

THE LANGUAGES DIE Utopian Reflections

PREAMBLE.

From slowly reading and thinking about the biblical passage: Old Testament - Genesis, chapter 11 verse 1 to 9 together with my inspiration ... I have written this article with a global theme overview .

I have taken into account today's society which is dependent on science and technology inevitably. The absolute truth of all time is: The languages are like people and trees, older move to the state of dying, die and disappear. "A tree without roots die, a language without speakers disappear."

The law of life, applicable to all species, including humans, it is manifested in the struggle for survival. The species best equipped and adapted survived. This law applies to the languages ... the better endowed will be able to adapt to survive.

There are many languages in the intermediate time between "old" and "dying" causing serious harm to society (citizens) who feels compelled to keep indefinitely as "moribund" a very minority languages.

Hopefully my Utopian Reflection (visionary) provide some light ... albeit in the long term.



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LANGUAGES - DIALECTS.

The word "Language" in Spanish and "language communication" are synonymous, so I have decided to use the word "language". We will not explain the distinction between language and dialect because it falls outside the focus of this article. We know that thousands of languages have disappeared throughout history, and others are in a period of extinction.



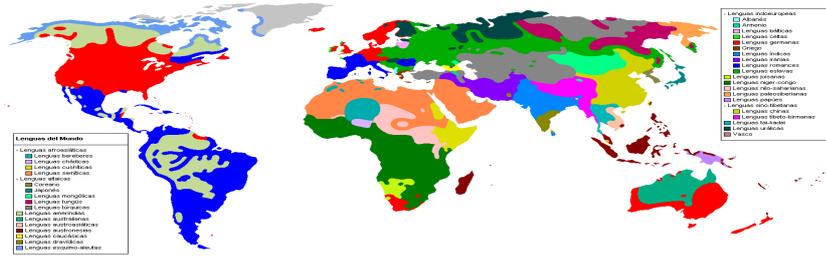
The causes of the disappearance of a language are varied but can be summarized into three:

- (1) When the language does not have sufficient number of speakers who justify their existence and in period of disappearance. The maintenance of this language is an onerous and unnecessary expense to the citizens condemned to endure a language diagnosed terminally ill.
- (2) When a language is in period of disappearance, it has been replaced friendly, by another "UNIVERSAL" language with a higher percentage of speakers. This replacement offers greater security and future in the world of communication, information, professional and work.
- (3) When language has no linguistic cohesion to ensure the purity of the language and to oversee the evolution and development of language, maintaining unity and avoiding erosion with the birth of new dialects or parallel talk. (Real Academia de la Lengua).

CHARACTERISTICS OF LANGUAGE:

- a) It must have accuracy, lexical range and clarity to explain either the speaker (user) entire body of knowledge existing at the time.
- b) Linguistically should be well structured as language and under constant observation and review, (Cohesion Linguistic).
- c) Economically the languages having more users increase the mobility of capital and it is most beneficial for the speakers themselves. Example: An album in English, Spanish, sells more than .. Euskera or Galician, and the same goes for books and newspapers.

THE LATIN - THE SPANISH AND LATIN AMERICA.



As an example: LATIN applies to infinity OF LANGUAGES that have disappeared or have been listed as dead language. That

a language is to live ... it is imperative that there is an acceptable number: economically and socially they speak and use.

The Latin, which had a large area where they talked, and had practically disappeared in the fourteenth century after Christ. Only testimonial remains so in the Catholic Church in religious ceremonies at the Vatican, cathedrals and monasteries.

The disappearance of Latin was due to these reasons:

(1) Lack of political authority to keep the language into the Roman Empire disappeared in the V century after Christ, but was still respected and used during several centuries later.

(2) The Latin without the linguistic cohesion that had not prevented its erosion losing its linguistic unity. There was not an institution to ensure the normal evolution of language.



