

The crisis is ours too!

“America's greatest strength, and its greatest weakness, is our belief in second chances, our belief that we can always start over, that things can be made better.”

Anthony Walton

In the last couple of years, especially in Europe and in the Arabic world, the anti-American feelings have escalated and reached an unprecedented level in the last 200 years. The new culture, globalization, is attacked throughout the world, and the social changes induced by modern times are almost everyday associated to something bad.

And now, with the economic crisis, everybody is finding someone to blame, everybody is looking for guilty heads, everybody is gunning for the most evident target: The United States. At this moment, we are witnessing the highest point in the anti-American feelings, and the joy of those who hate America is at a very high end.

In order to stop the crisis, in order to improve the quality of our lives, we must understand that we are all the United States. Before throwing stones, we must understand the American system, we must understand the world economic system that is tied very well along with it.

The American systems has problems, it is on the brink of collapsing. A country that was born in 1789 with a national debt of 75 million (which was fully paid by 1835 – the only time in American history when the national debt was 0) has ended up today owing 11 trillion dollars – the national debt almost doubled in the last years, in a relatively peaceful era. It is now approximately 73% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

The real problem is that the ascendant trend of this debt shows it will reach and astonishingly 244% of the GDP by the year 2040. And of course, all the happy European faces must understand that by then, if things go as they are predicted, the entire economic system will be bankrupted. If we think about the real debt in the American system, of about 53 trillion, and when we think that 65% of the debt is foreign debt, we understand why in case of a crisis, if the big player falls, we all fell.

When facing an European crisis, we have to think beyond our borders, we have to understand that we are not living alone. Today, the faith of the American economy and the faith of the entire world go hand in hand. If we want to solve our problems, we must find a global method to help the strongest country get back on it's feet. We have to adapt, we have to understand that punching down a fallen opponent is not a worthy thing.

Today culture and society can't exist anymore by applying the standards of the past, because these are long gone. Discussion over this is useless, it doesn't matter why, how or in what way, it only matters that the standards are inapplicable today. The people who continue to fight for the old system are destined to loose and be isolated. We have to adapt to the new world, we have to be bold enough to try all the new things. We are scared, it is normal, but we have to

step forward at any costs. The spectators refuse to clap their hands as long as the actors are not performing as expected. And in the end, in most of the cases, the public leaves the building. The only problem is that we have no other building to go, so let's adapt and try to make our building better. It's a normal reality, because when you feel that your interests are not defended, you want to fight back, to show everybody around you that you have the power to do it. The animal fights for his life until the bitter end. Fight, don't give up and cry... Animals can, why should humans do otherwise?

It's time to understand our own mistakes, it's time to understand that the situation can not resolve itself. This is not a time to praise communism, this is not a time to go back to more older and in a way more securer ways. No, why are facing a leap, one that can yes, throw as back some years, but a leap which can also bring us forward some light-years. We are writing history as we speak. Let's sit down for a moment and try to write it good. We deserve at least a good chance.

Growing together and working together is the only viable future for the world in general and for capitalism in special. Let's be honest, let's create a system we love. Keeping it short, let's discover how to bottle up life and earn it. The more spectaculars it gets, the better. Eventually, the culture of the 3-rd millennium has the perfect answer for anything:

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