Dear Antioch Psyche and Spirit Participant:

It was a pleasure to be with you all and the other two panelists. We covered a lot of ground in two hours together trying to re-imagine our shared global political crisis.

I left in a few slides that time did not permit me to cover but the content and context should be pretty much self explanatory.

Again, my delight and honor to be with you all.

Warmly,

Terry

Stepanida Borisova and Hulu Project

TRUMP AND TITANISM

Patriarchal Predation in an Archetypal, Evolutionary Perspective

An Exploratory Hypothesis

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Guiding Questions

What is an archetypal way to view collective crisis?

What is a model for understanding the possible evolutionary and archetypal realities behind the current global dilemma for our species and the planet?

What are possible, hopeful, conscious steps an awake individual can take to help facilitate a more positive outcome in this perilous collective moment?

So Lost We Can Never Be Found Again?

Did you do all this?

What do they mean?

I do not know. I do not remember.

These stones used to talk to me.

They would answer my questions.

The line is broken, the memories are gone.

Stones, trees, animals, have fallen silent.

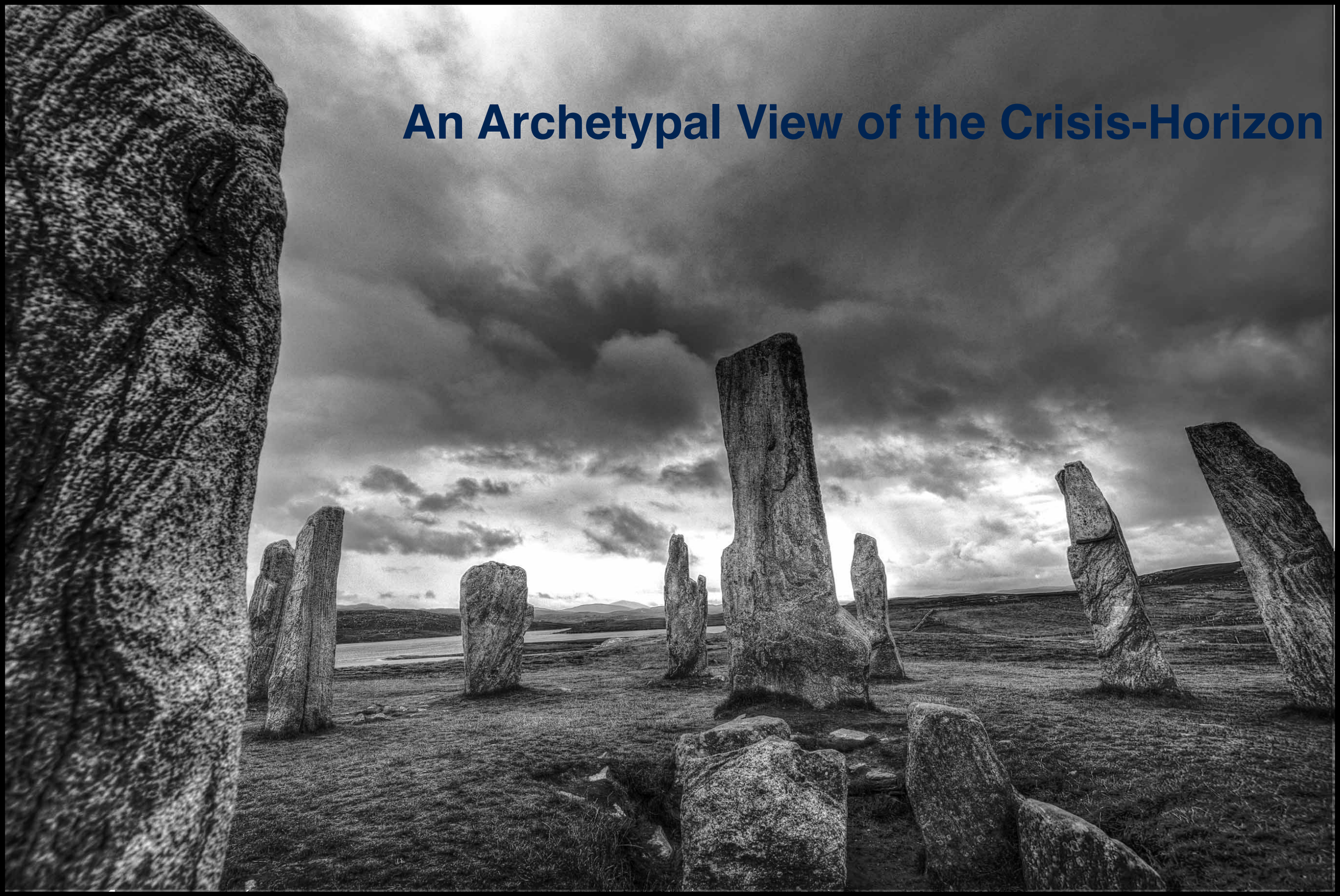
Now there is only the

drawings on the rocks.

Now I am an empty body. A chullachaqui.

OLD KARAMAKATE, The Embrace of the Serpent [2015]

An Archetypal View of the Crisis-Horizon



The story of the Negro in America is the story of America. It is not a pretty story. What can we do? Well, I am tired. I don't know how it will come about, I know that no matter how it comes about, it will be bloody, it will be hard. I still believe that we can do with this country something that has not been done before. We are misled here because we think of numbers. You don't need numbers, you need passion. And this is proven by the history of the world. The tragedy is that most of the people who say they care about it do not care. What they care about is their safety and their profits.

