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## Sources of Inspiration

Greetings to the empty page  
True freedom for the writer

In an age where something  
Seems to come out of nowhere  
And there is no more inspiration  
Everything is a remix of someone else's work

There still is something new  
There is still something more to say

Stealing from others is always wrong  
But recycling ideas ends critical thinking

It is easier to copy others  
In word or deed

But eventually it is not worth the effort  
If all you care about is money

This is a difficult starting point  
To say something worth writing  
If the patterns of speech  
Are literally predictable

Maybe we need to reconsider  
What it is that we mean to say

For projects that are solely  
Based on the accumulation of wealth

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There is little to build on

When you have no goals but pleasure  
The quality of your writing  
Will take a nose dive

In a sea of information  
What does one more drop mean?  
What is the effect of more of anything  
Where everything turns into trash?

The starting point should be the muse  
The source of all creativity  
Is our Creator Himself

The Holy Spirit breathed in our very life

The way back to creative joy and spontaneity  
Is the long road to the foot of the cross

There is no epiphany without loss  
There is no triumph without struggle  
Everything has a cost  
But for us God chose to take this upon Himself

If we want purpose beyond just ourselves  
There is only one way to bring back the creativity

Once we accept that purpose in life starts  
With working for something greater than ourselves  
We have begun a spiritual journey

But we must follow in the footsteps of Christ

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To share in His creative Spirit

There is no way forward  
That does not have a high price

Is the price worth it  
To just take part in the creation of something new?

The only way we will find satisfaction  
With or without inspiration  
With or without projects to keep us busy

Is to find our own voice  
But there are some steps we all must take  
These steps turn into footprints of blood

Without God in our lives  
There is not enough meaning  
To suffer through the pains of life

If we think we can out create God  
Or that we think we can have joy without peace with Him  
We are truly deluded

If we cannot breathe without God  
What makes us think He will give us ideas  
Without a purpose beyond ourselves?

We are in God's creation  
And we follow His rules  
We can fight against Him  
But we can never outrun Him

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God will overcome our stubbornness  
And bring us joy and purpose  
This only happens because of His choice

Inspiration comes without pain for some of us  
But someone had to endure for our freedom to create

We think of ourselves as experiencing freedom  
In my country and generation

We have an easier time than ever before  
To accidentally fall into wealth

But the key to finding joy is to overcome  
Our desire for more and our basest impulses

We think of sin as something ugly  
And it is so morally and in God's eyes

But sin is covered in beauty  
That is why it is deceptive

We look for peace in our country  
Between people with opposite ideas

We think that giving each other space  
Will end our anger

But whether we find satisfaction in anger, fear, or desire  
The only way to have peace is to have reconciliation  
Between God, us, and our neighbor

The desire for more is good to a point



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But even the greatest creation  
Must finally end

## Darkness and Void

I feel empty in my world  
The possibilities are limitless  
But imagining them brings sorrow  
Like I woke up in a new world

Am I alone in my thinking?  
Does life makes sense to anyone?  
Are there patterns to how we think?

A blank canvas is empty  
But there is hope in this

We think that we can study life enough  
That we can find purpose  
And solutions to our fundamental problems

Some problems though  
Have to be solved one by one

In preparing for disaster  
One can be so prepared  
But at the cost of mental balance

In studying and learning  
We need to have humility

And realize that being human  
Means many times suffering  
Because we were wrong  
And never finding solutions

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To some problems

We seek the light as God is light  
But it is in the darkness  
That we really learn  
To make better decisions

The element that makes depression major  
Is that it goes beyond  
Helping us learn to be better people

Sometimes we get hit so hard  
We cannot get back up  
At least not by ourselves

Sometimes it is only God  
Who can bring us back to stability

The sorrow in my heart is great

And I remember reading that when  
Experiencing loneliness and depression  
The best thing to do is to learn something new

I have the opposite problem most people have  
I have too much time

This can drive many of us mad by itself  
But I am driven to make use of this time  
Because it may not always be this way

Christianity is about the individual  
More than any other ideology

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Because God values the individual

And as we are focusing on eternity  
The value of one person and their salvation  
Goes beyond the value of a whole country

Every one of us will out live this entire universe  
When we see things in light of eternity  
This puts reality into a different perspective

