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Can find a link to www.lawoftime.org – more info on the calendar and how the 28 day / moon cycles work.

24th Thurs - 5 IX - the magician, the jaquar priestess; 5 the spectral tone – representing the completion: working with the magician in alignment with Divine Will; about Illumination for others and about our mission

25th Friday – 6 Men – the eagle aspect, visionary; commitment to service; it's UN day; 6 is rhythmic energy an activating movement; a test of opposites

26th Sat – 7 CIB - a portal day; 7 is the midpoint in the 13, also the difference between the 20 [days of a cycle] and the 13; CIB is the warrior and service to mankind as a warrior; communication with the Divine is one of the gifts

27^h Sun – 8 CABAN is the eclipse and the Blood Moon; an eclipse is a re-set, and we are doing it at perigee when the moon is the closest to the earth: **8 tone** is fine-tuning the relationship, harmonic resonance, a galactic frequency and we are having in a galactic event. **CABAN** is the earth, the healer, and is part of the eclipse energy. Be aware of the re-set which enables us to recapitulate & change everything and do that recapitulation.

28th Mon – 9 ETZNAB – 9 is the energy of the expanded cycles with the 9 tone; ETZNAB is the mirror, a reflection of ourselves as well as being a cutting tool – a powerful day

29th Tues – 10 CUAC – 10 is a manifestation tone; **CUAC** is the storm energy, lighting clear thoughts

30th Wed – 11 AHAU - 30th of Sept is the end of the financial year [for the US] , and we end it with the cosmic consciousness; transitional AHAU solar energy; 11 is letting go of what no longer serves us! Lots of support in the Mayan Calendar for change, as the astrology shows us also.

1st Oct Thurs - 12 IMIX – 12 is complex stability, an energy of clarity; **IMIX** is a new beginning – of the dragon, Mother energy

Teachings from Rocking Bear:

FEAR – False Evidence Appearing Real [speaker is White Star] – a teaching of Rabbit. The root of our fear lies in our beliefs – we aquired them by osmosis from religion, families, living in a particular time and place. Beliefs are watered down truths – they can hold a kernel of truth, or be a direct lie

Question from Rita: asking about Boehner sitting behind the Pope wearing a green tie – what's the story: that the market is down or an event in the future or is he just a leprachaun fan or all of the above?

Introductory Items

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HARD NEWS:

T: all we saw all day long was the Pontiff everywhere: to be in Philly for a conference on the Family – after appearance at the UN [Sept 25th]

CL: people are renting out their homes to visitors and leaving – cleaning up financially

T: a damper on things because he canonized Unipero ? 1713 – 1784

- the native american folks were outraged: the person canonized personally used to whip the native americans himself; that is not said in the vatican description of him
- the vatican described him as having an extremely strong physical stamina and strong will; he walked from Vera Cruz to California; was the appointed head of 9 of 20 missions – there are thousands of thousands of dead native americans buried on those mission grounds;
- extremely challenging to listen to what was said
- Boehner was the one who invited the Pope, was crying through the whole thing; thom Hartmann said today he has a lot to answer for.

Tom the Cat: he knows his fate is close by

- **Naomi Klein on Chris Hayes** today and praised the pope for saying what he did – what are we doing selling arms and keeping the killing going on; he told the congress that they are not showing their best face to the people

T: the crux of the matter that he said being at the service of dialogue and peace means being truly determined to minimize and in the long run to end the armed conflicts around the world – the US is funnleing money and backing to all kinds of groups: a corporation and a British colony that funds both sides against the middle

- comments on the original Constitution
 - the US has been a corporation and a British colony since the beginning, no matter what it looks like
 - the original true constitution was in the Iroquois language; the 2nd one is in the Smithsonian
- here we have to ask ourselves about why are weapons being sold
 - Sadly the reason is for money, money that is drenched in blood

Pope Francis addresses Congress: Read the full remarks

[SEE BELOW]

- **Pope mentioned 4 Americans of great stature:** Lincoln – Liberty; MLK: liberty in plurality & non-exclusion; Dorothy Day - social justice and the rights of persons; Thomas Merton – the capacity for dialogue
 - Merton was a Zen master and a mystic – if we are to evolve ourselves to a higher calling, that would be it!
 - A century ago a notable American was born: Cistercian monk Thomas Merton – I came into the world free by nature in the image of God; I was nevertheless I was a prisoner of my own violence and my own selfishness, in the image of the world into which I was born.
 - A man of prayer who challenged the certitudes of his time
 - A man of dialogue, a promotor of peace between peoples and religions
- **Pope asked people to pray for him** – and T knows that he knows that he will be held accountable for what happened in Argentina, and for the legacy of the Jesuit Order which has orchestratate all the murder, genocide, and violence everywhere –

R: when they took the image of the Black Madonna and turned it into a white lady, it changed everything.

