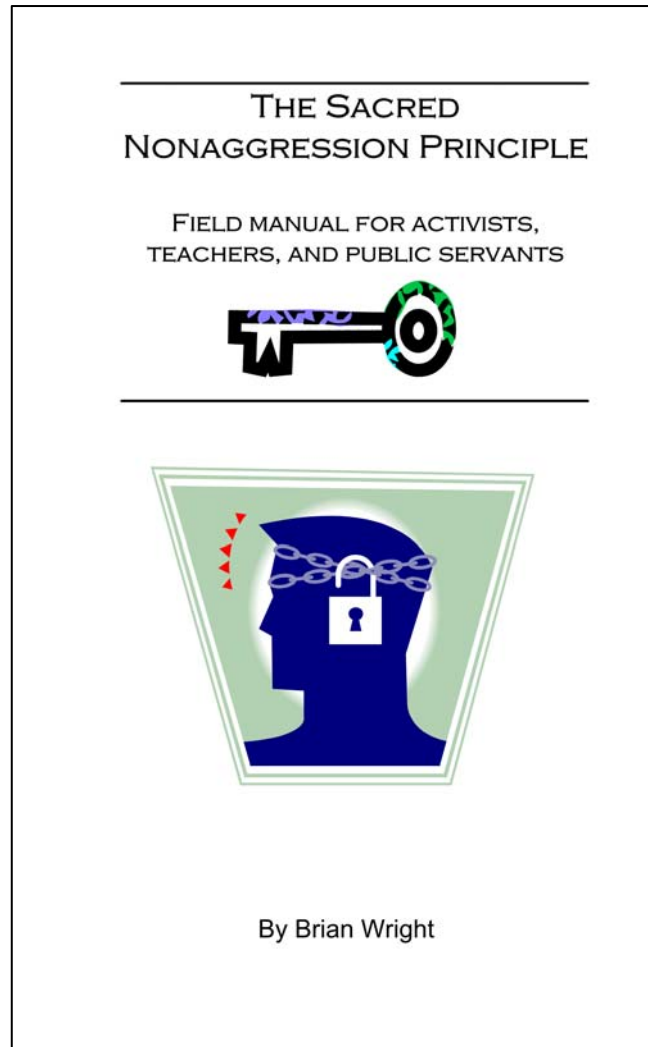




# The Sacred Nonaggression Principle

An idea whose time is long  
overdue

# Sacred Nonaggression Principle—the Book



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# Sacred Nonaggression Principle:

*“An emerging consciousness”*

- No one, *especially* governments, shall *initiate* force against others for any purpose.
- This simple principle becomes “sacred”—sacred means “ultimate,” the best we can be, or if you prefer a religious sentiment, “holy”—by our recognition that “there is none higher,” i.e. that the SNaP is the ultimate value in social systems above all other considerations.
- Why is the SNaP the ultimate social value? That is what the SNaP book (and this presentation) endeavors to argue and demonstrate.

# The Big Universal Problem (BUP)

- Freedom people, in particular, feel—like Neo in the movie *The Matrix* (1999)—that “something is wrong,” experience a feeling of unease or fear.
- Very early “we” mentally grasp that our own life/liberty is **right** yet threatened by a diffuse collective—a hostile, seriously messed-up “they”.
- The BUP = tyranny. We typically have not well understood its origins and causes in society.

