January 1665.^[2] This was shortly before the first appearance of the [Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society](#), on 6 March 1665.^[3] The 18th-century French physician and [encyclopédiste](#) [Louis-Anne La Virotte](#) (1725–1759) was introduced to the journal through the protection of chancellor [Henri François d'Aguesseau](#). Its content originally included obituaries of famous men, church history, scientific findings, and legal reports.^{[4][5][6]} [Natural philosophy](#) was part of its original scope. It is thought to be the first published scientific journal.*

Vigorous, critical, public debate was encouraged. Not only at universities and between universities - but by letters, books and journals - a culture of debate was encouraged. See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franco_Burgersdijk. Mersenne and Descartes were important figures central to many ongoing debates of the 1600s.

Marin Mersenne - Lifespan[1588 to 1648] Born_Loc(Oize, Maine (now Sarthe), France) Rank(1) Keyword(Science, Maths, Harmonics, Music, Debate, Correspondence, Religion), Wikidata(Q188663) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marin_Mersenne <https://mathshistory.st-andrews.ac.uk/Biographies/Mersenne/> <https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/mersenne/>

Rene Descartes - Lifespan[1596 to 1650] Born_Loc(La Haye en Touraine, Touraine, Kingdom of France (now Descartes, Indre-et-Loire)) Rank(1) Keyword(Philosophy, Math, Exponents, Science, Geometry, Algebra), Wikidata(Q9191) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ren%C3%A9_Descartes <http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/search/?query=rene+descartes> <https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/descartes/>

Now in Australia there is no debate about anything. **Experts mandate the dogma.** Scientific journals are "**Peer-reviewed**" (by friends and paid reviewers) rather than critically and thoroughly examined. E.g. "*Only my friends who agree with me would understand what I write*" or as Chris Bowen says "*I am right and everyone who disagrees with me is wrong and has always been wrong*"

While universities were growing in Europe in the 1600s - universities in Australia are stagnating and becoming more tribal with Tribal activists stopping debates and cancelling classes. Many are now stopping Jews from attending university and well as demonizing White Men and expelling those who do not agree with the Mandated Dogma and sing the tribal songs. Professors are promoted based on being a women or black or belonging to some declared victim group - rather than any talent or capabilities. They are promoted because they are Tribalists and encouraged to teach tribalism to their students. Topics like "Oppression" and "Hatred of White Men" and "Black Nations" "Who Needs Men anyway?" - no sense of inquiry - merely tribal victim narratives and mandated dogma.

In fact the very idea of being an intellectual or a thinker is attacked by the mob. Take The Knee to the dogma is violently demanded every day. The Australian Senate condemns anyone who dares to question. E.g. Bettina Arndt

Science and debate are NOW in serious decline in many parts of the world and in many fields - climate, weather, medicine, trans surgery, medical interventions in children, Euthanasia, etc.

Politicians in Australia make laws without even considering having a widespread community debate. Politicians will hide things and keep things secret until after they make the laws - usually with secret backroom deals with minor parties and independents. Idiot politicians in Canberra (not only the health ministers - but most of the others) Laugh and chortle about how much power they have and **how amazingly simple** it was to lie and get people to do exactly as you told them to do in a Mandated kind of way. "See how much power I have! See how stupid and gullible people are!"

Politicians hate community debates and the ABC and other media activists corrupt any debates with their personal and tribal agendas. In other words - the people in Power are at war with their own people and the idea of having a reasonable debate. The **hatred and derision** Politicians have for the people who have the role of electing them is on **constant display**. "Respect" is not something politicians seem to have - except for their **own tribe** and **tribal beliefs** (as mandated in Law and schools) <https://www.respect.gov.au/the-campaign/about-the-campaign> Violence against **women** ,blah,blah,blah,blah - the **entitled victim narrative** of **women and blacks**.