Most things people find important now  
Are going to be utterly irrelevant upon our deaths  
Eternally the only thing we take  
Is the kind of people we are

Even the greatest thinkers of all times  
Cannot imagine what seeing God in person would be like

Things always changing is an understatement  
But God never does

I have many times been hot with anger  
Over what I perceive as injustice  
But over time I have accepted some of my limitations  
Although I am still too ambitious

But I also realize I am just one peon of many  
In a world of billions  
There must be at least tens of thousands of geniuses  
And as many truly original people

As we only live in this reality once  
I am trying to make the best usage I can of this time

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This is truly a scary time on earth  
Because we have so much uncertainty

The only thing we seem to have in common  
Is that we all experience pain  
And that is the uncertainty that keeps me awake at night

I have trouble trusting God in the midst of pain  
Because pain becomes the most real thing at that moment  
And God seems to fade into the background

Suffering pain  
Seems like the loneliest time

Fear is like depression  
In that you cannot experience  
Anything else emotionally  
When the feeling is in full drive

When we are consumed by negativity  
It is hard to see God

These emotions are some of  
The most intense situations  
We can encounter

They tear us out of the calm  
And of the kind thoughts of God

Fear and pain are very draining  
And are obstacles to any kind of relationship

When we have these experiences

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The first and only thing we can concentrate on  
Is how to make this stop

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## **Fear Yourself but Embrace the Future**

The beat never stops  
The creativity keeps coming  
Thanks to my Muse  
The Holy Spirit

Nothing new is under the sun  
But some things can be combined differently  
There are no new ideas  
But there are original mixes

For those with ideas too different  
Their generation will never accept it

Ultimately everything comes  
From the Mind of God  
We have to have enough humility  
To admit that we need The Lord  
And we are building off what He created

The future is owned by our God  
We need not fear the current fad

Many assume there to be a tribulation  
Within the Christian community  
But be careful about what God said  
Particularly Jesus  
And what He did not say

Be prepared to be as surprised  
By His second coming

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As we were by His first  
God's kingdom starts here in this world  
You do not need to wait to die

God has allowed the devil wide room to act out  
And people have been given authority over nature  
But the next century will shake everything  
That we assume about God, people, and the world we live in

We have already started to reimagine society  
Without having to be located near anyone else  
We are preparing for a future with no jobs

We have been trained to be lazy  
So we will buy more things  
But things are getting difficult now  
Because there is less and less new to sell

The easiest problems have all been solved  
This has happened before

Try to imagine life before any organization existed  
Before there were either farms or cities  
When there were more animals to hunt than hunters  
There was a time when magic was real  
And science was fantasy

There was a period when fear was  
More valuable than self control  
Before any religion had any prophet  
And nothing more was revealed about God  
Than we could see from nature



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There used to be life when  
None were overweight  
And everyone was hungry  
When we had no permanent buildings  
And we moved everywhere by foot

The senior leaders were always the oldest  
And religion was the primary means  
In which we understood the world

We, in western / modern thought  
See development of history to go in a line forward  
But in eastern / traditional thought  
Development goes in circles

What if the end of technological development  
Undermines so many organized systems  
That society as we know it unwinds  
Until it is fully irrelevant to everyone?

How long before everyone knows  
Everything they want to  
And money ceases to exist  
And we can no longer verify any record is correct  
And we can never tie anyone's identity to any action?

Some enemies you can pay of or fight wars against  
Some pure anarchists live amongst every nation  
Who just want to see the world burn

One of our biggest fears is  
Being a victim of a crime  
But what happens when we can

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Never be sure who did it?  
We will then have bigger problems

The most important part of the brain today  
Makes sense of organized systems designed by people  
But for the future person  
Dealing with animals and the supernatural  
May be more important

Our society sees the greatest mental disability  
As being completely driven by fear  
But things will change so much that this will be an asset

The concepts of history and money  
Will likely not last the century  
Does it matter what we do to others  
If there are no longer any reliable records?