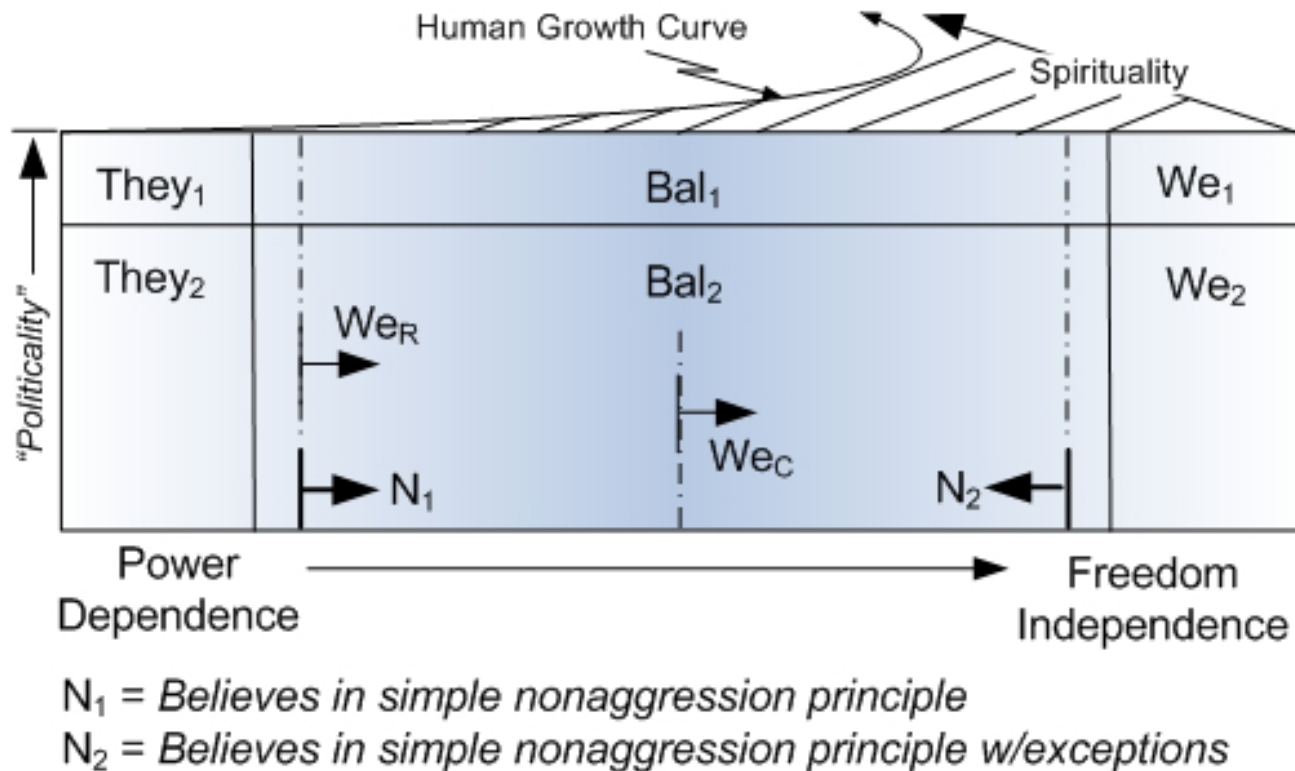
# Spiritual Kindergarten

## *How we're awakening to the SNaP*

- Spirituality is the pursuit of “the sacred,” consistent with reason.
- The Kindergarten Principle:
  - Don't hit
  - Don't steal
  - Keep promises
- Biological basis for the SNaP  $\Rightarrow$  required for survival of group.
  - Natural biological repugnance toward thieves
  - Genetic defect leads to control and theft via deception (Kleptocons)
- Connection between spiritual growth and the SNaP.
- Some analysis of the “we” and the “they”:

# The “We”, the “They”, and the Rest–1

## The SNaPstrip Diagram



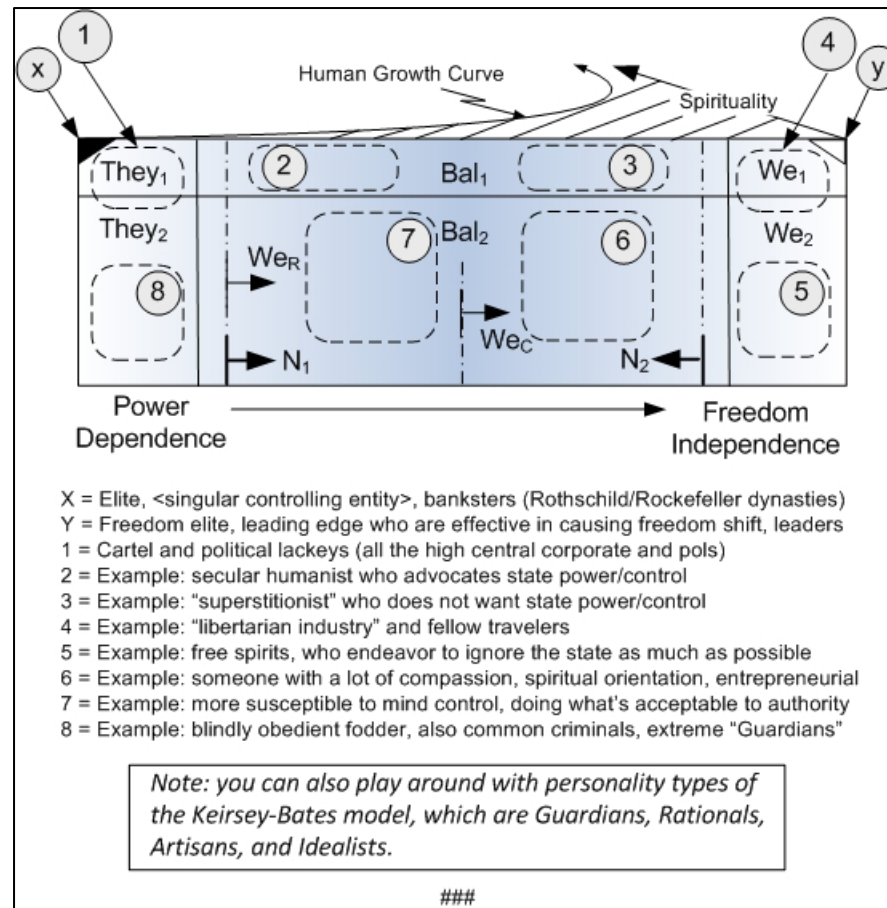
# The “We”, the “They”, and the Rest–2

## SNaPstrip Definitions

- “They” = Authoritarian, power-focused, psychologically dependent
- They<sub>1</sub> = More-political “They” (locus of <singular controlling entity> and origin of BUP)
- They<sub>2</sub> = Less-political “They”
- “We” = Libertarian, freedom-focused, psychologically independent
- We<sub>1</sub> = More-political “We” (locus of freedom movement/community)
- We<sub>2</sub> = Less-political “We”
- Balance = Currently vast majority, susceptible to *being led*
  - We<sub>C</sub> = Colloquial We, We<sub>R</sub> = Reachable We
  - N<sub>1</sub> area of belief in SNaP; N<sub>2</sub> area of belief in SNaP w/exception
- Spirituality and the Growth Curve

