

The World War III: Ukraine, China and Ahriman

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The perspective of a World War III of the civilised world with the Asian East or China was still outlined in the first half of the 20th century by several authors:

1. The Russian philosopher, writer and visionary Vladimir Solovyov (1853 - 1900). In his "A Story of Anti-Christ", published in the year of his death, he wrote about the fall of Russia and later of Europe, under a Chinese military land invasion.
2. In the 1920s by Rudolf Steiner, who warned the world of the danger of a future World war between Asia and the West.
3. By George Orwell (1903-1950) in his anti-utopian novel "1984", published in the year of his death and inspired by the novel on the same theme of Yevgeny Zamyatin (1884-1937) "We: A Novel".

Most detailed in his predictions was Rudolf Steiner, who, against the background of the just-ended World War I in the early 1920s spoke about the imposition of a "Second World War", this time between Asia and America. Even at a time when, by modern standards, China was an economic "desert" he said:

"The Second [Third from the present point of view] World War, which will be fought between Asia and America, along with what is between them, is absolutely necessary - and the reasons for this will be economic. You must be hearing the calls of the lower classes for a world revolution — the only way to obscure and hide this idea of a world revolution would be to ignite the catastrophe of another World War. It just has no alternative." (Steiner, R., Collected Works 338, lecture from 2 January 1921 r.)

This clarifies four things:

1. The fact that a new World War is possible, which, in the order of the previous two from 1914-18 and 1939-45, would be a Third one.
2. From today's perspective this war would be with China, whose economic superpower is apparent today, threatening the Western domination and especially that of the United States which they won after the First and Second World Wars.
3. Although mentioned only briefly, among other things this is the very important European role in this War. It is pointed out as "what is between them" which would mean between today's US and China, showing that it can take part in the conflict. In other words, it can become an arena of the military struggle or the invasion of China in Europe as described in Vladimir Solovyov's "A Story of Anti-Christ" (see below).
4. The existence of certain higher classes against the background of the lower ones mentioned above, which have the desire for a world revolution. The first ones are to ignite the World War (III) obscuring the desire of the others for a change which ultimately would be the Threefold Social Order suggested by Rudolf Steiner after World War I. Its alternative - a certain form of Bolshevism as Steiner called it, or a New World neosocialistic system from today's point of view. (See Steiner's Collected Works 199, lecture from 7 August, where he said: "In regard to the immediate future, the so-called civilized world faces only two options: Bolshevism on one side, and the threefold social order on the other. He who does not recognize that only these two alternatives exist in the near future understands nothing of the course of events on a grand scale."). This is the "well-defined goal" of the occult groups (here named "classes") within the Anglo-American world after bringing the budding Eastern socialist impulse (Russian cultural impulse) under control (<https://bougre.bg/assets/files/EWPUEn.pdf>).

In other lectures Steiner also spoke of an impending World War, such as the one of November 24, 1921, in which he said that “so long as the dealings of Europeans and Americans with Asia are confined to purely economic and industrial interests, so long will there be distrust in the hearts of Asiatics. People may talk as much as they like about disarmament, about the desirability of ending wars ... (but) *a great war will break out between the East and the West, in spite of all disarmament conferences, if the people of Asia cannot perceive something that flows over to them from the Spirit of the West.* Western spirituality can spread over to Asia and if it does, Asia will be able to trust it, because with their own inherent, though somewhat decadent spirituality, the Asiatic peoples will be able to understand what it means. The peace of the world depends upon this, not upon the conversations and discussions now going on among the leaders of outer civilisation.” (Steiner, R., Collected Works 209, lecture from 24 November 1921)

No doubt by “Western spirituality” Steiner meant anthroposophy which as a modern spiritual system which spread first in the West (Germany) and it is that which is supposed to enlighten the Eastern part of the world, and first of all China. Being in a position to make recapitulation today we can say that the latter did not perceive any of this but quite the opposite - namely an economic war by the West and even worse than that - a bacteriological one since 2020 triggered, as the Chinese sense the appearance of the Kovid-19 virus, plus a military (proxy) one with Taiwan and, as seems more than possible, with America (NATO) through Europe. Logically such results might have come out of the lack of spiritual harmonisation between West and East, which depends first of all on the Western side, as he explains further on in the same lecture:

“Everything depends upon insight *into the Spirit that is lying hidden in European and American culture* — the Spirit from which men flee, which for the sake of ease they would fain avoid, but which alone can set the feet of

humanity on the path of ascent. People like to put their heads in the sand, saying that things will improve of themselves. No, they will not. The hour of a great decision has struck. Either men will resolve to bring forth the spirituality of which I have spoken, or the decline of the West is inevitable. Hopes and fatalistic longings for things to right themselves are of no avail. Once and forever, man has passed into the epoch when he must manipulate his powers out of his own freewill. In other words: it is for men themselves to decide for or against spirituality. If the decision is positive, progress will be possible; if not, the doom of the West is sealed and in the wake of dire catastrophes the further evolution of humanity will take a course undreamed of today. Those who would strive for true insight into these matters should not, nay dare not, neglect the study of the life of soul in mankind at large, and in the different peoples, especially of East and West.” (Ibid)

By “dire catastrophes” Steiner undoubtedly meant such as the one he called a “Second” East-West World War. Its salvation depends on the West and on the western anthroposophy first of all. It is the West facing first the either-or situation: either to bring forth in life the anthroposophical spirituality or rejecting it with the consequence of dire (military) catastrophes such as the one started in Ukraine in 2014 - seemingly as a local conflict with Russia, but becoming more and more a World one today. At the end of all it is the anthroposophy at the bottom of the problem - a task the West has had to accept, and to assimilate anthroposophy not only within its own circles, but globally or *worldly*, as Rudolf Steiner wished. This is what could save *both* the East and for the West - a world’s anthroposophical external application to prevent present conflict as the new “East-West” one in Ukraine, which could result in a World War with China if Russia falls under the control of the United West. This could be a military solution of the problem instead of a spiritual one. At the end of what is happening today we can also assess the global success of anthroposophical spirituality itself and primarily the real, effective functioning of Steiner’s

Threefold Social Order. If there is such at some point on the Earth.

