## IV. Establishment Morality Has Determined the Ebb and Flow of British & American History: Cultus Chart/Integrity & Morality

## Cassell's Latin & English Dictionary, s.v. "cultus":

tilling, cultivation, careful treatment, reverence, training, education, refinement, culture, civilization.

CULT: Individuals join in worship out of which grows an organized.

**COMMUNITY**: Cooperation for the mutual benefit of all individuals leads to common participation in the development of:

- 1. Commerce (free enterprise)
- 2. Defense (strong military preparedness)
- 3. Laws (establishment morality)
- 4. Arts (support and appreciation for the moral habits and ethical heritage of the group)
- 5. Knowledge (category 1 truth)

From this common system of beliefs and a commonly sustained environment there develops a:

**CULTURE**: The result of mental cultivation; refinement and enlightenment; learning and taste; personal achievement of high standards in manners, taste, and knowledge; a mingling of manners with aesthetic and intellectual attainment. From this emerges a:

**CIVILIZATION**: A civilization is composed of a population which subscribes to the high culture of establishment morality. The prevailing lifestyle which results among the people is called the:

**ZEITGEIST**: The prevailing mental attitude of citizens of a community during any given generation of history. If the Zeitgeist of a civilization is to survive, then its principles must be passed down to the next generation through its culture. The foundation of that culture must contain the absolute principles of establishment morality based on category one truth from the Order and Establishment Codes of the Mosaic Law.

These principles must be the source of decision making and problem solving by all its citizens, believer and unbeliever alike. Unbelievers who are loyal to the prevailing culture and its laws produce Establishment Morality. Believers who are loyal to them produce Establishment Integrity.

For the unbeliever, his lifestyle is therefore based on a morality developed from the laws of divine establishment while for the believer, his lifestyle is based on an inner integrity developed from the laws of divine establishment and the enabling power of the Holy Spirit.

These citizens both possess a viewpoint based on moral norms and standards which produce moral behavior, a scale of values based on moral beliefs which produce moral solutions to life's problems. As far as establishment is concerned, both the believer and unbeliever share a common system of thinking.

Whenever the mores of a culture begin to decline, then Satanic substitutes rush in to fill the vacuum: Establishment viewpoint is replaced by human viewpoint.

Establishment norms and standards are replaced by humanitarian ideals such as equality, socialism, multiculturalism, self-righteous arrogance, sexual permissiveness but at the same time restricts freedom in order to impose these views upon everyone.

Beliefs are no longer based on the absolute principles of Scripture but on science and philosophy. For example, evolution ignores the total depravity of man and teaches that man is involved in a slow but certain advance toward perfection through natural selection. Man is thus considered to be no higher than the animals and as a result has no soul. Pursuit of perfection may be enhanced by application of the philosophies of men who through human viewpoint believe they have discerned the wisdom of the ages. But when man thinks of himself as having no soul, then the sinful nature will ultimately control the soul and animal behavior results. Although this frustrates the philosopher with the human race it does not convince him that his conclusions are somehow wrong.

This and other philosophical and scientific conclusions are based on thought which is fed by the Satanic lie and is applied within the context of personal expediency. Another example which comes to mind is the Greenhouse Effect and the Ozone Hole both of which are pseudo-science and are simply rhetorical veils designed to conceal while advancing a hidden agenda: an expedient lust for power among bureaucrats at the expense of personal freedom for the people.

The end result is a system of problem-solving devices based on rationalism and empiricism. These have a good enough track record to satisfy the needs of the masses but are reduced to inefficiency in the face of the grace plan of God which the lost and the carnal ignore. Thus, the production of this countercultural Zeitgeist is immoral and destructive.

Nevertheless, in the inverted thinking of our day, good is considered to be evil while evil is good; right is wrong; wrong is right. Thus, what was established by our Anglo-Saxon culture as moral has been transformed into evil by the everdegenerating Zeitgeist of 1990s America.

This is explained very articulately by Thomas Molnar, quoted by Dr. Kirk in America's British Culture, page 4:

Culture has come to mean anything that happens to catch the fancy of a group: rock concerts; the drug culture; sects and cults; sexual excesses and aberration; blasphemy on stage and screen; frightening and obscene shapes; smashing of the family and other institutions; the display of the queer, abject, the sick. These instant products, meant to provide instant satisfaction to a society itself unmoored from foundation and tradition, favor the incoherent, the shapeless and the repulsive.

If this sort of culture "spreads out in movie house, museum, festival, press, and university, the reason may be that it embodies society's ideal."

Here Molnar is writing of what commonly is called the counter culture-an anti-culture which may extend to the very people who are supposed to set high cultural standards. This revolt against inherited culture often hardens into a detestation of those classes and groups, and their standards, which once upon a time shaped the thought and the taste of the whole society.

Again, Latin gives us a summary phrase which aptly describes the situation when a society is engaged in a cultural war: *quae fueruntvitia, mores sunt* [kwi fu-runt wee-ta, mo-res soont]: what were once vices, are now customs.

Let's review the "Cultus Chart" we have been using to demonstrate how culture and Zeitgeist rely on religious beliefs and establishment morality.

This brings us to the question of what importance does morality play, if any, in the execution of the Christian way of life?

Morality is not the Christian way of life, however, to execute the Christian way of life the believer must be moral.

Morality is required of the believer so he can utilize his spiritual assets to develop Christian integrity.

This brings us to a series of questions in order to illustrate the point:

If a believer maintains a lifestyle of immorality, can he simultaneously advance in the Christian way of life? No. The believer cannot advance without the filling ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Then is he not in a status of carnality, reversionism, or immoral degeneracy? Yes. Spirituality is an absolute. You cannot maintain an immoral lifestyle and at the same time develop Christian integrity.

How may a spiritual advance be resumed? First rebound but most importantly a resumption of consistent inculcation of Biblical truth which suppresses and overrides the immoral desires of the sinful nature.

If an immoral believer confesses his sins before God, does this make him moral? Maybe yes, maybe no. He may or may not succumb to the desires of the sinful nature. If his thinking is not changed by truth then he will return to his immoral habits. If his thinking is changed then he becomes moral as he makes choices in opposition to the continuing desires of the sinful nature.

May a believer who has resumed his spiritual life through rebound and Bible study, advance in the plan of God? Yes. *Vincit omnia veritas: doctrine conquers all!* 

Does the fact that this believer is now conducting himself within the boundaries of establishment morality make him spiritual? No. Spirituality is based on the filling of the Holy Spirit. Morality is a behavior pattern which can be practiced by the unbeliever as well as the believer.

So, why is morality not a part of spirituality? Because the principle is that you are not spiritual because you are moral, but you have to be moral in order to be spiritual.

Spirituality is based on the filling of the Holy Spirit which results from confession alone to God alone. Many people are good citizens, obey the law, and refrain from participation in the more conspicuous forms of the overt sin but they are out of fellowship because of some mental attitude sin. This person is moral but not spiritual.

However, a person whose lifestyle includes consistent violation of the basic principles of establishment truth is involved in chronic immorality and therefore cannot maintain the filling of the Holy Spirit and resultant status-quo spirituality.

Therefore, morality is not spirituality, but spirituality cannot be maintained by the immoral believer.

On the other hand, the unbeliever can be very moral but incapable of producing the Christian way of life because he does not possess the necessary assets.