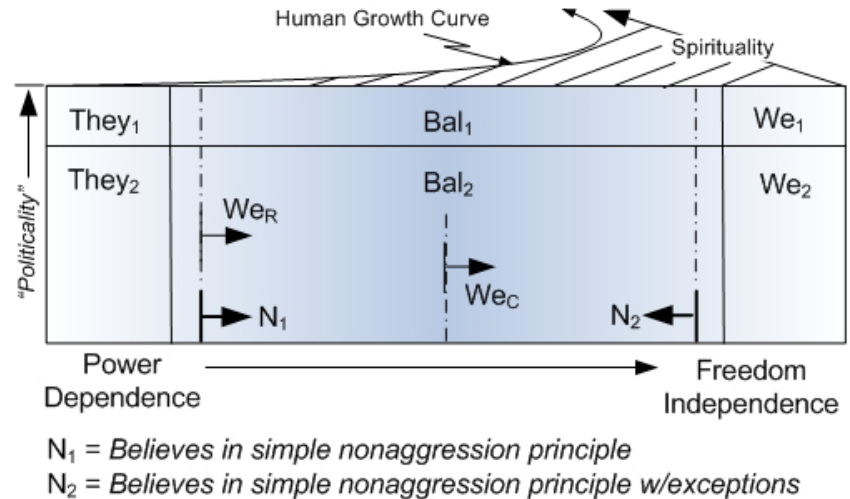
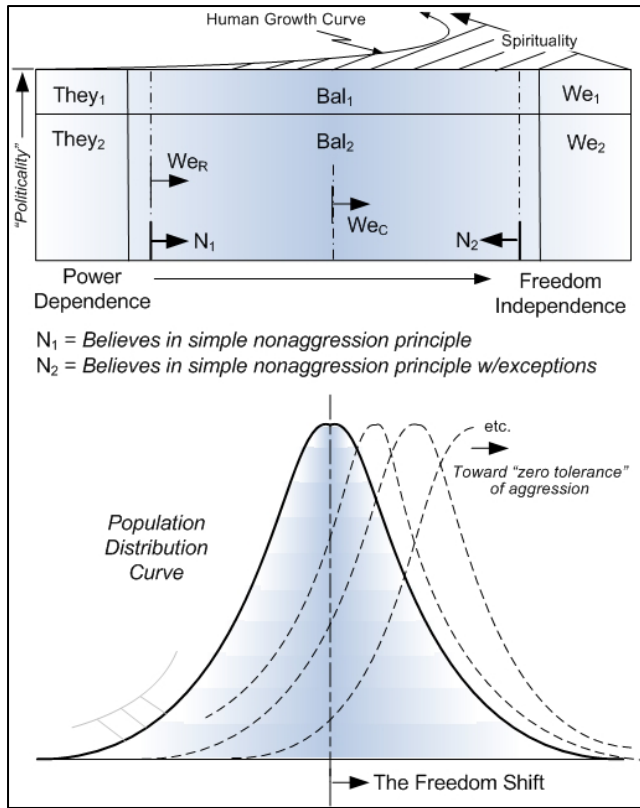
# The “We”, the “They”, and the Rest–3

## The SNaPstrip Diagram (SNaPshot)





# The Freedom Shift and Spiritual Growth Curve



# The *Primacy* of the SNaP

- The nonaggression principle lies at the root of every moral personal action in a social context.
- The SNaP is the tacit primary principle (axiom) upon which all subsequent pro-liberty and therefore pro-human values derive.
- The “Rule of Law,” upon which this country was founded, is grounded in equality of rights and the simple nonaggression principle.
- All core American values—*life, liberty, equality, justice, truth, pursuit of happiness, popular sovereignty, separation of powers, rule of law, sanctity of family, and so on*—assume the simple nonaggression principle. Name a value that doesn't!