James Baldwin

We are today witnessing an attempt at the triumphant return of the great Titans, a return that heralds the victory of the *literal* over the *imaginal*, the *rational* over the *aesthetic*, *arrogance* over *eros*, *fundamentalism* over *tolerance*, *isolation* over *relatedness*, *pessimism* over *hopefulness*, *projection* over *responsibility*, *demonization* over *understanding*, and *technology* over *psychology*. And, what should be of paramount concern to us all is the reality that the most prominent casualty of the Titanic way is Psyche in all her spontaneous, imaginal, erotic splendor. . .From a depth psychological perspective, correcting a one-sidedness in the conscious attitude, restoring balance to a psychological imbalance, requires acute awareness and painstaking attunement to the situation. It requires what James Hillman refers to as the necessity "to see into, to see through" the problem in order to uncover the psychological, mythical sub-strata that most accurately describes its present manifestation.

Pete Williams

Titan-Prometheus

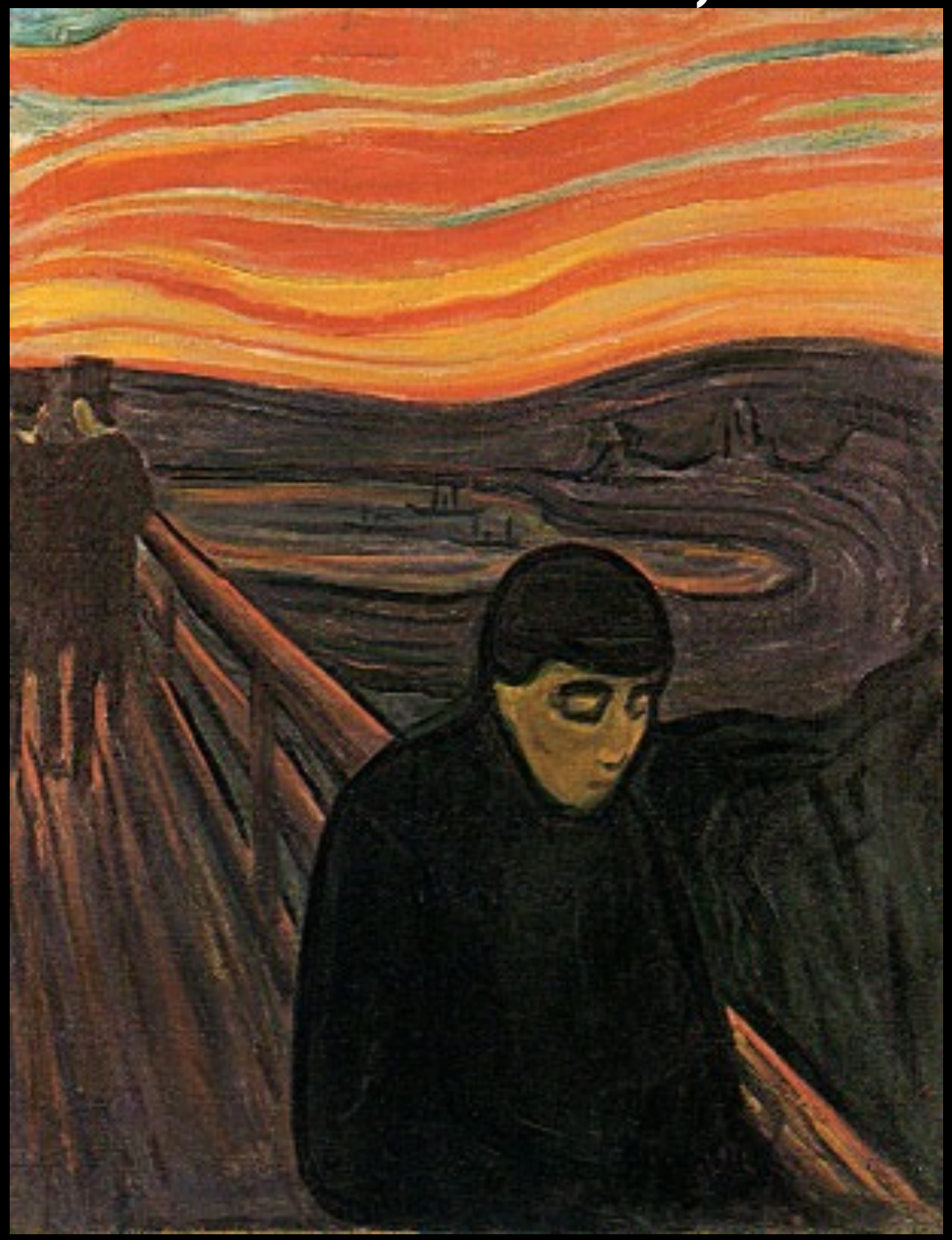
As an archetypal image identified with the Titan race, Prometheus represents technological triumph and discovery, single-minded purpose and drive, ambition and competitive-ness, rationality and linearity. A Promethean consciousness values only the literal, empirical condition of our existence and, as such, it embodies an attitude that devalues human- kind's divine potential, subordinates the unconscious and denies the validity of the inner world.