T: Dorothy Day -

[see comments in Pope's presentation]

T: fills in background on the Pope: born in Italy, family went to Argentina to escape Mussolini

- Talks about Planned Parenthood and how the Republicans want to shut it down;
 - In its beginnings, there was massive eugenics activities going on – if women of colour came in, they were sterilized without being told.
- Peace talk with **FARC and the gov't of Colombia** – 2 million people displaced over 50 years the FARC members – the goal is to have them put their arms down: if they admit to their crimes, they get some time and have to work on a farm and then they are free.
- The **stampede at the HAJ** -
 - the Saudis have built fences along the walkways and no one can get out if there is some kind of incident – no room to move – there are millions of people at this, walking round and round
 - the disagreements between Sunni and Shia have been exacerbated – they have a history of living in tolerance for 6,000 years; it was the Bush Clinton crime family that put themselves in the middle of this: they wanted to get at the Stargates so they could leave the planet, the destruction of which they started. And they still think they can live underground.
- the Zeta Reticuli destroyed the surface of their planet & went underground – the end result of that experience was they could no longer re-produce themselves

T: in closing:

- The pot has definitely been stirred: KOS and Tom the Cat said that the effect of the papacy is not really significant, as the entrapment there means that people are still giving their power away.
- one significant thing was the little girl picked up by the Secret Service and brought to the Pope: she gave him a little letter and gave him a picture.

Guest: Dannion Brinkley

- Starts by saying how much he loves the audience, how much he enjoys being with us.
- Has been listening to the pope and how the conversations are structured
- 40 years ago Sept 17, he was struck by lightning; ch 5 he talks about having an environmental religion – thinks that this may emerge tomorrow at the UN – a 40 year old prophecy from **The Beings of Light**
 - Used to think in the early days that there would be no environmental religion as the catholic church was against paganism: now it's coming true.
 1. the divine knows the probable possibilities of where we are going – there will be either an awakening in consciousness or going into war
 2. does not know the options we'll take
- that Putin and Obama will speak, looking at the situation in Ukraine; what is going on in Syria is as scary as what was going on during the time of the Cuban missile crisis
- Wrote a whole chapter about what happened when he “died”
 - he went to a crystal city where there were Beings of Light; saw the collapse of the Soviet Union; saw the collapse of Desert Storm
 - also saw advancements in science and that nano chips would be dominant aspects of our life
- He put all this in **Saved by the Light** – and that we don't have to die
- He and wife wrote **Secrets of the Light** – 30 years of serving at the bedside of dying people going through pain and the fear of what is coming next – it is an absolute joy to go from

this life to the next

- Have to watch out for truly not trusting what the gov't is telling us; they don't care about us but about more and more and money, control and taking our freedoms.
 - The most important thing of the prophecies is the millenials who are deeply spiritual and how they will get us out of this pit – the Xers bought into the system; the younger ones are spiritually connected

MR: On Dr Oz today: talking of denying Americans the knowledge of what is in their food –

- story of a young man who started a candy company because he wants to have better food; his parents took all the hallowe'en candy away from him as most of it was not good for him.
 - Tom's Toothpaste is another example – DB tries to do outreach to the kids – they are not going to let GMOs or Monsanto or sodas – they are smoking less; becoming well educated
 - there are 75.5 million, 76 million boomers born here and 4 million who have come with green cards: with them and us, he sees a revolution, seeing it coming from this election.
- He and wife finishing up a book and making a movie – happy where destiny is taking them.

MR: what about his travelling?

DB: read a book about a psychiatrist from Romania who wrote about NDEs and included a section about him – they went to Dracula's castle and cave; went to see the giant skeletons 32 feet tall – Haliburton, Carlyle Group, contractors guarding it. Went into the cave as far as they could go: discovered a hall of records at least 100,000 years old;

- have just returned from there – in time for the show!

