Videoclip Module 1 MODULE 1 FEELINGS ASIDE

1. JEWS AND THE PROFOUND RELATIONSHIP



Let's face it, your real reaction to Jews - or - as a Jew is pretty deep-seated. No matter what you'd prefer to think or feel either positively or negatively.

Before you can catch it the reaction happens to you and then you feel it. It's the same thing as not having awareness or control of how your heart beats or your brain impulses move you around. We really don't understand the profound relationship between the people who call

themselves Jews and the people who don't. The antagonism isn't the fault of so-called Anti-Semites, any more than it's only about Jews. We're both equally hard-wired and affected by the dynamic of this inner thing we share - and maybe we're supposed to be.

- Why do you have that response?
- O Why isn't it in your control?
- o If it's built into us, what's it there for?
- o For that matter what makes someone a Jew or not?

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Since WWII when this inner dynamic was made out as if it were a conflict of races, we've said - "yes they're right, it's racism that's what it is. Now we'll pass laws against it and educate people not to be racist. Once we all learn that we shouldn't hate, we won't."But we're always treating symptoms, never causes, and

social engineering only continues to drive misunderstood latent forces to resurface in even more destructive ways, so no wonder that didn't work*. Our societies have been affected by this for 4000 years, which makes it a fact of nature and a feature of human development.

Maybe it's such a profound feeling because it touches our core attitude about how deeply tied we are to one another. Maybe it's more about what connects us than who is being connected?

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2. A LONG HISTORY



The 4000 years we're talking about is the thing called Western Civilization, the period of civilization's expansion from the east and around the planet up to today.

- O What started it?
- Why did it take the form that it has?
- o Why do the events it creates seem to repeat themselves?
- Why does it expand mostly through conflict and what's the underlying conflict about?

We already lived in small, developed and stable nations before Babylonia. We grew, but only according to necessity. If we'd continued to move from hunting to farming to trade based only on necessity we'd likely still just be in that part of the world.

Something radical happened there at that time that made people really need and want to spread out, something that set a foundational clash of values imprinting the pattern of social growth still rippling through history.

You'd think this had to be the appearance of Monotheism and the rejection of Polytheism, after all that's what the Bible says about that period... but does it really say that?

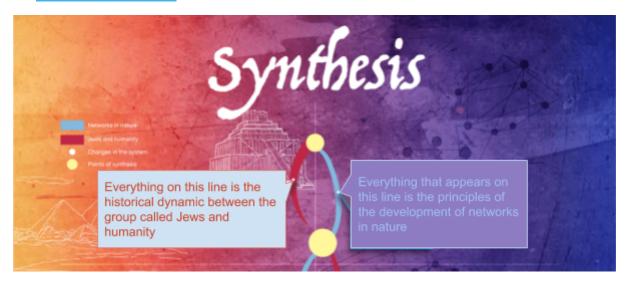
Well, it does talk about a conflict between <u>Abraham</u> and King Nimrod, the Tower of Babel, smashing idols, a large group of people leaving ancient Babylon to form a nation based on a different principle... but it isn't a fairytale about a God and its followers*. It was a quarrel over how to handle a force that started erupting throughout the Human Family, a collision of ideologies about man's connection to the law of nature and how we can either build according to it or disregard it and face the consequences. The longer we excused ourselves from working

with it, the more we lost touch with a necessary and practical method. Ultimately we turned it into a myth - something we now think of as religion and that drove the conflict below our conscious grasp - but it wasn't a religious conflict.

The Bible is written in a figurative language, not about religious mysteries but explaining how nature relates to humans and visa versa. More on that later.

We can't even remember it now but we never stopped feeling it.

3. SYNTHESIS 1



Networks in nature

Everything that appears on this line is the principles of development of networks in nature.

Jews and humanity

Everything in this line is the historical dynamic between the group called Jews and humanity.

The middle is a synthesis, taking network science as the blueprint and history as evidence.

Synthesis 1

IT'S A DYNAMIC

Science considers any phenomenon that persists across 4 millennia as systemic and natural.

Investigating how human society evolved and comparing it to the way nature organizes and evolves systems can give us better insight into the dynamic and purpose of the tension between non-Jews and Jews.

What if?

What if the reason Jews are so hard to define is because they are us?

We're trying to grasp the larger system - by definition it eludes our normal perception. We've got to make connections we normally wouldn't according to our assumption. Get ready.