

World Sliding

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It is not just the Society of St Pius X which is sliding, it is a whole world that is sliding, within men's souls. And just as "you cannot make silk purses out of sows' ears," and "you cannot make bricks without straw," so it is hopeless to expect yesterday's institutions not to be emptied out by today's human beings, like so many collapsed balloons in which the air has been let out. Here is the interesting answer of somebody who is still thinking, when he was asked what he saw in the future for the "Resistance," for the SSPX, for the Church and for the world –

As for the "Resistance" there will be no great increase in numbers, no large harvest of souls, because the suitable material is simply not there. How can you make anything Catholic out of people who have little or no idea any longer of true and false, of right and wrong, of what truly needs to be resisted? Truth and right have been undermined, and more and more people have given up believing that they are of any importance, both because man is a social animal that takes his colouring from those around him who have today massively given up on truth and right, and secondly because life is so much less demanding if truth and right are insignificant. I can then go with the flow, and there is nothing I still need to resist.

As for the SSPX, if Bishop Fellay is fearful, his fear will spread to the rest of the Society and from there to the rest of the Church, insofar as the Archbishop's Society was in its heyday the stiffening in the backbone of the Church. Without that stiffening a soft Conciliarism will prevail, with a hybrid Missal blending the Tridentine Mass with the New Mass, with a "hermeneutic of continuity" blending Catholic doctrine with Vatican II, with doubtful priests and rites making possible an illusory re-run of the 1950's. And so the Church

will end up with nobody still telling the Truth, and the "light of the world" will give out only a dim and optional glow, and the "salt of the earth" will be powerless to hinder the universal corruption.

The world will consequently become more and more degenerate, more and more wilfully artificial, because the Church was the supernatural protector, by grace in men's souls, of everything natural in God's creation. And in this New World Order even the remains of the true Church will continue to be persecuted by today's passive-aggressive intimidation. Beneath an appearance of passive toleration, the reality is one of relentless pressure to conform – "You had better be 'politically correct,' like everyone else, or we will make you an outcast." To this pressure from without corresponds a mysterious weakness within the modern mind which cannot hold on to any truth. The Devil then gets inside at the natural level, and swings minds to the left, away from God, making Catholics doubt themselves – 'Who am I to say that Archbishop Lefebvre was right? Were his enemies really evil? Who am I to judge?' And in this state of mind, it is easy to betray . . .

It was the Council of the 1960's which let loose the confusion in the 1970's, and it has had another half-century to spread since then, with the SSPX secretly working for the enemy for the last 20 years

This vision of the future is dark, but it is a realistic forecast on the merely human level. Fortunately God is God, He does indeed exist, and His thoughts are not our thoughts, nor are our ways His ways, "for as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah LV, 8–9). Nor will this God be frustrated by the machinations of men: "The word that goes forth from My mouth shall not return to Me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I intend, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills before you shall break forth

into singing and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the briar shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign which shall not be cut off.” (Is. LV, 11–13).

Kyrie eleison.