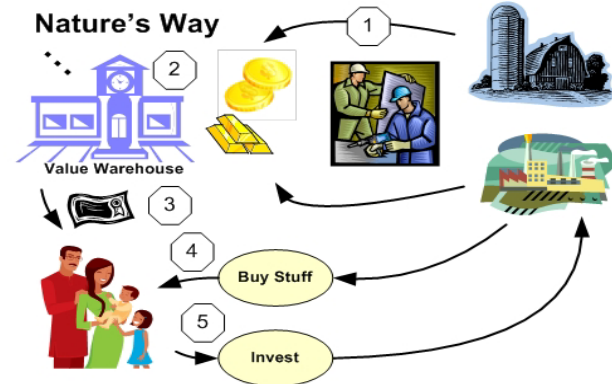
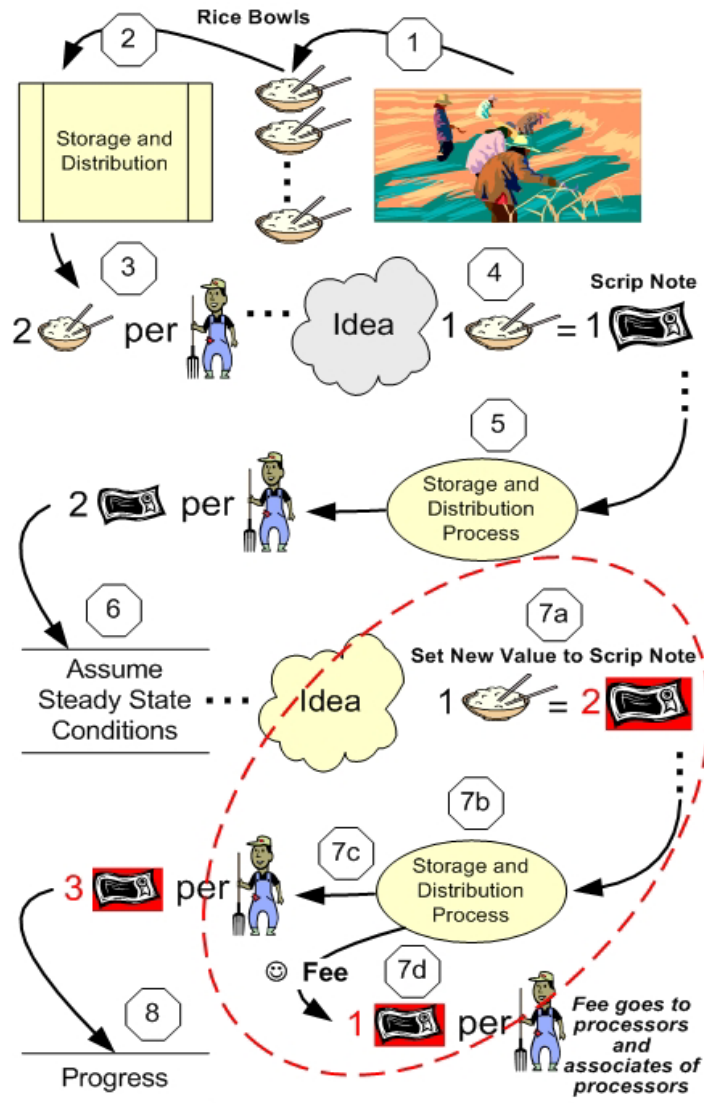
# Nonaggression 101: Analysis

- Definition, SNaP: The simple nonaggression principle holds nobody, *especially* governments, shall initiate force against another for any purpose. The simple nonaggression principle becomes sacred as we assert of it, "There is none higher."
- What is aggression?
  - An act of physical force (or fraud) initiated by one against another
  - In a free society, without aggression/fraud, no (felony) crime exists
- Alleged purpose of government is to prevent aggression and mend its effects, therefore we must apply:
  - **A zero-tolerance policy for government aggression**
    - No prohibitions
    - No compulsions
    - No privileges
  - **No exceptions: no ruler exemptions from the SNaP**
- Nonaggression = Sacred: the ultimate moral imperative in society.

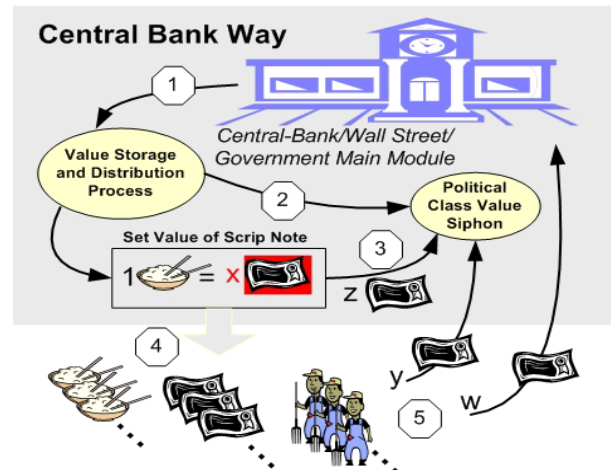
# SNaP: Benefits and Vision

- **Spiritual awakening:** A one-to-one connection between spiritual fulfillment—finding “God” in our own way—and the SNaP.
- **A world without war:** When *intracountry* aggression not tolerated, *intercountry* aggression not tolerated. And *vice versa*.
- **Safe streets:** Catherine Austin Fitts’ Popsicle Index ~100%, ending the War on Drugs (WOD) alone reduces real crime 90%.
- **Abundance:** Immediate and recurring benefits via the “Big 3:”
  - Ending the WOD ⇒ \$1 trillion/year
  - Ending the military empire ⇒ \$1 trillion/year
  - Ending the ban on agricultural hemp ⇒ \$1 trillion/year (greenly)
- The <central controlling entity> (i.e. “They<sub>1</sub>”) will not voluntarily relinquish the wealth it has systematically taken from honest, real humans thru the decades; we will need to apply multipronged strategies to restore peace and freedom to our world.

