

The dimension of Principle

Experiencing the freedom, and the power of timeless principle

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*Principle is:
What no man has created
What discovery reveals
What experience demonstrates
What gives wings to freedom*

We need boundless freedom to face the challenges of the New Ice Age ahead

Is the standard of economic principle, as expressed in the Universe, is expressed in a 100,000-fold gain?

Principle is Power

Mankind is self-conscious in being conscious of the principle of the Universe.

Those are big words, but are they true? The Master of Christianity is reported to have said: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." And what is this truth? Indeed, what would it be, but an awareness of the operation of universal principles; the principles that exist; the principles of the Universe; the principles that are reflected in it?

It is a failure in language to speak of such a thing as a principle of monetarism; or a principle of empire; or a principle of evil; or a principle of entropy. Such notions exist only in false imagination, because one finds no reflection of these imagined principles in the operation of the Universe. None! No facet of the Universe is self-defeating, contrary to itself, and self-collapsing by design. This does not mean that one cannot recognize the existence of advancing orders of principles, but does mean that all principles have a common characteristic: They are harmonizing and constructive, and are essential factors towards a greater purpose.

An example can be found in the physical force of mass, and gravity. According to the most advanced perception in nuclear physics the gravitational hold that the Sun has on a planet, especially on a distant one like Pluto across 7 billion kilometers. This far reaching hold should not exist. There is no physical cause known that causes masses of particles to attract each other - that makes an apple fall onto the ground. Still the apple does fall. Nor can any shielding be created that prevents this all-pervading attraction. It just happens. Nothing can prevent it. It evidently exists, because without it the Universe would not exist. It exists as a force of Principle, a outcome of Intention. And again, the intention is a harmonizing one. The principles of the Universe do not act contrary to each other, but cooperate in a manner that enables the Universe to exist. If a single principle would cease to function, the Universe would cease to be.

We utilize discovered principles in essentially the same manner. We recognize a principle's potential, and then employ the potential towards a specific, desired end. This capability gives us the power to achieve great things. By means of making successive discoveries of how the universe works, we gain progressively greater powers to exercise our intention for causing our world to change. These successive discoveries provide us progressive powers. These in turn match out development needs.

For example our progressive discoveries of principles for energy production -- *from wood; to coal; to oil; to nuclear fission; to utilizing the electric power that powers the Sun* -- offer us successive capabilities for achieving ever-greater power densities. However, each stage along this chain represents the discovery of a higher-order principle, which in turn represents a higher-order effort in making the discoveries and creating the technologies for utilizing the discovered principles. For each successive stage, also higher orders of development in society are needed, both qualitatively and numerically. This is primarily the reason why the technological capability for last two stages, from nuclear fission, to nuclear fusion, and to the tapping into the electric power-flows that power the Sun, have not yet been achieved. We are still on the road of discovering the utilization of the higher-order principles that we know to exist.

The progression to ever-higher-order principles

It is evident in almost everything that has to do with civilization.

Take transportation for example. We face the same line of development there -- *from horse drawn buggies; to the railway trains; to automobiles; to airplanes; to rocket space ships to the moon (Apollo project); to mag-lev trains; to building a moon base; and to building a transpiration system to the planets; and ultimately a systems for traveling to the stars* -- which offer us at each single stage successively greater capabilities.

The nature of development is that we cannot stop along the way. If we stop, we die. If life is stopped, death follows. We see the tragedy of a halted progression evident in our food supply, in agriculture for example. The normal progression is -- *from hand-powered agriculture with virtually no irrigation and no fertilization; to animal-powered agriculture with some primitive fertilization; to advanced mechanized agriculture with powered irrigation and scientific seed-development* -- which offer us vastly greater yields at every stage. Unfortunately for a billion of the world's 1.4 billion farmers, development was stopped at the first stage by the cold hand of poverty, with the result of large scale starvation. The first stage of agriculture rarely exceeds 10 quintals of products per acre and per farmer. For the second stage the yield goes up dramatically, up to 50-fold per farmer. For the third stage the yield is 2,000 times greater per farmer. But we can't stop there either. With the next Ice Age approaching in which outdoor agriculture ends, we need to develop the capability for indoor agriculture with scientifically optimized environments and automated processing, yields may be achieved that are a hundred times greater than the best of today, If we stop along the way, civilization ends, and much of mankind with it. In order to assure that this doesn't happen, a corresponding human development needs to be achieved.

