

## INTRODUCTION

### *Challenging Eurocentrism: 45 Theses*

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It is high time, in this Late Era, the *High Noon of Modernism*, to articulate a true Cosmology for the Sciences and the Humanities, replacing that tendentious legacy of Misogyny and Misanthropy bequeathed us by the European Enlightenment, namely, *Modernism*.

In that vein, I offer the following *Theses*, for due consideration, not for “*debate*” or “*argument*,” which is the rather fruitless Modernist Way, but for serious, sobrietyous *reflection*.

*There is no God's-Eye View of the World*: so, all is couched here in the implicit belief in the *Suchness* of Things, in the inherent *Maybe-ness* of Phenomena, and in their Ineffable *Many-Sidedness*, Methodological Tenets of Ancient Jain Philosophy, circa Fifth century BC which, like so much that is unknown to Modernist audiences, is amongst the World's foremost Scientific Traditions.

1. We are, contrary to the ruling precepts of Judeo-Christian Ideology, *Self-realized*, and *Self-realizing*, *Animals at all times*: notions of *Progress* and *Regress*, thereby, carry no valency [except as purely *arbitrary* constructions].

2. Nature has programmed us in many ways: so life on Earth, in its Cosmic sense, is beyond Anthropoc notions of Good and Evil, no matter how inescapable such judgments might appear to be.

**THEOREM# A:** *Men are endowed with the Instinct to Kill, Women with the Instinct to Nurture, quite regardless of Culturally specified Roles and Responsibilities that mediate such Drives.*

Men and Women constitute therefore *Two Distinct Sub-Species*, occupying differing Ontic and Epistemic Spaces. Their respective “*Cluster of Traits*,” I title the *Paradigm of Masculinity* and the *Paradigm of Femininity*.

3. As *Hominids*, we are endowed with no special tilt toward either Equity or Justice; recall that Nature, proverbially, is “*red in tooth and claw*”: and so are we.

4. Our *Species-Being* is *Trans-human*, it's what we share with the broader *genus* of *Hominids*.

5. The “*Meaning of Life*,” if one exists at all, might simply be *To Be*, not *To Become*: and life is only “*solitary, nasty, brutish and short*”—under uniquely *Modernist Ontology, Epistemology, and Practices*.

6. Modernism, was first erected in Europe, *whence its synonymy with Eurocentrism*, on the *Metaphysical Triad* of: (a) a near blind “Faith” in *Science*, (b) a self-serving, and Triumphant, Belief in *Progress*, and (c) a Philosophy of rampant *Materialism* [a *Fourth Adjunct* would be the readiness to deploy illimitable *Statist Violence* to achieve Policy Ends: to cite even the great Libertarian, J. S. Mill, it’s quite right to “*force people to be free*”].

7. *Modernist Civil Society* is a fateful innovation, set apart from the Two prior *Universal Archetypes*: the hoary *Natural Society of Tribe*, imbued with the *Cooperative Paradigm of Femininity*, and the *Masculinist Social Frame of Empire*, run through with the eternal *Dialectic of War*.

It appears, epistemically, when *Masculinist Greed* overcomes the more mundane *Masculinist drives for Power and Domination*, subverting, in process, the complex of *Feminine Hospitalities* implicit in *Familial/Tribal society*.

8. Modernism constructs a rabid, *Masculinist*, “*Political Economy of Interests*”—the fount of All putative “*Social Contract*” notions of *Society*—extinguishing wherever possible our *Primal, Feminine, “Moral Society of Affections.”*

THEOREM# B: *It is this Gratuitous Ravagement of the Gratuity of Kinship and Affinity that lies at the base, and is the Root Cause, of All our Modernist Alienations.*

At its very *Zenith*, this Path leads us only to our emergent, contemporary reality of a *Casino Economy*, a *Video Culture*, and a *Techno-Fascist Polity*.

THEOREM# C: *Anthropic Society is based on Reciprocal, Affective Ties, not “Social Contracts.”*

9. *Patriarchy*, an *Anthropic Universal*, repeatedly unseats all our naïve *Plans for Amelioration*. The best one can do here has already been achieved historically by *Tribal Society*, to *imprison Men’s murderous impulses within the healing Matrix of Natural Affinity/Kinship* [in effect, the *Anthropic Utopia* has always been both *Immanent* and *Pre-achieved*: it is in no need of the gratuitous *Caricature of Modernist Invention*].