# The SNaP and Who the Heck Stole my Rice Bowl?



No way for the "money-changers" to cash in on the Natural Way, so the banksters create a government central-monopoly bank (the Fed), pass legal tender laws, and control all money and credit within national boundaries. Make it a fiat money system where the central bank controls the 'value' of the scrip notes.



**64 Gazillion Dollar Question:**  
Given that in 1908 \$1 purchased approximately what 25 FRNs purchase today, what is the value of the wealth removed from the productive class by the political class during last 100 yrs.?

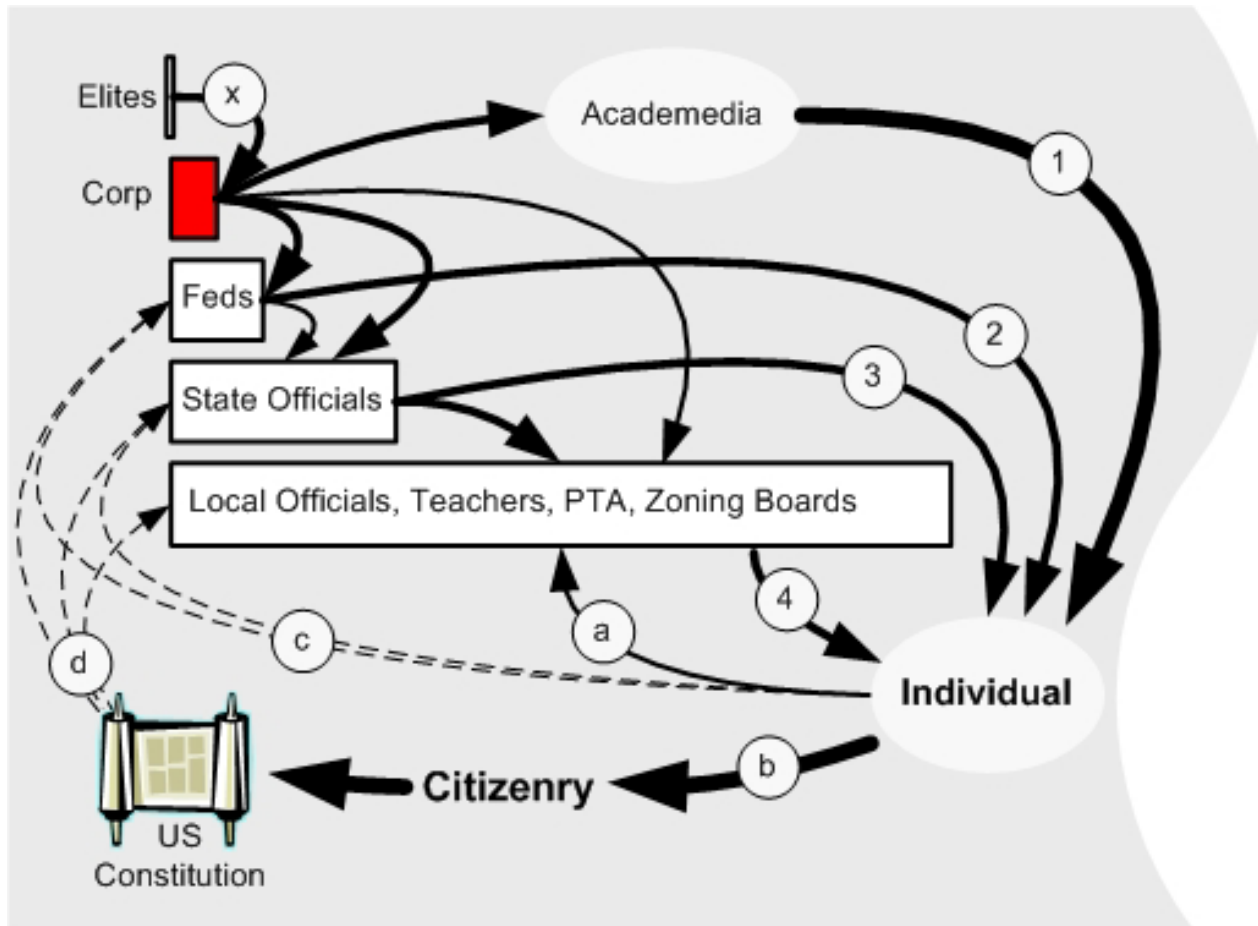
# Taking it to the People—1

## Summary of Chapters

- **The Big Universal Problem (BUP)**—an awareness that something “just isn't right” in the world, esp. regarding the use of force.
- **The “We”, the “They”, and the Rest**—what “we” are up against, and how the SNaP renders the Dark Side impotent.
- **Spiritual Kindergarten**—pointing to the nonaggression foundation of the human spirit that gives rise to 'the sacred' in social behavior.
- **Nonaggression 101**—we see that the SNaP is the ultimate political principle that trumps all other moral ideals for behavior in society.
- **SNaP Benefits and Vision**—the benefits that come from laying down the gun: spiritual awakening, peace, safety, and abundance.