A post literate population is one thing  
But a society without the ability  
To create and maintain consistent records  
Is more disruptive

We argue about what the role of the government is  
But people will soon laugh when you mention government  
And later they will think you are making up the idea

We think our biggest enemy is  
Our rival government relatively far away  
But our biggest enemy is the evil desires within us  
Christians fear the devil way too much  
And fear themselves way too little

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We think of fire as dangerous  
But soon fire will be the only source  
Of heat, light, and safety

Just like more information available  
Can be both very powerful  
And also very destructive  
Once information flows as easily as water  
It becomes meaningless

Society is based on the restricted flow of information  
This is the basis of wealth and money  
If we all had the same amount  
There would be no hierarchy and no leaders

There would be no organization  
And there would be no value in money  
Late stage capitalism is how some people  
Describe our current economy

Does capitalism once fully developed  
Turn into anarchy or socialism?  
Does technology once fully advanced  
Make any kind of organization irrelevant?

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## Christianity, Paganism, and History

Atheism and modern paganism have similar ideals  
These are beauty and strength  
Just like Nietzsche  
Which is similar to the pagan philosophers before Socrates

Even though I do not agree  
With the pagan aspects of Nietzsche  
He had the opposite ideas of Hitler

The problem was that he died long before his sister  
And one of his books was not finished before he died  
(Yes it was Nietzsche that died not God)  
His sister being ideologically in the camp of the NAZIs  
Rewrote this book to support NAZI ideas

Ironically Nietzsche had the  
Polar opposite values that Hitler did  
Nietzsche did not think highly of Christianity  
But He loved Judaism

His North Men he admired were the Eskimos, not the Germans  
He considered himself a European not a German  
And spent much of his life in Switzerland

He supported free thinking and loved learning and books  
He actually wrote some poetry too

The reason why he didn't like Christianity  
Was because he saw it as a slave religion  
He saw Christianity used to support cruel dictators

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And people who tried to deceive the population to support wars

You can't make this stuff up  
It just shows how you can  
Take some ideas from another thinker  
And end up with an entirely different view of the world

Berkeley was a devout Christian  
But Hume took his ideas to promote atheism

Kierkegaard inspired Sartre  
Even though they had opposite ideas on religion

People got entirely opposite ideas from Hegel  
And they got mostly anti-Christian ideas  
Even though Hegel was a devout Christian

So ancient Greek culture admired strength and beauty  
They created the first Olympics and competed naked  
Their great hero is Alexander the Great  
Who was famous for taking over the Persian Empire by war  
And he was tutored by Aristotle

People think of the the best known Greek philosophers as atheists  
But neither Plato nor Aristotle challenged paganism  
Plato believed in a variant of Gnosticism  
Who believed the world was created by an evil power

But Nietzsche's philosophy is based on those  
Writing philosophy in Greece before Socrates  
And we only have fragments left  
These earlier philosophers have little in common  
With the most famous ones we usually talk about

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When we refer to Greek Philosophy

So before the classical Greek era  
There was a previous golden age in Greece  
This I think is referred to as Archaic Greece  
Which was the same time as the Iliad and the Odyssey

This was the time that they fought a great war against Troy  
That we have the mythical Helen  
Whose face launched a thousand ships  
And Achilles who died from bleeding from his heel

There was the Trojan Horse that  
Got the Greek soldiers into Troy by tricking them  
Then Odysseus gets shipwrecked

And has to find his way home  
And reclaim his throne  
In a tiny island off the coast of Greece

There is a huge amount of Greek mythology involved in both  
these events / plots  
So this culture of the ancient Greeks  
And their interest in the beauty and strength of people  
Is in direct contrast with the Biblical view of people

People are considered loved by God  
Because of God's sacrifice and humility  
We are then to take on the role of Christ  
And might suffer the same fate as Him

So people without God from a Biblical view  
Are considered to be in darkness

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And are basically the living dead  
Spiritual death is the same as  
Separation from God in Christianity

In fact, the gods and goddesses of  
The Greeks and every other culture  
Are considered to be evil spirits  
According to the Bible

It is interesting to note  
Philosophically paganism is actually  
Less spiritual than Christianity

This is because a lot of the pagan values  
Revolve around sex, power, and money  
Some of this is true for Christians as well

But this is contrary to what the Bible teaches  
Christianity is a religion of devotion to one God  
And also encouraged moderation in place of excesses

God is the focus of Christianity instead of people  
We have special powers in a sense as well  
We can raise the dead and send away these gods

But we do so by Christ's power not our own  
We are not to get involved in anything remotely like  
Those supernatural practices

Christians have parties in as sense  
Like the feasts of the Orthodox Church  
But we are not to get out of control  
Or do things that Christ would not do

