



THE REUNITING OF MORAL AND NATURAL LAW

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The world is held together by a structure of moral and natural laws. Both increase the carrying capacity of Earth through the equitable distribution of limited resources. As man becomes more isolated from his natural state, the coordinated continuum of moral and natural laws becomes less functional and everyone suffers.

Primitive people intimately understand the relationship between hard work and prosperity. They trusted in the miracle of growth and in the promise of the seasons. They saw life as the conjunction of necessary conditions, vital decisions, sacred trusts and important skills. Modern man has isolated himself from the simple yet powerful promises of nature. The laborer in the factory can work badly yet still get paid if poor performance is not discovered. Through the abstraction of cause and effect, he rationalizes and may even promote an existence of “just getting by,” forming a bold distinction between “living” and “making a living.” In such an abstracted world view we despise a few infamous captains of industry for despoiling our world without accepting our collective guilt for both their affluence and their destructive power.

Mankind occupies a leadership role that will carry Earth to survival or death. The Earth can only survive if humans seek to lead by merit rather than entitlement. Reestablishment of an effective meritocracy hinges upon reuniting moral and natural law. We must get back in touch with the natural forces that labor to support our extravagant lifestyle and show practical concern for their welfare.

At Tiger Touch University Retreat, one of our goals in the natural experience is to demonstrate the interdependence between moral and natural law. A human centric world view without regard for the welfare of the natural order suffers from a fundamental and dangerous flaw. For those who ask “What has Nature done for me lately?” our answer is that Nature has never ceased doing for you every moment of every day. We strive in our operations and physical arrangements to demonstrate this at every turn.
