

## Nation and Family: Civilizational Foundations

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Prior to the arrival of the Planetary Prince, the primitive men of an inhabited world have a wholly natural, evolutionary culture and society. The prince and his staff are civilizational uplifters (see TUB 50:4.5 [Paper:section.paragraph {not P:s.item}]); their "unnatural" influence lifts the mortal races up to the beginnings of civilization and fosters its subsequent progress and maintenance. These revelators teach that "nation" and "family" are indispensable foundations of civilization.

"On average worlds, during the latter part of the prince's rule, national life begins to replace tribal organization or rather to be superimposed upon the existing tribal groupings. But the great social achievement of the prince's epoch is the emergence of family life. Heretofore, human relationships have been chiefly tribal; now, the home begins to materialize." "This is the dispensation of the realization of sex equality. On some planets the male may rule the female; on others the reverse prevails. During this age normal worlds establish full equality of the sexes, this being preliminary to the fuller realization of the ideals of home life. This is the dawn of the golden age of the home. The idea of tribal rule gradually gives way to the dual concept of national life and family life." (TUB 52:2.6-7)

Note that "master seraphim of planetary supervision accompany each newly commissioned Planetary Prince to the inhabited worlds" (TUB 39:9.2), specifically, the "angels of nation life"--"directors of the political performances of ... national life", also "functioning in the overcontrol of international relations" (TUB 114:6.8)--and the "home seraphim"--"dedicated to the preservation and advancement of the home, the basic institution of human civilization" (TUB 114:6.13). The "nation" as the fundamental unit of political life, the "family" as the fundamental unit of social life: this is the cosmic order of planetary civilization. Two of the isms that are directly attacking our world's cosmic order (see my study notes entitled "Pairing of Isms in the Discrete Spectrum of Human Activity") are globalism and Marxism. The globalists are committed to the overthrow of national life (hence their name) and the establishment of a neofeudal system of global, economic "lords and serfs". While the Marxists incessantly work to overthrow family life and dissolve society down into their idealized, collectivist horde. [Notice: When these isms relate to the socio-political divide, the vertical pairing is the same.]

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