The Bounds of Freedom and Choice

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Francis_Turretin "The inability to do good is strongly asserted, but the essence of freedom is not destroyed" (*Institutio theologiae elencticae*, 10.2.9). They still have liberty which is not repugnant to **certain kinds of necessity**. For Turretin, neither the entities of the will nor the intellect are either the sole faculty of free will, which is rather conceived of **their plurality** as a mixed faculty. "As it belongs to the intellect with regard to the decision of choice, so it belongs to the will with regard to freedom" (*Institutio theologiae elencticae*, 10.1.4). Turretin distinguishes **six kinds of necessity** (*Institutio*, 10.2.4–9): physical necessity, necessity of coercion, necessity of dependence on God, rational necessity, moral necessity, and necessity of event. The first two among these six necessities are incompatible with freedom, whereas the latter four are not only compatible with freedom but perfect it. For example, treating upon the compatibility of moral necessity, Turretin asserts, despite the fact that a will can be rendered "slavish" if determined by habit to a manner of action, that "this servitude by no means overthrows the true and essential nature of liberty" (*Institutio theologiae elencticae*, 10.2.8). For Turretin, freedom does not arise from an indifference of the will. No rational beings are indifferent to good and evil. The will of an individual human being is never indifferent in the sense of possessing an equilibrium, either before or after the fall. Turretin defines freedom with the notion of rational spontaneity (*Institutio*, 10.2.10–11)"

We are not "Free" to flap our arms and fly into heaven. "Freedom" exists with a frame of some kind - the State, the Place we are, the Time, the bounds and constraints applicable at the time and place we are.

The Choice to do nothing exists then followed by infinitely many possible some things - even some things not yet thought of.

Choice and Freedoms exist within bounds and constraints.

What Francis and others describe as “*necessity*” has more to do with **motivations for choice** - which for humans is driven mainly by the brain as the human body makes its way in the chaotic world.

Does the fool walk over the cliff? Or does he notice it and listen to the dog’s barking and choose a different path? Avoiding the cliff seems to have some kind of “Utility” - it is not “magic”.

See **Zen and the Art of Golf** <https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Zen-and-the-Art-of-Golf.pdf>



Who Am I Talking to?

If you are able to talk to yourself in your head using words then you are “Self Aware”. You are aware of your own internal voice.

If you do that you can then ask yourself “How do I feel” then you can direct your senses to explore your body and tell you how you feel.

Babies who have tantrums scream because they have not developed a voice or control over their internal voice.

If you ask yourself “What am I thinking about” you might then try to understand what you are thinking about.

If you ask yourself ‘What would I like to think about?’ then you can direct your actions and thoughts to a certain thing like reading a book or writing things down and so on.

This is the “Mind” and people describe this as the mind/body problem - as in “Where does a Mind come from?”.

My answer to that is that it develops in each human over time and keeps developing as long as you are alive. A Human mind develops. I have memories but I cannot remember some point in the past where I “had a mind” although I now think I do have a mind.

The atomists and Frankenstein monster types what to deconstruct everything into component parts and engineer a “mind” on an assembly line. Current fads are to use terms like “Artificial Intelligence” and “Machine Learning”.

<https://www.thefp.com/p/things-worth-remembering-why-forgiveness> Douglas Murray links to Hannah Arendt - “Contemplation” of the Individual authentically engaged.

<https://www.loc.gov/resource/mss11056dig.051810/?sp=1&st=pdf&r=-0.221,0.042,1.442,1.442,0>
Forgiveness allows us to try again with our promises. I will try to do better next time.

Whose “Intelligence” - the experts? Why is one person’s mind considered better than another? Learning **constrained by the machine**???. Who thinks that’s a “good” idea?

As beautiful and impressive as pyramids and machines can be they will never be as beautiful and impressive as humankind.

No matter how bad the Other parent is - Children need to experience and learn from BOTH parents

Putting children between both parents - in the middle - provides an instant, intimate and ongoing compare and contrast narrative which helps children learn and grow.

Who in the right mind think that children do not need both parents?

Who in their right mind think children don’t need to be raised by both parents?

Who in their right mind thinks that children should be “given” to one parent instead of the other because they are “better” parents?

Lawyers, grifters, Family Law, Governments, Authoritarian regimes “Children Belong to the State”, Muslims, Harems, etc.

What we have now in Australia where men are desperate to raise their children on a daily basis but when divorced the Legal System, Family Law, Media, Politicians and Bad Actors in public service organizations do everything they can to stop men and the man’s extended family from seeing and raising their children.

