

# WALL STREET CAPITALISM IS FOR THE RICH SOCIALISM IS FOR BUREAUCRATS

## WE NEED A DISTRIBUTIST ECONOMY

### OUR AIMS

- Reintegration of justice into the marketplace through historic Christian principles, harmonizing the relationship between morals and economics.
- Narrowing the gulf between ownership and work in order to build stability via worker cooperatives and family-based businesses.
- Widespread property ownership as an integral element in achieving independence from unbridled corporate and bureaucratic control, as well as usurious banking.
- Subsidiarity: less centralization and smaller, diverse authoritative bodies at the helm of our local institutions, businesses, and government.
- Thrift: engaging families in self-restraint and resourcefulness in consumption.
- Solidarity with the worker, the marginalized, the poor, and the family.

### ISN'T IT TIME FOR A REAL CHANGE?

CAPITALISTS AND SOCIALISTS love to talk about jobs. We live in a strange society where life revolves around working for somebody else instead of for ourselves. We believe we must choose between Big Business and Big Government, we must depend on credit cards and financial magic, or that we will just get along if we are all stripped of private property. The same old answers, election after election, from the Left or the Right, lead us right back to the same problems. Socialism and capitalism are impersonal systems where a few gain at the expense of our environment, the poor, and our community of families.

Distributism is about shifting our economy away from Wall Street and back to Main Street. We need to build a humane economy of family-owned and cooperative businesses, of community, concern for our eco-system and the food we eat. Distributism is a sustainable system validated by thousands of small family firms and employee-owned companies, micro-lending banks, and credit unions. On the large-scale, Distributist businesses like Mondragon Cooperative in Spain, and the Distributist economies of Emilia-Romagna, Bologna, where 45% of the GDP come from cooperatives, demonstrate how Distributist economies and firms have a built-in advantage that capitalist and socialist systems cannot begin to match.

Some of you are already distributists and don't even know it. You support shopping local, eat organic, and you might even brew your own beer. If you believe freedom means empowering families and communities, letting REAL farmers grow our food, putting "mom and pop" businesses back in our neighborhoods, and support the growth of as many property-owning people as possible—instead of the select few—you are a distributist.

*Let's put Americans back to work, for themselves.*

## WE SUPPORT

Family-owned Businesses • Guilds • Worker Cooperatives • Differential Taxation Policies • Interest-free Lending • Local Production for Local Consumption • Food Banks • Micro-credit • Community Supported Agriculture • Small-scale Technology • Eco-friendly Farming • Urban and Rural Homesteading • Houses of Hospitality for the Destitute • Rights of the Unborn • Economic Justice • Charity • Local Currencies

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