#### JOURNEY TO ZAMBIA, pt 1

(Rights, Liberties & Political Rights)

# What are Rights? Can you list us the different types of *Rights* out there??



### A Philosophical Approach

(session I)

\*\*60-minute lecture\*\*

### "...Country Report on Human Rights? What's that??"

'The United States released its 2015 Human Rights Reports today. The reports, now in their 40th year, document the status of human rights conditions in 199 countries and territories around the world

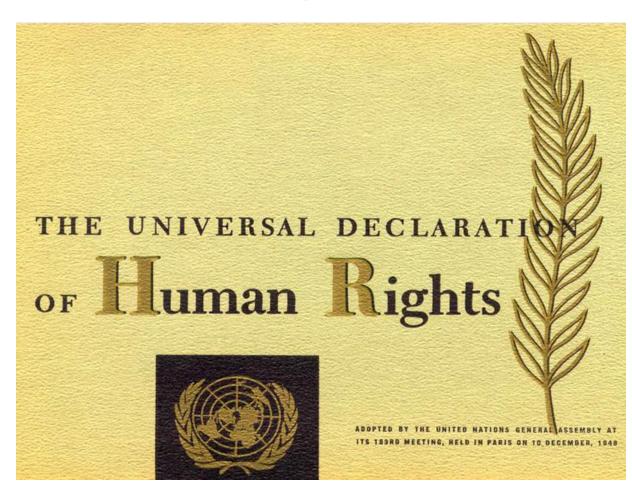
In remarks to the press, Secretary Kerry discussed the reports and stressed the universality of the standards applied in the compiling of the reports, as well as the norms referred to in the document. "They're not some arbitrary standard of the United States, which we seek to impose on people. These are universal standards of human rights that have been adopted and accepted and are agreed to by most nations in the world, and even some nations that have agreed to them but violate them. These are the international standards," he urged.'

[Adapted from the website, geneva.usmission.gov]

### Human Rights Record of the US



### The 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights



#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

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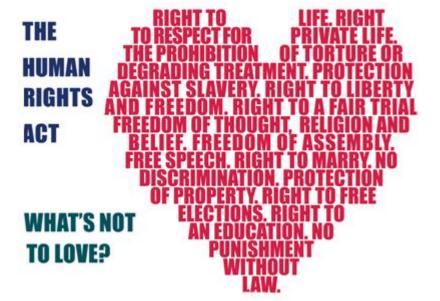
- 1. ...taking pictures is ill advised: locals get very upset. They (i.e, Congolese locals on the average) believe that <u>"capturing a person's image"</u> removes ("...deletes...") his spirit.
- 2. ...a space program, despite being a poor and conflict-ridden nation . Privately financed by the Développement Tous Azimuts (DTA), with significant government support, the Troposphere rockets are expected to send cargo to outer space in the near future
- 3. ...a strange form of currency (19th-20th centuries) called the Katanga cross existed. *One Katanga cross* had the value of approx. 10 kg standard local flour *plus six* free-range chickens.

NB: 'Дуже скоро, ми будемо йти на ексклюзивній екскурсії в ДРК, в Африці:)!'



#### **DID YOU KNOW**

- Franklin Roosevelt was the first US president to advocate for four (4) basic civil rights to be recognized.
- This happened at the 1941 State of the Union Address in the States.
- Today, these rights are ,both, the simplest and most fundamental of Human Rights that a nation can uphold in its (sovereign) constitution.