# Taking it to the People-2

## Current Control-Context Diagram



# Taking it to the People–3

## A Proposed Strategy

- The Objective:
  - Children learn and apply the Kindergarten Principle the “no exceptions” SNaP throughout life
  - Spread the SNaP most effectively thru grass roots, local efforts
- Strategy
  - Choose the right lines of control (reference Control Diagram)
  - Focus especially toward teaching community, public officials, law enforcement
  - Roll out with suitable materials (e.g. *The Sacred Nonaggression Principle* field manual)
- Spending time with local government
  - Getting to know public officials, serving on boards
  - Making presentations on the key areas of aggression that must be stopped
  - Pledge, certification, and citation concepts
- SNaP questions and answers
- SNaP priorities



# SNaP Questions and Answers–1

#	Question	Answer
1	It's impossible to define aggression; what is an act of force for you may be simple persuasion for me. How can we possibly ban aggression?	Aggression is the initiation of physical force, depriving someone of a value without their consent. Ask a well-adjusted five-year-old to help you with this.
2	Is it technically aggression if I do not actually steal from you immediately but will confine you or harm you if you do not conform?	Yes, again, apply the five-year-old test. The threat of force is force: if you do not do as what the threatener says, you are jailed, shot, fined, etc.
3	Well, how about something like being ostracized or some other forms of social disapproval? Is that aggression?	No, it is not aggression unless the opprobrium is accompanied by an act of physical coercion. In fact the prospect of public disapproval can encourage people to pay for government services.
4	Okay, so it's aggression if I hold you up on the street. But what if a majority votes to tax you for schools? Is that aggression?	Yes, unless the tax is voluntary and you do not go to jail or suffer financial penalties for deciding voluntarily not to contribute.
5	Coercive taxes are aggression?	Yes, coercion is aggression.

#	Question/Fallacy	Answer
6	Then I guess drug prohibition laws are out of the question...	Yes, prohibition is aggression. Not Constitutional. Not allowed.
7	Wow, I'm running out of ideas for what government can do without initiating force. Government sure takes on a lot now that seems like aggression. Can you even have a government?	Well, it isn't easy, because as Washington said, government is force. But, if government is voluntarily funded and strictly confined to protecting rights, it can have a reasonable role in society.
8	All right, then, but what we have today is a lot of stuff the government does that a lot of people don't think is aggression.	The people have been deceived (by those who profit by the deceit) into thinking if a "democratic" government forces you then somehow it isn't force.
9	Can we give special prerogatives to institutions such as banks or corporations and not violate the nonaggression principle?	No, prerogative is another word for privilege, which means private law. Simply put, if the private law entails violating the common law (which applies to businesses and persons and is based on the SNaP) then it violates the SNaP.

# SNaP Questions and Answers–2

#	Question/Fallacy	Answer
10	So banks, as currently franchised by the state, and the Federal Reserve Bank (or any central bank) are not in conformance with the SNaP...	You are correct. No one gets a special deal under the SNaP. In particular, central banks like the Fed are guilty of fraudulently transferring value from the productive class to the political class through "debt-counterfeiting." <sup>27</sup>
11	Where is the aggression in the central bank system?	Legal tender laws dictate by force what shall be accepted as money. Then all the customary corporate privileges accorded to banks constitute an insidious aggression.
12	Shouldn't the government have control of the money supply and the currency of a country?	No. What people in their voluntary trade relationships regard as valuable will dictate what money is and how it will be made and used.
13	Don't we need strong government or corporate franchise by the state to handle "big" projects that the market cannot do by itself?	The Alaska pipeline was a large privately funded and run project (\$8 billion); many others exist. Men can voluntarily cooperate on any worthwhile project of any size.

#	Question/Fallacy	Answer
14	How about for military defense? Don't we need a large central government spending a lot of money that can only be provided by tax dollars?	Military defense lies in the province of what many libertarians feel government should do. In a SNaP world, a) there is no need for militaries as such, and b) w/o coercive taxation to fund the military, the military establishment (and national security state) cannot become the cause of war as it is today.
15	Wow, again. Full application of the SNaP will produce a radically different human society from what we have today. It does seem a lot better, but how do we get there without creating panic?	Two steps: 1) Eliminate "as immediately as possible" systems that would be wrong even if private individuals did them e.g. drug prohibition. 2) Phase out (by transitioning functions to private citizens, businesses, and communities) other coercive systems.