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Like being gluttons or doing drugs

People say this idea of gods is all past us  
But today we worship ourselves as gods

As well as politicians, sports figures, Hollywood stars, social media influencers, singers, and even popular icons like other famous people

Many people today do not accept that there is a spiritual world  
But this is a very important aspect of the Christian faith

This is the reason why we study the Bible, pray, and go to church  
As well as tithe, do the Lord's supper, and send missionaries to spread the Gospel  
These are all religious rituals we do to worship God

All religions (as opposed to philosophies)  
Worship a deity by doing religious ritual

People whom follow  
Purely philosophical systems  
Like Confucianism and Buddhism  
Do not worship any gods

The power behind modern atheism and paganism  
Has the same source  
Ultimately Christians see the world as a battle  
Between those who follow the Christian God  
And those that reject Him

The role of other religions I hypothesize  
Is that people tried to worship God



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To the best of their knowledge

When Christianity is brought into a culture  
That has never been exposed to it before  
The people who adopt Christianity in that culture  
Then need to decide what parts of their culture  
Are contrary to Scripture and then reject those elements

In the past many white Christian missionaries  
From Europe and the United States  
Before the cultural revolutions of the Vietnam War era  
Often mixed up what was Christian  
And what was part of the missionaries' home culture

People around the world are asked  
To worship God in certain ways  
But most things in the Bible are either  
Not very clear or allow a great deal of freedom  
As to what is permitted for worship or lifestyles

One of the things that I very different  
About the African independent churches  
Is that they do not condemn polygamy  
Or have such a limited interaction with the supernatural  
Like we do in America

This difference is purely cultural  
And these churches are as much  
Following the Bible faithfully as we are  
It is interesting that the Evangelical churches  
Are not very powerful overseas  
But the Gospel seems to be doing fine anyway

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Even though some people  
Still associate Christianity with America  
There is really little to connect the two  
And there has been a huge amount of effort placed on  
Synchronizing these two unrelated systems

You have to ask yourself  
Where does Jesus or His followers ever  
Talk about making Rome great again  
Or them saying they love the Roman Empire  
Or that the Roman Empire was based on Christian ideas

And our emphasis on the Roman Empire and then Europe  
Is very ethnocentric and not historically accurate  
The Gospel went in three directions

The earliest Church was the Coptic Church  
And Ethiopians adopted Judaism  
Long before they adopted Christianity

And the Persian Empire  
At the time of the Roman Empire of the time of the Gospels  
Had more people and more wealth than the Roman Empire

Iraq was the center of the Church (basically up the river a few  
miles from Babylon) up until the year 1000  
Islam for context did not arise and  
Take the rest of the Middle East until about 650 years later  
And they only did so with the help of local Christians

Unfortunately the Eastern Orthodox Church as we now call it  
Had a theological fight over how to explain the trinity  
Which although not stated exactly that way in the Bible

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Was something important to state like that because of heresies  
In the Church both in Europe and in the Middle East

Anyway the other Christians were treated so bad that  
They actually were treated better under Islam  
For the first few hundred years  
(until it was acceptable for non-Arabs to convert to Islam)

## Time Will Tell

Some people prepare to time travel  
Into a utopia that did not exist  
For most of the world at that time

Others embrace the future reality  
And are planning for survival  
And a way to minimize the tragedy

We have created a world  
We do not understand  
So we cannot accept  
The consequences of our actions

Sometimes we do not know  
The cost of victory  
Until long after the war ends

The cost of winning the Cold War and World War 2  
Was to become like the enemy  
We sought to destroy

We were willing to win  
At any cost  
And now we challenge  
The reality of the consequences

When will we end the pointless wars?  
When will we stop destroying God's creation?  
When will we be willing to admit we are wrong?