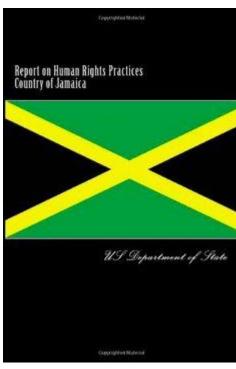


#### "The watch-man, the suspect and...

**UNHRW?** 

#### **COUNTRY REPORT ON JAMAICA**





### ...and the down-right puzzling."



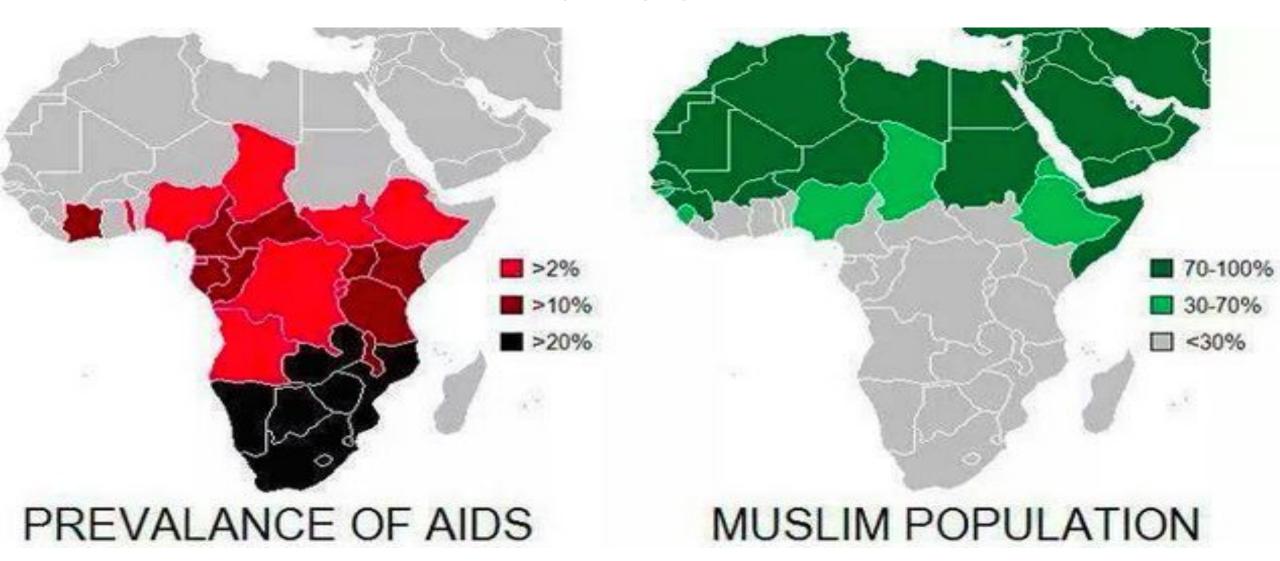
### A Glimpse of 'Life' in "Zed"

(Session II)

### "Welcome to 'Real Africa' 😂."



### "How would you describe the nation of Zambia?"



### "How Zambia became a 'Christian Nation' is of interest to our discourse."

'Eight years after President Frederick Chiluba officially declared Zambia to be a "Christian nation," the declaration is largely meaningless, according to church leaders and officials. On December 30, 1991, Zambia's newly installed president declared this small, southern African nation a Christian state, despite opposition from some Christian and Muslim leaders. Prominent church officials interviewed by Ecumenical News International (ENI) this week said that the declaration had become increasingly "hollow," as Zambia faces mounting social, political and economic problems, including widespread corruption. Archbishop John Mambo, head of a 1.5 million-member Protestant denomination, the Church of God in Zambia, said there had been a rise in "immorality and corruption in our country which puts a question mark on our being called a Christian nation.'

[Adapted from:

"http://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2000/januaryweb-only/24.0b.html"]

# Zambian Anthem (as performed by...)



### "Did you pick that up?"



# Putting the *Microscope* on 'Zambia':

(Session III)

#### How free is Zambia?

**Zambian Police Brutality** 



"Mumba Malila was the 2014 presidential pick for *Supreme Court Justice*"



"And so,...the case against Zambia is that, amongst its fellow UN-member countries, even criminals have rights...conforming to *ILs* and *HRs*."



