## The Nature Of Terrorists



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Malicious people drive the terror they experience experiencing themselves. They experience themselves, accurately, as teratological horror that they

cannot prevent occurring in the world, although they know they should. They are aware, accurately, that as the horror they are occurs in the world, they will be despised, threatened and successfully attacked.

Both their experience of themselves and their awareness of the consequences of their nature terrorize malicious people and that terror drives their terrorization others.

Terrified people are dangerous people. Such people we call, rightly, terrorists or teratoids, which means monsters.

Social and psychological scientists may claim understanding and potential cure for terrorists. If they are learned, they will not make those claims.

Terrorists are so from an internal clash of structures, ones they are essentially and ones they embody existentially:

1- Essentially, they are the creative ground that is Being-Itself, empowering themselves as themselves accurately to estimate their experience of

themselves as an experience of horror and also accurately to estimate the effect they have in the world and their treatment by the world on account of that effect as horripilating;

2- Existentially, they embody the structure of finitude, the polarities of individualization and participation, form and dynamics, freedom and destiny they experience as a horror that defines and is their self.

Terrorists do not experience themselves as the creative ground that is Being-Itself, even though Being-Itself enables their experience of themselves, their accurate estimate of their experience of themselves, their accurate estimate of the world's treatment of them and their awareness that they should not be or do as they do and are. Terrorists experience themselves only as a constellation of polarities, only as embodied finitude.

This explains the common experience of mankind that there is not appeal to terrorists for forbearance, mercy, sweetness, pity or compassion. Love "does not get through" to them because love, unmediated experience of the creative ground that is Being-Itself, is that which terrorists do not experience as themselves.

Terrorists experience themselves as teratological horror, as monsters, and do not experience themselves as love, as human. A claim by terrorists of religious affiliation or intellectual accomplishment is a public relations cover for their experience of themselves as phylogenetic aberration. Their claim is also evidence that they know what they need and feel what they should be doing but cannot. Terrorists are embodiments of terrified desolation, try as they may to present a cheerful mien.

The proper treatment of terrorists, as they themselves accurately point out, is destruction of them. Recall Ted Bundy.

A representation of reality as and only as ineluctable clashes of things, such as "clash of cultures," is a terrorist's representation of reality. Very

many terrorists walk the planet these days and only a handful of the total claims to be Muslims.

When teratoids support themselves, they perpetrate crime. When teratoids control states, they perpetrate panoptic destruction. Sometimes they are labeled psychopaths, a word that describes them accurately.

People who experience themselves as a unity of tension and resolution between Being-Itself and the vicissitudes of finitude represent reality as and only as creating, sustaining and fulfilling. These ones are "the salt of the earth," the skillful harbingers of peace.

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