·PETE WILLIAMS

The transformation of familiar sites is bound to take a psychic toll. In 1893, the Norwegian artist Edvard Munch completed his most famous painting, “The Scream,” with its haunting vibe of existential dread. The nightmare image, with its swirls of deep reds and blues, was inspired by Munch’s experience, a decade earlier, of witnessing an unearthly sunset, created in part by airborne particulates emitted by the eruption of the Indonesian volcano Krakatau, on the other side of the planet. All of the ash from the volcano scattered the blue-violet wavelengths of light, just as the smoke blanketing the West is doing now. At the sight of ruptured sky, Munch said he felt “a great, unending scream piercing through nature.”
That’s a pretty good description of what these smoke storms have felt like. Maybe the strange, never-before-seen landscapes of our hot, hazy century will make for some incredible art. But like Munch, I also worry that it will bring us something much darker, more forlorn. Not for nothing did he title one study for his painting “Despair.”

JASON MARK, NYT, SEPT. 8, 2017

Edvard Munch, Despair



Tikkun and Walter Benjamin

In the essay, Benjamin's famed ninth thesis struggles to reconcile the Idea of Progress in the present with the apparent chaos of the past: A Klee painting named *Angelus Novus* shows an angel looking as though he is about to move away from something he is fixedly contemplating. His eyes are staring, his mouth is open, his wings are spread. This is how one pictures the angel of history. His face is turned toward the past. Where we perceive a chain of events, he sees one single catastrophe which keeps piling wreckage upon wreckage and hurls it in front of his feet. The angel would like to stay, awaken the dead, and make whole what has been smashed. But a storm is blowing from Paradise; it has got caught in his wings with such violence that the angel can no longer close them. The storm irresistibly propels him into the future to which his back is turned, while the pile of debris before him grows skyward. This storm is what we call progress.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Walter_Benjamin



We have had more or less ideological presidents and more or less competent presidents. We have had presidents who divided the country and presidents whose opponents saw them as a danger to everything they believed in. But we have never had a president who aroused such grave and widespread doubts about his commitment to the institutions of self-government, to the norms democracy requires, to the legitimacy of opposition in a free republic, and to the need for basic knowledge about major policy questions and about how government works. We have never had a president who daily raises profound questions about his basic competence and his psychological capacity to take on the most powerful and challenging political office in the world. We have never had a president who spoke more warmly of dictators than of democratic allies, and whose victory came with the assistance of a foreign power that meddled in our election. We have, in short, never had a president who, from his first day in office, plainly showed that he had no business Being President.

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And far from bringing us together, Trump demeans his office by regularly turning its power to petty and often cartoonish assaults on his enemies, particularly in the media. Thus, his sexist Twitter outburst against MSNBC's Mika Brzezinski and his posting of a video two days before the nation's July 4th holiday of his violently wrestling a figure labeled "CNN." These and other episodes we describe in these pages reveal a presidency devoted to the interests, proclivities, and will to power of one man, not to the needs of the nation.

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As our toxic hot politics burn us up so does our planet. Once all politics were local. Now all politics are planetary. Earth is a living rhizome and her above ground stem and leaves are browning unto death. Gaia, the living Goddess that is Mother Earth, is suffering an increasingly scorched surface.





BLOOD AND SOIL

Bannon’s Three Pillars

I kind of break it up into three verticals of three buckets," Bannon said. "The first is kind of national security and sovereignty and that's your intelligence, the Defense Department, Homeland Security.