### Zambia has quite a history of socio-economic and humanitarian relations with China.





'When they say,
"Freeze...," you really
ought to))!'

The reality, though, is stranger than fiction in terms of the Civil Rights allocated to and afforded for suspects, first-time offenders, repeat offenders, homicide in-mates (and so forth).

For interest's sake, lets take a peek at t-h-o-s-e (all-too-often) hackneyed lines...from the MW in US federal law.





### The *MW* Right to Counsel includes:

- 1) ...the right to talk to a lawyer before deciding whether to talk to police.
- 2) ...if the defendant decides to talk to the police, they are afforded the right to consult with a lawyer.
- 3) ...the right to answer police only through an attorney.

The warning of the right to remain silent must be accompanied by the explanation that anything said can and will be used
against him in court in order to make the individual aware not only
of the fact of his privilege but also of the consequences of foregoing
his privilege. It is only through an understanding of these consequences that there can be any assurance of real understanding and
intelligent exercise of the privilege.

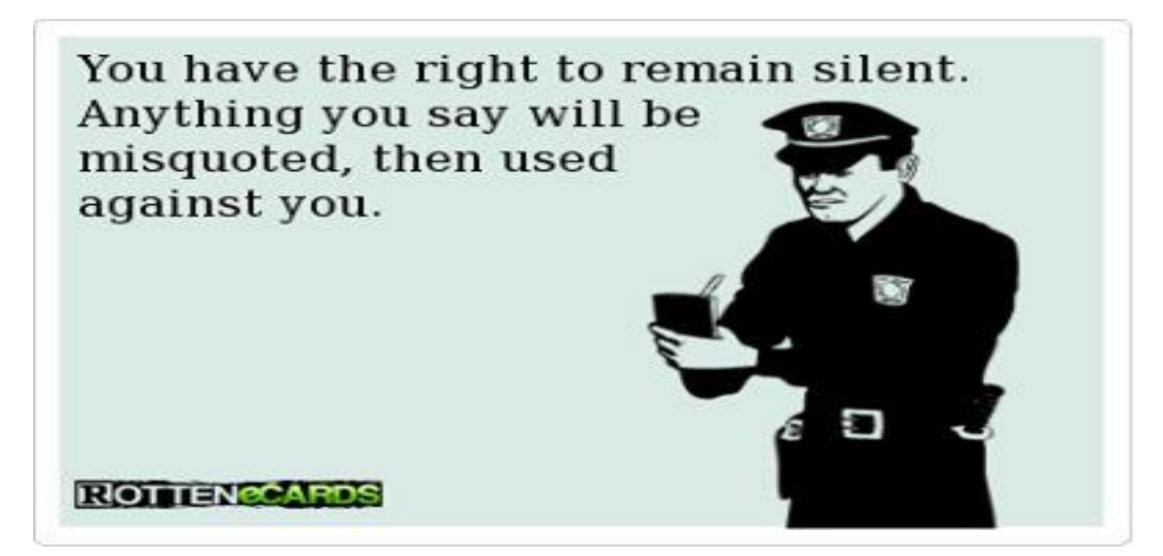
Indispensable to the protection of the Fifth Amendment

privilege is the right to have counsel present at the interrogation.

Simply warning an individual of his right to remain silent would be hopelessly inadequate as a protection of the privilege. The circumstances surrounding interrogation in which the individual is isolated from the outside world together with the techniques of the interrogation itself can operate very quickly to overbear the will of one merely made aware of his privilege by his interrogators.

Effective protection against these compelling pressures must include the right to have an attorney present. Moreover, counsel is indispensable to advise the accused how properly to exercise his

"This entire talk of 'legal systems' is *much* akin to another p-r-o-b-a-b-l-e event *betwixt* us: ..."