10. *Modernist Utopianism*, *More to Marx*, which has martyred millions is, at best, a plaintive protest at our uninspiring *Anthropic Fate*; at worst, the devious plan of dangerous madmen seeking, as ever, *Absolute Power*.

11. Indeed, all *Modernist Agendas*, of the *Left or Right*, need to be categorically rejected as specious.

THEOREM# D: *Men, in their Collective aspect, are not to be trusted with Power, and Modernist Patriarchs, devoid of many “natural stabili[z]ers,” least of all.*

THEOREM# E: *Indeed, all Modernist Paths, Left or Right, lead only to swift and sure Perdition.*

12. *Modernist Ideologies* are both banal and destructive: they hold aloft the barren/dissembling/tendentious slogans of *Equality* and *Freedom*, the better only to ensnare us into serving the greater *Glory/Greed* of the *Ruling Orders*.

13. *Modernist Nation-States* [constructed on the notion of *bellum omnia contra omnes*], much as *Civil Society*, are imposed, *Inauthentic Entities*, uniquely European in provenance, and devoid of *Anthropic Meaning*, that serve only to deceive and/or Alienate the *Subject Orders*: they neither correspond to, nor serve, *our Real Anthropic Needs/Natures*.

14. *Civil Society*—the Preeminent Domain of all our Anti-Social drives and the High Icon of Liberals—is itself held together only by sheer Force, Economic Dependency, and Propaganda.

THEOREM# F: *Economics is but the Crown Jewel of the Hegemonic Ideology of Civil Society, i.e., Modernism. It is a Program that uniquely promotes the Modernist Agenda, not the “Science” it pretends to be.*

15. Democracy, reducing to a mere *Voting Rule*, is oft the preferred internal tool for *Ruling Strata*, when in a *State of Equipoise*, to Resolve Differences, wherever possible, without bloodshed. As such, it is far from being a *Modernist* invention. But it is a *patent fraud* as far as *Subject Peoples* in *Civil Society* are concerned, and functions merely as an Ideological Instrument of *Mass-Deception*.

THEOREM# G: *Tribal Formations aim at, and achieve, Consensual, and hence Convivial, Modes of Existence, far beyond the imagination of Modernism.*

16. *Modernist Institutions* that rule the globe today are uniquely *Germanic* in origin: i.e., *German Protestantism wedded to Anglo-Saxon Mercantilism*. As Max Weber well understood, *Protestant Theology* and *Capitalist Ideology* are near-identical and homologous.

17. Indeed, as an aside, *Northern Europe* first annexed the Legal / Commercial accomplishments of *Southern Europe*, [the so-called *Renaissance*], which was part of a larger *Pan-Mediterranean Civilization*, itself fertilized by Egyptian/Indian/Chinese ideas, and next garnered the Ideational/Material resources of the colonized *Non-Europeans* [*viz.*, the so-called, *Enlightenment/Industrial Revolution*].

*The North produced little, but knew How to Appropriate*: to this day, that basic pattern, of a globe under the Domination of Anglo-Saxon institutional *Hegemony*, has not yet altered.

18. The *only* instruments that *Northern Europe* truly perfected, above all other *Anthropic Species*, are the mechanisms material to *Waging War*, and the means ideological of Defrauding Peoples, *that is, Cannon and Chicanery*. To this day, it is these that remain the Twin Bases of their near total *Hegemony*.

19. As *Hominids*, i.e., as *Mammals*, it is not Liberty and Equality we seek, but Care, Reciprocity, Consideration, Nurturance, and Warmth.

*Contra Marx*, our *Species-being* is not expressed in *Labor* [that, regrettably, is a uniquely *Protestant* notion] but in *Play and Conviviality*, albeit within the frame of societal and cultural norms. It is this, immanent, “*Sympathy of Life*” that *Modernism* destroys.

20. The Life-or-Death struggles that bestride the world today are now inevitably between the *Mammals and the Reptiles* [i.e., between *Civilization* and *Modernism*].

