

Sodom and Gomorrah Knocking at the Door! The Needed Orientation

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Oct. 28—We have entered the breakdown phase of “the promised world-wide breakdown-crisis.” As is usual for such qualities of relatively exceptional, and more or less global social circumstances, the onset of such a specific type of crisis prompts wild-eyed reactions throughout populations, probably now the world-wide population, which people will tend to read, mistakenly, as personal aberrations of individuals or very small groups, but which are, in fact, only expressions of mass phenomena, such as global mass phenomena. These are the legendary effects which arrive in the guise of wild-eyed reactions by individuals, reactions which seem to some as sudden eruptions of insanity-like behavior by individuals or small groups, but are, in fact, global phenomena of a type which strike under conditions of the outbreak of some form of “new dark age.”

In such cases, it is often necessary to treat the aberrant behavior of individuals or small groups as if that behavior were specific to the individual, or small group, but which are actually localized expressions of more or less global mass-phenomena.

The first rule of sane behavior in such an exceptional mass development, is not to lose one’s head, not to presume that the genesis of the aberrant phenomena is that of an individual, or small group, when, in fact, it is an integral part of what has come into being as a mass social phenomenon of something approaching, or actually reaching the state of a mass, purely global effect. The individual aberrations are to be considered, primarily, as a mass phenomenon, akin to a global storm of exceptionally great force.

The fear such developments bring to the local grouping must be recognized as being essentially just that. The local phenomenon in itself will cause behavior in which the victims of the tumult will tend to seize hysterically on aberrant forms of behavior which react to the global storm as if it were a local effect with specifi-

cally local causes. It will appear to some as an effect with specifically local causes, when, in fact, it is a more or less global phenomenon with global causes and global effects.

For example, in such cases, look for the situation in which, in an awesomely quieted moment, there is a rising incidence of essentially inexplicable local “freak-outs” by a speckling of cases of isolated small groups or individuals. The weather of that moment is awesomely quiet, except for the seemingly isolated cases of the grip of a madness-like banshee shrieks and sudden homicidal outbreaks by isolated individuals or among small groups. This is the nature of the presently onrushing global storm which is affecting individual cases in this special sort of pattern.

In such situations as this present one, there are no actually individual causes of the pattern of crises of persons; there are personal aberrations which occur as products of a more or less global social phenomenon.

In such situations, a period of isolated mass effects which begins as individual behavioral anomalies with touches of madness, builds up into something akin to the presently ongoing mass-strike process in France. Then, a rising storm which takes over society as in the height of the rising tide of terror in Summer 1789 France.

As the coming week now approaches, the outbursts of individual or localized incidents of lunacy, as that of U.S. President Obama, do, in fact, reflect latent factors of approaching mass-insanity, but they are not significant for their aspect as isolated developments; they are already the mass effects of onrushing general madness. They must be recognized as, and treated as mass-insanity; do not make the potentially fatal mistake of interpreting what are actually mass effects, for a mere incidence of local insanity.

Think of a pandemic like that sweeping through widening regions of Haiti now. A pattern of analogous social forms of a spreading storm of mass-insanity, is now emerging around the planet. The pattern already resembles the pattern of mass behavior during the onset of the mass-death phenomena of Europe’s Fourteenth Century, as in Hieronymous Bosch’s “Garden of Earthly Delights.”

Remember this: Mass effects require mass remedies; these are no times for ordinary “social workers.”