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JOURNEY: The BONSAI PARABLE by

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Dedication: To the philosopher Karl Jaspers, to the author Roberto Saviano, to the idealists John Lennon and Yoko Ono and to my parents.

CHAPTER 19

SYDNEY – NEW SOUTH WALES

In the Botanic Garden of Sydney Darwin thankful agreed to the invitation for an afternoon tea from botanist and superintendent McLean. McLean was very interested to hear personal reports of Darwin's Beagle expedition. Darwin had a high qualified conversational partner to talk about the world of plants, the nature and the wildlife of Australia, to get as much information as possible. Both have been busy with their intensive talk and lively discussions for some hours. Beside the house of McLean Darwin discovered a few impressive pot plants. McLean had placed a several decades old dwarf size apple tree in the middle of a tabletop. This miniature apple tree was cultivated in the art of Japanese bonsai trees tradition.

McLean said: „This is a Japanese bonsai tree. Bonsais are a small dimensioned pot tree breed. Japanese monks and Japanese imperial palace gardeners cultivate bonsais since several centuries. From a metaphysical point of view bonsais symbolize the existence-philosophy of a metacentric world view. A bonsai which exists under optimal living conditions is a flourishing, healthy, organic and metaphysical element of the universal world

entireness. . . . If you give every day double as much water to a bonsai tree, as the bonsai needs, the bonsai will get sick at first and after a while the bonsai will die. If you give every day half as much water to a bonsai tree, as the bonsai needs, the bonsai will get sick at first and after a while the bonsai will die. Every pot tree needs a balance in regard to the water quantity, sun intensity, ground nutrients and climate spectrum. For the mankind the universal principle of balance is also an existential and primary rule of live. Every generation of our mankind needs a balance with the nature world. Every nation needs a balance between the politics world and the citizens world, the politics world is not a selfpurpose and the economy world is not a selfpurpose. Every social culture needs a balance between social groups and social cultures need a balance between individuals. The equality of the male human beings and the female human beings is an elementary precondition for the balance of social cultures. Every human individual needs an inner mental balance between overmotivated or hypermotivated selfishness and overmotivated or hypermotivated selflessness. From my point of view the principle of mental balance is, in metaphorical words, a diamond principle. Optimized and substantial mental balance is a substantial high-carat-mentality. Every human being also needs a physical balance, a healthy nutrition and a healthy, selfresponsible-minded way of life are the essential basics for an organic-biological healthy human existence. Summa summarum we need a nature-world-balance, a politics-world-balance, a social-world-balance, an individual-world-balance and a bioorganism-balance. If we succeed in being healthy in all the elementary aspects of life, then we are able to live a positive and constructive coexistence. Every substantial antibalance in the nature world and in the culture world is dysfunctional and counterproductive, like an intensive disease and like an immune system defect is an organic dysfunction.”

McLean's apple tree bonsai was an ideal case example with a maximum of substantial vitality and with an optimum of healthy balance. Darwin reacted enthusiastic about McLean's bonsai present when McLean handed over a still young, filigree bonsai tree, as a personal, philosophic, symbolic present of friendship, between botany experts, nature admirers and friends of the nature world.

C O M M E N T

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The Darwin-McLean-scene in the Botanic Garden of Sydney and at the house of the gardener is free invented novel-fiction literature. Charles Darwin's Sydney visit as a real event of the Beagle voyage is historical correct.

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