21. Darwin published far too late for Marx to renounce his inescapable *Judeo-Christian Ideology*, carrying idealistic, delusional, and fantastic

notions of “*Human Perfectibility*.” Unless God, perchance, is an Ape, we are not molded in His/Her/Its image.

22. *Modernism is the ultimate Iron Cage within a Bell Jar*: there has been no societal order on this Planet that demands more *Incessant Labors* from the many, and yields us less *Leisure* and *Conviviality* than *Modernist Civil Society*.

THEOREM# H: *Universal Egoism [Hegel] breeds only Universal Discontent [and Existential Despair]*.

23. Within *Modernism*, there is no such thing as a meaningful “*Social Science*” divorced from the eternal *Agendas of Domination and Resistance*, i.e., the perpetual *Masculinist* struggles between, what *Karl Mannheim* termed, *Ideology* and *Utopia*.

THEOREM# I: *Indeed, Modernist Social Science is simply the secular version of Judeo-Christian Ideology, and is equally Protestant and Monotheistic.*

24. Further, this *Modus of Science*, is neither a necessary nor a sufficient condition for *Emancipation from Modernist Grids*.

THEOREM# J: *Anthropic Oppressions are first Felt, and then possibly Acted upon: they do not require to be Theorized, except as an effete Exercise in Abstraction.*

25. The *Newtonian, Reductionist, Materialist* philosophy undergirding *Modernist Science*, is both false and obsolete. Matter is not dead and inert: but conscious, self-aware, and, occasionally, articulate. *We, ourselves, are living Testimony to that.*

Indeed, we have moved, within *European Thinking*, from *Deterministic Physics* [1600–1925], via *Indeterminist Physics* [1925–1995], to *Self-Deterministic Physics* [1995–?] today. Regrettably, however, most *Modernist Science/Ideology*, Left or Right, is still trapped, somewhat immaturely, in *Phase One* of this dramatic *Evolution*.

26. *Modernist Science* has long monopolized a species of *Instrumental Knowledge*; but there are, and have always been, great *Competing Traditions*, ruthlessly suppressed by *Modernism*, that are now, albeit slowly, reviving globally.

Aside from *Reason*, the *Human Ape* is pre-given both *Instinct* and *Intuition*, even upon rare occasion, *Revelation*, the latter tapping into a reservoir of what *Jung* called, after *Vedic Philosophy*, the “*Collective Consciousness*,” a species of *Quantum Interconnectedness*: and *Modernists* barely know the power of the latter for having neglected/disparaged these *Bountiful Avenues*, for centuries.

27. The *Fundamental Hominid Condition* is *Autonomy* and *Self-Regulation*, not “*Liberty*” or “*Freedom*,” which are mere *Modernist* dissemblings:

THEOREM# K: *Both Capitalism and Socialism, the Tweedledum and Tweedledee of Modernist Discourse, deny this Natural Condition, and so are, sooner or later, Prefigured to Perish.*

28. The only meaningful “*freedoms*” are not freedoms at all, but vital *Anthropic Necessities*: *Freedom from Want, Fear, and Indignity*—and no *Modernist Formation* has ever been able, even if/when willing, to guarantee those, in practice.

29. *Civilization*, in the sense of the *Pacification of Anthropic Existence*, is effected by near *invisible Gender Struggles*, not *Class struggles*, which are *Masculinist* struggles primarily, if not exclusively, about *Power*.

THEOREM# L: *Women, via their Paradigm of Femininity, are the Trustees Eternal of Anthropic Civilization.*

THEOREM# M: *Stated simply, Women Build inescapably, and incessantly, in this area: and Men, equally invariably, and uninterruptedly, Destroy.*

30. Aside from *Gender*, and *Inter-Tribalist*, tensions, *Change* arises within Anthropic Society also through the continuous *Dialectic of Random Individual Deviance* pitted against the *Norms of Group Conformity* [similar, homologously, to unexpected “*mutations*” in Darwinian Evolutionary Theory].

31. THEOREM# N: *It appears almost a Natural Fact that Micro/Individual behavior is “Free” [i.e., relatively Unpredictable] whilst Macro/Group behavior is more “Constrained” [Predictable].*

32. Being *Herd Animals*, we follow *Totemic Charisma*, quite naturally; and can be led/misled, willy-nilly, as such leadership chooses. [Anthropic *Politics*, thereby, is *not*, necessarily “rational.”]