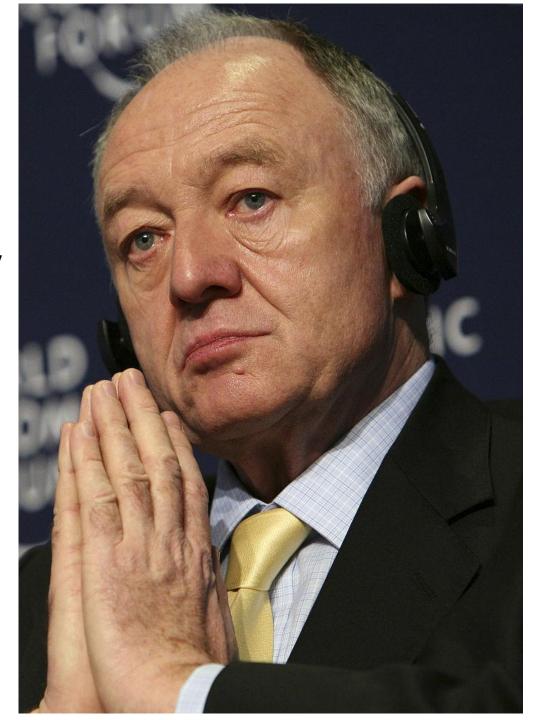
# "Today's news is tomorrow's History."

(LEARN OF HISTORY'S MISTAKES!!)

### Mayor of London (2000-2008)

'(Most) his career, Livingstone has polarised public opinion, and was widely recognised as a risk-taker. Supporters described him as the "People's Ken" and an "anti-politician politician", opining that he had the common touch with working-class Londoners that most British politicians lacked. He was widely recognised for having improved the status of minority groups in London.He was also deemed a "formidable operator" at City Hall, with an "intimate knowledge" of London. On 24 August 2007, Ken Livingstone apologized publicly for London's role in the slave trade.

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### UK Director of Amnesty International

"While the internet has brought freedom of information to millions, for some it has led to imprisonment by a government seeking to curtail that freedom. They have closed or censored websites and blogs; created firewalls to prevent access to information; and restricted or filtered search engines to keep information (withheld away) from their citizens." (Allen 2006, Internet Censorship The Observer)

#### Also see:

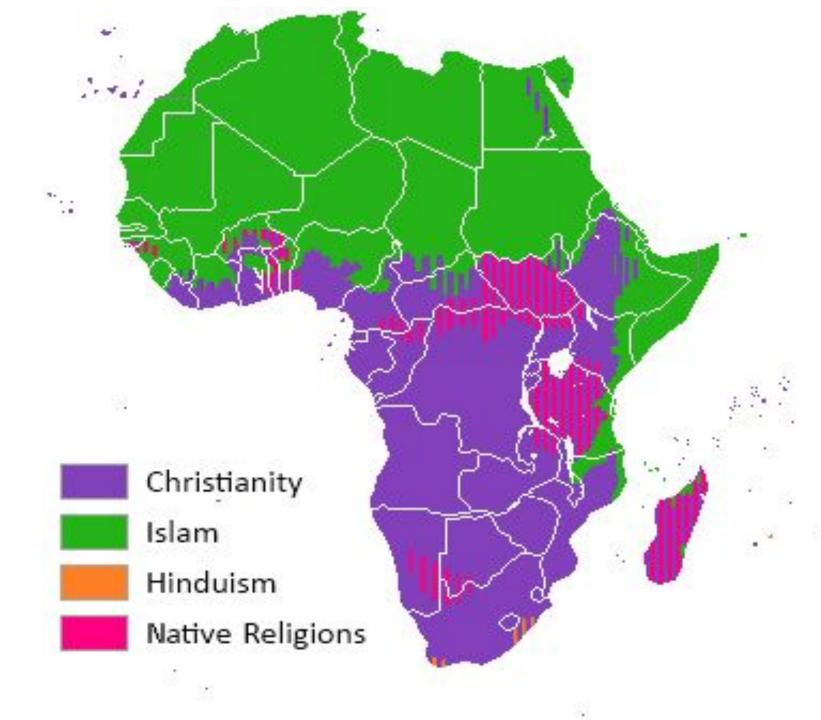
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kate\_ Allen\_(Amnesty\_International)