# SNaP Priorities

*My personal suggestions as of this five minutes*



#	Aggression to Remove	Description/Rationale
1	Drug prohibition laws	Like the National Nightmare of alcohol prohibition in the 1920s, only worse. Immediate repeal will hugely benefit everyone.
2	Military empire	Dangerous Strillion/yr. wealth transfer for purposes of pure, malevolent destruction.
3	Agricultural hemp ban	Lifting the ban on the non-psychoactive native strain of cannabis will be an economic boon (eventually ~\$1 trillion/yr.) to tens of thousands: farmers, merchants, individuals.
4	Corporate privilege	End legal personhood, legal immunities, and phase out limited liability; end special treatment e.g. tax abatements.
5	Federal Reserve Act	Thanks to Ron Paul and the Honest Money Act we already have a bill in the mill that will repeal the government money monopoly. Will end war.



#	Aggression to Remove	Description/Rationale
6	Government schools	The most insidious encroachment on human freedom, also the most entrenched; best transitioned to freedom by withdrawal of compulsory funding.
7	Coercive taxation	Introduction of voluntary government-services financing will result in people getting the government services they want.
8	Eminent domain	This one is behind so many transgressions of favoritism in the name of progress; repeal it everywhere.
9	Nanny state laws	We can put this toward the top, because repeal is easy: seatbelt laws, helmet laws, smoking bans; no need, put them away.
10	Licensing and regulation	Good example: if taxi cabs were free market—no mandatory city fee and license—jitneys would solve traffic congestion <i>now</i> .



# SNaP Pledge and Certification Samples


*Preliminary*

	<b>Simple Nonaggression Pledge</b>	
<p>As an ethical human person charged with legislating, executing, or judging laws, I pledge that I shall uphold the <b>Bill of Rights</b> and the <b>Nonaggression Principle</b>. My purpose as a public official is to assure that no one's person/property is violated by initiation of fraud or force.</p> <p>Accordingly, I shall take no part in perpetrating force upon individuals who have not first used force. Every human being has the natural right to live as he or she so chooses provided they do not interfere with the same right of others. Any statute that clearly aggresses upon peaceful individuals is null and void, and thus I shall not cooperate to put such statutes into effect.</p> <p>Further, I shall seek prosecution of officials who willfully and knowingly commit aggression upon peaceful, honest human beings. I shall also seek remedy for people harmed by acts of aggression by any government operation of which I become specifically aware.</p> <p>Signed: _____ Office: _____</p> <p>Notarized: _____</p> <p><a href="http://www.nonaggress.org/">http://www.nonaggress.org/</a></p>		


	<b>Simple Nonaggression Certification</b>	
<p>This document is to affirm that the following institution, governing body, or individual person conforms in all respects to the standard definitions for upholding the simple nonaggression principle in their operations:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Name of institution or individual</p> <p>Based on observations by the attesting individual, the organization or person described above has, for _____ no. of months, taken no part in perpetrating force or fraud upon peaceful individuals who have not first used force or fraud. Further, when necessary, the organization or person has sought prosecution of any official who willfully and knowingly has violated the Bill of Rights or the Nonaggression Principle. The organization or person described above has also sought, when necessary, to remedy any specific harms inflicted on people by acts of aggression in the course of any operation of which they had become specifically aware.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Name of Certifying Individual</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Signature</p> <p><a href="http://www.nonaggress.org/">Http://www.nonaggress.org/</a></p>		

# SNaP Citation Examples

## Preliminary



Simple  
Nonaggression  
Commendation



This document is to affirm that the following person(s) has acted in accordance with the Nonaggression Principle under circumstances where it has not been easy to do so:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of individual(s)  
... has acted commendably either by restraining or resisting or by publicly refraining from enabling the following instance of [provide detail of specific act] force:

Act of Prohibition:  
\_\_\_\_\_


Act of Compulsion:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Act of Conferring Legal Privilege:  
\_\_\_\_\_


For your courageous act, your fellow advocates of the Nonaggression Principle extend this gesture of gratitude. It is by such simple acts of kindness and forbearance that our society becomes free, abundant, and benevolent.

Name and signature:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Simple-  
Nonaggression  
Infraction



This notice identifies that the following person(s) has specifically violated the Nonaggression Principle as observed and testified by the person whose signature appears below:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name or identification of individual(s)... has acted on this date \_\_\_\_\_ and time \_\_\_\_\_ to initiate force upon another human individual(s) set forth as follows:

Act of Prohibition:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Act of Compulsion:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Act of Conferring Legal Privilege:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Though there are no formal financial or confinement penalties associated with this notice, you are directed to cease and desist in the identified act immediately and contact the individual(s) harmed by your act to arrange for any restitution... its amount and terms to be decided between the parties or by a convening of your peers.

