

A TRUE REVOLUTION ?

If man is to triumph at this time and obtain lasting peace, then the physical revolution must be accompanied by a spiritual revolution. It can now be proved that war is old-fashioned. Man's history has been one of continued conflict, whether it be between individuals, or blocks of nations, war has come first, followed by give and take (as a treaty or pillage). Now we are throwing atomic, chemical and biological bombs rather than sticks and stones. As with bullets and shrapnel we could repopulate to fight another day; modern warfare no longer offers us such a privilege. We must therefore reverse the chain of conflict by first initiating give and take, and thus eliminating the need for conflict.

Long ago the first nations were formed when tribes came together for mutual protection. Thus the nation-state was to offer security. Now we find ourselves living in a nation which no longer offers us security--which no longer keeps us safe from war. It is time for an expansion of consciousness. It was a great step for the tribal peoples to begin living in peace with other tribes. Now that war is suicidal, modern man's consciousness must open up beyond his own nation and out to the family of man.

In order to have a truly "soulful" revolution, we must recognize that man's history has been more than simply the expansion of arable land, or of economic determinism. Man also has a spiritual dimension to his history, and at this moment we are entering what spiritually conscious people call a New Age.

So man's history has been a history of suffering. It is now time for that suffering to end. We have, in America, the physical ability to end poverty, but not the spiritual willingness. We must see how our sacrifice today can bring the whole world into a New Age tomorrow.

The revolution must involve an inner change. It must involve a change away from selfishness. Many revolutions have occurred since 1917, but yet each one is incomplete. For instance, racism still exists in Cuba and the Soviet Union. Racism can be eliminated only through an inner revolution--a change in attitude. Man has for centuries been conquering other men, and recently, outer space, but he has not even come close to the conquest of the inner self.

Before Dag Hammarskjold was shot out of the African skies, he said, "I see no hope for permanent world peace. We've tried so hard and failed so miserably. Unless the world experiences a spiritual rebirth within the next few years, we are doomed."

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