All the Mistakes I Have Made

Every new day gives me chances to make mistakes and learn. The Human Condition.

- Looking backwards I remember most of my mistakes. I try not to let them overwhelm me.
- Looking forwards I am not afraid of making mistakes - but I try to be careful not to make mistakes.

Recent Investigations

Early 1600s.

Recent People

Pelagius - Lifespan[354 to 418] Born_Loc(England Unknown) Rank(20) Keyword(Religion, Heretic, Greek, Latin, Free Will), Wikidata(Q162593) <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pelagius>
<https://www.newadvent.org/cathen/11604a.htm> <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Pelagius-Christian-theologian>

Athanasius Kircher - Lifespan[1602 to 1680] Born_Loc(Geisa, Buchonia, Germany) Rank(10) Keyword(Religion, Geology, Translator, China, Egypt, Microbiology, medicine, history, physics, astronomy, math, music), Wikidata(Q76738) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Athanasius_Kircher
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John Evelyn - Lifespan[1620 to 1706] Born_Loc(Wotton, Surrey, England) Rank(40) Keyword(History, Gardening, Diarist), Wikidata(Q342712) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Evelyn
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<https://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/author/6100> ..

*We may well believe that these men were not only the salt but the substance of their order. There was an ill-bred section exclusively devoted to festivity and sport. There was an ill-conducted section, plunged into the dissipations of court life. But the majority were men like Evelyn: not, perhaps, equally refined by culture and travel, or equally interested in literary research and scientific experiment, but **well informed and polite**; no strangers to the Court, yet hardly [Pg x] to be called courtiers, and preferring country to town; loyal to Church and King but not fanatical or rancorous; as yet but **slightly imbued with the principles of civil and religious liberty, yet adverse to carry the dogma of divine right further than the right of succession**; fortunate in having survived all ideas of serfdom or vassalage, and in having **few private interests not fairly reconcilable with the general good**. Evelyn was made to be the spokesman of such a class, and, meaning to speak only for himself, he delivers its mind concerning the **Commonwealth** and the Restoration, the conduct of the later Stuart Kings and the Revolution....*

*At **Leyden**, I was carried up to the castle, or Pyrgus, built on a very steep artificial mount, cast up (as reported) by Hengist the Saxon, on his return out of England, as a place to retire to, in case of any sudden inundations.*

*The churches are many and fair; in one of them lies buried the learned and illustrious **Joseph Scaliger**, without any extraordinary inscription, who, having left the world a monument of his worth more lasting than marble, needed nothing more than his own name; which I think is all engraven on his sepulcher. He left his library to this University.*

28th August, 1641. I went to see the college and schools, which are nothing extraordinary, and was complimented with a matricula by the magnificent Professor, who first in Latin demanded of me where my lodging in the town was, my name, age, birth, and to what Faculty I addicted myself; then, recording my answers in a book, he administered an oath to me that I should observe the statutes and orders of the University while I stayed, and then delivered me a ticket, by virtue whereof I was made excise-free; for all which worthy privileges, and the pains of writing, he accepted of a rix-dollar.

Here was now the famous **Dan. Heinsius**, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dani%C3%ABl_Heinsius whom I so longed to see, as well as the no less famous printer, Elzevir's printing-house and shop, renowned for the politeness of the character and editions of what he has published through Europe. Hence to the physic-garden, well stored with exotic plants, if the catalogue presented to me by the gardener be a faithful register.

But, among all the rarities of this place, I was much pleased with a sight of their anatomy-school, theater, and repository adjoining, which is well furnished with natural curiosities; skeletons, from the whale and elephant to the fly and spider; which last is a very delicate piece of art, to see how the bones (if I may so call them of so tender an insect) could be separated from the mucilaginous parts of that minute animal. Among a great variety of other things, I was shown the knife newly taken out of a drunken Dutchman's guts, by an incision in his side, after it had slipped from his fingers into his stomach. The pictures of the surgeon and his patient, both living, were there.[Pg 26]

There is without the town a fair Mall, curiously planted.