Human development starts with the development of efficient housing. The mental development of society is blocked when adequate housing is not achieved. With society being its own greatest asset, the protection and development of this asset had got to be the first priority. The development of high quality housing has got to be a key factor at the starting gate. An enormous waste of mankind's greatest resource is tolerated when society tolerates homelessness; subsistence living; slum living; crowded living; or expensive living that enslaves people and leaves no room for mental, cultural, and family development. To meet this need, higher order principles for housing construction must be utilized, and the needed technologies for them be developed. This means efficient, automated, power-intensive housing production on a large-scale industrial production basis, possibly utilizing molten basalt for injection into molds that yield complete subassemblies in a single step, and at a price so low that they can be given away as an investment by society into itself. The same applies to healthcare, education, and basic transportation. The materials that are needed already exist. Basalt for example, for the automated manufacturing of free housing already exists process-ready on the ground in infinite quantities.

The economics of natural Principle

Sure, I can hear the cries already that free universal high-quality housing cannot be achieved. The excuses are endless why this cannot be done. However, all the excuses have one factor in common. This factor is empire. It is not possible to measure the potential for the future with the yardstick of empire. Empire has no principle, much less higher-order principles. However, it is possible to apply a new yardstick of the kind that we see already reflected throughout the Universe. What we see here is astonishing. Take a simple atom, of hydrogen for example. It is made up of two atomic particles, a proton, and an electron that is a thousand times smaller than a proton. With these two particles the universe creates an atomic structure that is 100,000 times larger than the sum of its parts. That's the kind of yardstick that we need to get used to when we step away from empire to universal principles. A 100,000-fold gain from investment can be readily achieved with efficient automated production of free high-quality housing units. If once considers the horrendous human waste that is involved with current housing production, and the enormous gain that a rapidly developing society can achieve in terms of advanced creativity and productivity, the 100,000-fold gain is probably a conservative measure.

When we begin to think in terms of higher-order principles for creating efficient housing, anything that we happening today comes to light as extremely wasteful. Look at wood construction. We have to go into the forest, cut down trees, haul them to mills and saw them into boards, which we then haul to site and individually measure and cut again, and nail into place, and so on and on. The total effort is so large that it takes a family two or three decades to pay for it all. A large portion of modern society has become thereby mortgage enslaved, or rent enslaved. That's a poor way to start an economic recovery. Nor is the process efficient enough to keep society abreast with the growing need, especially if one considers that during the transition period to the next Ice Age, almost all of the current housing will likely collapse as the snow-loading in winter is gradually increasing. In some parts of the world

housing collapse under heavy snow loading has already begun. There is a pressing need, as we move into the transition to colder climates, to step up to higher order principles for housing production to meet the higher-order needs. If we refuse to take those steps, we are as good as dead, as a society. But if we move ahead and emulate more and more the dynamics of the Universe, the sky is the limit. And this is the platform on which all the other higher-order principles that seem like science fiction today, become as natural as apple pie, such as creating indoor agriculture, or tapping into the electric power that powers the sun, or building a base on the moon, colonizing mars, reaching out to the stars. These are all natural developments of higher-order principles that we already have in our grasp to implement.

The Intercontinental Bridge

The world is presently fast collapsing. To prevent this collapse America's scientific pioneer in economics had proposed back in 1997 the building of [a land bridge across the top of the world](#) via a railway tunnel under the Bering Strait. The tunnel would connect a proposed railway land bridge that would bridge all across Europe and Asia into Africa, with a similar land bridge that would bridge all across the Americas, from Alaska to the tip of South America. While some of the railway networks are slowly being built the connecting link across the top of the world remains far from being seriously put on the agenda. Nevertheless, the logic behind the connection is gaining ground politically, so much so that the future of mankind has become centered on the Pacific rather than on the Atlantic as in the days of empire spreading its tentacles across the world. Economically Europe lays strangled by force of empire expressed through the chokehold of numerous EU treaties, so that the hope for a free world now lies in Asia (China, India, and Russia) with the USA joining in as is being proposed by Lyndon LaRouche (which remains yet to be accomplished).