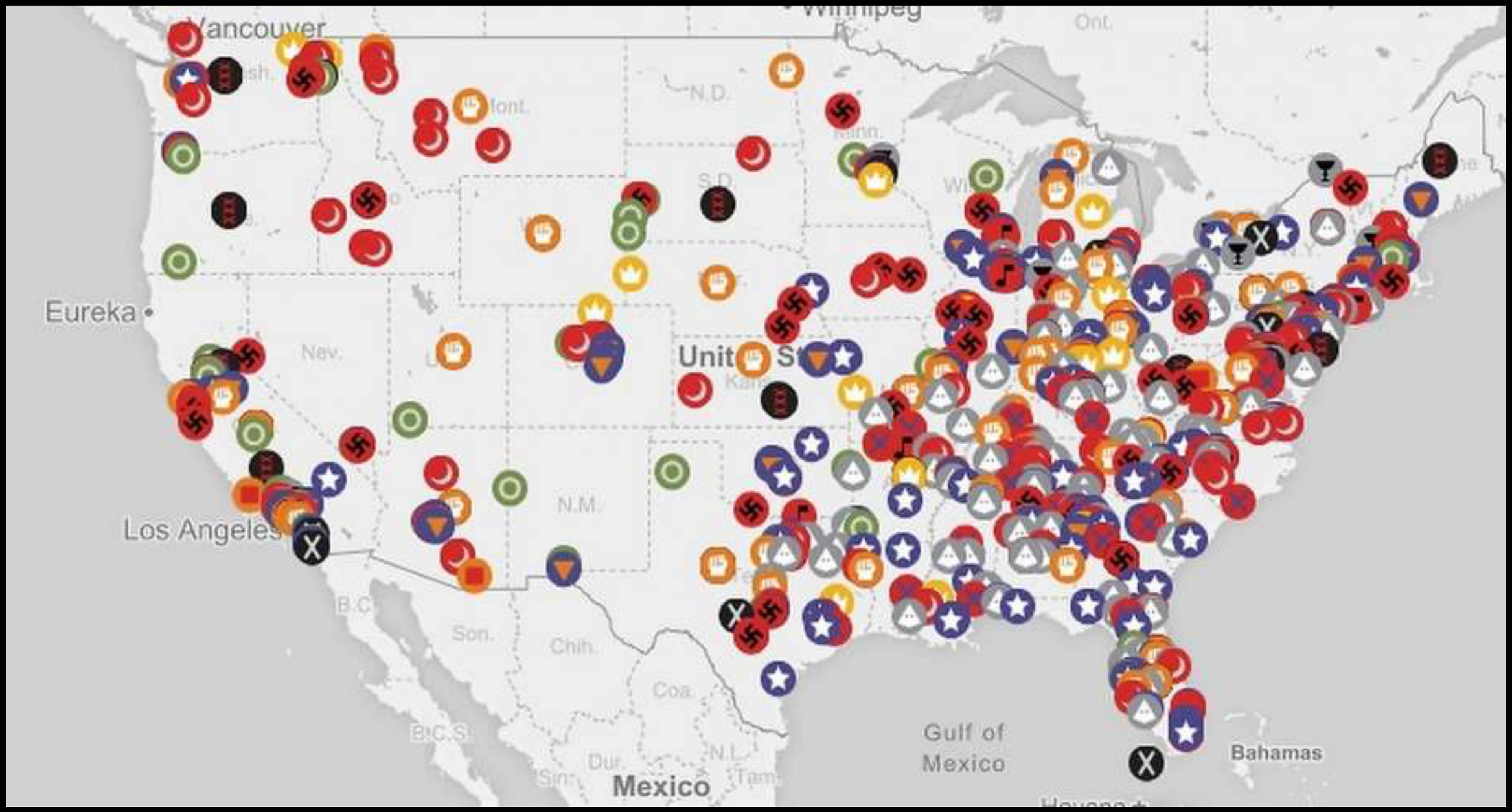
The second line of work is what I refer to as 'economic nationalism' and that is Wilbur Ross at Commerce, Steven Mnuchin at Treasury, (Robert) Lighthizer at Trade, (National Trade Council head) Peter Navarro, (adviser) Stephen Miller, these people that are rethinking how we're gonna reconstruct our trade arrangements around the world.

The third, broadly, line of work is what is 'deconstruction' of the administrative state.