Name and signature of person testifying the infraction:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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# Key Ideas from the SNaP

The following important concepts were either discovered and/or uniquely conveyed with some detail in my book

## *Preliminary*

- Sanctifying the nonaggression principle
- Solution to the BUP (tyranny)
- Kindergarten rules and biology lead to the SNaP
- Connection between local SNaP and global peace
- Role of SNaPless <singular controlling entity> esp. in economic system
- Identification of the “We” and “They” and the Balance—the freedom shift, SNaPstrip
- SNaP: No prohibitions, no compulsions, no privileges, no exceptions
- The SNaP trumps all moral arguments in a social context
- Benefits:
  - Spiritual enlightenment
  - World peace
  - Safe streets
  - Abundance
- Connection between the SNaP and spiritual growth
- Connection between the SNaP and psychological independence
- SNaP helps with ability to visualize a benevolent humane future
- The simplicity of society without coercion, government small
- SNaP pledge, certification, and citation concepts

# The Guiding-Light SNaP Sentiment

— *Courtesy, John Adams*

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*The Revolution was effected before the war commenced. The Revolution was in the minds and hearts of the people; a change in their religious sentiments, of their duties and obligations... This radical change in the principles, opinions, sentiments, and affections of the people was the real American Revolution. ¶*

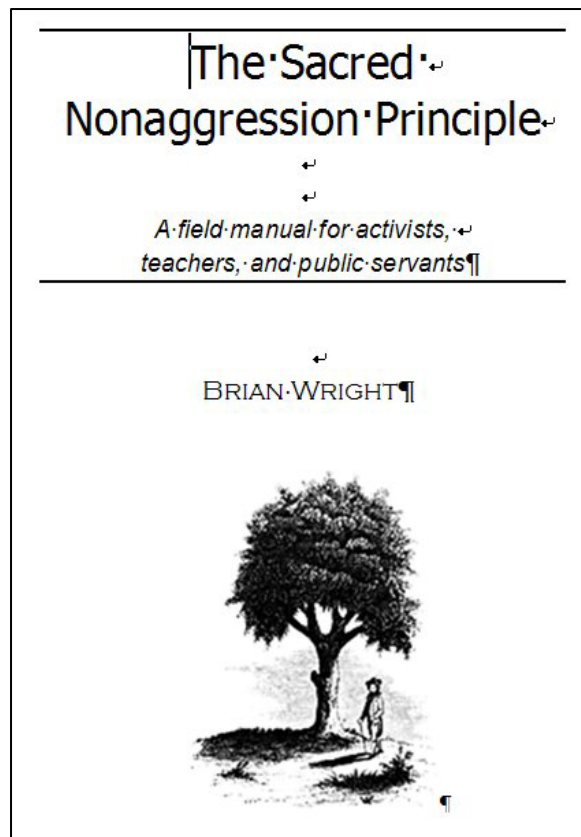
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Once more again into the breach, good people, with feeling. The world is not *theirs*, it's *ours*. ¶



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—a Book for “We” activists... also teachers, law enforcement, government officials, political candidates, lumberjacks, mechanics, ballerinas, musicians, fast-food workers, vacuum cleaner salesmen, struggling authors, extreme sports athletes, anyone who “completes you,” anyone who *doesn't* complete you, steplejacks, massage therapists, chiropractors, bakers, E S F S R L....



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- Full unabridged edition plans in progress with conventional publisher, with [\*New Pilgrim Chronicles\*](#).
- Additional SNaP promotional materials, info, and support via Website <http://www.sacrednap.org>
- The SNaP—the idea and the book—will effectively and humanely bring down the <central controlling entity> and bring up all the long-awaited benefits—**spiritual and material**—to humankind of a society without coercion.



# A Final (SNaP-Inspired) Thought

## American Citizens' Real Financial-Stimulus Package (2009)

From the benefits described for implementing a zero-prohibitions, zero-compulsions, zero-privileges, zero-exceptions SNaP policy, we can see substantial wealth savings to American citizens primarily from ending prohibitions and from ending wars of aggression. I call these the “Big 3” of wealth-recovery opportunities:

- **End the War on Drugs**—Experts estimate savings to citizens and governments of \$500 billion per year, but do not take into account damage all victims incur, including lost lives. **Total savings to humanity in the United States for ending the WOD = ~\$1 trillion/year.**
- **End the Empire**—The war budget when you include everything related to the empire is ~\$1.5 trillion/year, which can be pared ~2/3 if we end the bogus wars and war on terror and all the other makework projects of the warmongers and banksters. **Total savings to humanity in the United States for ending the US military empire = ~\$1 trillion/year.**
- **End the ban on agricultural hemp**—Based on estimates of market size for all the product areas hemp satisfies it's relatively easy to see a \$1 trillion/year role in a GDP (2007-based) of \$23 trillion in private industry (which of course would require a few years to accomplish). **Total benefits to humanity in the United States for ending the ban on agricultural hemp = ~\$1 trillion/year recurring (starting in 3-5 years with increased productivity into the multiple \$trillions going forward).**

Thus without even breaking a sweat, and having to borrow no money, having to raise no taxes, not having to perpetuate continually unworkable government programs, Americans will receive an annual benefit of \$3 trillion indefinitely (~\$10K per person). Now that's a stimulus with a punch!