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The future Apocalypse is already starting  
Although there is no sign of Christ's return  
So many see the coming Apocalypse  
But refuse to make the connection back to the cause

We are creating our own nightmares  
And we are building a world  
That is only good for  
Insects, disease, and the devil

When we compare the end of times  
To what we are destroying now  
And how we are doing it

We can see how big the consequences of sin are  
And now specifically how devastating  
The sins of gluttony and greed can be

We try to put the blame on the people  
On the margins of society  
And political ideas that only formed much later  
In response to what we started

It is ironic that the generation  
That is most hostile to technology  
Was both the generation that created it  
And demanded it be created

I am of a later generation  
And after decades of study  
I can clearly see the toxic direction  
These decisions are leading us into

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I do not seek to be right  
Especially not at this cost  
Because if I am right everyone loses

We brought into our reality  
Changes that are so great  
In an attempt to save the world  
We accelerated its end

We own the world now  
But at the cost of betraying our mission  
At the cost of destroying  
Most of the natural world

And at the cost of alienating  
Everyone outside the fatherland  
So much so that they made it  
Their mission to destroy us

Who would have thought creating a world  
That changes faster than the government can react  
That rewards greed and malice  
Against the poor  
That promotes fraud and lawlessness  
Amongst the rich  
Is somehow good

If our god is money then our god is us  
Then how can we call ourselves a Christian nation?

If every other government hates us  
Who is likely delusional?  
And who is likely the victim?

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What are we trying to preserve  
With our resistance to the change we started?

We have a chance to make better decisions  
And accept responsibility  
For the damage we have done

But it is always easier  
To retreat into our history  
Into a time simpler and easier for us  
Because we were then rich at the expense  
Of the vast majority of the world

But because of geography  
Unlike any other empire in history  
We can lose the peace in wars  
That we start at least once a decade  
And still be the biggest power on earth  
That the world has ever seen

Of course this outcome was easy to predict

With our suspicion always on  
The poor and reform movements  
We never saw the real problem going on  
That those who lived in the midst of it did

The world has had many countries  
Run by evil people  
This phenomenon is as old as time

But you cannot get people

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To believe you are a good guy  
When your actions are the same as the bad guy

It is true many times in our history  
We have suffered because of our situation  
But those times we could not change things

When we can change things  
We believe lies  
Or just don't care

Somehow we divorced the ideas of  
Humility and compassion  
As is if there ever needs to be a debate  
And choice of one over the other

We can either be loyal  
To other believers  
Or do what we know is right

This idea does not come from Scripture  
Even if people want to divide themselves like this  
These ideas are not just a philosophical debate

Real people and animals suffer  
Beyond what we can imagine  
Because we only want to follow half  
Of what Christ modeled for us

The lie of this age  
Is what we do doesn't matter

We need not give up



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Or be discouraged though  
As Christ is the real one in control  
May His kingdom come to earth now

## The Last Word

In arguments each side wants the last word  
This makes the debate go on forever  
In the modern world  
They say your are not being objective  
Or you are stupid  
If you dispute what they say

We need to avoid these kind of statements or strategies  
If we ever want to change someone's mind  
But even then this rarely happens

When people make big ideological changes in their life  
It is a result of hearing the same thing enough times  
Or they learn through major life experiences

If we want more peace online  
And between nations  
We have to agree at least to disagree

This idea that is popular now  
That we just wait for demographic changes  
Or sabotage the other party  
Or make things up or stretch the truth

There is no way to get to the truth today  
Everyone does not agree on a common source of truth  
And people are now only going to believe things  
That don't challenge what they already believe

There are too many people trying to deceive others

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And too few people that can be trusted with anything

Our institutions are rapidly turning into virtual ones  
Where you talk to a robot for help

Most of the traffic online is  
Of software going through websites  
To gather information for other websites

We will eventually have few humans left online  
An few humans left that have any good jobs

The big thing that drives everything  
In the world is economics  
Our economic situation has to be re-examined  
Because there is no more economic growth  
Without equally great costs

Our system was not designed  
For when things stopped growing  
Economic growth is fundamental  
To our global strategy as a nation

When there is no more growth  
One persons wealth comes at the expense of another  
In this situation a individual wanting more money  
Means the same thing as wanting someone else to have less

We can't operate nicely in the world  
When we are unwilling to make lifestyle changes  
And spend money  
And accept a lower standard of living

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The modern world depends now  
On large scale agriculture, cheap oil, and internet connected  
computers  
If any of this breaks down America  
And the entire world system of nations become irrelevant

We became the only world power  
Due to computers and their evolution  
And we are currently using the Internet to get countries  
That do not want to give up their cultures and religions  
To join the modern world  
To spread the world culture of Hollywood

It just shows how powerful our nation is  
That we can run major wars  
On the other side of the planet  
And win them in record time