http://www.cnn.com/2017/02/23/politics/steve-bannon-world-view/index.html

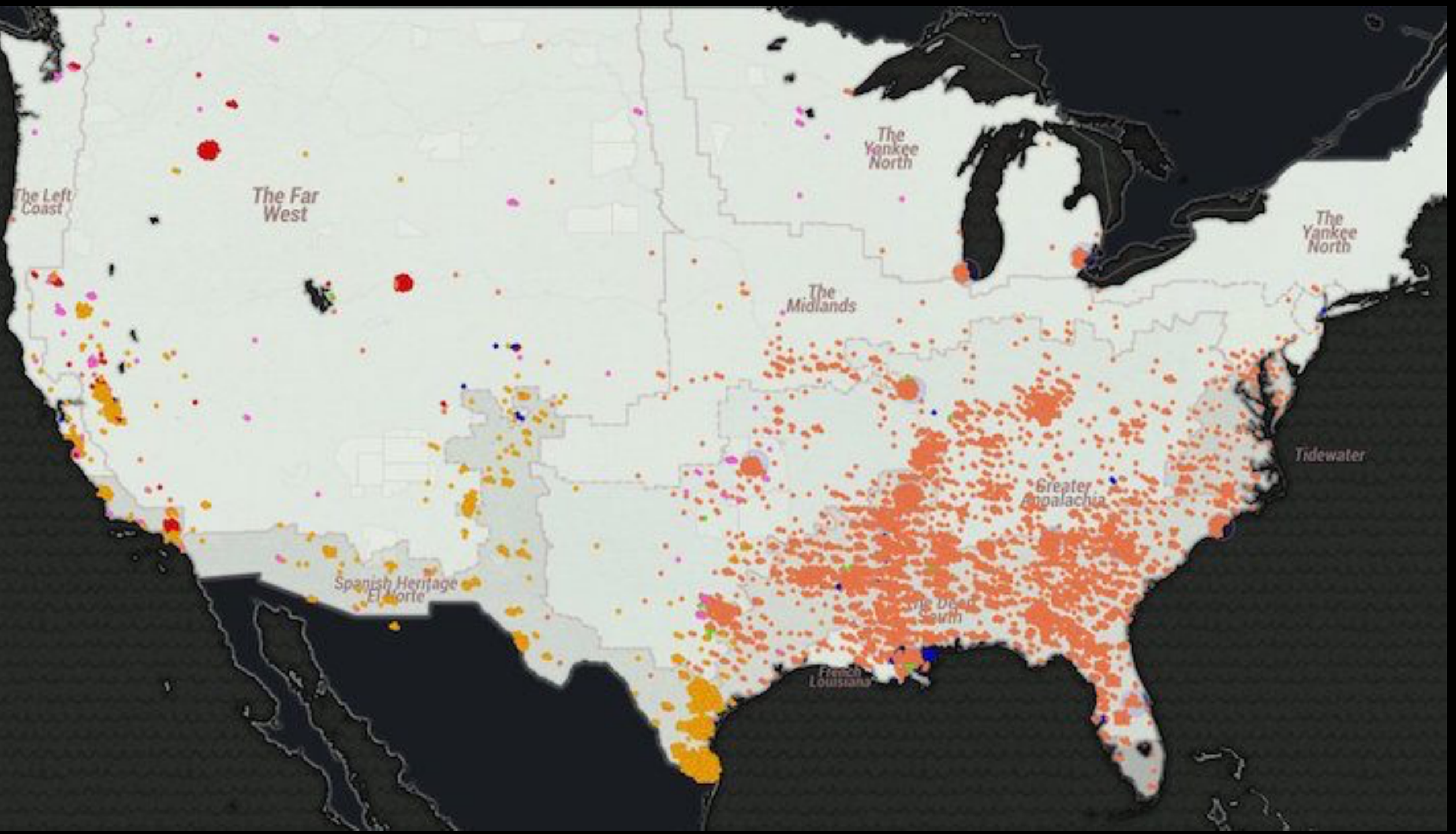
Map of Active Hate Groups

[Southern Poverty Law Center]



Map of Lynchings; 1830s-1960

[Google Lynching In America project]



THREE MAJOR UNGRIEVED ANGLO-AMERICAN SINS/CRIMES

- SLAVE CRIME
- INDIGENOUS CRIME
- MEXICAN CRIME

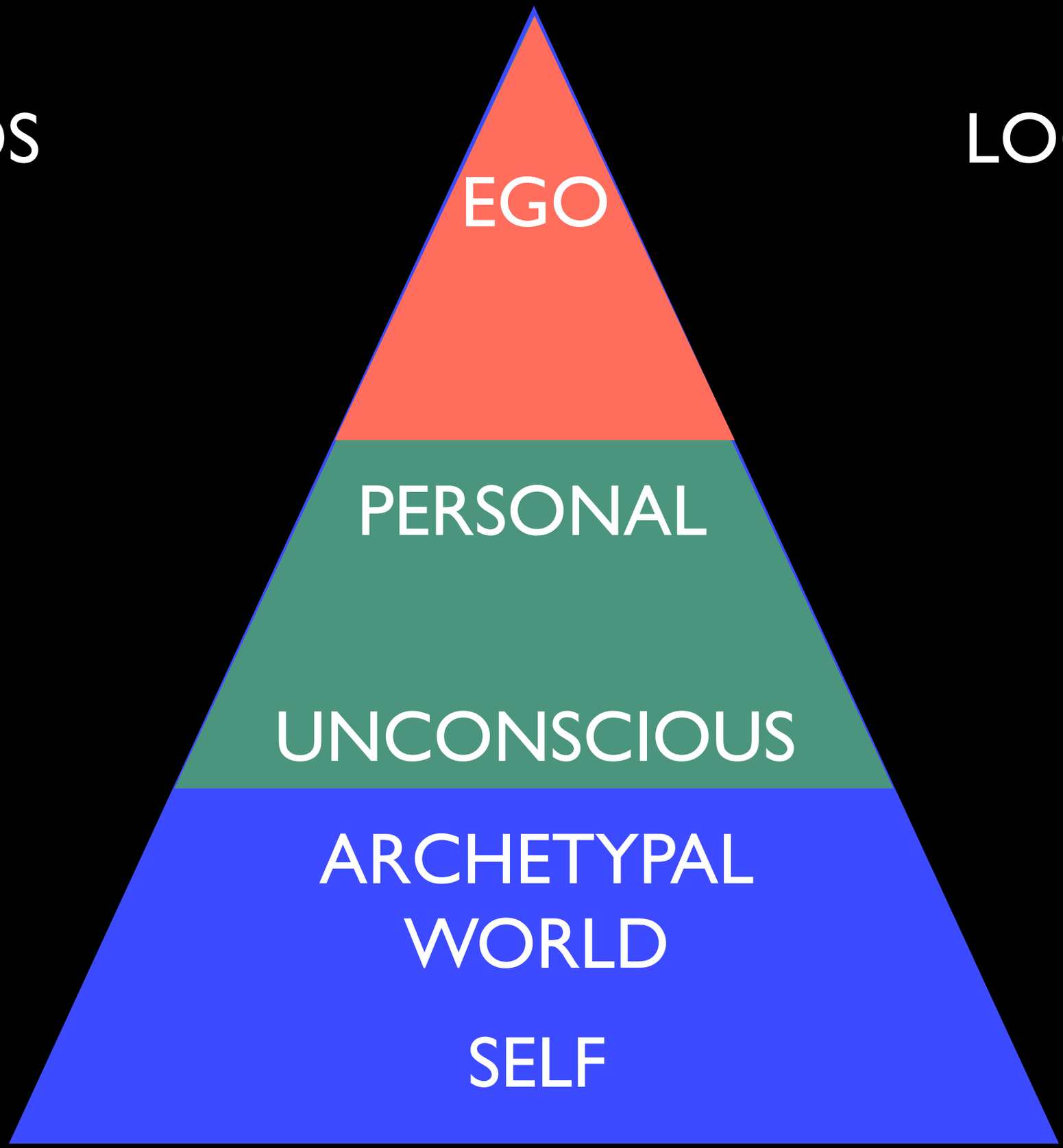
There is not now or ever has been any American Exceptionalism

Isolationism, Protectionism, Nationalism will Never Work—We are a Global Species Sharing a Common Planetary Fate

WHAT AILS THEE, MY KING?