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The World War III theme can be assessed from another angle - namely by that of Ahriman and his expected effect in the near future incarnation on Earth. In the lecture of November 15 1919 Rudolf Steiner says about this:

“As soon as Ahriman incarnates at the destined time in the West, the whole of culture would be impregnated with his forces. What else would come in his train? Through certain stupendous acts he would bring to humanity all the clairvoyant knowledge which until then can be acquired only by dint of intense labour and effort. People could live on as materialists, they could eat and drink — *as much as may be left after the war* (“so viel eben nach der Kriegskatastrophe da ist” in the original German text) — and there would be no need for any spiritual efforts. The Ahrimanic streams would continue their unimpeded course. When Ahriman incarnates in the West at the appointed time, he would establish a great occult school for the practice of magic arts of the greatest grandeur, and what otherwise can be acquired only by strenuous effort would be poured over humankind.“

It is all about Ahriman's incarnation in human physical body, which must take place "before a small part of the third millennium has passed" (Steiner, R., Collected Works 191, lecture from 1 November 1919) It will stimulate certain form of clairvoyance that is competitive with Christ's and in a similar way it will not require any prior preparation or "need for any spiritual efforts". What is more interesting, is its timing, which is *after* certain war, about which no more details are given. If affecting the whole livelihood on Earth this must be a global war or Steiner's "Second East-West World War". According to our calculations, this is the Third World war with China and only

after it - as we can understand from all this information above - Ahriman will step on the historical stage! This brings together China, Ahriman and the World War III, helping us to *calculate Ahriman's incarnation in advance*. This will be soon after this War when apparently Ahriman will act as a World Saviour.

Such Global war was predicted by the visionary Vladimir Solovyov who in his “A Story of Anti-Christ” (see below) saw it happening firstly between China and Russia, and then between China and Europe. The appearance of his Antichrist happens *after* this, affecting the whole world. The following, also brief and sporadic statement by Rudolf Steiner, speaks on its side of the relation of Ahriman’s coming and, as he calls it, certain “Asiatic influence”:

“Civilised mankind must either establish the independence of the spiritual life or face collapse — with the inevitable result of an *Asiatic influence* taking effect in the future. Those who still do not recognise the gravity of the present situation in the world are also, in a certain respect, helping to prepare for Ahriman’s incarnation. Many things in external life today bear witness to this. The Ahrimanic incarnation will be greatly furthered if men fail to establish a free and independent spiritual life and allow it to remain entangled in the economic or political life.” (Steiner, R., Collected Works 191, lecture from 2 November 1919)

This is how Ahriman influences are put in relation to the “Asiatic” ones. One has to precede the other and this is the war with China. Only then Ahriman can incarnate. The need of a World Threefold social order is also mentioned here, one aspect of which is the spiritual life - independent of politics and economics. Its absence could, on the one hand, lead to Asian influence in question or, as we can surely say today, the Chinese one in the economic sphere - an influence which, on the other hand, can stimulate the incarnation of Ahriman and thus the two factors come together.

The interrelation between the “China” and “Ahriman” factors becomes evident also by another fact - namely that China was the place where the eternal enemy of Ahriman - Lucifer, was born in prehistoric times. Accordingly Steiner, Ahriman will appear in human form within Western civilization “as once Lucifer appeared in human form in China, as once Christ appeared in human form in Asia Minor.” (Steiner, R., Collected Works 193, lecture from 27 October 1919)

China was the homeland of Lucifer and it seems logical, if nothing else, that it helps Chinese culture as it is nowadays to be destroyed at the time of Ahriman’s arrival on Earth in the opposite western, English-speaking hemisphere. It is interesting however that this might happen *before his birth*. This would mean that he does not need to do anything personally or physically but only to rely on the help of the Western occult brotherhoods, who, accordingly to Steiner, as we will see, are responsible for this.

Thus Ahriman could become a leader of the whole humanity as Solovyov writes in his “A Story of Anti-Christ”. Accordingly to his vision the Anti-Christ’s leadership - just the same as the Christ’s one - will last up to four years of time, preceded by the struggle between the Chinese and European peoples. Such a variant opens up today if the anthroposophical, peaceful solution of the East—West problem is impossible. Ahriman will/can take his place on Earth in the West after the destruction of Lucifer’s ancient homeland by the war with China. This would be an incontrovertible triumph of Ahriman, which would look perfectly natural. The question is: Could all of this plan be known beforehand to the Western occult groups? If yes, this would explain China’s economic rise in the early 21st century, *allowed* by them. It would explain what appears as suicidal US economical politics over the past 30 years. It should have been calculated by these powers with the clear knowledge that China will be stopped or destroyed in a military way by a World War III. It is also a criterion by which the global success

of anthroposophy can be assessed, as well as the effective functioning of the world-oriented Threefold social order.