#### For interest's sake, let's consider a few facts about Zambia

- 1. The population of Zambia is 13,475,000 (Unicef 2011)
- 2. Life expectancy at birth is 49 years.
- 3. 68% of Zambians live below the internationally accepted poverty line (UN 2007)
- 4. The Zambian government spends 2% of the GDP on education (UN)
- 5. Zambians consider their children an investment in the future.
- 6. In Zambia, handshaking is common practice; Moreover, you may use a person's professional (i.e, Christian) name if provided. A POLITE form also exists —which is more opportune to employ when addressing acquaintances—that may be constructed by adding the prefix Ba- to any person's name. E.g, "Ba-Richard...."

(pron. as, '**Ba-Річард'** in Zambian vernacular).



# "Is this all just a stand for more sophisticated Civil Rights and liberties?"

'...in Sochi, London and Jerusalem'



'...in the Repuplic of Uganda'



"If Zambia has such a impeckable record of nationhood, Civil Rights and International Relations...



### ...why was Zambia infamously cited in the U.S. *Country Report* of 2010?"

**Paul Kasonkomona** 

Alleged 'Illegal Occupation' of Barotseland





Brutality, anti-Gay laws have also taunted Zambia's image...as perceived by the Int'l community."



#### LGBTs in Zambia

"These are people's children. These are people with families. These are people who go to church. They sing in your choirs. They are people who pay tax so that you're able to have roads you drive on."







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# Before we celebrate the up-side to Zambia, let's denote what a C.R. is:

(Video is courtesy of Russia Today, rt.com)

#### A Wondrous Land

Work





### "...'IN UNITY'???" (Hold your horses, here)!

Litunga (King) Sir Mwanawina Lewanika III Virtually *all* of Barotseland was a BSAC-affiliated protectorate of the UK