MR: planning to do a cruise

DB: loves cruises: Check out **his website – SEE BELOW FOR SOME INFORMATION ON THE CRUISE**

- they will look at how the constitution is structured, about the IRS – as you start connecting the dots, can see how people are being manipulated, Cruise in Jan or Feb.
- He spends lots of time visiting with people after he does his presentation – quality interaction with folks
- Knowledge is power, and inner, intuitive knowledge is what it's about.

Website: Dannion.com – everything is on the website;

- He's experienced one death and 2 near deaths – being struck by lightening, heart surgery, brain surgery - all these things meant he should have been gone, according to the medical folks.

10 things to know Before you Go – the new book they are writing.

- We have to learn about celebrating the passing of people – bereavement and grief are about selfishness: no matter how much dying ones are hurting, we don't want them to go.
 - Once we remove the sense of fear, of damnation that there's nothing else and it's the end, then we really start to empower living this life.
- In reference to the videos - he's been around 9 million years, sold so many books

CL: he said that when he slips out and he has a 360* panoramic view of his whole life story – asking for more description

- you'll see your entire life going past in a 360* panorama
- then you see yourself from 2nd person point of view
- then you see yourself in interaction with everyone you've ever known, and you'll feel the results and you see you'll get away with nothing
 - this is when he learned about forgiveness: realize that once you pass to the other side,

you are not a weak, condemned sinner: you are a great, mighty, powerful being and you become an observer of this experience, and you see that the stuff about judgment etc etc etc is just hoo-ey!

- In South Carolina, everyone goes to hell! When you look at that and start thinking about that kind of nature to exist
- when he came back and had to learn to walk and talk again – he had to figure out what happened to him; Dr Moody had not yet written his first book – he looked at fire and brimstone and all that stuff: found that “hell” is mentioned only 8 times in the bible, and most of the time it is about a place outside of Gethsemene in Jerusalem where dead bodies were dumped after execution
- 1440 – 1450 Gutenberg created the printing press, and people began to read the bible as it was no longer a sin to do so
 - Pope Clement added Dante's definition of hell from The Inferno & we still think along those lines: we are in 2015 and we're following a development in spirituality but holding on to 200 year old mind sets!
 - the world is not flat
 - no one goes to hell – we need to understand that it's not what you did, it's **why** you did it – check your motives, your intentions. Now he always thinks before he speaks and sets intentions before he begins something on a program like this.
- We are great, powerful and mighty spiritual beings; we have dignity, direction and purpose; we came from a place that we will return to; we came here to learn, to be honest in our motives, and To Be
 - he knows better as he's been through **three** of the 360* panoramic life reviews.

CL: commenting on his interview with an English journalist: said he was kind of a bully

DB: he was much worse than that: he grew up tough; took satisfaction in belittling people; a tongue as sharp as a razor;

- grew up a really tough guy, then joined the marines and was in a unit that did all the dirty work – has come a long way from being a mean, spiteful bastard!

MR: and some of the other opportunities he had – like working for the gov't – and we have to ask why we get the assignments we get.

DB: we choose to come in, we are chosen to come

- the jobs he had after the military: he did the recon, blew things up as ordered to – he has lived long enough to see that some of the things he was involved in were righteous – now sees that american apple pie is just oil, gold, drugs
- since WW 2, every war has been about that, and now he understands that – he is totally cynical about anything the gov't says
- In the next 2 years, entering a revelatory time: the fact that we are not alone is so obvious!
 - he knows that “we” have space ships, and he lives in Las Vegas for 8 out of 12 months.
 - Talks of a reporter called George Knapp: LOOK UP “georgeknapp” – no question that there is ET experiencing – there is no way that it cannot be happening because everyone knows it.
 - Area 51 is about 100 miles from LV, and people are flown in to work there every day
- Said he would like to get a space ship and do some travelling - has a conversation with Rama about what is involved with the movement of the ship, and the travelling itself
- Asks Rama how he's been affected by travelling to the particular planet which has to do with R & R – he went there with Mother on her starship, Nibiru [which is also a planet]

CL: have to know a lot about Rama!!!

discussion of the existence and appearance of ships / UFOs in various places
Lots of other things, too.

website: dannion.com

- he loves everyone very, very much, and our lives
- you'll never die -

MR: there is a lot of information on his website!