THEOREM# O: *Charismatic Leaders, thereby, are oft the Characteristic Tools of Radical, overarching Anthropic Change, for better or for worse.*

33. Yet, despite these *Ills/Oppressions* of Anthropic Existence, there appears to be a *natural shrewdness* [likely a “survival” instinct] to the species that asserts itself, *if only in the last instance*, usually forestalling the ever-cumulating *Doomsday Plans* of our *Totemic Leadership(s)*.

34. Anthropic Culture is *Particularistic*, and emphasizes *Uniqueness* and *Difference*; Modernism Standardizes, Universalizes, and Homogenizes, only as prelude to *Conquest* and *Control*.

35. The Provenance of what passes for *Morality and Ethics* lies in the Natural, Anthropic *Species-Need* to rear the vulnerable newborn, safely and securely, in the torrid war zones that *Masculinity* creates spontaneously.

36. Given the *Natural Role* of Women as the very *First Natural Care-givers* of Children, they become, in effect, the *Original Bearers* of all Human Civility.

THEOREM# P: *Indeed, Women and Children, together, form the Fundamental, Constituent, Anthropic Units.*

37. *Women, Workers, Traditional/Tribal Societies* all live in an *Implicit or Explicit Moral Economy* and, in varying degree, form the *Natural Opposition to Modernism*. They define, now as ever, its enduring *Natural Limits*.

One might also add that Modernism has functioned, since about the Sixteenth century as the *Colored Man’s, Women’s, Tribals’, and Workers’,* overwhelming *Blight, Cross, and Anathema*.

38. We flourish most naturally in *Packs and Herds*, i.e., in *Families and Tribes* [our *Natural State*], and inevitably, and transparently, rot and decay in “*Civil Society*,” succumbing to *Anomie* and/or *Angst*, or worse.

39. THEOREM# Q: *Being Natural Creatures, the more we dwell apart from Nature the more Pathologies we adopt and assimilate on a continuing basis.*

40. Contrary to many views, it is *not* the Planet that is endangered by Modernism: *We are*. Indeed, if Modernism lasts much longer, it is *We* who will be gone, *not* the Planet. In fact, in terms of Species' "rise and fall," we may well be at the Critical Margins today.

41. Freud, prototypically trapped within *the Dialectic of Civil Society*, and in uniquely Modernist fashion, was *wholly wrong*: our Manifest Discontent is not *with Civilization*—but, *au contraire*, with *the pathetic dearth of it in Modernist Society*

42. *Religiosity*, far from being a Sop or an Opiate, is simply the *Collective Intuition* of a larger Cosmology than afforded by the *Bleakness of the Anthropic Prospect*, i.e., it is the ultimate *Search for Transcendence* intrinsic to our Anthropic Natures. *Its Truth value, case by case, is an Open issue: not a Closed one.*

THEOREM# R: *Religion is the Spontaneous Metaphysics of the Species, and also the Evolving Repertory of its Natural Ethics.*

43. *Modernism fears Religion*, not for its *Reactionary, Delusionary* leanings, but for the *exact opposite*: its *Revolutionary/Revelatory* potential. In fact, the Protestant Revolution was uniquely *Modernist*, i.e., *reactionary*, seeking to dull the Moral/Ethical force of hoary, Fundamentalist Christianity, an impediment to its own Materialist, Misanthropic Ambitions and Agendas.

44. The Meaning of *Anthropic Alienation*—a *uniquely Modernist Condition*—and, more importantly, its *Antidote*, must now be abundantly clear: We need (a) to Relink with our *Internal Mammalian/Hominid* Natures [i.e., immerse ourselves within the *Affective Values of Kinship*, real or ersatz], and (b) Realign ourselves with /within the *Rhythms of External Nature*.

45. If/When we do, rejecting the Bane of *Eurocentric Cosmologies*, then it still is/will be, despite its inherently enigmatic nature, both a Bounteous, and Self-Fulfilling Universe, as the Bushmen and the Aborigines, and legions of Native Cultures, have *always* known.

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