However, it appears that more than this is now needed, for the simple reason that the collapse has gone too deep. Higher-order principles are needed for the global recovery of civilization, of the kind that offer a thousand-fold return, or even a hundred-thousand-fold return, such as we see expressed in the Universe. High temperature nuclear powered automated housing production, possibly using molten basalt as a material, will likely offer economic returns on the needed scale to uplift the world. The Bering Strait tunnel link might become a reality someday as a secondary route, but a faster-to-build direct link across the Pacific via a floating bridge would most likely become the chosen option as a driver for the automated basalt casting technologies. Every nation in the world is in need to upgrade its housing platform as a first step in developing its scientific, cultural, and economic power. The building of an efficient trans-pacific floating bridge, produced nearly exclusively in automated processes, would kick start the global development. In like manner a floating bridge across the Atlantic would need to be built, connecting Africa into the American network, with a link to Brazil. Africa needs to be taken out of the hands of empire and be given the opportunity to take its place in the free world. Connected with a branch-link to Brazil, of the transatlantic bridge, a portion of the outflow of the Amazon River might be diverted to water the Sahara. Also the world-connecting bridges would be built far enough south to be safe from the approaching Ice Age that stands already on the horizon, though the timing of the transition period cannot be predicted. Obviously, when the Ice Age transition begins that no one can accurately predict, and the cold climate creeps south and devastates agriculture, a fully developed Africa and Brazil become of crucial importance. But none of that should pose a problem if mankind meets the greater challenge increasingly with the utilization of higher-order principles, such as with high-energy intense processes that enable automated basalt casting technologies. A 100,000-fold economic gain should be achievable. Indeed, how would one measure the gain in economic power of a radically upgraded civilization?

See: [The Intercontinental Bridge](#)

A unique case of a higher-order principle

And there is finally, one more higher-order principle that challenges society presently more than any other challenge has in human history, and this challenge is to end the rule of empire. On this front we stand as severely shackled as the billion farmers are who till the ground with their bare hand and primitive hand tools. The rule of empire has caused the development of mankind to come to a standstill and regress. In comparison with the last renaissance centered on the principle of the Peace of Westphalia, the present world is running at a huge deficit in its cultural, scientific, economic, and humanist achievements. We are regressing to ever-lower levels of principles, towards a near infantile state of existence. Our economic productive power has shrunk worldwide. Instead of providing free housing, people are thrown onto the streets out of the existing ones, and the rest are becoming increasingly unaffordable. Instead of providing free education to build a foundation for the advance of society as whole, education becomes largely unaffordable junk-food. And healthcare, instead of being free is priced into the stratosphere as a profit engine, while huge movements are afoot to deny it altogether if it cannot be cheaply done. There is only exit available from this trap that leads to oblivion, and this exit lies in coming to terms with the nature of the Universe that is built throughout on progressively

higher-order principles, that we ourselves are a product of. If we refuse to take this exit we are dead. But why should we refuse? There is no fun in unprincipled living, which is paramount to self-denial. Mankind's subjection to monetarism is self-denial, as is subjection to empire, fascism, lies, poverty, and the loss of sovereignty. And this self-denial is a denial of principle, a denial of the Universe, a denial of sanity, even a denial of life itself as the empire demands in its ranting for depopulation. But here, another principle comes into play that cuts right through all forms of self-denial. This principle is stated in the American Declaration of Independence, which states that wile society is inclined to suffer tragedies for as long as they are sufferable, society finds itself invariably impelled from a point on (as a right) to rid itself of the forces that impose the tragedies, and establish itself on higher-order principles to achieve its happiness.

