“It is difficult for a man to understand something if he’s paid not to understand it.” – Upton Sinclair.

Jon Rappoport joins me this week to explore a phenomenon we are all grappling with – communicating with people who believe in realities that diverge from our own.

Everywhere we turn there is an “official narrative” or “official reality.” That “reality” often diverges painfully from the reality that we deal with day to day.

For those who reject the official narrative, it is easy to wander into a maze of other realities, of which many are equally divergent from our own and more misleading than the official reality.

Spice up the mix with professional disinformation, “divide and conquer” media, and entrainment and subliminal programming and other mind control techniques, and then our human communication can quickly become a puzzle palace that challenges the best of us.

This is a topic that fascinates me – however, I find it difficult to generalize. Communications in passing conversation are quite different from conversations involving health or financial decisions involving legal and financial risk. Managing
communications about divergent realities at a cocktail party is very different from managing them with your spouse. Given the complexity of our society, the fact patterns expand quickly.

If there is one thing driving productivity lower in our society, it is the complexity, frustration, and loneliness that can arise with communications in this Orwellian soup. It is critical that we each develop strategies for navigating the challenges of communicating effectively with family, friends, and colleagues. It is one thing to be “in the know.” It is another thing to communicate effectively with those who are not and don’t want to be “in the know.”

For many years, I have turned to Jon Rappoport’s writings, audios, and consultations for help to understand these issues and to remain coherent in the midst of the “psychic storm.” Jon consistently inspires me to create my own reality, rather than falling into the pea soup of the official narrative designed to harvest us all. We close with a review of the great resources he offers at No More Fake News to help you do the same.

In Let’s Go to the Movies, I will review “Seymour: An Introduction.” Directed by Ethan Hawke, the film describes the life and philosophy of Seymour Bernstein, who abandoned a rising career as a concert pianist to become a music educator and composer. Bernstein inspires us to appreciate how music is one of the great communicators.

I will address the latest market developments in Money & Markets. Email or post your questions for Ask Catherine here.

Talk to you Thursday!

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Introduction to Pistis Sophia

“And Jesus answered Mary, saying ‘Ask what you wish, and I will reveal it to you openly and without analogy…” ~ Pistis Sophia

By Catherine Austin Fitts

In July, I visited with Ulrike Granográf in Lake Constance, Germany. I asked Ulrike to give an introduction to the Gnostic text Pistis Sophia to Alastair and Wendy Thompson who were visiting from Brittany for the day. We recorded the discussion and are posting in response to the question, “What is the Pistis Sophia and why is it of such interest?”

Continue reading here.
Highlights from Last Week - The Bechtel Corporation with Sally Denton

History shows that a civilization that gets engineering and infrastructure right is likely to thrive. Get them wrong, and the chance of success drops significantly. This means the success of our civilization depends on great engineering and the wise investment of resources to build productive, economic and reliable infrastructure. We need our engineers to share a strategic vision that supports civilization and builds a more powerful economy.

Sally Denton is one of America's finest investigative reporters and historians. Sally joins me this week on the Solari Report to discuss her powerful new book, The Profiteers: Bechtel and the Men who Built the World. The Profiteers is the history of the mysterious San Francisco-based engineering and construction giant that built the Hoover Dam and a long list of other engineering wonders of the world.

In this fascinating interview Sally reminded me that we need engineers, not demagogues. However, when your mechanical, civil and technology engineers have become financial engineers and disaster capitalism profiteers who drain your economy, that creates the conditions in which demagogues arise. When did making money become more important than building transcontinental railroads or awe-inspiring dams, bridges and space stations?

I attribute the change, in part, to the "debt growth model," by which an infinite amount of government debt can be issued and an infinite amount of fiat currency can be digitally manufactured. The discipline, however, to ensure that these investments produce a stronger economy simply disappeared as "crony capitalism" took over. As Denton brilliantly describes Bechtel's role in the Iraq War — revolving-door Bechtel executives and directors such as George P. Shultz lobbied to start the war. And then Bechtel cashed in with no-risk, no-bid government contracts at usurious profit margins.

The combined cost of the wars in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iraq, following 9/11, is now over $4 trillion, a cost that continues to grow as benefits owed to war veterans are paid. This sum includes a $212 billion Iraqi reconstruction effort which was largely a failure. Reports have it that most of that money was spent on security or was lost to waste and fraud. Bechtel charged the US government untold billions for services in Iraq reconstruction, including $5 billion to build just one specific hospital.

Alan Greenspan is running around the corporate media claiming that we will have trouble meeting pension fund and retirement obligations because of our lower productivity growth. Is the actual problem our lower productivity growth? Or is it $4 trillion missing from the US government plus $4 trillion spent for wars in the Middle East plus $27 trillion for bank bailouts combined with low interest rates to finance the government debt for these and other escapades?

During the George W. Bush Administration, Bechtel also assumed control of the US nuclear laboratories, calling this takeover a privatization. Another description would be "coup d'état" — turning over the nation's nuclear energy and weapon's complex to a private company financially vested in starting a new cold war. Do you want the private investors who profited so richly on Iraq vested in starting a new cold war with the Soviet Union? Denton quotes a senior employee at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, who referred to this new style of private management of our nuclear energy and weapons infrastructure as a combination of "the worst aspects of the Department of Motor Vehicles and Goldman Sachs."
Denton points out that there is now a new, younger generation of family leadership at Bechtel who is making changes. Let’s hope that one day we will view Bechtel as a company that helped to “Make America Great Again.” But if history were to stop now, the chances are that Bechtel would probably be remembered as the company (i) that lobbied for the right of a private family to own and control nuclear weapons, and (ii) which profited richly from 9/11, the destruction of US sovereignty and the wars and financial coup d'état that ensured that American pension funds and retirement systems could not meet their obligations to the American people.

The debt growth model is over. Let’s pray we can all make the change successfully – Bechtel too — so that America’s obligations can be honored.

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