Latin, as linguistically large trunk tree, born branches that attest today the following languages:

- 1) The Spanish
- 2) The French
- 3) The Italian
- 4) The Portuguese
- 5) The Catalan
- 6) The Galician
- 7) The Romanian
- 8) The Provence
- 9) ETC.

In LATIN AMERICA there is a variety of indigenous languages or dialects which coexist together with the Spanish Language. Mostly just spoken, which has been very beneficial for all the countries of Latin America, because they have a common communication and information means as part of a "UNIVERSAL" language.

In Latin America the PORTUGUESE and SPANISH LANGUAGE have been BRIDGE languages with a UNIVERSAL character for the wide variety of languages and dialects that still exist. If these two very similar languages had not existed, Latin America would have been a Tower of Babel with the consequent economic slowdown, caused by the barrier of communication.

Having a UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE brings benefits: Economic, Political and Social. The SPANISH has nearly 500 million users (speakers) spread mostly in Europe and America. It has a very promising future in Asia and Africa, especially in the U.S. with 50 million speakers, not taking too long to be recognized as co-official language.

The SPANISH LANGUAGE is very attractive in the world: its structure, lexical range and accuracy and expression ... and above all many millions has strategically located around the world, sharing a rich culture as universal as is the SPANISH.

IDIOMATIC UNIVERSAL PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION. (Voluntary)

I - UNIVERSAL OFFICIAL LANGUAGE:	ENGLISH
II - THE UNIVERSAL CO-OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:	CHINESE
	SPANISH
	ARABIC

III - LANGUAGES ACCEPTED: over 50 million speakers.

IV - LANGUAGE PARTNERS ... The countries with minority languages which will accept one of the 4 co-official languages as "UNIVERSAL" .. becoming an active bilingual country.

This project is trying to offer millions of people an INSTRUMENT OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION ACCESS much broader by using one of the 4 Universal Language. If a 65% language implementation could be succeeded; the population benefits for all would be incalculable.

What is accepted and proved that the proliferation of language or dialect is not conducive to the progress of peoples. Barriers are politically justified under the misleading myth of cultural identity. Preaching the cultural identity of the tongue by a politician with electioneering vision can be a trap very detrimental to the citizens. There are millions of people who found their future careers and work with a universal language that they had never met with a minority language ... That is to adapt and survive. The best identity for the citizen is to have a universal language that guarantees good work and professional future.

A country or a region with a minority language can not be under any pretext to prevent its citizens have access to a universal language, because it would condemn them to life of the "snail" idiomatically locked in a minority language. The damage done to these people is serious because it prevents them compete and excel in playing field in employment and occupation.

When it is marginalized, excluded and overlapped a UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE AS SPANISH by a minority language such as Catalan, Euskera and Gallego, with expiration date prevents malicious to the citizens and unfairly the right to learn the language promotional tool for their future. Nationalist politicians, defenders of minority language, perniciously using the Linguistic Immersion excluding the CASTILIAN language, official and compulsory. These politicians are cynical sending their sons to the best private schools where they learn a good Castilian, English, German, French or Chinese. We could say that some travel by “car and plane” learning well these languages, while others ... of public schools with the minority language only, badly learned, are condemned to travel by “bike” for life.



ALTERNATIVES AND SOLUTIONS.

An alternative acceptable and consistent, when a minority language is stagnant and in period "dying" choose another stronger "UNIVERSAL" language, and gradually become a "REAL BILINGUAL" country or region .

Another practical idea is to make any minority language in a LANGUAGE SPOKEN only, and the universal language spoken and written in all official business and professional.

A language to be commercially and technology acceptable; it must be used (spoken, read and written) for more than 50 million users. Many minority languages survive today in the shadow of a language "UNIVERSAL" as parasites or satellites. Examples: Close to the CHINESE, ENGLISH, SPANISH AND ARABIC minority languages there are many who have assisted living grants. It would be more profitable and economically relegated to minority languages spoken language and the universal language in written and spoken.