The actual words are somewhat different but their meaning is identical. The current world crisis has really nothing to do with monetarism, and empire, and the rejection of national sovereignty, and imperial dictates over the world, and the breakdown of empire itself as its looting enterprises - called banks, and so on - are in the boundary zone to their total collapse. Since there are all symptoms of a common disease, the current world crisis is about only one issue, and the name of this issue is oligrachism, and the underlying cause is society literally spitting into its own face be submitting itself to it, rather than standing tall with all the principles of freedom that the Universe affords to mankind if it cares to take hold of them. It is safe to predict that mankind will rescue itself on this platform and stand tall with riches it has within itself in spire of the political structures it has and fails to use, or has standing against it as in the case of Europe now living under the Lisbon empire. There exists no structure or power that would hinder mankind to stand tall with even just a few of the great principles of the Universe in its pockets, such as the principles that Plato has put on the table, and the heart of Christianity, and the Golden Renaissance, and the Peace of Westphalia, and the principles that led to the founding of the USA and its standing tall as a city upon a hill that for a season had the eyes of the world drawn onto it. Contrary to all the lies that are thrown into face of mankind, the principles are timeless on which it has won considerable freedoms in the past.

Principles are timeless and immutable by their very nature

The principle of the sovereignty of a people as a nation, can no more be outdated than the Universe itself can become outdated. Nor can the principle of fair trade ever become a relic of the past, or the Principle of the Advantage of the Other, on which the Peace of Westphalia was founded. Neither will the Principle of Gravity ever cease to be effective. Whatever mankind has achieved in all the rich periods of its past remains as a standard to move forward from.

The only thing that can collapse and become outdated and vanish into oblivion, is that which has no principle in support of it, and never had, such as empire and its clown shows with its performing monkeys staged in countless circuses. So, who needs to fight empire? Empire is its own worst enemy. Its nature is self-defeating?



[Goya - Saturn devouring one of his sons - Museo del Prado](#)

By stepping aside from empire as a sovereign society, and out of empire's reach, mankind opens itself up to the dynamics of the Universe that is expressed in a 100,000-fold gain, wherever it is expressed..

The principles of the Universe are free of war. Their platform is the Principle of Universal Love, universal development, and harmonizing cooperation. The principle of mankind's protection is the principle of the renaissance, the principle of the Peace of

Westphalia, the Principle of the Advantage of the Other, the American Principle of the General Welfare. With these we step away from empire and its modes. In the face of these principles empire can only eat itself and vanish.

But how do we govern ourselves, having left empire and its monetarism behind? Here the story continues:

A Republic is not a Democracy

The 16 element structure has a long historic background, but the division as shown above is a recent one that was put into place in the late 1800s by a new England woman. (See: [Interrelationships](#)) Briefly, for level have been scribed as:

The higher order
science the spiritual
moral the transitional
empire the face of depravity

In the above figure a line is drawn through the center of the moral domain, that makes it transitional. The line divides the three lower rows into an upper half (light green) and a lower half (dark blue). Anything above the line is defined by scientific progression, and below a regression into insanity, the opposite of science and all that is spiritual. Above the moral line, the line that one should not cross but move away from in scientific and spiritual development, unfolds the human domain in which the moral develops into the spiritual in the 'rivers' of science. Below the line, the sub-moral domain trends towards utter depravity and inhumanity.

The question arises, on which side of the line does one find the Republic located and on which side, the Democracy?

It all depends on what the terms mean to us. The delineation is often blurred. The following is a brief overview.

A republic is a form of government in which the head of state is not a monarch and the people (or at least a part of its people) have an impact on its government. The word "republic" is derived from the Latin phrase *res publica*, which can be translated as "a public affair"....

Both modern and ancient republics vary widely in their ideology and composition. The most common definition of a republic is a state without a monarch. In republics such as the United States and France the executive is legitimated both by a constitution and by popular suffrage. In the United States, Founding Fathers like James Madison defined republic in terms of representative democracy as opposed to direct democracy, and this usage is still employed by many viewing themselves as "republicans". In modern political science, republicanism refers to a specific ideology that is based on civic virtue and is considered distinct from ideologies such as liberalism....

Most often a republic is a sovereign country, but there are also subnational entities that are referred to as republics. For instance, Article IV of the Constitution of the United States "guarantee[s] to every State in this Union a Republican form of Government." The Soviet Union was a single nation composed of distinct and legally sovereign Soviet Socialist Republics....

As Machiavelli wrote, the distinction between an aristocracy ruled by a select elite and a democracy ruled by a council appointed by the people became cumbersome....