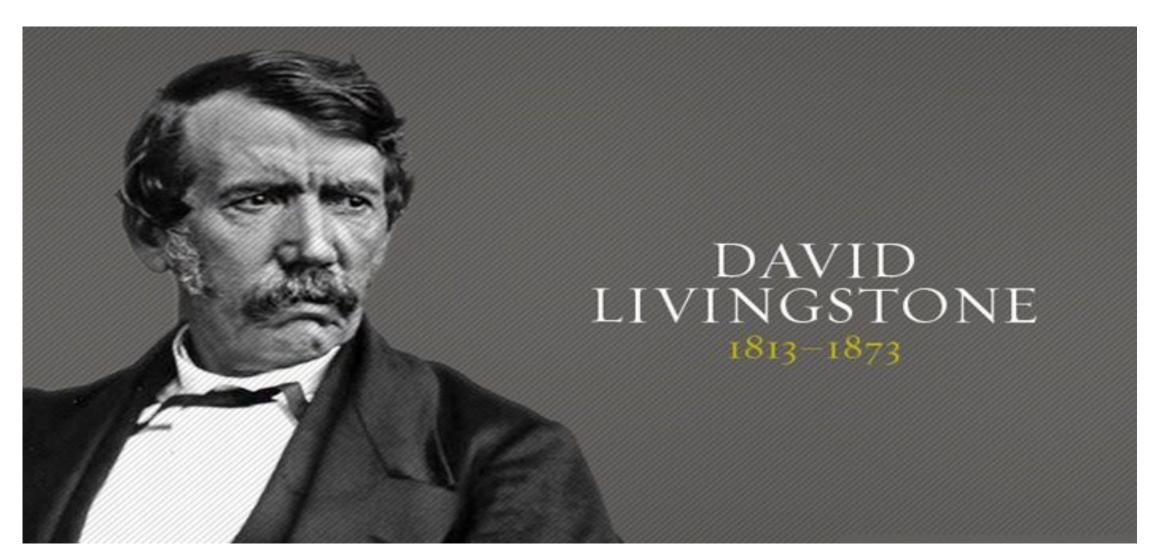




#### The Order of the Thistle



# "We will explore *more* of Zambia's history, with the United Kingdom, in parts II-III."



# Remedying the 'breach' in that bilaterally signed ind'nce Agreement:

'Barotseland is now theoretically independent from Zambia, on the basis of the Zambian High Court ruling (see below) that the 1964 Agreement was unilaterally abrogated[21] by Zambia as being null and void (see above) – i.e., Zambia washed its hands of Barotseland, which therefore reverted to the situation that existed before Zambian Independence; i.e. that Barotseland remains a Protectorate of Great Britain. However, Britain does not want to get involved.' [Adapted from Wikipedia]

#### APPENDIX

#### THE BAROTSELAND AGREEMENT 1964

This Agreement is made this eighteenth day of May, 1964 between KENNETH DAVID KAUNDA, Prime Minister of Northern Rhodesia, on behalf of the Government of Northern Rhodesia of the one part and SIR MWANAWINA LEWANIKA THE THIRD, K.B.E., Litunga of Barotseland, acting on behalf of himself, his heirs and successors, his Council, and the chiefs and people of Barotseland of the other part and is signed by the Right Honourable DUNCAN SANDYS, M.P., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations and for the Colonies, to signify the approval of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of the arrangements entered into between the parties to this Agreement and recorded therein:

Whereas it is proposed that Northern Rhodesia shall become an independent sovereign Republic to be known as the Republic of Zambia:

And whereas it is the wish of the Government of Northern Rhodesia and of the Litunga of Barotseland, his Council and the chiefs and people of Barotseland that Northern Rhodesia should proceed to independence as one country and that all its peoples should be one nation:

And whereas, having regard to the fact that all treaties and other agreements subsisting between Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Litunga of Barotseland will terminate when Northern Rhodesia becomes an independent sovereign republic and Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom will thereupon cease to have any responsibility for the government of Northern Rhodesia, including Barotseland, it is the wish of the Government of Northern Rhodesia and of the Litunga of Barotseland to enter into arrangements concerning the position of Barotseland as part of the Republic of Zambia to take the place of the treaties and other agreements hitherto subsisting between Her Majesty the Queen and the Litunga of Barotseland:

And whereas on the sixteenth day of April, 1964 a provisional agreement was concluded at Lusaka with this purpose and it is the desire of the Government of Northern Rhodesia and the Litunga, acting after consultation with his Council, to conclude a permanent agreement with this purpose:

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH and it is hereby agreed between the said Kenneth David Kaunda. Prime Minister of Northern Rhodesia, on behalf of the Government of Northern Rhodesia and the said Sir Mwanawina Lewanika the Third, K.B.E., Litunga of Barotseland on behalf of himself, his heirs and successors, his Council and the chiefs and people of Barotseland as follows:—

#### 1. Citation and commencement

This Agreement may be cited as the Barotseland Agreement 1964 and shall come into force on the day on which Northern Rhodesia, including Barotseland, becomes the independent sovereign Republic of Zambia.

'In inference, the ideas of (Human) Rights aren't perfect. But, that's not to imply that we need to discard of these rights...)). Or, ought we to?



