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<td>Locus of truth, goodness, and beauty; domain of highest vision and aspiration</td>
<td>Ultimate value: the deepest fulfillment, attainment of true aim of human existence</td>
<td>Spiritual materialism; instant enlightenment, commercially packaged spirituality. The new theology of wealth</td>
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<td>Symbolic Sphere</td>
<td>Symbolic systems that facilitate human participation in the other three spheres</td>
<td>Aesthetic value; instrumental value, symbolic value: enables people to relate to the other three spheres, both inwardly and pragmatically.</td>
<td>Private bank control of money systems; corporate control of media. Culture reduced to entertainment, pop music, cults of stars, etc.</td>
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<td>Social and Cultural Sphere</td>
<td>Systems arisen from collective human experience, common projects to achieve shared purposes</td>
<td>Human value: provides for protection and human flourishing. Deeper fulfillment through pursuit of personal and collective aims.</td>
<td>People objectified as laborers, consumers, debtors, investors, partners, etc. Privatization of public goods; corporate domination of politics and policies</td>
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<td>Ecological Sphere, Natural Sphere</td>
<td>The ground of all life and sentient existence on earth. Comprises two subsidiary systems: the geosphere and the biosphere.</td>
<td>Fundamental value: indispensable for life to persist and flourish: source of food, air, water, energy, raw materials for buildings, medicines, clothes, trade.</td>
<td>Nature commodified, reduced to “natural resources” for extraction and sale; desecration (= desacralization) of natural world. Brutalized treatment of animals.</td>
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The Actualization of Value

- Material security & biological survival
- Social & emotional fulfillment
- Aesthetic & intellectual fulfillment
- Spiritual fulfillment

- Fundamental value
- Human value
- Cultural value
- Ultimate value
The Inversion & Perversion of Value

Monetary value usurps the top position, invades other domains

Fundamental value: nature \(\rightarrow\) commodities

Human value: people \(\rightarrow\) labor, consumers, debtors

Aesthetic value: crass entertainment, anti-intellectualism

Ultimate value: spiritual & religious materialism