The concept of the "republic" itself was not a meaningful concept in the classical world. There are number of states of the classical era that are today by convention called republics. These include the city states of ancient Greece such as Athens and Sparta and the Roman Republic (which became an empire). The structure and governance of these states was very different from that of any modern republic. (see: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Republic>)

It appears that a republic is neither a monarchy, aristocracy, or a democracy, or else, why would one need a special name for it? So what is a republic that makes it distinct from either of the three? It appears that the answer to the question is defined by how the four types relate to the moral line in principle, and beyond that, by the degree to which the four types reflect the order of the Universe.

The order of the Universe reflects a type of rule that is harmonizing and constructive - that is neither arbitrary nor autocratic, but is absolute in the sense that it is totally focused on the general welfare of the whole so that nothing happens that endangers the whole, diminishes the whole, and hinders its constant progressive universal unfolding. All of this should also be reflected in the self-government of mankind. The autocracy of a monarchy falls far short. If it drops below the moral line, which it typically does and becomes self-serving, it is an evil. The same can be said about government by aristocracy. In this case, a wider circle becomes self-serving, to the detriment of the whole. A pure democracy is basically not much different either, with the small exception that the ruling elite is typically bought by the oligarchy that runs the world from behind the scene with its money bags. We see a lot of that today in many places around the world. The entire Euro zone is run this way. This leaves the term republic for capturing what the other types of government are not. It would be in principle a type of government where the self-serving class becomes the nation itself. A nation would promote thereby whatever is in its universal interest.

Economically, a republic would operate as a national credit society - a society that owns its own currency and issues itself financial

credits for its self-development - versus a society in a monetarist system where the economic lifeblood is owned by private (self-serving) enterprises, typically called banks.

Socially, the same principle would apply. A people is a nation's greatest asset. Whatever would be needed to maximize the creative and productive potential of this asset would be created in a republic (and would not be created by any other system.) This includes high quality housing, education, health care, culture - all created in the most efficient manner for the whole, including also transportation, power, and farming infrastructures. The focus would not be on cost, but onto the benefits towards developing the human potential. In such system the recurring question would be, what do we need to fulfill this mandate to ourselves? And the answer would be: Let's do it!

Such a system that would invariably be called a republic, would be primarily governed by its a acknowledged principles laid down in a constitution, and only to the extent of the details involved in fulfilling the nation's commitment to itself, can a government become essentially democratic. Democratic, in this sense, doesn't mean a system of counting votes, but implies a system of consultation and discovery of the most efficient principles that apply to a given situation. Under these parameters, a republic would be operating miles above the moral line. The fact that this happens extremely seldom in practice, so that no clear examples exist, is the likely reason why the distinctions between the terms blur.

In practice the blurring is so extreme the terms themselves have become meaningless. We now see republics (by name) having become fascist, which is essentially a contradiction in terms. So, the terms have become meaningless. But the moral line still remains. In many respects, it is a fine line especially when the definitions are blurred as to what a government is. The farther a society gets away from universal principles, the closer it operates near the moral line that thereby becomes easily crossed. The environment that one finds typically near the moral line is one of indifference, and it doesn't take much for indifference to cross the line and become disdain and greed. It took Adolf Hitler a half a dozen years along this road to drag much of Germany with him into the sewer of fascism.

The healing of the world from its collapse ever deeper into fascism, poverty, war, terror, and economic disintegration, involves essentially a healing of the term 'republic.' And this healing needs to be in the heart. When Benjamin Franklin said about the USA, "I give you a republic if you can keep it," did he mean with that, 'if the ideal of the republic can be kept in the heart?' Evidently that is what he meant, because it is in the heart where the term is defined, and if the heart sits too low, the noblest name loses it meaning.

Principle is Power

Power is Civilization

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The Principle of Human Power is the Principle of the General Welfare

The American Civil War was a war in defense of power.

Abraham Lincoln had a problem: In the defending the nation in the Civil War, was he to wage his fight for the abolition of slavery? Fighting against slavery had huge popular support in the North and was definitely a noble moral cause. Or was he to defend the nation as a nation, defending the the Union? History records that he chose to defend the Union. He knew that by defending the nation he was fighting for a higher-order principle, the principle of universal freedom. The civil war wasn't about slavery primarily, it was about empire, the master of slavery, taking back its colonies. Lincoln evidently knew that by fighting for the principle of the Union, the Principle of the General Welfare, he was fighting for the nation's freedom from empire. He seems to have known that by fighting at this level he a chance to amass the power to win this fight, and that by winning it the end of slavery would happen in the course of it. And he also seems to have known that if he placed the fight on a lesser platform he would loose the Union and slavery would never end as a consequence. Thus he placed the fight on the highest principle, the principle of freedom.

