ED 310 - Thoughts on World Citizenship

*Note:* The following statements related to world civilization were taken from *Economics of the Future* compiled by Badi Shams. Those in quotation marks are direct quotes and those without have been reworded. *Rod Clarken*

A great difference between sounding a great general principle and finding its application to actual prevailing conditions.

For legal standards, political and economic theories are solely designed to safeguard the interests of humanity as a whole, and not humanity to be crucified for the preservation of the integrity of any particular law or doctrine.

Neither the theories of the Capitalistic economics, nor the Marxists and Communists in their repudiation of the principle of private ownership and of the, the individual can meet the needs of today.

If the golden rule and love were actually applied to the world's economic problems, which if not solved bid fair to destroy us, and were used as a scientific measurement to regulate our international and national affairs; to settle all relations between labour and capital, between rich and poor, to regulate all coinage and commerce, can there by any doubt that the results would be far more conducive to human welfare than our present policies have produced?

Much suffering will still be required ere the contending nations, creeds, classes and races of mankind are fused in the crucible of universal affliction, and the fires of a fierce ordeal into one organic commonwealth, one vast, unified and harmoniously functioning system.

Profit sharing is a solution to one form of economic problems.

'ery standpoint the world of humanity is undergoing a re-formation ..."

omic barriers will have to be permanently demolished and the inter-dependence of capital and labour recognized.

nt that under present systems and conditions of government the poor are subject to the greatest need and distress while others more fortunate live plenty far beyond their actual necessities."

Justification of the economic laws for the livelihood of man must be effected in order that all humanity may live in the greatest happiness according to their respective degrees."

Justification of the social economy is of the greatest importance inasmuch as it ensures the stability of the world of humanity; and until it is effected and prosperity are impossible."

m and universal system of currency, of weights and measures, will simplify and facilitate intercourse and understanding among the nations and."

ed continuous co-operation and mutual help. The body of the human world is sick. Justice and unity are its remedies.

Principal cause of these difficulties lies in the laws of the present civilization; for they lead to a small number of individuals accumulating incom beyond their needs, whilst the greater number remains destitute, stripped and in the greatest misery."

rst be allegiance to the laws and principles of government."
Adversities unimaginably appalling, undreamed of crises and up-heavals, war, famine and pestilence, might well combine to engrave in the soul of an unheeding generation those truths and principles which it has disdained to recognize and follow.

... 'All economic problems may be solved by the application of the Science of the Love of God'. That is to say: If the Rule called golden and treated as if gold were on a shelf whose dust is seldom disturbed) --

... A single, organically-united, unshattered World Commonwealth.

Religion alone can in the last resort, bring in man's nature such a fundamental change as to enable him to adjust the economic relationships of society.