

# Do We Understand Each Other? Who Makes War and Presses the Red Nuclear Button?

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*My question is a serious one. Tolstoy’s words in his speech against war (1) spoke to me very much and prompted me to also speak the truth as I understand it – also in the sense of the Christian Easter message: it is not only the others, the war leaders, the politicians, the priests who bless the weapons of war, who slay the others on the other side of the border, who are also Christians and human beings like us, and it is also not only the young boys who march when they are called, who wage war.*

What do we other human beings do who do not instigate or bring about war and who do not at some point press the red nuclear button to wipe out part of humanity and devastate the earth? Are we not also guilty? After all, the world is the way we have set it up or – in relation to already existing conditions – tolerated it. Can the rest of us escape responsibility? Are we complicit, even if we are victims?

Science is on the warpath because it does not serve for the protection but for the destruction of life: more and more scientists are hawking their knowledge, their skills – and often their souls – to the military-industrial complex. They are even moving so far away from their humanity that they are helping to perfect the means for the general destruction of humanity. The decimation of the world’s population is the result – or even the goal. The lethal “vaccination” of a large part of the world’s population against COVID-19 or the military-biological activities of irresponsible states in Ukraine (2) and the threat of a nuclear Armageddon are just a few recent examples.

We citizens are kept in the dark about this or lied to, in that the military research projects are kept secret or glossed over in humanitarian terms. Infallibility and generality of scientists and their findings must therefore be rejected. If the needs of humanity do not touch their hearts, all their wisdom and science will be degraded to a complacent game of wits that knows no binding force.

And the other human beings? We speak many noble words, but do not follow them up with action. In our social order, which knows rulers and ruled, we have developed a mentality, an

ideology of the servant. For the servant, like the ruler “by the grace of God”, also needs an ideology to remain in servitude. He should resign himself to his fate and not take the sufferings of this world too seriously. Religion consoles him over the injustice by promising him that he will find retribution in the hereafter for all the hardship and injustice he has suffered.

Therefore, the servant is also always a victim and accomplice of tyranny. His dream is not to eliminate “masters” and “servants” from the world, but he wishes to become master himself. Violence has poisoned him and he no longer has the strength to dream the dream of universal freedom.

Since the gift of evolution consists in the moral consciousness of each individual, in the insight into the responsibility of all towards all through mutual help, that is why we must stick together and join hands with each other, in order to put a firm stop to the striving for power and domination of sick individuals.

I very much hope we have understood each other. The existence of the human race will depend on whether we profess all-human solidarity to a far greater extent than we have done so far.

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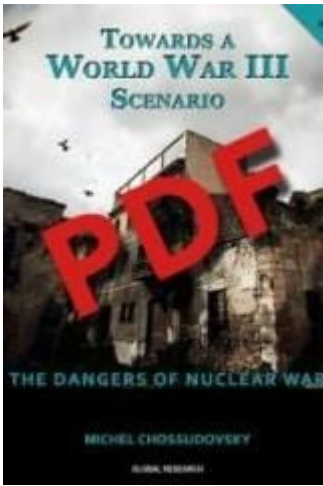
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