Jump off the train of thought based on fallen nature

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As a Unificationist, I don't take one side over another, by which I mean thinking that if I'm on this side, I have to be against the other. Messages that are only about the faults of others can be disregarded. Especially where there is conflict, if someone is not taking responsibility for their own actions, nothing they say is going to help the situation. Such messages may be disregarded.

There is a train of thought based on fallen nature. Many will get off at a station before the end, but the tracks go all the way.

First stop: here is my enemy. The other person is the problem.

Next stop: gloves are off. This is war, I don't have to be civil or kind to them. Why should I? They're my enemy. They would do it to me.

Followed by: I must dominate them. Shut them up, mess them up, beat them up, lick them up. It's war, and we have to win. So long as it gets done, it doesn't matter how.

Then: it is my responsibility to announce this to the world and make sure nobody listens to anything they say or has anything to do with them.

And the last station on this train of thought is: if they are the problem, then obviously getting rid of them will solve things. So why not kill them and make everyone's life better? It's much more efficient than the court system.

If you have accepted the 'logic' of the first step, the rest follow right behind.

Not everyone stays on the train to the end. Many get off along the way. But that is where that particular train of thought is headed.

True Parents' life went in the opposite direction. They didn't see anyone as enemies, even though many people declared themselves their enemies. If our Parents met someone who hated them, they set out to love them. True Parents fought against Satan's power, which started with controlling yourself: by being the first to repent, the first to serve, the first to put down their fork, the last one to go to sleep and the first one to wake up. And it meant taking responsibility, even when no one else did. They determined to see the face of God in every person. They loved their enemies by first removing resentment, fear and anger from their own hearts. They would not criticize anyone before they shed tears for them and made them feel absolutely loved.

I try to follow that example.