CHRONOS

LOGOS



POLIS

POLIS

KAIROS

EROS

Like individual complexes, cultural complexes tend to be repetitive, autonomous, resist consciousness, and collect experience that confirms their historical point of view.

And, as already mentioned, cultural complexes tend to be bipolar, so that when they are activated, the group ego or the individual ego of a group member becomes identified with one part of the unconscious cultural complex, while the other part is projected out onto the suitable hook of another group or one of its members.

Individuals and groups in the grips of a particular cultural complex automatically take on a shared body language and postures or express their distress in similar somatic complaints.

Finally,
like personal
complexes, cultural
complexes can provide those
caught in their potent web of stories
and emotions a simplistic certainty
about the group's place in the
world in the face of otherwise
conflicting and ambiguous
uncertainties.

~Tom Singer/ Sam Kimbles

An Exploratory Model



The Dilemma

Copernicus

Copernicus Descartes

Copernicus Descartes Darwin

Copernicus Descartes Darwin Freud



The Resolution

Mechtilde

Mechtilde Eckhart

Mechtilde Eckhart Boehme

Mechtilde Eckhart Boehme Kant

Mechtilde Eckhart Boehme Kant Hegel

Mechtilde Eckhart Boehme Kant Hegel Jung



Tarnas-Jung-Dourley-Gibson Chart

Divine
Human
Participation
Mystique

Divine
Human
Participation
Mystique

Axial

Age

Transpersonal

Temporal

Split

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Divine Incarnation Within the Human Psyche

Co-Evolution of Divine-Human Consciousness in Second Axial Age

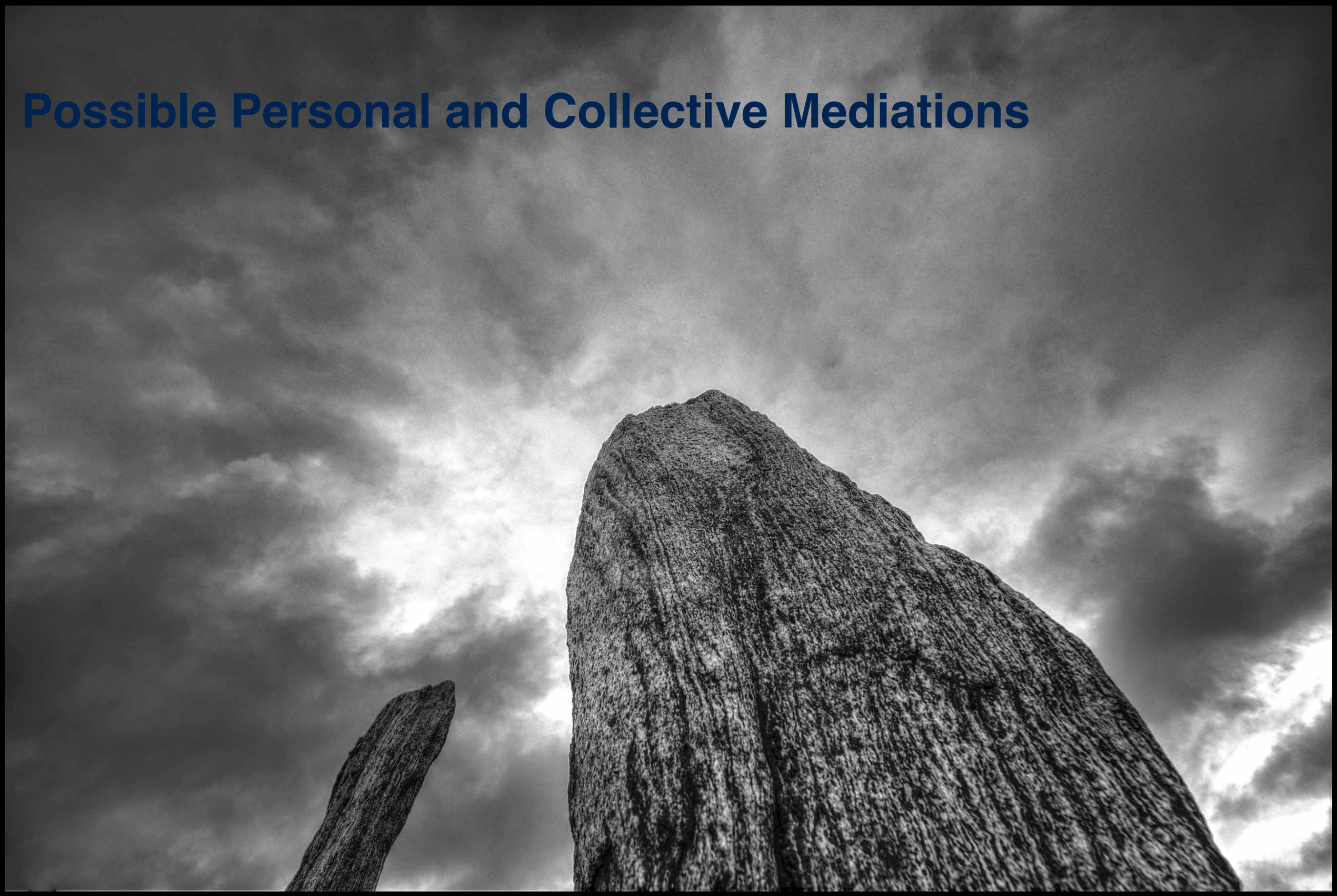
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Divine -Human Co-Inherence in Dynamic Origin-End-Time

