**1) Think Slow, Think Clear - Parminder Biant - 23/9/20**

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want to welcome everybody to this um camp meeting at the moment this is the third in a series depending on how far we get through my thoughts and ideas at this cat meeting we may continue this study at um the next cat meeting that we have planned and for those of you who are not aware the next camp meeting that i'm going to be involved in is in october the last week of october with the french ministry the grand cruz [Music] the country in the past two camp meetings we have been discussing methodology we've discussed many technical details many problems that confront us when we when we study god's word [Music] these range from simply not being properly trained to approach god's word to some factors that are inbuilt in human nature [Music] for a number of years now i have said that many of our teachers if i say this bluntly are lazy [Music] that's not meant to be an insult it was meant to be a perspective that i think is actually factual [Music] unfortunately many people saw statements like that and similar ones as being insults [Music] and i'm hoping after particularly last week's camp meeting that people begin to see things in a different light when we start considering the human mind one of the things that is clearly evident is that we are inherently lazy he [Music] this must not be confused with someone having lazy habits this is not a problem that people don't clear up after themselves this is something that is inbuilt into human nature it was designed by god this way an evolutionary scientist would come to the same conclusion but they would explain it a different way they would explain why we they would explain why we are in our present situation a different way [Music] evolutionist even utilized we know that the consequences of sin that entered into this world have changed things however this is not one of those things we need to be aware of our own human nature people have asked me can i give them resource if um resources or information on further study on this subject [Music] when people start thinking about these issues they can become fascinated with the subject of psychology and it's not been my purpose to encourage that [Music] so i've tried to avoid directing people to essentially study the subject further i'm not saying it's wrong to study and i think there is a danger in us becoming engrossed in the in the study of the human psyche rather than dealing [Music] so this is why i've personally avoided um giving source material or references about this subject because people get excited about it [Music] the danger that i have seen happen in this and other areas [Music] it's not only that it becomes all engrossing [Music] not only um is a little bit of information dangerous but a problem that can arise is that people want to harness this new way of thinking these new views and they think they can change [Music] outcomes i've already had conversations with people where they want to change the fast brain they want to deal with reflex in a way that they think they can manage it they can manage [Music] tell them that this is the futile endeavor [Music] the reason why we looked at this subject about human nature [Music] is not to study the secular science of psychology [Music] psychology it's not that i'm saying such an endeavor is wrong i really want to encourage people um if you see this concept and you understand it to see it in god's word [Music] i believe that if you were to go back and read statements from the bible or spirit of prophecy with this new insight you would view things differently i've exercised and so i think that endeavor is a worthwhile pursuit [Music] what i'm not trying to do is hoard information hoard means to keep [Music] what i wanted us to see is this is not just a subject of how we read or grammar or language are extremely problematic when it comes to the study of god's word and and why are they so problematic it's because we are programmed to live that way to think that way because the definition of a synecdoche where it says the part equals the hole [Music] is the same mechanism or same way of thinking that your fast brain uses and you are programmed to live this way you cannot change it if we want to become successful students [Music] what we must do is not fight against our nature what we have to do is incorporate all of our nature you have you have to have a self-consciousness of what you're doing [Music] i hope we all know the word in in a different language intuitive the problem is with this idea this is an intuitive statement an intuitive way of living a la program i use this kind of analogy without coming to this you are hardwired to think what you see is all there is there is nothing more this is why in this movement we have made so many mistakes in our prophetic application [Music] you have all seen those studies that were done three four five years [Music] groups of students would come together discuss a story or a subject and think they had created great light uh is because by nature we think what we see in the story is all there is [Music] and this is simply not the case [Music] human beings think you think that you are good at making judgments [Music] we don't call it judgment we christianize that term [Music] and when you christianize a term it begins to take on a new life [Music] we call it discernment because discernment is connected somehow to god or an angel or the holy spirit [Music] now i'm not saying discernment at that level does not exist [Music] what i am saying is what passes for discernment the vast majority of the time is just intuition yeah uh uh [Music] and because we are not critically aware of this [Music] we're too quick to think that god has led us to some conclusion [Music] only to find out later that we were sorely mistaken and that's why this issue becomes so important is [Music] we think we're good at making judgments about the future we make too many decisions based upon i'm just going to call it wrong methodology now if i'll give you an example of this [Music] if you look at the united states economy if you would look at um a stock market index called the s p 500 okay there is [Music] this is an index of the top 500 companies in the united states by market value [Music] i have a point in bringing this subject up this is not this is not a study on the stock market if you were to look at the top companies [Music] i might be wrong with this percentage but it's not far off [Music] the top i'll just say the top five to ten companies i think it's vibrant you say 5 to 10. these top few companies [Music] [Music] the value of apple is worth more than most countries in the world [Music] it's so powerful [Music] one another powerful company is microsoft you know amazon tesla amazon tesla now the reason i mention this issue is because this way of thinking this is what we're inclined to think is that these companies and their success hello [Music] now i suspect most of you know the name of that person who runs amazon [Music] some of you might know the the boss i suspect most of you have no idea who runs microsoft when you try to understand why there is failure is what what do you see do you see that brother or that sister in sweden or italy mozambique my presentation so i'm going to say we all know it's me and what i want to say is this is [Music] is not heavily dependent upon who runs that company [Music] this has been proven over and over again it's a fallacy so all these huge salaries that these um top executives earn is really just a waste of money [Music] superior these top executives who run the company at this highest level actually have very little influence over the success or failure of those companies and the reason we believe that they have such a powerful influence is because they become the face of the company if something were to happen to me [Music] tomorrow you would see that this movement this business this company would continue in the same trajectory that it's already headed in [Music] and what you would learn is that the reason we're in a mess today is not my fault you're using this function this part of your brain and you're following through with this methodology we know that what i'm saying is correct um we know what i'm saying is correct [Music] it's been proven over and over again people would think if we lost those clever teachers the movement would collapse i have no idea i don't know what i'm saying so so we've had very competent and famous teachers [Music] and people would think if those teachers would leave the movement would collapse but here we are today we're still here this movement does not hinge upon my presence [Music] you can imagine if you want to that god is leading this movement and i don't need to be here or you can study psychology and economics and prove the same point now i said this movement is heading to failure it was just an example of course so the movements headed to success and if it's going to be successful who's the greatest person in the movement hello for someone to say god as their answer it's indicative that they're not understanding the points that i'm trying to make to go to a company and you want to blame someone you should blame the following not the people at the top me don't blame me not my fault and don't blame the people at the bottom it's not their fault so i leave you to consider in this organization in this business when you figure that out because it's always at that level that success or failure comes but for most people that group are not visible the troublemakers are the average worker and what you will see if you did a a qualification in economics and psychology that if you want to get a successful company you cannot live like this but everybody does success the success or the failure of this movement is not contingent upon my or elder tess's behavior we have a very small influence is in this hidden middle group not good this is why this issue becomes so pertinent so relevant to us is when we start considering the issue not just of equality nationalism sexism homophobia uh but how we come together and create a proper efficient [Music] all you people in the middle of [Music] self-examination constant self-examination takes you from the fast to the slow whether it's doctrinally speaking or organizationally speaking