In contrast with Abraham Lincoln, Europe lost the same type of war when it gave up its freedom and united to become slaves to empire.



[LaRouche's symbol for the EU](#)

What makes a powerful leader.

Let's look at the field in terms of the principle that Lincoln had stood for. One of the names that match is criterion is China's Mao Zedong.

Mao Zedong joined the revolutionaries, a long uphill battle for the liberation of China began. Mao Zedong became one of five Commissioners of the Communist Party of China, and from there he organized the famous Autumn Harvest Uprising, which failed, but he regrouped the scattered forces, and together with other revolutionary factions he organized a military force: The Workers' and Peasants' Red Army of China; the Red Army. By 1930 more than ten regions were under the control of the Communist Party of China. Of course this worried the Kuomintang government of Chiang Kai-shek. It fought back. It waged five campaigns of besiegment against these areas, fighting with a million soldiers against the twenty-times smaller Red Army. Still it lost four of the campaigns.

"In time the encirclement succeeded," Steve continued. "Under increasing pressures from the campaigns and imperial political pressure, Mao was removed from his positions in the Communist Party. Still, the encirclement continued. In 1934 the Chiang Kai-shek government was in nominal control of China and had all the communist areas surrounded. It wowed to eradicate the communists once and for all. That's when for Mao the 'Long March, of retreat began, from the southeast to the northwest, an almost 10,000 kilometer journey that lasted an entire year. At the end, Mao emerged as the top Communist leader. When the second Sino-Japanese War erupted in 1937, Mao stayed in the background and consolidated his power and his forces, leaving the Kuomintang forces to do the fighting, with Chiang Kai-shek now being supported by the USA. America had an interest in supporting the Chinese government during the war as the fighting would keep the Japanese occupied with China all through World War II. At the end of World War II, the U.S. continued its support of Chiang Kai-shek, which also became an open fight against the Communist Red Army and Mao Zedong. The American objective was to contain world communism and to defeat it. From this background the Chinese Civil War for control of China erupted. The war lasted till 1949. The Kuomintang forces suffered massive losses. In December Mao's Red Army laid siege to the last Kuomintang-controlled city on mainland China. The war formally ended when the stooge of the Western's empire, Chiang Kai-shek, fled to Taiwan. The People's Republic of China was actually established a few months earlier, on October 1st, 1949. The struggle was over.

An immense struggle that had spanned thirty-eight years had come to fruition. The fight to control China had been won at an enormous cost in human lives, both from the fighting and from the political infighting, especially when Mao's Great Leap Forward was launched that began the massive economic reform of China. But Mao was a blind man in terms of economics. He didn't have a clue what an economy is, not unlike most leaders in the West today. Mao was an idiot in that respect, doing everything wrong. His collective farm system was a disaster. Then the next catastrophe was started, the Cultural Revolution that became a revolution in insanity. Mao was gripped with fear that he might be losing his place on the political stage. His answer was the Cultural Revolution that turned the entire country upside down in an orgy of sheer madness that began in 1966. Certain liberal elements of society were labeled 'class enemies' that threatened the socialist framework of

the 'dictatorship of the proletariat' as the communist system was then called. Countless millions were prosecuted in this modern version of the Spanish Inquisition.

So why would one count Mao as a powerful leader? Does he qualify because he faced down the most powerful adversary on the planet and won? No, he doesn't qualify in this count. He qualifies for another reason. For a hundred years prior to the Chinese Civil War in which Mao had defeated the forces of empire, the population in China had been so deeply impoverished and ravished by abuses that its population had not increase, but had remained stagnant by the strangulation of absolute poverty. In those twenty-seven years of the Mao era, in spite of all the mistakes and horrors of that era, the population in China grew by a whopping 300 million people, from 400 million to 700 million. It nearly doubled. This is the face of the achievements that were wrought. The figures indicate that after a century of looting an oppression, China had been able to breathe again and live again. Here we find the proof of the pudding. The strength of civilization is reflected in the increase of its potential population density. Right or wrong, Mao proved a point that the West has yet to learn, that on the side of the principle of freedom innovation and prosperity happen. China had developed the power to not only stand tall, but to develop the means to vastly expand the means for its existence. Under Mao's leadership, such as it was, the creative and productive power of society became increased. He empowered a nation. This made Mao a powerful leader.

