

Symbiosis—the grammar of evolution

Every living cell carries in common life's genetic "grammar", including human cells. The cosmic codes of evolving "transubstantiation" are *religious evidence* of Divine Presence in the deep purposes of intelligent design, of intentional symbiosis. The implosions of ecologic, economic, religious and civil networks, happening in these times, are consequences of self-undoing. The radical reading and conversion of humankind to nature's sustainable symbioses are urgencies above all other.

Pope Benedict's social encyclical "Caritas in Veritate" directly addresses the "grammar [which] sets forth ends and criteria for its [nature's] wise use, not its reckless exploitation." (Daniel Finn, "Economics of Charity", COMMONWEAL, August 14, 2009, pp 8-10) Finn observes, "...this analogy [natural law as nature's grammar] has not been employed in any previous encyclical." It is Pope Benedict's clear attempt to cast "natural law tradition in a manner more accessible to contemporary ears."

Symbiotic life is nature's word and work. Words standing alone do not make grammar. To work, grammar supposes word-meanings and sense of connection. The rational meanings of words together are what make grammar work. Language and content evolve together; the grammar of natural law must first be learned before the content of language can be understood, before we can come to an informed sense of ourselves. The "evolution of symbiosis" is about natural law grammar. "Benedict's grammar analogy acknowledges that languages develop [evolve] over time...in fundamental continuity with the past." <http://www.secondenlightenment.org/The%20Evolution%20of%20Symbiosis.pdf>

NATURAL LAW [Prologue to "Primary Scripture"]

"The premise of "Primary Scripture" is that the essential lessons edifying all consciousness are communicated uninterruptedly in Nature, and that in their *natural* place, humans commune with divinity—The Source. Natural reason (complexity consciousness) is a self-renewing genesis. Nature's consciously enduring word/ work is God's.

"Introspective nature-consciousness authenticates Earth life; but because of humankind's ignorance, arrogance, and egoistic greed-obsession, societal sensitivity toward nature has been trashed; the poison of humankind's anti-social disconnection diseases civilizations with mortal conflicts.

"The geologist Thomas Berry calls for societal awakening to an ecozoic awareness. In "The DREAM of the EARTH", Father Berry says: "*Professional education should be based on an awareness that Earth is itself the primary physician, primary revelation of the divine, primary scientist, primary technologist, primary commercial venture, primary artist, primary educator, primary agent in whichever activity we find human affairs*". (Quoted with the author's permission)

"If humankind would desist from its self-undoing, it needs to recapture its naturally instinctual and sustaining consciousness, relocate its societies in harmonious relationships with global Earth life, and become a conservator of life's diversity rather than its destroyer. Except for the fundamental fact of essential, codependent relationships, the physical/ moral basis of vitality, of Natural Law, all other law pales in meaning and effect.

"Humans waste themselves and Earth life unless they conform their living to the codified scripture of the NATURALIS SACRAMENTUM ORDINIS.

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