To everything mentioned above ... We can provide a model and example the functioning of economies and enterprises. They are not closed or limited to their countries of origin, but unite, merge and integrate and share a variety of countries of different ideological persuasions and identity forming an economic bloc with business in order to progress and survive. (Sample The European Union) What best help we have the same language of communication and information? Why go up countless tiny language barriers that survive with difficulty? In most cases there thanks to the politicians in power, to keep the armchair, preach cultural identity accompanied by subsidies to keep the "dying".

Making policy, rather than a vocation delivery to citizens, has become a profession is forgotten and relegated citizens. Politicians when they receive official accreditation seems to give away their glasses to detect electoral votes. EUROPEAN HIGHER EDUCATION AREA (Bologna Process). They must convince the nations, politicians, academics, principals, professors, teachers and students across Europe is essential to master to perfection ENGLISH - LANGUAGE BRIDGE - to unify HIGHER EDUCATION. This way you have access to the rest of knowledge of the other three co-official languages with millions of speakers. Otherwise, Europe will be a BABEL paying Euros eternally to the Linguistic Plurality ... walking dying languages. If the ideas presented on minority languages are exaggerated, especially those concerning SPAIN, I invite you to enter INTERNET: www.elmundo.es with the report - The 'DESERT' OF TEACHING IN CASTILIAN - September 30, 2009.

ORIENTATIVE STATISTICS OF MINORITY LANGUAGES IN SPAIN.

Speak, read and write the minority language at an acceptable level:

In EUSQUERA 600 thousand habitants.

In CATALAN 1 million and half habitants.

In GALICIAN 450 thousand habitants.

Politics (politicians) pollutes many facets of society, such as education, which sadly is paid by citizens dearly.

THE LANGUAGE AND THE TRAIN (simile).



I used the simile of the train because it presents very expressively the essential elements of the article title. Furthermore, the comparison has a didactic purpose that the reader clearly perceives the message of the author would be very difficult to forget.

We are not ignoring a language and burying her story, but we are presenting in this article a “GLOBAL DIAGNOSIS” in the medium and long term that is reasonable and consistent with the biblical passage: "While they had one language and the same words" the construction of the city and Tower of Babel was progressing and stood. Everything changed when speaking different languages. The city and tower was never finished. The social and practical lesson of the Bible is clear and sharp. With only one language is progressing, with a variety of languages was harder almost impossible to progress.

How many travelers - users - use the train per week, month and year? The train can be constructed with precious gold and silver, may have existed for centuries and be very appreciated, but his MAINTENANCE AND CONTINUITY is unsustainable because the number of passengers is very small and is no longer profitable. This train can be stored in a museum. So do many languages ... have a very small number of speakers (users) and is very costly to maintain. Although its speakers think their language is coated in gold and silver mythologized their cultural identity, they must realize they are traveling on a train "dying" every day that passes will be more costly to maintain.

How much money spent by the European Union to maintain its Tower of Babel? Spends millions of Euros per year. Who can afford it and for how many years?

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

Science and technology does not take into account the feelings, ideologies and cultural identities and political ... their objectives are different. The reality of life and the demands of their goals do not correspond to the ideologies and identities mentioned, much less political impositions, if science and technology should not enjoy full freedom could not have developed so spectacularly.



Today we have technologically very effective means for learning a universal language. Additionally, you can have national and international support for a minority language that coexists with one "universal" bilingual plan. The advantages of admitting a universal language are many. The friendly coexistence of two languages enriches whenever reciprocal.

Science and technology has relegated many means of transport, farming, construction and communication as obsolete in the world. Science and technology needed to apply a recipient RELIABLE AND SECURE with a commercially viable number.

The minority languages are deficient scientifically and technologically speaking, because they lack a commercially acceptable number of users. These minority languages are beneficial and worthy alternative ... LANGUAGES SPOKEN ONLY become (as in the time of Christ in Aramaic) is spoken in Syria today, and many languages / dialects indigenous in Latin America today. And another possibility is to choose a universal language as the official language spoken and written (Plan Bilingual).