DB: people are affected by fear of pain and fear of death and neither of these affect him because of what he's gone through – means he's free to explore all kinds of things!

Further discussion on living long lives, dying as freedom, and so on.

Audio: The Wayfinders: Why Ancient Wisdom Matters in a Modern World [SEE BELOW]

Go to [Listen to Full Episode 54:00](#) [follow the instructions when you click on the link]

Reading: about another Unicorn

Final comments: the new day is here; love is all there is; this planet is on its rejuvenation course, and so are we.

INFORMATION RELATED TO THE NOTES

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Pope Francis became the [first pontiff](#) to deliver an address to a joint meeting of Congress on Thursday. Here is the text of his remarks, as prepared for delivery:

Mr. Vice-President,

Mr. Speaker,

Honorable Members of Congress, Dear Friends,

I am most grateful for your invitation to address this Joint Session of Congress in "the land of the free and the home of the brave". I would like to think that the reason for this is that I too am a son of this great continent, from which we have all received so much and toward which we share a common responsibility.

Each son or daughter of a given country has a mission, a personal and social responsibility. Your own responsibility as members of Congress is to enable this country, by your legislative activity, to grow as a nation. You are the face of its people, their representatives. You are called to defend and preserve the dignity of your fellow citizens in the tireless and demanding pursuit of the common good, for this is the chief aim of all politics. A political society endures when it seeks, as a vocation, to satisfy common needs by stimulating the growth of all its members, especially those in situations of greater vulnerability or risk. Legislative activity is always based on care for the people. To this you have been invited, called and convened by those who elected you.

Yours is a work which makes me reflect in two ways on the figure of Moses. On the one hand, the patriarch and lawgiver of the people of Israel symbolizes the need of peoples to keep alive their sense of unity by means of just legislation. On the other, the figure of Moses leads us directly to God and thus to the transcendent dignity of the human being. Moses provides us with a good synthesis of your work: you are asked to protect, by means of the law, the image and likeness fashioned by God on every human face.

Today I would like not only to address you, but through you the entire people of the United States. Here, together with their representatives, I would like to take this opportunity to dialogue with the many thousands of men and women who strive each day to do an honest day's work, to bring home their daily bread, to save money and –one step at a time – to build a better life for their families. These are men and women who are not concerned simply with paying their taxes, but in their own quiet way sustain the life of society. They generate solidarity by their actions, and they create organizations which offer a helping hand to those most in need.

I would also like to enter into dialogue with the many elderly persons who are a storehouse of wisdom forged by experience, and who seek in many ways, especially through volunteer work, to share their stories and their insights. I know that many of them are retired, but still active; they keep working to build up this land. I also want to dialogue with all those young people who are

working to realize their great and noble aspirations, who are not led astray by facile proposals, and who face difficult situations, often as a result of immaturity on the part of many adults. I wish to dialogue with all of you, and I would like to do so through the historical memory of your people.

My visit takes place at a time when men and women of good will are marking the anniversaries of several great Americans. The complexities of history and the reality of human weakness notwithstanding, these men and women, for all their many differences and limitations, were able by hard work and self-sacrifice – some at the cost of their lives – to build a better future. They shaped fundamental values which will endure forever in the spirit of the American people. A people with this spirit can live through many crises, tensions and conflicts, while always finding the resources to move forward, and to do so with dignity. These men and women offer us a way of seeing and interpreting reality. In honoring their memory, we are inspired, even amid conflicts, and in the here and now of each day, to draw upon our deepest cultural reserves.

I would like to mention four of these Americans: Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King, Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton.

This year marks the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln, the guardian of liberty, who labored tirelessly that "this nation, under God, [might] have a new birth of freedom". Building a future of freedom requires love of the common good and cooperation in a spirit of subsidiarity and solidarity.

All of us are quite aware of, and deeply worried by, the disturbing social and political situation of the world today. Our world is increasingly a place of violent conflict, hatred and brutal atrocities, committed even in the name of God and of religion. We know that no religion is immune from forms of individual delusion or ideological extremism. This means that we must be especially attentive to every type of fundamentalism, whether religious or of any other kind. A delicate balance is required to combat violence perpetrated in the name of a religion, an ideology or an economic system, while also safeguarding religious freedom, intellectual freedom and individual freedoms. But there is another temptation which we must especially guard against: the simplistic reductionism which sees only good or evil; or, if you will, the righteous and sinners. The contemporary world, with its open wounds which affect so many of our brothers and sisters, demands that we confront every form of polarization which would divide it into these two camps. We know that in the attempt to be freed of the enemy without, we can be tempted to feed the enemy within. To imitate the hatred and violence of tyrants and murderers is the best way to take their place. That is something which you, as a people, reject.

