



There is no greater GHETTO than a human heart celebrating its own creation, a vacant soul.

Celebrate the complete God's Union of Love.

"And the glory which Thou hast given Me I have given to them; that they may be one, just as We are one;"

John 17:22 (NAS77)



I have lived and worked in and around GHETTOs many times and I am still confused. The hate and violence found within them comes from the GHETTO itself and not from without. The cancer of the GHETTO is blame perpetrated on those outside the GHETTO. In loving response, incredible efforts have been made throughout the world to create lower income housing environments with every known amenity including subsidized business kickstarts and the necessary training to make them work.

Surprisingly, I have also seen these same GHETTOs demolished to better the same communities. Yes, the very solution, a community of one, has become the GHETTO and its own demise. What then is the solution to a GHETTO?

The answer may be found in reviewing the dynamics of an individual *human* heart and its resident GHETTO-ness. First we must come to know the *human* heart

with its destructive dynamic found therein.

"For as he thinks within himself, so he is."

Proverbs 23:7a (NAS77)

This is a trustworthy proverb yet supercalifragilisticexpialidociously misunderstood. Why? Because the prideful human heart is itself the GHETTO. It is a dynamic of coping with individuals seeking their own recognition by saying one thing while doing the very opposite. This human heart, of which we speak, is of itself a self-seeking, incongruent entity. The very reason the GHETTO exists is to have a GHETTO so everyone else can see the GHETTO in which they suffer which will cause others to humble themselves before the GHETTO's collective pain.

So then, as one thinks they lack what others have, they proclaim their differences or GHETTO-ness and create a specialness that irks their very own soul and everyone else's.

In believing and seeking difference, they destroy their ability to become *one* with the rest of humanity and at the same time blame the other-ness they have created in their hearts for that very division. This ugly dance comes from the submission to a single voice, common in every heart, proclaiming, "You do not *yet* have what it takes. You need more, more, more."

The sense of being different and needing more becomes their self-made god, who, once the curtain of OZ is drawn back, destroys the illusion. Their own hearts are out to deceive them into doing, doing, doing to become what they always have been. What a painful paradox!

In review, the GHETTO is the soul trying not to be a GHETTO, yet demanding it be a GHETTO so others can applaud its escaping the very GHETTO that never existed. The opposite is found in our Christian teachings.

"seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence."

(2 Peter 1:3 NAS77)

What then does this *human* heart lack? Nothing, if Jehovah (Yahweh), is your LORD of your heart by being resident in it.

For "The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want (lack)."

(Psalm 23:1 NAS77 emphasis mine)

In short, the GHETTO of the human heart is its effort to gain what it already has. The liberty of the soul is the acceptance that it has been crucified with Christ 2000 years ago and is dead, dead, dead and the new life *it* lives is really Christ living *that* life. It lives outside the need for a GHETTO. How? By being one with God and humanity.



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See:

Psa 34:9-10, Psa 84:11; Mat 6:33; Luk 12:30-32; Rom 8:32; Php 4:19; Heb 13:5-6