Returning to my lodging, I was showed the statue, cut in stone, of the happy monk, whom they report to have been the **first inventor of typography**, set over the door; but this is much controverted by others, who strive for the glory of it, besides John Gutenberg.

Samuel Pepys - Lifespan[1633 to 1703] Born_Loc(City of London, England) Rank(70) Keyword(Diarist, History, Naval), Wikidata(Q106143) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samuel_Pepys <https://www.pepysdiary.com/> <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Samuel-Pepys>

Inigo Jones - Lifespan[1573 to 1652] Born_Loc(Smithfield, London) Rank(80) Keyword(Architect, Stage Design, Theatre, Masques, Artist), Wikidata(Q295929) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Inigo_Jones <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Inigo-Jones>

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9. <https://citynews.com.au/2024/arbitrary-and-bullying-exercise-of-the-taxing-power/> What makes it even more brazen is the fact that this government has shown no prudence with money with a history of waste, for example, on failed and vanity projects, ministers' learning exercises and inflated contracts for preferred tenderers to the point we have lost our credit rating, have suffered a run of a dozen deficit budgets, have spiralling debt and are well advanced down the road to financial ruin.
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12. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Opxhh9Oh3rq> The Beatles - Now And Then (Official Music Video)
13. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adriaan_Vlacq **Adriaan Vlacq** (1600–1667) was a Dutch book publisher and author of mathematical tables. Born in [Gouda](#), Vlacq published a table of [logarithms](#) from 1 to 100,000 to 10 decimal places in 1628 in his [Arithmetica logarithmica](#).
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20. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adam_Wybe Adam Wiebe (born July 12, 1584^[1]^[2] in Harlingen, Friesland, died in 1653 in Danzig), was an engineer and inventor of Dutch origin, active mainly in Danzig (Gdańsk), in what was then the Polish–Lithuanian Commonwealth. His work includes the **world's first cable car on multiple supports in 1644**. It was the biggest built until the end of the 19th century
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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philip_Neri "Practical commonplaceness," says Frederick William Faber in his panegyric on Philip, "was the special mark that distinguishes his form of ascetic piety from the types accredited before his day. He looked like other men. ...He was emphatically a modern gentleman, of scrupulous courtesy, and sportive gaiety, acquainted with what was going on in the world, taking a real interest in it, giving and getting information, very neatly dressed, with a shrewd common sense always alive about him, in a modern room with modern furniture, plain, it is true, but with no marks of poverty about it – in a word, with all the ease, the gracefulness, the polish of a modern gentleman of good birth, considerable accomplishments, and widespread knowledge."
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33. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antoine_Bo%C3%ABsset At the court he got to know **Descartes**, Mersenne and Huygens. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Palace_of_Fontainebleau
34. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beta_Israel
35. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henri_Louis_Habert_de_Montmor An avid supporter of Descartes, Habert wrote a poem on Cartesian physics entitled *De rerum naturae* and collected scientific instruments. He was a friend of Mersenne, who dedicated his *Harmonie Universelle* to Montmor, and a great friend of Pierre Gassendi, who dedicated to him his *Life of Tycho Brahe*. Gassendi also left him an astronomical telescope he had been left by Galileo. Three years after Gassendi's death, Habert edited his complete works in 6 volumes, writing its Latin preface. Besides Gassendi, he gathered a [salon](#) of savants and philosophers which included, among others: [Pierre Daniel Huet](#), [Jean Chapelain](#), [Adrien Auzout](#), [Girard Desargues](#), [Samuel Sorbière](#), [Claude Clerselier](#), [Jacques Rohault](#), [Guy Patin](#), [Frénicle de Bessy](#), [Pierre Petit](#), [Melchisédech Thévenot](#), [Roberval](#) and [Huygens](#).
36. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/French_Academy_of_Sciences The French Academy of Sciences (French: *Académie des sciences*, [akademi de sjãs]) is a learned society, founded in 1666 by Louis XIV at the suggestion of Jean-Baptiste Colbert, to encourage and protect the spirit of French scientific research. It was at the forefront of scientific developments in Europe in the 17th and 18th centuries, and is one of the earliest Academies of Sciences
37. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carolus_Clusius
38. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Benedikt_Carpzov_Jr. Benedikt Carpzov the Younger (27 May 1595, Wittenberg - 30 August 1666, Leipzig) was a German criminal lawyer and a witchcraft theoretician who wrote extensively on witch processes. His 1635 work *Practica Rerum Criminalium* dealt with the trial of those accused of witchcraft, **supporting the use of torture to extract confessions from the accused**. Carpzov is considered the founder of the German jurisprudence. He is also known under pen-name Ludovicus de Montesperato.
39. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/An_Apologeticall_Narration
40. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cartesianism>
41. https://pure.eur.nl/ws/portalfiles/portal/126754190/Cartesian_and_Anti_Cartesian_Disputation.pdf
42. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antoine_Arnauld

43. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramon_Llull
44. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ehrenfried_Walther_von_Tschirnhaus
45. <https://www.doria.fi/bitstream/handle/10024/184092/111088-Article%20Text-224987-1-10-20220228%20helenius.pdf;jsessionid=C3AC32AC99D8C7646949CD83C6EE0776?sequence=1>
46. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henricus_Reneri
47. https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johannes_de_Bruin
48. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas_Abbt
49. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dioptrique>
50. https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vopiscus_Fortunatus_Plempius
51. https://fr-m-wikipedia-org.translate.google.com/wiki/Les_controverses_du_cart%C3%A9sianisme?x_tr_sl=auto&x_tr_tl=en&x_tr_hl=en-US&x_tr_pto=wapp
52. <https://philarchive.org/archive/KAUCSI>
53. <https://nature.berkeley.edu/departments/espm/env-hist/articles/3.pdf>
54. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethics_\(Spinoza_book\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethics_(Spinoza_book))
55. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pierre_Bayle
56. <https://gutenberg.org/ebooks/17147> *Theodicy by Freiherr von Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz ...*
*The unity of consciousness is the representation of a **plurality**—the plurality of the members, and through them the plurality of the world. Here, surely, was the very principle the new philosophy needed for the reconciliation of substantial unity with mechanical plurality of parts. For it is directly evident to us that **consciousness focuses the plurality of envioning things in a unity of representation. This is no philosophical theory, it is a simple fact. Our body, then, as a physical system is a mechanical plurality; as focused in consciousness it is a unity of 'idea'.***
57. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pineal_gland
58. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK550972/> *The pineal gland was described as the “Seat of the Soul” by Renee Descartes and it is located in the center of the brain. The main function of the pineal gland is to receive information about the state of the light-dark cycle from the environment and convey this information by the production and secretion of the hormone melatonin.*
59. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samoset>
60. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Dury *After the war in England had ended, he argued both for religious toleration, and for acceptance of the Parliamentary regime. He incurred the displeasure of the Westminster Assembly, to which he belonged,[23] for his part in the 1648 publication (with **Hartlib** and **John Goodwin**) in the translation of part the theological work *Satanae Strategemata* of Jacob Acontius on toleration*
61. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ibn_Tufayl
<https://archive.org/details/improvementhuma00ocklgoog/page/n11/mode/2up>
<https://sacred-texts.com/isl/hpi/hpi23.htm>
<https://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/author/6959> *The Improvement of Human Reason by Muhammad ibn 'Abd al-Malik Ibn Tufayl*
<https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/16831/pg16831-images.html>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peripatetic_school
62. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Socinianism>

63. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samuel_Hartlib **Hartlib** is often described as an "intelligencer", and indeed has been called "the Great Intelligencer of Europe".[4] His main aim in life was to further knowledge. He kept in touch with an array of contacts from high philosophers to gentleman farmers. He maintained a voluminous correspondence, lost in 1667, but much recovered since 1945;[5] it is housed in a special Hartlib collection at the University of Sheffield, England. Hartlib became one of the best-connected intellectual figures of the Commonwealth era. **He was responsible for patents, spreading information and fostering learning.** He circulated designs for calculators, double-writing instruments, seed machines and siege engines. His letters in German, Latin, English and other languages have been subjected to close modern scholarship. Hartlib set out with a universalist goal: "**to record all human knowledge and to make it universally available for the education of all mankind**".[6] His work has been compared to modern internet search engines
64. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Polyglot_\(book\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Polyglot_(book))
65. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_Ussher He called a secret meeting of the Irish bishops in his house in November 1626, the result being the "Judgement of the Arch-Bishops and Bishops of Ireland". This begins: The religion of the papists is **superstitious and idolatrous**; their faith and doctrine **erroneous and heretical**; their church in respect of both, apostatical; to give them, therefore, a **toleration, or to consent that they may freely exercise their religion**, and profess their faith and doctrine, is a **grievous sin**. The Judgement was not published until it was read out at the end of a series of sermons against the Graces given at Dublin in April 1627.
66. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul_Guldin
67. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Casuistry> - abstracting for the particular to the universal and back to another particular
68. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johannes_Loccenius
69. <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-13554601/lynch-mob-tourist-police-station-beat-death-fire-Koran-Pakistan.html> Furious lynch mob snatch tourist from a police station and beat him to death then set him on fire after accusing him of desecrating the Koran in Pakistan
70. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Evelyn **John Evelyn FRS** (31 October 1620 – 27 February 1706) was an English writer, landowner, **gardener**, courtier and minor government official, who is now best known as a **diarist**. He was a founding Fellow of the **Royal Society**.
71. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gabriel_Naud%C3%A9 Librarian
72. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ernst_R%C3%BCdiger_von_Starhemberg **Count Ernst Rüdiger von Starhemberg** (12 January 1638 – 4 January 1701) was military governor of Vienna from 1680, the city's defender during the Battle of Vienna in 1683, Imperial general during the Great Turkish War,.. In 1683 he was military commander of the city of Vienna, with fewer than 20,000 men to oppose about 120,000 besieging Ottomans. On 15 July 1683 Starhemberg refused an offer by the Turkish commander Kara Mustafa Pasha to capitulate, counting on the speedy arrival of an Imperial army, sent by the Habsburg emperor Leopold I who had fled his residence, and the strength of city walls which had been fortified after the first Ottoman Siege of Vienna in 1529... **Later generations have idealized Starhemberg as saviour of the Western world and culture.** By order of Emperor **Franz Joseph I of Austria**, a statue was erected in his honour in 1872 at the **Heeresgeschichtliches Museum** in Vienna,

where the **Battle of Vienna** is thoroughly documented, with Starhemberg's [épée](#) and [armour](#) on display.

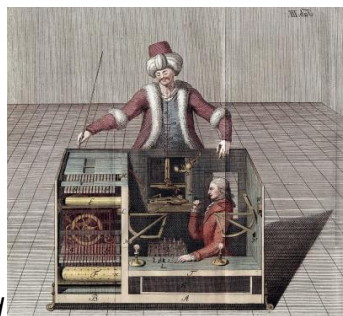
73. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cornelis_Pietersz_Bega By **Cornelis Pietersz Bega** - J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, Public Domain, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=403024>



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74. <https://quadrant.org.au/magazine/2024/06/the-betrayal-of-the-intellectuals/> **fair use public interest** "The inquiry by the committee on Australian universities in 1957, known as the "Murray Report", stressed the importance of academics exercising free speech which would, at times, be unpopular, in order to challenge the self-delusion of governments and of the people generally. "The spirit of that report is now virtually forgotten", the four professors mentioned earlier note in their article. "Increasingly authoritarian university managements dissociated from academic values, undermine the work of academics" and endanger the public life of the nation. The time is long overdue for academics to rise to the challenge of defending the idea of a university against the forces outside of it and, now, deeply embedded inside, which are inimical to universities achieving their true purpose. "
75. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mechanical_Turk **The Turk**, was a **fraudulent chess**-playing **machine** constructed in 1770, which appeared to be able to play a strong game of chess against a human opponent. For 84 years, it was exhibited on tours by various owners as an **automaton**. The machine survived and continued giving occasional exhibitions until 1854, when a fire swept through the museum where it was kept, destroying the machine. Afterwards, articles were published by a son of the machine's owner revealing its secrets to the public: that **it was an elaborate hoax**, suspected by some, but never proven in public



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