

BEYOND TREASON

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Yanomamo mother and baby

[This Monday's Archive, "Beyond Treason," was originally published on July 30, 2003. Written just a few months after TTP's inception, it is my first statement explaining the pathology of the liberal – in today's parlance, progressive or woke – mind. Please consider commenting on the Forum as to what extent it remains explanatory now, almost 20 years later. I'm really eager to learn what you think.]

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Reading Ann Coulter's new book, *Treason* is a lot of fun. She has to be the ballsiest chick in America. Part of what makes her so cool is that you know she would love that description of her.

Aside from the sheer enjoyment of watching her rhetorically eviscerate liberals, she performs a great public service in rehabilitating Joe McCarthy and exposing the Myth of McCarthyism. "McCarthyism is one of the markers on the left's *Via Dolorosa*," she observes. "It is their slavery, their gulag, their potato famine. Otherwise liberals would just be geeks from Manhattan and Hollywood."

So let's go beyond all the fun and outrage and cut to the chase. Coulter is fabuloso at explaining what aid and comfort three generations of liberals and Democrats have given to any and every anti-American cause and group on the planet, but she is at a total loss to explain why.

In the final concluding chapter, “*Why Do They Hate Us?*” you expect an answer to the question, and all she can come up with is: “Liberals think they are gods.” That’s it. What the heck is that? There is not even an explanation of what she could possibly mean.

Do liberals believe they (actually, no metaphors) reside in a non-physical supernatural realm and have magical powers to create and manipulate laws of nature? That is what it is to be a “god.” Treason can only offer gobbledygook as an attempt to explain why liberals are the way they are.

Further, America is hardly the only thing liberals are treasonous towards. Calling someone a traitor to their country doesn’t explain why they are a traitor to their race, their culture, their civilization, and their species.

Writer Susan Sontag has denounced the white race as “the cancer of human history.” She is white herself. A racist hatred of one’s own race — *auto-racism* — has become a defining characteristic of the white liberal mind. But just exactly what has that got to do with being anti-American?

We thus need a deeper understanding of what motivates liberals that goes far beyond simply hurling epithets of treason and traitor at them.

For such understanding, we need to travel to the Amazon. Among the Yanomamo and other tribes deep in the Amazon rain forests, it is an accepted practice that when a woman gives birth, she tearfully proclaims her child to be ugly.

In a loud mortified lament that the entire tribe can hear, she asks why the gods have cursed her with such a pathetically repulsive infant. She does this in order to ward off the envious black magic of the Evil Eye, the *Mal Ojo*, that would be directed at her by her fellow tribespeople if they knew how happy she was with her beautiful baby.

Anthropologists observe that for most primitive and traditional cultures, “every individual lives in constant fear of the magical aggression of others... there is only one explanation for unforeseen events: the envious black magic of another villager.”

Envy is the source of tribal and traditional cultures’ belief in Black Magic, the fear of the envious Evil Eye. Reflect for a moment on the extent to which tribespeople in a tribal, “primitive” culture suffuse their lives with superstition, witchcraft, sorcery, voodoo, “black magic,” the “evil eye.” The world for them is teeming with demons, spirits, ghosts and gods, all of whom are malicious and dangerous — in a word, envious.

What Ann Coulter doesn’t understand is that the liberal mind is an atavism, a regression to a primitive mentality. Liberals believe in Black Magic just as strongly as Yanomamos. What makes a liberal is his or her fear of the Evil Eye of Envy.

An American liberal’s primary motivation is not to betray his country. It is to appease the envious. *Liberalism is not a political ideology. It is a psychological strategy to avoid being envied. What causes someone to be a liberal is the fear of being envied. It is the fear of being envied that is the source of “liberal guilt.”*

This is most easily seen in the children of wealthy parents. Successful businessmen, for example, who have made it on their own normally have a respect for the effort and the economic system that makes success possible.

Their children, who have not had to work for it, are easier targets for guilt-mongering by the envious. So they assume a posture of liberal compassion as an envy-deflection device: “Please don’t envy me for my father’s money — look at all the liberal causes and government social programs I advocate!” Teddy Kennedy is the

archetype of this phenomenon.

This is also why Hollywood is so liberal. The vast amounts of money movie stars make is so grossly disproportionate to the effort it took them to make it that they feel it is unearned. So they apologize for it. The Liberal's strategy is to apologize for his success in order to appease the envious.

The passions of Limousine or Hollywood Liberals are not traitorous. They are frenzies of masochism. The more one fears being envied, the more one is driven to masochistic self-humiliation in attempts at envy-appeasement.

Traitors are folks who go over to the other side for the money or some other self-interested reason. Liberals root for the other side precisely because they believe it is against their self-interests.

What, for example, could be more idiotic and masochistic than to oppose missile defense? This opposition cannot be understood unless one dispenses with its rhetoric and rationales and realizes that these folks at their emotional core *do not want their country defended*. The lunacy of the "global warming" hoax cannot be comprehended other than its masochistic advocates *do not want their civilization to prosper*. Culture-destroying illegal immigration policies are defended by those who *do not want their culture to survive*.

The lethality of Liberal Envy-Appeasement is that personally-felt guilt is projected onto the various social or tribal collectives to which the liberal belongs and are a part of his self-identity. Self-loathing is transformed into a loathing for one's society or race.

White liberals become *auto-racist*, male liberals *auto-sexist*: racists towards their own race, sexists towards their own sex. Dimestore demagogues like eco-fascist environmentalists, feminazis, PETA animal rights loonies, NAMBLA pederasts, race hustlers like Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton, all get their strength from the liberal's fear of their Evil Eyes.

As the Amazon tribeswoman who says her baby is ugly, so the white male liberal says his gender, his race, his country, his civilization, and even his entire species is ugly.

Fear of envy is very deep-seated in the human psyche. Only a youthful culture full of vigor and confidence can shrug it off, enabling that culture to flourish. The road to cultural ruin lies in the fear of envy reasserting itself from the primordial depths.

Today, America's elite universities have degenerated into fascist cesspools of envy-appeasement. America's airlines compromise passenger security by harassing people at random, rather than racially profiling Arab and other Moslem men. The entire fascist phenomenon of political correctness — perhaps best exemplified by the New York Times editorial page — is nothing but a massive exercise in envy-appeasement.

One of the silver linings of September 11 is that it made the American people mad enough to reject envy. They now could care less if Moslems or the French or whomever are envious of them. That rejection must be applied to the envy-panderers and envy-appeasers within America herself.

Rejecting envy is the key to America's cultural resurgence and survival. Fear of the Evil Eye is the only thing that gives the Evil Eye any power. Without fear of it, the Evil Eye is impotent.

Calling folks traitors solves no problems and provides no solutions. Conservatives instead need to reach out to liberals and help them overcome their fear of envy. The Christian and American solution is to enable liberals to feel proud, rather than embarrassed, to be themselves, to be American, to be a participant in Western Civilization, and to be a human being.

