Displacing Religious Faith

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In the early 1960s, the Jewish communists who run the *American Communist Lawyers' Union* (ACLU,) began to sue public school systems in federal court to abolish the practice of non-denominational prayers recited daily in the public schools. Most of these serpents had long ago abandoned the God of Abraham and Isaac in favor of their new Gods of Karl Marx and Saul Alinsky. They were successful in their ideological crusade primarily because of the treason and stupidity of the Warren Court.

Since then, generations of public school students have been denied the daily reminder of an *Omniscient Being* who created us and will one day judge us. Since the successful abolition of public school prayer, the rate of every category of societal infirmity has skyrocketed including teen pregnancy, illegitimacy, juvenile crime, violent crime, property crimes, drug and alcohol abuse, pornography and divorce. It's NOT a coincidence that this epidemic of societal ills followed in the wake of the ACLU's purging of public school prayer.

G.K. Chesterton is often credited with having stated (paraphrase) "*If you don't believe in God you'll believe in anything*." His insights are readily apparent in a number of practices and enthusiasms that seem to have become a substitute for traditional religion among too many American youth under the age of 40. Millennials, Generation-X, Generation-Y and Generation Z often demonstrate the wisdom of Chesterton's adage.

One obvious societal malignancy afflicting American youth is **Marxism**. Too few young people recognize that Marxism is a substitute *religion* for leftists and has become its own "secular *faith*." Marx specifically rejected

the concept of God -- he called religion "the opiate of the masses" -- and the absence of any moral and religious underpinnings left many young people vulnerable to ideological indoctrination rather than resistant to Marxism's godless ideology. The sociopaths who belong to **Antifa** and **Black Liars Murder** are prime examples.

Another societal malignancy is a fascination with the "occult." The void left by the abandonment of religion makes it possible for all kinds of occult practices to sneak into the lives of marginal personalities. Games like "Dungeons and Dragons" are merely the tip of the iceberg, since occult practices range from Astrology to human sacrifice. (In my opinion, rabid feminism is incomprehensible without recognizing it is a modern variant of witchcraft.) Likewise, Astrology is alive and well, and I've even seen episodes of TV crime shows where human sacrifice was conducted by some lost soul.

The absence of religious faith has also created a vacuum into which *irreligion* is often welcomed. There are many misguided youth who view **rock groups** as "gurus" and pursue them around the country to attend their performances, just as many lost souls in prior decades used to follow *The Grateful Dead*. There seems to be a muddled but common misperception that rock groups somehow possess the answers to life's timeless questions -- perpetually sought by existentialists -- so "rockers" are often worshipped by such groupies for their perceived "wisdom."

Unfortunately, our popular culture is also dominated by the "cult of celebrity," which explains why it's such a cesspool. One consequence is that far too many kids wrongly conclude that the path to happiness, self-actualization and wealth is the fame that comes from being a "celebrity." Such fame is fleeting at best, and most celebrities realize it's a dualedged sword due to its lack of privacy: yet, to narcissistic kids it seems like the Holy Grail. Instead of becoming educated or learning a worthwhile skill, they often pursue celebrity with a religious zealotry that

ultimately leaves them profoundly unfulfilled, parasitic and unhappy in later years.

Finally, I have only sympathy for homosexuals who were born with that affliction, but I'm NOT sympathetic with the "queer political agenda." I am particularly disgusted by sexually-active queers who frequent bathhouses and have thousands of sex partners in the course of their lives, and then blame society when they contract AIDS or HIV. However, to become a "practicing" homosexual, one must first abandon religion, since the lessons of Sodom and Gomorrah could not be more clear.

The societal ills attributable to an abandonment of religious faith by some Americans is fairly obvious, and exactly what the ACLU probably intended. Originally founded by communists as the *National Civil Liberties Bureau* (NCLB,) in order to defend fellow communists caught spying for the USSR, the ACLU was eventually forced to change its name because of the NCLB's obvious Soviet pedigree.

Perhaps recognizing that the Soviet Union could never defeat America in either a "hot" war or a cold war, it carried out its Cultural Marxist revolution from within. In that mission, it was demonstrably more successful than the Soviet military.