

ter", or "godlier" than a very primitive and simple barbarism? Evidently, power is achieved only at the expense of "innocence", individuality at the expense of solidarity, rational science at the expense of emotional imagination.

From whatever angle one tries to completely rationalize the process of history, it is impossible to build it into a theodicy. Rather we must picture man's history as an endless odyssey of the human species. Travelling about hither and thither, it has landed time and again on unknown shores. It has experienced adventures and lived through adversities of a magnitude that no Homer could ever imagine. Yet unlike Odysseus, humanity will never return home to its Ithaca, nor will it ever be rewarded for its trials and tribulations by a faithful and devoted Penelope.