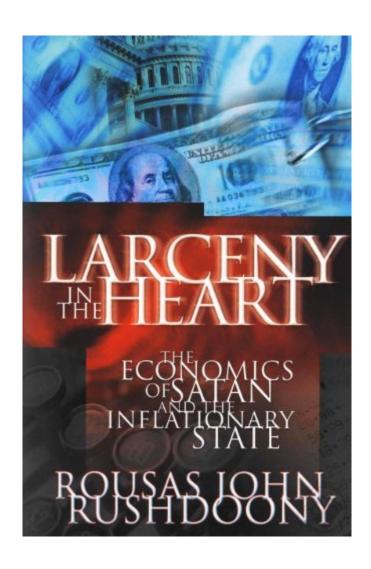
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Larceny In The Heart: The Economics Of Satan And The Inflationary State





Synopsis

Why are the most successful and advanced members of society often deemed to be the criminals? In a word - Envy. The envious man finds superiority in others intolerable, and he wishes to level and equalize all things. Many sociologists and social scientists turn this hatred and resentment into "virtue" under the guise of "social science" by calling it a demand for fraternity and equality. In this concise volume, Rushdoony uncovers the larceny in the heart of man and its results: class warfare and conflict society in which the rise of hostility and envy are seen as steps towards social progress, when in fact they lead to disaster. The political solutions posited lead to a inflationary economy and an overbearing state. This book is a must-read to gain a biblical understand of the underlying tenets of this codified coveting and the only certain long-term cure.

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""The rise of the modern totalitarian state has its economic origin in the abandonment of gold [and silver] coinage for paper money..., instant money by means of legalized counterfeiting of wealth...."

Then he goes on to show that Marxism, Fabianism, democracy, and other modern political theories rest on Hegel, that their common goal is power, and that this assertion of autonomous (humanistic)

sovereignty results in fiat ("positive") law, fiat currency, and fiat "justice." This is just in the first few pages. This is a powerhouse, laying the axe to the roots, essential for building the "streets in which to dwell" as modern society's house of cards faces strong winds coming. Cashing out fiat holdings to gold and silver and PROACTIVELY initiating trade in that real-value money Now, before the hyper-inflation in the pipeline actually destroys the buying power of world currencies, is essential. Smart bankers, smart politicians (on the state level), and smart businessmen who will lead in this will be of the greatest help. If they do not prevent a society-wide collapse of FED and IMF/World Bank linked fiat currencies, at least they will have positioned themselves not to lose everything, and thus preserve capital, reserves to help them prosper after the collapse. This book deals with the intellectual and moral underpinnings; leadership requires application. This book will help convince, and give the moral impetus and clear thinking needed to sustain such courageous action.

God imposes an economy of difficulty on man. It is for our good, to lead us to Christ and to learn to love one another in economic community. Larceny in the Heart reveals the great damage ultimately done to people when men try to circumvent God's order through fiat money and inflation. The grandchildren suffer.

work-acquired wealth (land, gold coins) verses consumer-driven (stocks & paper currency). The former are the possessions of free people, while the latter binds the (all too often, willing) slave - who would rather gripe about the big-bad ranch-owner than deal with (the work involved in) ridding ones own slavish attitudes.

An excellent book that explains how inflation really originates and how it steals from people without their knowing that it is occuring. Another well made point is that it is not really correct to blame the politicians, teachers, and corporate leaders for our economic problems. As Pogo used to say: We have found the enemy and he is us. Rushdooney explains how the sin nature of man contributes to the economic problems of the world and how things ought to be if we were to correct the problem (not possible at the government level, but quite possible if many individuals would turn their hearts to Christ). My main complaint is that pages 133 and 134 were missing in my copy of the book (the last two pages of part two, chapter five).

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