

human-condition-free card' (*Good Weekend, The Sydney Morning Herald*, 13 Sep. 1997). Yes, to **'get out of the human condition'** we had to confront and solve it, not deny and escape it; our **'desperate and deluded'** attempts to escape it only made it worse. As the philosopher Thomas Nagel recognised, **'The capacity for transcendence brings with it a liability to alienation, and the wish to escape this condition...can lead to even greater absurdity'** (*The View From Nowhere*, 1986, p.214 of 256).

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¹⁰⁸² The limitation of the New Age Movement, in terms of being an effective means of escaping the horror of the human condition, was that while it didn't stress the cooperative ideals like socialism and communism did, in seeking to transcend humans' upset state its very purpose served as a constant reminder and thus reprimand of our variously upset, embattled, troubled, estranged, alienated condition—a problem the *next* level of delusion sought to dispense with by simply denying its existence. Yes, the Feminist Movement maintained that there was no real difference between people—and *especially* not between the sexes. It particularly denied the legitimacy of the exceptionally egocentric, combative male dimension to life that had taken on the heroic frontline role in fighting the ignorance of our instinctive self. Women's lack of awareness of the all-important role that men have been playing is evident in this already mentioned comment from Germaine Greer, an icon of modern feminism: **'As far as I'm concerned, men are the product of a damaged gene. They pretend to be normal but what they're doing sitting there with benign smiles on their faces is they're manufacturing sperm.'** Beyond their necessary role in reproduction men have been viewed as meaningless; as the leading feminist, Gloria Steinem, famously said, **'A woman needs a man like a fish needs a bicycle'**—but the truth that is now able to be revealed is that men were carrying out the most important and difficult task being undertaken on the planet! Based on extreme dogma, the feminist movement could not and has not brokered any real reconciliation between men and women, rather, as this aforementioned quote points out, **'What happened was that the so-called Battle of the Sexes became a contest in which only one side turned up. Men listened, in many cases sympathetically but, by the millions, were turned off.'** No, *only* by winning the battle to champion the ego—that is, explain the human condition and establish that our egocentric conscious thinking self is good and not bad—could the polarities of life of so-called 'good' and 'evil', that women and men are in truth an expression of, be reconciled.

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¹⁰⁸³ Again, as far as offering an effective way to transcend the realities of the human condition, feminism's flaw was that while it superficially dispensed with the problem of humans' divisive reality, humans remained the focus of attention and that was confronting. The solution that emerged to counter this limitation was the Environmental or Green Movement, which removed all need to confront and think about the human state because all focus was diverted from self onto the environment—as the aforementioned quote acknowledged, **'The environment became the last best cause, the ultimate guilt-free issue.'** In response to a question about people's focus on 'climate change', the psychologist Jordan Peterson spoke the truth when he said, **'People have things within their personal purview [range**

of experience] that are difficult to deal with and that they're avoiding and generally the way they avoid them is by adopting pseudo-moralistic stances on large-scale social issues, so they look good to their friends and neighbours' (Australia's ABC program *Q&A*, 25 Feb. 2019). Of course, the obvious truth is that by not addressing the cause of the destruction of the natural world, namely the issue of our human condition's massively upset, angry, egocentric and alienated state, there can be no real let up in the pace of our world's devastation, as these quotes emphasise: 'The trees aren't the problem. The problem is us' (*Simply Living* mag. Sep. 1989), and 'We need to do something about the environmental damage in our heads' (*TIME*, 24 May 1993). The bumper sticker 'SAVE THE HUMANS' that parodies the green movement's 'Save the Environment' slogan makes the point about how evasive of the real issue the environmental movement is—as does the following statement made by Ray Evans, an Australian business leader and political activist: 'Environmentalism has largely superseded Christianity as the religion of the upper classes in Europe and to a lesser extent in the United States. It is a form of religious belief which fosters a sense of moral superiority in the believer, but which places no importance on telling the truth [about the real issue of our corrupted condition]' (*Nine Facts About Climate Change*, 2006; see <www.wtmsources.com/169>).

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¹⁰⁸⁴ So for all its guilt-relieving benefits, the environmental movement still contained a condemning moral component: if we were not responsible with the environment, 'good', we were behaving immorally, 'bad'. Moreover, nature, in its purity, exists in stark contrast to humans' corrupted condition—hence our ruthlessness towards it in the first place.

¹⁰⁸⁵ At this stage in the march of upset yet another form of extreme pseudo idealism had to be manufactured where confrontation with the by now extremely confronting and depressing truth of the dilemma of the human condition could be totally sidestepped. What was required was a completely guilt-stripped dogma that was devoid of any need to confront and wrestle with the issue of soundness and Godliness; with whether you are a cooperative, social, integrative person; with the issue of your troubled self; with the morality issue of how men and women treat each other; and with the issue of whether or not you are being good to the environment. Upset had become so great that the need was to simply be ideal without question. This demand for a totally non-confronting form of relief from feeling 'bad' resulted in the establishment of the Politically Correct Movement, which has no other focus or requirement beyond simply choosing, from the two simplistic, fundamental, 'political' options in life—of being either 'good' or 'bad'—to be 'good'.

¹⁰⁸⁶ The politically correct culture was a pure form of freedom-denying dogma that fabricated, demanded and imposed ideality or 'correctness', specifically that of an undifferentiated world, which was in complete denial of the reality of the underlying issue of the existence of and reasons for humans' variously embattled and upset states, and beyond that of the deeper question raised by those 'non-ideal' states of the issue of the human condition. For instance, it argued that the children's nursery rhyme *Baa Baa Black Sheep* is racist and should instead be recited as '**Baa Baa Rainbow Sheep**' (*The Telegraph*, 24 Jan. 2008).

¹⁰⁸⁷ Within the politically correct culture the need for relief from guilt was all-pervasive; the mind was constantly on the hunt for opportunities and 'good causes' through which to