Through the Dark Light-ly

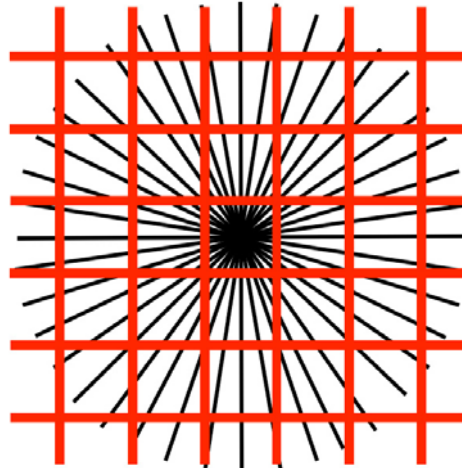## Part One – Look at the Swinging Pendulum

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Getting to truth, whether believed to be relative or absolute, is elusive even when we think we are fully using our five senses. Sometimes our perceptions of what is real are obscured by the superimposition[1] of our desires, ignorance, or biases making us perceive that we see what is not there, or rendering invisible what is in plain sight. Illusions are quite easy to produce and our minds are always receptive to them. Routinely, in our communities, life and death decisions are made on these supposed realities that are simply distorted, imagined, or manipulated *perceptions* of the truth.

In a world that has become increasingly consumer-oriented and dependent on having people see things that are more imagined than real, entire disciplines have become complicit and dedicated themselves to ensure these desired results. Thus, the term *absolute,*[2] once having a practical application, has become irrelevant, as the meaning of truth is a moving target that is being defined by the *relative* manufactured need of the individual that is satisfied by the possession of material objects or symbolic status.

Marketing has made a mockery of need and panders to people's fears and superficial desires based on social one-upmanship. With the

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[1] *Much like in the graphic on this page, that provides an illusion of one of the superimposed designs. By analogy, we could consider truth to be the black design while the red could signify what is sold as truth. While we may see truth (black) clearly, we are distracted by the illusion of created truth (red) in the lines made to look slanted when in fact they are straight.*

[2] *A term that at its core is more symbolic than tangible, that due to its indefinable nature, created the concept of God, but that was commonly used to establish practical clear lines distinguishing thresholds of allowable behavior based on a people's survival at any given point in their historical development. In other words, establishing truth from lie was possible. I want to think that the introduction of Einstein's law of relativity changed all that, and when applied in a social science context, made these demarcations relative to wherever stood the individual in relation to whatever the control mechanism decided was truth. In an analogous way, as the new natural science self-centered explanation could explain the curvature of space-time in relation to matter as it approached the speed of light without really explaining what ultimately is unknowable, so the concept of the absolute in behavioral terms could be bent in relation to the society politic in motion.*

elimination of the separation of opinion from product, merged at present, and having public mass media now becoming a vehicle for commercialization, even information as product, is withheld or molded into a *manufactured* reality.

As we have seen through so many examples in the past, one day this controlled corporate media information will have a person be an icon of fashion wearing the latest trend in jeans or some other commodity and in the next demonize the individual. In regards to a public figure or someone of some persuasion potential, usually this *demonization* process will take place coincidentally as the individual may have begun to see through the façade to *express* a newfound truth while *exposing* the *con*fidence game behind it. The pattern hardly ever changes.

When it comes to controlled corporate media, as uninitiated consumers, however, we are subject to the not so hidden strategies of the attitude-bending machinery whose last purpose, if that, is to inform and educate, much less politicize. After all, a truly informed community cannot be as easily stage-managed. As such, most often, words and images will come to us as pieces of puzzles. They will seem not to make any sense by themselves, as they deliberately will not provide the *historical* seam to activity that is taking place in time-space *progression*.

When coupled with created system-embedded disabling attitudes that refuse to accept *treatment,* so to speak, most will run through these mental screen walls attempting to avoid an evident truth that might hurl them head-on into a decision of accepting or rejecting the personal *obligation* that comes with knowledge.

Even in the midst of glaring evidence of intent to deceive through smokescreen,[3] people wanting to believe otherwise will still find themselves chasing, sometimes reason, other times meaning, but oftentimes just wanting to believe in order to keep on moving so as not to fall into the jaws of peer alienation. Hence, when overwhelmed with perplexing information, many will still go with whatever explanation is being put forward as mainstream truth, however insane, ridiculous, or untrue, rather than be painted into a corner and succumb to non-opinionated silence or inactivity.

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[3] *For instance, this past July 21, before the Congressional Government and Oversight Committee, Ben Bernanke, Federal Reserve Bank president, under questioning admitted that he did not know specifically where **over half trillion dollars** of so-called bail-out money had gone other than it had gone to foreign banks. He further admitted that the reason that Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) funds were not being loaned out by banks (up to 90% of the total allocation of the bailout money) to help people not lose their homes was because his Federal Reserve Bank was paying bankers a higher interest rate to keep it in Fed accounts. Since 2007, the bailout is now costing about $23.7 trillion dollars($88,000 per US resident) and counting, it would seem that anyone **informing** the public of this would take it a step further to **advocate** that public hangings of certain people start taking place However, what was reported in most printed media was only the appearance of Bernanke before the Committee to assure them that the economy "has started to show signs of stabilization" while attempting to stifle any talk of having the Federal Bank audited.*