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Possible Personal and Collective Mediations



Harari

Humanist Religions – Religions that Worship Humanity

Liberal humanism	Socialist humanism	Evolutionary humanism
Homo sapiens has a unique and sacred nature that is fundamentally different from the nature of all other beings and phenomena. The supreme good is the good of humanity.		
'Humanity' is individualistic and resides within each individual *Homo sapiens*.	'Humanity' is collective and resides within the species *Homo sapiens* as a whole.	'Humanity' is a mutable species. Humans might degenerate into subhumans or evolve into superhumans.
The supreme commandment is to protect the inner core and freedom of each individual*Homo sapiens*.	The supreme commandment is to protect equality within the species*Homo sapiens*.	The supreme commandment is to protect humankind from degenerating into subhumans, and to encourage its evolution into superhumans.

The Burgeoning Green or Solar Era of Matthew Fox

- Whole more valued than the parts.
- Universe an organism.
- Things have souls.
- Work [our daily lives] not just outer but inner—connects us to the living Cosmos.
- The Other is as much feminine as masculine, animal as human, plant as animal.



The Alchemy of Suffering; Functions collectively as well as personally

Jung (1946/ 54) described in “The psychology of the transference” in relation to the alchemical treatise The Rosarium Philosophorum. There he describes how the analytic couple go through various stages from an initial stage of confusion and darkness (nigredo), followed by a mixing of the individual personalities in joint experience (solutio and coniunctio), followed by the experience of death (putrefacto), stages of abstraction (ascent of the soul), purification (albedo and ablutio), and incarnation (rubedo—reddening), before a release from the traumatic complex and the “rebirth” in a new form (Fabricius, 1976; Jung, 1946/ 54).

THREE THEMES

Return to Original Source

Management of Evil

Death and Rebirth

Donald Sandner

King's Three Evils

- Poverty
- Racism
- Militarism

Liminal leadership is principled poesy rather than perverse pragmatism.

Night Watch[wo]man Government or Shared Commons Governance

Archetypal Necessity of Liberal-Conservative Poles

This separates it not only from progressivism but also from a traditional conservatism that, in principle at least, always accepted what Edmund Burke, the first conservative, taught: that preserving what is best in a regime and a society means accepting that change and reform are inevitable. Burke recommended “a disposition to preserve, and an ability to improve.” Trumpism looks backward, not forward.

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Nativist	Univeralist
Racist	Humanist
Sexist	Inclusivist
Capitalist-consumerist	Socialist
Parochial	Rooted Globalist
Militarist	Diplomatist



Possible In-Process, Non-Contemptuous Solutions

Finding your liminal portals to the gods and visiting/ transiting them daily.

Abandoning capitalist-corporatist held political parties.

Re-claiming the non violent protesting streets as the genuine third rail of authentic democracy.

Turning your back on night watch form of government and claiming a vision of soul-inspired Polis/ Communitas—a Communitas that guarantees health care to all, peace for all, education at all levels at all times for all.

Residing regularly within,
bathing within, souls-
transforming landscape
and earth beauty.



SATYAGRAHA

– Hindi for “soul force,” a term coined by Gandhi to emphasize the power of unadorned truth and love in a social struggle

AHIMSA

– The Hindi word for non-injury, or nonviolence

SIX PRINCIPLES OF NONVIOLENCE

1 PRINCIPLE ONE: Nonviolence is a way of life for courageous people.

2 PRINCIPLE TWO: Nonviolence seeks to win friendship and understanding.

3 PRINCIPLE THREE: Nonviolence seeks to defeat injustice not people.

4 PRINCIPLE FOUR: Nonviolence holds that suffering can educate and transform.

5 PRINCIPLE FIVE: Nonviolence chooses love instead of hate.

6 PRINCIPLE SIX: Nonviolence believes that the universe is on the side of justice.

Six Steps of Non-Violent Social Change

Information Gathering

Education

Personal Commitment

Discussion/ negotiation

Direct Action

Reconciliation

- http://www.thekingcenter.org/king-philosophy

- Benvolence/ Sympathy

- Fairness/ Balance

Michael Tomasello

- [Sympatheia and Justicia—later FAR more complex than former—p. 3 Tomasello]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists Doomsday Clock