Few American Presidents can be called powerful leaders on this count. George Washington was one, Abraham Lincoln another, Franklin Delanor Roosevelt a third, and Fitzgerald Kennedy, a fourth. The field is thin. When poverty strangles a people into a stagnant existence or population collapse, which is almost always imposed, the creative and productive power of society remains limited by these factors, but when cultural conditions improve, more and more people can suddenly be supported, and this with a richer style of existence.

The measure of a richer style of existence means that the population numbers are not the only measure of power. Franklin Delanor Roosevelt, for example inspired a nation to build for itself the most productive economy ever created on face of the planet, which enabled the nation to support almost the entire world in its fight against Hitler's fascist empire. President Kennedy too, was a powerful leader by this standard, in that he roused the nation to enable itself to stand on the moon, and provided the political platform to do so. The power that came out of this for the benefit of mankind remains, yet to be fully realized, as this story has just begun unfold.

The world has too few powerful leaders who understood the principle of civilization. None came out of the camp of empire. Without principle empire is self-defeating - an engine for poverty (except for the rich), that is a weight under which nations collapse. Unable to change this, the masters of empire cry for depopulation. Half of England's population, and two thirds of mankind, is said to be 'excessive.' Empire does not create wealth for society to build a richer and more powerful civilization. It steals, kills, and instigates war. There is no power in any of that. Hitler had amassed the capacity to kill and overcome all resistance that stood against him, but as a leader he was a little man, a fool who destroyed much of Europe. Nothing was accomplished by him.

America's Lyndon LaRouche might yet join the ranks the ranks of the powerful leaders of the world, and to some degree already has. His personal intervention through the Rhodes conference, in the form of providing leadership to the leadership of China, Russia, and India, to join hands for their common economic development on a platform akin to a credit society principle, versus a monetarist system started a renaissance type reorientation throughout Asia with a sudden massive commitment to nuclear power development, railway development, infrastructure development, that would have seemed miraculous the year before, which also protected the U.S. dollar that the masters of empire had been hoping to wreck. LaRouche stands on the global scene today where Lincoln had stood in his time on the American scene, with the principle of universal freedom and universal sovereignty in his pocket to save the nations from the chains of empire, and he on the move on many fronts, especially on the political, social, scientific, and economics fronts inside the USA. If he succeeds in saving the USA remains yet to be seen. Lincoln had close calls in his days, being nearly defeated several times. But in the end, his stand for principle succeeded and the Union was saved. No one can determine in retrospect how powerful this accomplishment really was, or how dark the world would be today if he had lost.

Principle is the power of civilization also in a more direct manner

Mankind emerged for the last Ice Age an estimated 10 million strong. When the climate became conducive to agriculture, the principle of agriculture was applied that revolutionized human living. When other principles were discovered, such as irrigation, agriculture became immensely more powerful. Later, with the discovery of other principles, such as coal power, steam power, oil power, electric power, nuclear power, the power of agriculture increased to the point that the world population grew from 10 million to 6,700 million, with the power in individual living at a state that would have been impossible to even imagine before. Every discovered universal principle has given mankind greater freedom and power in living.



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While it is lamentable that some principles have given mankind also the power to blow up the world in the space of a coffee break, it also needs to be acknowledged that some higher-order power of sanity has prevented the cataclysm, and has now turned the tide against the masters of empire who stood behind the development of the atomic bomb.

The principles of humanity, honesty, truthfulness, generosity, cooperation, development, freedom, sublimity, are on the march to the forefront to become the new power in the world that promises a new age without empire. The defeat of empire at its 2009 Copenhagen Climate Change Conference, was like had been the opening fanfare for this dawning new age of real power.

Also, as we look to the Universe with open eyes, we come to realize that it presents us with a vast seal of principles not yet discovered, which promise us powers we cannot yet even imagine, though we had a faint foretaste by testing this frontier.

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