

# DEPRAVED STATE

*You comment on what you're told to comment on-  
and how. And here I am, doing the same. Kinda.*

What depraved state  
has society reached  
when our understanding of the world  
is the adult equivalent  
of playground 'goodies' and 'baddies'?

What a wonderfully  
certain moral high ground  
we can take when we adopt the position  
of the *good guys* and  
cast 'the others' in shadows.

When the most very basic  
of nuanced understandings  
is lost, cannot be countenanced...  
and the desire, or will, to look deeper-  
all but obliterated by repeated partiality?

The latest thing  
to be programmed by, and with.  
But it's 'your' opinion, isn't it- it's not like  
it's a scripted chip, inserted in your skull-  
where this new topic must be brought into  
every. human. interaction. In exactly *this way*.

What if some of the 'good guys' are bad?  
What if some of the 'bad guys' might be good?  
And even that, is a massive generalisation.  
But at least it introduces the bare minimum of nuance  
to get any kind of grip on current world affairs.

But no- get the flags out. Put them in lights.  
Raw energy, to be taken hither... and thither.  
The idiocy is palpable. Talking robot heads-  
and the *sincere desire* for real human justice.  
There are various and complex reasons for how we are.  
Both in our differences and our similarities.

And further out, we have the puppet show production.  
That which plays-off the categories we all might live by.  
The piper pipes the tune... manoeuvres the masses...  
The theatre technicians- that make the definitions-  
we all must, apparently, live by.

As always, beyond the divides, look to the bigger picture.  
While we are told one side is right, and one side is wrong-  
and our lazy addled minds are much sufferingly contented  
by such easy over-simplification (which may- or may not- be true)...  
perhaps it is better to look at who is telling the stories,  
and why. Rather than automaton-like taking sides  
in the latest media-led battle.

The battle is for your mind-  
for your consciousness- your soul.  
And divided and led, we are not winning.  
Division is fine in the awareness of Wholeness-  
but not in entrenched and isolated, mutually exclusive polarities of blindness,  
played off against each other towards a world of ever-tighter top-down control.

~Nathan Godolphin,

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