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It's official: AAA and CASCA leaders lost touch with reality.

Paper 99: The Social Problems of Religion; Section 4: Transition Difficulties.

(99:4.5) After all, it is what one believes rather than what one knows that determines conduct and dominates personal performances. Purely factual knowledge exerts very little influence upon the average man unless it becomes emotionally activated. But the activation of religion is superemotional, unifying the entire human experience on transcendent levels through contact with, and release of, spiritual energies in the mortal life.

(99:4.6) During the psychologically unsettled times of the twentieth century, amid the economic upheavals, the moral crosscurrents, and the sociologic rip tides of the cyclonic transitions of a scientific era, thousands upon thousands of men and women have become humanly dislocated; they are anxious, restless, fearful, uncertain, and unsettled; as never before in the world's history they need the consolation and stabilization of sound religion. In the face of unprecedented scientific achievement and mechanical development there is spiritual stagnation and philosophic chaos.

That is how the twentieth century gets described. So what is left to be said about the twenty-first century? Today's "moral crosscurrents" and "sociological rip tides of the cyclonic transitions of the scientific era" looks like this. This [news article](#) came out last month:

"Two major scholarly groups have cancelled a panel defending biological sex as a "necessary analytic category" from an upcoming conference.

"The American Anthropological Association (AAA) and the Canadian Anthropological Society (CASCA) removed the programming "Let's Talk About Sex, Baby" from their November meeting "Transitions" for fear it would compromise the "scientific integrity of the program." The female-led panel described its goal as explaining why "gender is not helpful and only sex will do."

"In a statement titled "no place for transphobia" which the organization issued to The National Desk (TND) Thursday, the groups defended their decision as avoiding a "cardinal sin" of academia.

"The session was rejected because it relied on assumptions that run contrary to the settled science in our discipline, framed in ways that do harm to vulnerable members of our community," AAA told TND in a statement. "It commits one of the cardinal sins of scholarship—it assumes the truth of the proposition that it sets out to prove, namely, that sex and gender are simplistically binary, and that this is a fact with meaningful implications for the discipline."

"The statement continued, noting sex has "long" been an unreliable standard to classify humans.

"There is no single biological standard by which all humans can be reliably sorted into a binary male/female sex classification," it reads. "On the contrary, anthropologists and others have long shown sex and gender to be historically and geographically contextual, deeply entangled, and dynamically mutable categories."

"The panelists, one of whom is a lesbian, expressed their disappointment and fired back with a [letter](#) to event organizers, calling the decision "egregious."

"From the time of this acceptance until we received your letter dated September 25th, 2023, no one from the AAA or CASCA reached out to any of the panelists with concerns. Thus, it comes as a shock to all of us that the AAA and CASCA canceled the panel," it reads.

"The letter continued, noting that the panel even mentioned potential harm to the LGBT community as an outcome of ignoring distinctions between sex and gender."

Square that with this:

(90:2.9) Ever and anon, true prophets and teachers arose to denounce and expose shamanism. Even the vanishing red man had such a prophet within the past hundred years, the Shawnee Tenskwatawa, who predicted the eclipse of the sun in 1806 and denounced the vices of the white man. Many true teachers have appeared among the various tribes and races all through the long ages of evolutionary history. And they will ever continue to appear to challenge the shamans or priests of any age who oppose general education and attempt to thwart scientific progress.

It will not get worse. This is what tribulation looks like. It only remains for people to make their final choices as we approach "what the whole world must face as a literal fact at the end of an age ... when you reach the end of your natural life ..." [176:2.7]

Consider that this is just one example of a problem that is pervasive. All manner of conversations—political, social, economic, environmental, etc.—are now infected with the general type and degree of illogical and Godless perspective in this example.

(67:1.4) There are many ways of looking at sin, but from the universe philosophic viewpoint sin is the attitude of a personality who is knowingly resisting cosmic reality. Error might be regarded as a misconception or distortion of reality. Evil is a partial realization of, or maladjustment to, universe realities. But sin is a purposeful resistance to divine reality—a conscious choosing to oppose spiritual progress—while iniquity consists in an open and persistent defiance of recognized reality and signifies such a degree of personality disintegration as to border on cosmic insanity.

How many Halberticles is this going to take before the point gets sufficiently made?



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