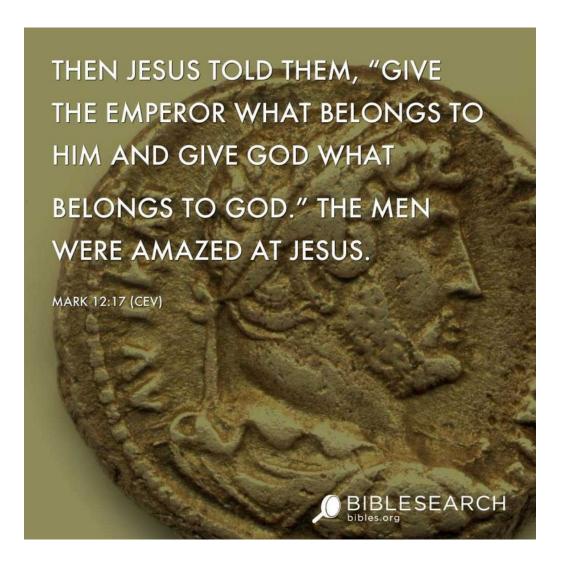
### A Befitting Final Word: FROM THE CHRISTIAN STANDPOINT

Romans13:1-7 and ...\_... are not in conflict with each other.

Neither are Mark 12:17 and ... \_...contradictory theses.

My personal opinion would be to consider 'context' and to re-consider the over-arching story-line, as it were, in the Bible.

And, ...: these are spiritual things)))! Not theological dilemas (as some theology scholars may argue)



### Q-&-A Time

(Durates for approx. 30 minutes)

### DID YOU KNOW: (Poland)

#### 1. Economic Situation

In 2016, the Commission made country-specific recommendations to Poland to help it improve its economic performance

#### 2. Economic Outlook

The Commission publishes macroeconomic forecasts for the EU and the Member States three times a year, in the spring (May), in the autumn (November) and in the winter (February). These forecasts are produced by the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN).



#### Upper-Intermediate English Qns

- How do you view Human Rights (in General)?
- How do you view the violations against Human Rights?
- What's the status quo pertaining to Human Rights in the Ua?
- Have you ever witnessed or, perhaps, experienced abuse of power [e.g, Police Brutality, back-door deals]?
- What was the contention about?
- What are your thoughts on the rising HIV/AIDS prevalence of the Ua?

#### Advanced-level Qns

- 1. Would you agree with me that we are (well) on our way to a *different* form of evolutionary sophistication?
- 2. Would you support socially progressivistic ideas at your work-place and/or institution of study...if presented the chance with a complementary incentive or something more?

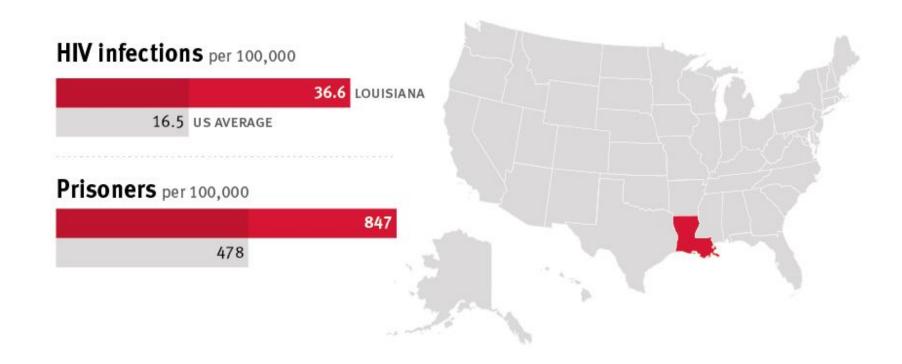
(Would you?? ... Esp. in light of the fact that US progressivism helped end slavery; occupational Male Chauvinism, racial segregation and xenophobia.)

[NB: current positions associated with Progressivism include: LGBTQIA Rights, the Right to abortion, Cognitive Liberty and the preference to be anti-Death Row.]

- 3. Politically would you describe yourself as being part of the Right, Left or the so-called "New Left"?
- 4. Do you know anyone who works with government policies? What kind of policies do they work on, work with and over-see???
- 5. Do you buy the thesis that 'Marriage Equality' is a Civil Rights issue?

#### "Poverty of thought shows no favouritism!"

### Louisiana has the highest HIV infection and incarceration rates of any US state.



# Дьякуємо за Увагу!!! {'The storm is n-e-a-r-l-y over!'}

