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Spiritual Suffering: Invisible Yet Profound

“It is easy to see when someone is in pain,” people often say. Yet, in truth, this is frequently a misconception. Mental anguish rarely announces itself with visible signs. There is no blood, no bruising, no broken limb — and it is precisely this invisibility that leads many to underestimate, dismiss, or even deny psychological suffering.

The wounds inflicted by humiliation, manipulation, or emotional abuse can run deeper and linger far longer than most physical injuries. What cannot be seen is often simply not believed. In our modern world — despite remarkable technological and scientific advances — countless individuals live under the weight of profound psychological damage. Many never receive the recognition or support necessary to heal. Trauma is not solely the product of personal misfortune; it is also shaped by social structures and cultural patterns that unconsciously glorify power and control.

Consider, for instance, a violent attack: an innocent victim may bear the scars of a single moment for a lifetime. Physical injuries may mend, but the psychological imprints endure, often invisible to the outside world. History is replete with examples: survivors of wars, dictatorships, and religious persecution, as well as victims of domestic abuse — all carrying the heavy burden of invisible wounds.

Emotional Abuse Within the Family

A particularly harrowing form of psychological abuse occurs in the intimate confines of the home, often justified as “proper upbringing” or religious devotion. Children are molded from a young age by rigid doctrines. Well-meaning parents may inadvertently undermine their children’s self-confidence and independence by presenting their religious beliefs as immutable truths.

Through the centuries, entire generations have been taught to obey rather than to think critically. In the Middle Ages, for example, educational systems were largely controlled by the church,

which prized adherence to divine law over intellectual autonomy. This legacy of mental subjugation continues to leave deep cultural imprints today.

One might almost argue that some parents deserve a corrective lesson themselves, rather than their children. The poor examples they set — through judgment, coercion, or manipulation — inevitably return to them. As children grow into adulthood, they mirror the behaviors of their elders: as the old sang, so the young squeak.

This cycle of emotional dependency and alienation repeats relentlessly, even within societies that consider themselves democratic and civilized.

Religion and Power

Ironically, many of the democratic values celebrated in Europe — freedom of religion, speech, and thought — have roots in religious traditions. The constitutions of modern states are often influenced by moral principles drawn from

the Bible or the Quran, yet these same systems historically served to enforce obedience and control. Religion, therefore, has been wielded as an instrument of power, rather than as a force of human compassion.

Throughout history, the majority of psychological oppression and social humiliation can be traced to religious systems that placed their “moral codes” above individual liberty. From the Inquisition to the Crusades, the burning of alleged witches to contemporary fundamentalist movements, the individual has repeatedly been subordinated to an ideological yoke framed as sacred and morally righteous.

In this sense, Christianity — as with Islam and many other world religions — can be seen as a subtle dictatorship. “Obey, submit, live as we dictate, and your troubles will vanish.” Yet such systems are often employed to maintain social order through guilt, fear, and compliance. These so-called moral codes are, in reality, codified

forms of social coercion, packaged as religious ideals of peace and unity.

The power brokers — from the church to modern governments — are acutely aware of this. Where laws do not yet exist, they simply create them to protect their authority. But this does not resolve the growing discontent. Humanity cannot be indefinitely governed by fear, dogma, or religious fables.

It is tragic that so many still cling to pre-chewed religious narratives out of fear of emptiness or uncertainty, while looking down upon those who have left these beliefs behind. Let each follow their own path — and allow those who have outgrown religion to think freely, without threat or condemnation.

Freedom of Thought: The Path to True Peace

The root of much contemporary suffering lies not in a lack of faith, but in clashing convictions: religions at odds, cultures failing to understand

one another, and upbringings that produce broken spirits.

A world in which everyone believes the same may appear peaceful on paper, but in practice it would be a uniform prison of the mind. True peace does not arise from religious conformity but from freedom of thought, compassion, and respect for the human spirit — both visible and invisible.



The Subtle Art of Religious Conditioning

Religion and Mental Influence

Over the course of many years, I have observed various religious traditions closely, studying their scriptures, rituals, and underlying doctrines with care. What emerged from this examination is both ancient and disturbing: virtually all organized religions employ highly sophisticated forms of mental influence — subtle brainwashing in its most refined expression.

On closer inspection, the methods are strikingly similar across different faiths, whether Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, or other established systems of belief. Each tradition operates through a cunning mechanism: a carefully constructed framework in which guilt, fear, and salvation are inextricably intertwined.

From a young age, individuals are inculcated with the belief that they are inherently sinful, that their freedom is dangerous, and that only absolute obedience to the divine order can spare them from punishment or eternal damnation.

Religion and Power Through History

Historically, this mechanism has been deeply woven into the development of civilizations themselves. By the fourth century — with the Edict of Thessalonica in 380 CE, when Emperor Theodosius declared Christianity the state religion — the early Church understood that religion could serve as a potent instrument for both uniting and subjugating a people.

Subsequent Islamic caliphates, such as the Abbasid Empire, similarly leveraged religious doctrine to legitimize political obedience. Across Asia, Africa, and Europe, variants of this symbiosis between faith and power emerged: priests became advisors to kings, and monarchs viewed themselves as divinely anointed.

Rarely was it a matter of true spiritual awareness — an inner connection with something greater than oneself — but rather how that sense of transcendence was exploited as a tool of control. The spiritual was subordinated to the political,

the human replaced by the dogmatic. Humanity was not taught to think; it was trained to obey.

The Dangers of Organized Religion

The real danger of religion, then, lies not in belief itself but in the insidious venom that organized religious systems have injected into human consciousness. Fear of sin, guilt over natural desires, and the illusion of salvation through obedience have poisoned the minds of generations.

Even in the modern era — when science and reason have claimed their place — this age-old poison slumbers within our collective psyche, disguised as tradition, morality, or culture. Those who study history with open eyes recognize that religious indoctrination is not merely a spiritual phenomenon but a form of mental colonization: the conquest of the human interior. Whether through baptism, daily prayers, or mandatory confessions of faith, the individual is gradually stripped of autonomy.

Freedom of Belief

It is essential to understand that belief in itself is not the problem. Everyone has the right to believe — or not to believe — and to live according to their own values. The core issue lies in the systematic distortion of that belief, in the venom that religious institutions plant in human minds: a poison that punishes doubt, distrusts freedom, and glorifies obedience.

Blasphemy and Curses: The Dogma of Blind Obedience

Despite overwhelming evidence that no supernatural God or Allah exists as portrayed in so-called holy books, millions cling to their old constructions of faith. They claim the Bible, Torah, or Quran to be flawless — untouchable revelations of divine truth. Yet such convictions collapse under the scrutiny of reason and reality.

Belief, no matter how exalted it may seem, is essentially a legalized form of collective delusion — a system that derives its power from fear rather than insight. Religion is not a source of salvation but a meticulously organized social apparatus,