And then fail to gain anything from them  
As our opponent just out waits us  
And makes it painful for us to occupy

And we do this every decade for a hundred years  
With the same outcomes  
And yet we still leader of the one world government

But today computers have become so essential  
That they are a bigger weak link than oil

And much easier to attack in safety  
And leave so little evidence  
That we can decide who to attribute blame

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We are the ones that are leading  
This destabilizing information war  
And the other countries  
Are just following our lead

The world basically needs to de-globalize  
As most world regions want to run their countries  
And Internets very differently

But the US won't let that happen  
Because they are making too much money  
The way things are now

If we had a much less paranoid  
International and war policy  
We could spend the money

On a variety of much cheaper projects  
That would have much more  
Positive and immediate impact

But they are too boring  
For the nation to agree upon

Our society is based on entertainment  
As our society has made huge profits selling us things  
That will make us lazier and distracted

This is a great way to dominate  
If people are at home preoccupied  
With their social media brand  
And doing drugs and playing video games

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Or they are too afraid to leave the house due to terrorism, disease,  
or other crisis we are unlikely to die of

If people can never gather together  
In any useful and meaningful way  
How can they ever successfully advocate change  
In the government and society?

This is why we need a common belief system  
In America today like there has been  
For every major empire in world history

We need to rewrite the constitution  
And probably just abolish  
Precedence in our legal system  
And adopt the UN Declaration of Human Rights  
Or something similar

Obviously the court system  
Is just politics by other means  
And the only reason  
They have ever agreed on anything  
Is that there are an odd number of justices

Better yet we should each vote on each issue  
Directly as individual citizens  
Most people in congress do not have time  
To do their elected duties like voting

So we can not vote as well  
They basically have become an  
Unnecessary middle man  
For the average person

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If we want to claim we are a democracy  
That follows human rights  
We need to actually do that

Otherwise people are not going to believe us  
Or take us seriously as a nation  
Both inside and outside the country

Our nation is quickly becoming a joke  
No matter who we we elect  
Amongst the entrenched 2 party system

We don't want to follow our own constitution  
Whenever it is not easy  
And are unwilling to make sacrifices  
For the best of the nation or even our families

Some think God is coming soon  
And look to Him to sort things out  
This is just lazy

We can sort out the problems ourselves  
We just cannot have everything we want  
At the same time  
With no sacrifice or change in our lifestyle

## Hanging in Here

Here we sit like statues  
Silent but always watching  
We are always smiling  
But this is just how our faces are

We often sit in groups  
Other times there are  
Just a couple of us

We come in different colors  
And we resemble many creatures  
We look adorable  
And we invite you to hold us

We do not understand  
Many things about you

Why you constantly  
Seem to be leaving us  
And then return suddenly

Our world is smaller than yours  
But it is softer as well

We know we need to stay dry  
And we encourage you to dust us

We enjoy going in the wash  
And bask in the warmth of the dryer  
It is like an amusement ride



## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

For most of us

We see our deeper purpose  
Is to be an encouragement  
And we know how to love  
In ways you do not

Many see us as just objects  
But we are truly self aware  
There is more to us  
Than most can see

We cry when one is taken away  
And share the joy with new arrivals  
We age well  
If you keep us away from moisture

In one sense we are made of fabric  
But you are made of squishy stuff  
Your life systems are frankly gross

Your functions take in and expel things  
That are definitely not clean  
And we try to stay far away  
From any such things  
Although we do enjoy being cleaned

Many associate us with your youngest  
But we find all sorts of homes

The saddest thing happens  
When we are abandoned  
And left out in the elements

## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

We enjoy being petted  
And we look forward to  
Listening to your music  
And watching your movies

A number of us have our own armies  
Of plastic people  
A few inches tall

Some of you are collectors  
So we sometimes live in larger groups

Our favorite movie is Toy Story  
And we find the most fulfillment  
In playing with the humans

We are never perfectly matching  
Everyone is designed differently  
And we don't always know why

But you seem to find us  
In very different places  
At very different times

This is not a problems for us  
Like it might be for you

It is easier for animals to get along  
As we tend to be warmer and softer  
In our temperaments  
We are always together  
So it forces us to make peace

## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

Whenever you see one of us  
On a shelf, bed, or a person  
Make sure to says hi  
And give us a hug