Our response must instead be one of hope and healing, of peace and justice. We are asked to summon the courage and the intelligence to resolve today's many geopolitical and economic crises. Even in the developed world, the effects of unjust structures and actions are all too apparent. Our efforts must aim at restoring hope, righting wrongs, maintaining commitments, and thus promoting the well-being of individuals and of peoples. We must move forward together, as one, in a renewed spirit of fraternity and solidarity, cooperating generously for the common good.

The challenges facing us today call for a renewal of that spirit of cooperation, which has accomplished so much good throughout the history of the United States. The complexity, the gravity and the urgency of these challenges demand that we pool our resources and talents, and resolve to support one another, with respect for our differences and our convictions of conscience.

In this land, the various religious denominations have greatly contributed to building and strengthening society. It is important that today, as in the past, the voice of faith continue to be heard, for it is a voice of fraternity and love, which tries to bring out the best in each person and in each society. Such cooperation is a powerful resource in the battle to eliminate new global forms of slavery, born of grave injustices which can be overcome only through new policies and new forms of social consensus.

Here I think of the political history of the United States, where democracy is deeply rooted in the mind of the American people. All political activity must serve and promote the good of the human person and be based on respect for his or her dignity. "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" (Declaration of Independence, 4 July 1776). If politics must truly be at the service of the human person, it follows that it cannot be a slave to the economy and finance. Politics is, instead, an expression of our compelling need to live as one, in order to build as one the greatest common good: that of a community which sacrifices particular interests in order to share, in justice and peace, its goods, its interests, its social life. I do not underestimate the difficulty that this involves, but I encourage you in this effort.

Here too I think of the march which Martin Luther King led from Selma to Montgomery fifty years ago as part of the campaign to fulfill his "dream" of full civil and political rights for African Americans. That dream continues to inspire us all. I am happy that America continues to be, for many, a land of "dreams". Dreams which lead to action, to participation, to commitment. Dreams which awaken what is deepest and truest in the life of a people.

In recent centuries, millions of people came to this land to pursue their dream of building a future in freedom. We, the people of this continent, are not fearful of foreigners, because most of us were once foreigners. I say this to you as the son of immigrants, knowing that so many of you are also descended from immigrants. Tragically, the rights of those who were here long before us were not always respected. For those peoples and their nations, from the heart of American democracy, I wish to reaffirm my highest esteem and appreciation. Those first contacts were often turbulent and violent, but it is difficult to judge the past by the criteria of the present. Nonetheless, when the stranger in our midst appeals to us, we must not repeat the sins and the errors of the past. We must resolve now to live as nobly and as justly as possible, as we educate new generations not to turn their back on our "neighbors" and everything around us. Building a nation calls us to recognize that we must constantly relate to others, rejecting a mindset of hostility in order to adopt one of reciprocal subsidiarity, in a constant effort to do our best. I am confident that we can do this.

Our world is facing a refugee crisis of a magnitude not seen since the Second World War. This presents us with great challenges and many hard decisions. On this continent, too, thousands of persons are led to travel north in search of a better life for themselves and for their loved ones, in search of greater opportunities. Is this not what we want for our own children? We must not be taken aback by their numbers, but rather view them as persons, seeing their faces and listening to their stories, trying to respond as best we can to their situation. To respond in a way which is always humane, just and fraternal. We need to avoid a common temptation nowadays: to discard whatever proves troublesome. Let us remember the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would

have them do unto you" (Mt 7:12).

This Rule points us in a clear direction. Let us treat others with the same passion and compassion with which we want to be treated. Let us seek for others the same possibilities which we seek for ourselves. Let us help others to grow, as we would like to be helped ourselves. In a word, if we want security, let us give security; if we want life, let us give life; if we want opportunities, let us provide opportunities. The yardstick we use for others will be the yardstick which time will use for us. The Golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development.