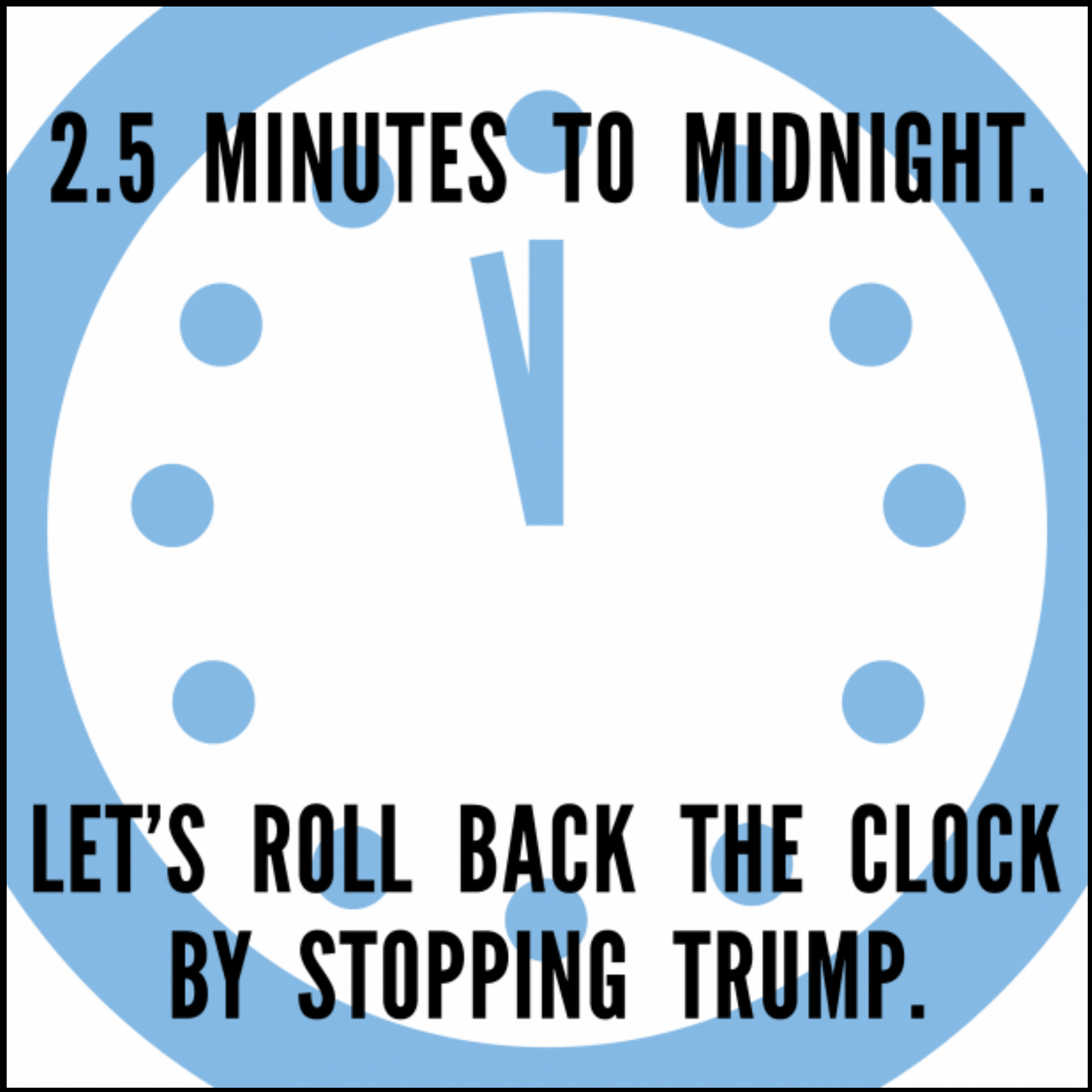
IT IS 6 MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT
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2010: "We are poised to bend the arc of history toward a world free of nuclear weapons" is the Bulletin's assessment. Talks between Washington and Moscow for a follow-on agreement to the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty are nearly complete, and more negotiations for further reductions in the U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenal are already planned. The dangers posed by climate change are growing, but there are pockets of progress. Most notably, at Copenhagen, the developing and industrialized countries agree to take responsibility for carbon emissions and to limit global temperature rise to 2 degrees Celsius.

IT IS STILL 3 MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT
DoomsdayClock_black_3mins_regmark.jpg

2016: "Last year, the Science and Security Board moved the Doomsday Clock forward to three minutes to midnight, noting: 'The probability of global catastrophe is very high, and the actions needed to reduce the risks of disaster must be taken very soon.' That probability has not been reduced. The Clock ticks. Global danger looms. Wise leaders should act—immediately." See the full statement from the Science and Security Board on the 2016 time of the Doomsday Clock.

NOW. . .


2.5 MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT.
LET'S ROLL BACK THE CLOCK
BY STOPPING TRUMP.

Saving the Anima Mundi. . .

In all of our countries, we can and must do more to connect the dots between economic injustice, racial injustice and gender injustice. We need to draw out the connections between the gig economy – which treats human beings like a raw resource from which to extract wealth and then discard – and the dig economy, in which extractive companies treat the Earth in precisely the same careless way.

And let’s show exactly how we can move from that gig and dig economy to a society based on principles of care – caring for the planet and for one another. A society where the work of our caregivers, and of our land and water protectors, is respected and valued. A world where no one and nowhere is thrown away – whether in firetrap housing estates, or on hurricane-ravaged islands.

Naomi Klein

Advocate For a Global, Earth Patriotism

E pluribus unum—out of many, One

The Unus Mundus

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A Little Final Resolve From Nina