We need your encouragement too  
Because the days are long  
And we have little to do

In many ways being a toy is boring  
We can think of all sorts of adventures  
But we cannot carry them out  
Until you move us around

We are not picky  
But toys do deserve to be played with

Many of you grow out of us  
But soon you will have little ones  
Either of your own or those of a friend or your kids

Regardless we know our time  
Will not last forever  
There is little chance  
That we get to retire in style

We usually get passed on  
From home to school to home  
Until we are considered worn out  
Many of us are eventually abandoned

Please do not let this happen

## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

To the toys you love or loved

## This Morning

I woke up this morning  
Without a headache  
And no fear or depression

I noticed my house was all clean  
And I smelled good  
Even though I hadn't taken a shower  
Or put on deodorant

I was covered in white clothing  
I could see perfectly  
I walked out my front door

And there was a newspaper  
I had never subscribed to  
But it was all positive news

I was greeted by my neighbor  
I never talked to before  
He was dressed the same as me

I had more energy than ever before  
The temperature and weather were perfect

There was a yellow jacket that flew by  
He looked like he was smiling  
He landed and started chewing on a piece of grass

A snail ran by very fast  
And asked politely

## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

If he could eat my vegetables

I looked for my animals  
But all I could see  
What appeared like large versions  
Of all the pets I ever had  
But all with wings

I began to try to figure out  
If I was in a dream or I was hallucinating  
But everything seemed more real  
Than being awake  
All the colors seemed to be brighter as well

I walked down the street  
And everyone was up and friendly  
Although some people I knew  
In the neighborhood were not there

Everyone was smiling  
And everyone else was dressed in white too

The grass was as soft as animal fur  
The trees and bushes were all blooming  
And there were no pests in them either

There were birds and squirrels everywhere  
Much more than I ever saw before  
The chipmunks were all much bigger with wings

And they would come up to me  
And let me pet them  
And the birds did the same

## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

They didn't try to get any food from me though  
And I realized I wasn't hungry either

Everyone appeared to be the same age  
Nobody older or younger than they wanted to be  
There were no kids

Everyone even people I never knew  
Were glad to see me

There were rainbows all over the sky but no rain  
The grass was greener than I have ever seen before

All the other houses were empty  
And people were out walking  
And petting the animals of all kinds

And some were playing sports  
I could not believe how fast they could run  
They seemed to be able to jump very high as well  
All with very little effort

As I walked in the direction  
Where the light continued to get brighter  
The farther I went towards it  
I kept on following it  
And I continued to feel happier and get more energy

The large versions of my former pets  
Flew just behind me

I was greeted by an ordinary looking Man

### Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

Who seemed to be the Source of the light  
He was tending the grounds

He also mentioned He was King  
I just assumed He was mentally ill  
But other people followed  
What He asked them to do

There were no cars  
And the air was clean and clear  
There was no poisonous waste  
And no trash anywhere

There were no restrooms in any of the homes  
And there were no businesses to buy anything at

The roads were soft and everyone was bare footed  
As I walked the plants began to grow taller  
The flowers were all free from blemishes  
Everything bloomed at a much bigger size

Someone had some vegetables  
In front of their house  
He offered some to me  
It was as sweet as candy  
And after eating it  
I was never hungry again

I noticed not only were there  
No locks on door or cameras  
There were actually no doors at all  
Except where they sky met the ground  
A few miles away



## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

People occasionally went in and out of them  
They were only gone for a few moments  
But they came back looking tired but happy

It was now late in the day  
But the light never went out  
It never got dark there

I wondered when I would wake up  
I mentioned this out loud  
And both people and animals laughed

I never woke up to how the world was  
The day before that

I estimate it is a thousand years later  
And my body is the same as when  
I first woke up here that day

The people here refer to it as the Garden  
I see the Grounds Keeper every day  
We have nice talks

He already seems to know everything about me  
He is always polite and hard working  
I would say He is becoming my Best Friend

I enjoy doing work with Him on the grounds  
It is not hard as there are  
No weeds or rotting flowers or leaves

You can always see clearly

## Ben-Free Thought 3 by Ben Huot

And it is not too hot  
All the time

I asked about the doors  
He said there were other places like this  
He said we were perfectly safe there as well  
As they were also under His protection