This conviction has led me, from the beginning of my ministry, to advocate at different levels for the global abolition of the death penalty. I am convinced that this way is the best, since every life is sacred, every human person is endowed with an inalienable dignity, and society can only benefit from the rehabilitation of those convicted of crimes. Recently my brother bishops here in the United States renewed their call for the abolition of the death penalty. Not only do I support them, but I also offer encouragement to all those who are convinced that a just and necessary punishment must never exclude the dimension of hope and the goal of rehabilitation.

In these times when social concerns are so important, I cannot fail to mention the Servant of God Dorothy Day, who founded the Catholic Worker Movement. Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed, were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints.

How much progress has been made in this area in so many parts of the world! How much has been done in these first years of the third millennium to raise people out of extreme poverty! I know that you share my conviction that much more still needs to be done, and that in times of crisis and economic hardship a spirit of global solidarity must not be lost. At the same time I would encourage you to keep in mind all those people around us who are trapped in a cycle of poverty. They too need to be given hope. The fight against poverty and hunger must be fought constantly and on many fronts, especially in its causes. I know that many Americans today, as in the past, are working to deal with this problem.

It goes without saying that part of this great effort is the creation and distribution of wealth. The right use of natural resources, the proper application of technology and the harnessing of the spirit of enterprise are essential elements of an economy which seeks to be modern, inclusive and sustainable. "Business is a noble vocation, directed to producing wealth and improving the world. It can be a fruitful source of prosperity for the area in which it operates, especially if it sees the creation of jobs as an essential part of its service to the common good" (Laudato Si', 129). This common good also includes the earth, a central theme of the encyclical which I recently wrote in order to "enter into dialogue with all people about our common home" (ibid., 3). "We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all" (ibid., 14).

In *Laudato Si'*, I call for a courageous and responsible effort to "redirect our steps" (ibid., 61), and to avert the most serious effects of the environmental deterioration caused by human activity. I am convinced that we can make a difference and I have no doubt that the United States – and this Congress – have an important role to play. Now is the time for courageous actions and strategies, aimed at implementing a "culture of care" (ibid., 231) and "an integrated approach to

combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature" (ibid., 139). "We have the freedom needed to limit and direct technology" (ibid., 112); "to devise intelligent ways of... developing and limiting our power" (ibid., 78); and to put technology "at the service of another type of progress, one which is healthier, more human, more social, more integral" (ibid., 112). In this regard, I am confident that America's outstanding academic and research institutions can make a vital contribution in the years ahead.

A century ago, at the beginning of the Great War, which Pope Benedict XV termed a "pointless slaughter", another notable American was born: the Cistercian monk Thomas Merton. He remains a source of spiritual inspiration and a guide for many people. In his autobiography he wrote: "I came into the world. Free by nature, in the image of God, I was nevertheless the prisoner of my own violence and my own selfishness, in the image of the world into which I was born. That world was the picture of Hell, full of men like myself, loving God, and yet hating him; born to love him, living instead in fear of hopeless self-contradictory hungers". Merton was above all a man of prayer, a thinker who challenged the certitudes of his time and opened new horizons for souls and for the Church. He was also a man of dialogue, a promoter of peace between peoples and religions.

From this perspective of dialogue, I would like to recognize the efforts made in recent months to help overcome historic differences linked to painful episodes of the past. It is my duty to build bridges and to help all men and women, in any way possible, to do the same. When countries which have been at odds resume the path of dialogue – a dialogue which may have been interrupted for the most legitimate of reasons – new opportunities open up for all. This has required, and requires, courage and daring, which is not the same as irresponsibility. A good political leader is one who, with the interests of all in mind, seizes the moment in a spirit of openness and pragmatism. A good political leader always opts to initiate processes rather than possessing spaces (cf. *Evangelii Gaudium*, 222-223).

Being at the service of dialogue and peace also means being truly determined to minimize and, in the long term, to end the many armed conflicts throughout our world. Here we have to ask ourselves: Why are deadly weapons being sold to those who plan to inflict untold suffering on individuals and society? Sadly, the answer, as we all know, is simply for money: money that is drenched in blood, often innocent blood. In the face of this shameful and culpable silence, it is our duty to confront the problem and to stop the arms trade.

Three sons and a daughter of this land, four individuals and four dreams: Lincoln, liberty; Martin Luther King, liberty in plurality and non-exclusion; Dorothy Day, social justice and the rights of persons; and Thomas Merton, the capacity for dialogue and openness to God.

