

## Youth in Germany

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Germany -- as most of the western nations -- is no longer the cultured country that it has been. Today after two world wars it has- lost much of its original depth, which is shown in an increasing use of drugs, the fall of moral standards and the marked' importance laid on outward appearance.

A common and vital problem is the reactivation of a nation where the population is only interested in politics is long as they are certain that nothing will happen to their property. Last hope for Germany -- as well as for other western nations -- is its youth!

Let us look at this generation: They can be divided into different groups depending upon the degree of education. The first group can be classified as the intellectuals. Most of them are students. German universities are overcrowded with communist groups, who only study with the intention of undermining their colleges or trying to get into higher positions in society to change its structure totally in their favor. If there is anything wrong with their work, it is in any case rooted in the corruption of society. It is true that society is corrupt, but they just do not want to see that they cannot build up a new one on the ruins of another, especially not with impoverished industrialists whose only wish is to get back lost wealth. These people are idealist in their innermost heart, but they are blind by hatred and thoughts of revenge. Their

vocabulary consists of stereotype phrases which repeatedly crop up in universities, schools, on television; words such as "Bourgeoisie", "fight of the proletariat class against the enemy, the capitalist". Only a few of these young people are really aware of what they are doing when waving red banners and passing out pamphlets against the "imperialists" in demonstrations.

In contrast to the firm communist youths stand the intellectual individualists. Usually their pride in their own knowledge prevents them from a further search for truth because they think they have found the compact formula against all evils. They are generally so occupied looking for answers in themselves to even recognize God when they are confronted with Him. Many of these young individualists find an outlet in drugs after a few bitter disappointments in their one-sided search for answers. They are inclined to circle around themselves and it is very difficult to move them in any direction, right or wrong.

Young people searching for a cause to totally commit themselves to, are the ones that wander from one political party to another, visit various religions and sects but never really finding answer; these are the ones that need God's new revelation, The Divine Principle, to give them a concrete path to follow.

Other young people working in shops or offices who do not consciously search for spiritual values can be stimulated to be open-minded to new ideas if we make them aware of their actual needs and wants.

An almost innate part of today's German youth is its suspicion against all new ideas. A small percentage of this working youth has so little self-confidence that it can only feel comfortable in the mass. Many of these young people do not bother to think deeply about life because they have no worries about food and lodging. So they are content to enjoy themselves while they can and let the world take care of itself.

Various thoughts and ideas confront today's youth, but most of them prefer to ignore this and the fact that they are constantly struggling against an invisible enemy. For many intellectuals it is a dangerous situation that there are so many trains of thought that they tend not to take any of them seriously and they end up becoming indifferent. It is our responsibility to wake up today's youth and to show them that it is their duty to construct a new society based on Divine Laws and not on a Historical or Dialectical, Materialism.

The older generation is so busy collecting and holding on to their money that they do not realize that there is a deeper sense in life.

Before all the young people are completely deluded by the false assurances of the communists we must make it clear to them that all ideologies that try to draw people away from God are substitute religions.

Young people of all parts of the world, whether they are intellectuals or not, communists or individualists must work together to defeat the evil that has so many faces, not only poverty!

Youth of all nations, unite yourself!