Four representatives of the American people.

I will end my visit to your country in Philadelphia, where I will take part in the World Meeting of Families. It is my wish that throughout my visit the family should be a recurrent theme. How essential the family has been to the building of this country! And how worthy it remains of our support and encouragement! Yet I cannot hide my concern for the family, which is threatened, perhaps as never before, from within and without. Fundamental relationships are being called into question, as is the very basis of marriage and the family. I can only reiterate the importance and, above all, the richness and the beauty of family life.

In particular, I would like to call attention to those family members who are the most vulnerable, the young. For many of them, a future filled with countless possibilities beckons, yet so many others seem disoriented and aimless, trapped in a hopeless maze of violence, abuse and despair. Their problems are our problems. We cannot avoid them. We need to face them together, to talk about them and to seek effective solutions rather than getting bogged down in discussions. At the risk of oversimplifying, we might say that we live in a culture which pressures young people not to start a family, because they lack possibilities for the future. Yet this same culture presents others with so many options that they too are dissuaded from starting a family.

A nation can be considered great when it defends liberty as Lincoln did, when it fosters a culture which enables people to "dream" of full rights for all their brothers and sisters, as Martin Luther King sought to do; when it strives for justice and the cause of the oppressed, as Dorothy Day did by her tireless work, the fruit of a faith which becomes dialogue and sows peace in the contemplative style of Thomas Merton.

In these remarks I have sought to present some of the richness of your cultural heritage, of the spirit of the American people. It is my desire that this spirit continue to develop and grow, so that as many young people as possible can inherit and dwell in a land which has inspired so many people to dream.

God bless America!

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Pope's Full Speech to Congress

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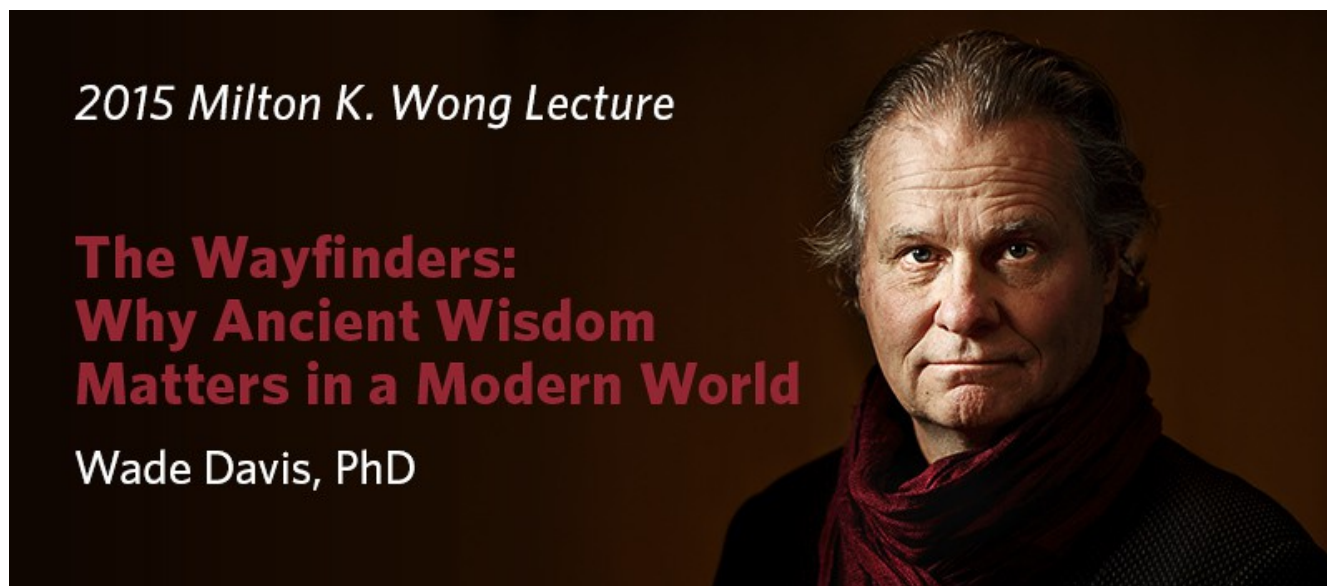
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