Let me give some simple examples of the inconvenience economic and social to maintain the minority languages: PUBLISHING BOOKS, NEWSPAPERS, RECORDS, RADIO STATIONS, TELEVISION, CINEMA ETC. ETC. These languages have a very small number of recipients and in many cases these languages are supported directly or indirectly for survival.

I remember reading a magazine article about: LANGUAGES AND DIALECTS, and asked a member of the Royal Academy of Language regarding the Lionese Language ... He replied "Do you believe that the dead resurrected? Some try to rise with new technology and get paid for it.

THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY are blind, dumb and deaf to the feelings of nationhood, cultural identity and other sensitivities, so ably handled by selfish politicians to defend the chair itself. The Science and Technology have advanced because they did not have any weights of any kind in its purpose.

RESEARCH AND COMMUNICATION.

The science and technology can simplify many languages worldwide and technologically unify the four universal language. We take English as the bridge for the Spanish, for Chinese and Arabic and these four languages to communicate information among themselves through the BRIDGE

LANGUAGE - The English. With this system 70%

of the world population is united and have the information of culture, arts, sciences, health techniques, agricultural, medicine, etc.. Removing barriers to the excessive number of languages that is very difficult to get them that information.



The Foundation San Millán de la Cogolla (SCF) with the International Spanish Language (CILENGUA) aims to: Conservation, Documentation, Research and Dissemination of Spanish Language through CYBERSPACE. It's a language technology to facilitate knowledge for the benefit of speaking in Spanish.

The University of León, under the direction of computer researcher Don Angel Alonso, is presenting a draft of a universal language without language barriers. It is based on computing communication using the visual appearance of two-dimensional images. Would be like graphic language with two-dimensional images that will communicate with each other who do not have the same language. The University of Leon is developing the research in collaboration with the National Institute of Communication Technologies (INTECO) and the Chinese University of Xiangtan.

Singularity University - The University of the Singularity and the U.S. NASA can offer ideas and solutions ... already engaged in research and rapidly changing future. The scientist Ray Kurzweil, inventor, thinker and futurist who promoted the Singularity University, where great minds from several countries are engaged in the investigation of major gaps and problems of humanity.

The languages and global communication is a very attractive and compelling need for all. The Computer technology will offer in not too distant future, any solution to simplify the communication world a large number of existing languages and ballast and barrier to progress. The Oxford University has the Institute for the Future, it is Professor futurist Ray Hammond more globally representative who claims in his book "The World in 2030" science and technology will transform our lives.

With new communication technologies (information technology) polarized in ENGLISH, CHINESE, SPANISH and ARABIC 70% of the population will communicate with each other very easily without barriers. Hundreds of languages are relegated to libraries and prehistory.

CAMILO JOSÉ CELA.

I find it very rewarding to mention the testimony of the excellent novel SPANISH - Camilo José Cela.

In an interview with Latin American journalists asked him the following question: What is the future of languages in the world? ANSWER: The World inexorably walking and in about 80 or 100 years will reduce to 4 Universal Languages the mass communication - the English, Chinese, Spanish and Arabic.

THE TOWER OF BABEL - THE ZIGURAT OR STAGED TOWER OF BABYLON.

Old Testament Book of Genesis, chapter 11 verses 1-9.

I will quote verbatim the relevant verses for this article.

1 - Says: "the whole earth was of one language and the same words" ...

5 - "Under Yahweh (God) came down to see the city and the tower they were doing the sons of men" ...

6 - "And the Lord said:" Behold a people one, for all have ONE LANGUAGE. ... It has been proposed that reach the sky and nothing will prevent them from carrying it out. "

7 - "Confound their language, so they do not understand each other".

8 - "And they dispersed and ceased building the city.



EXPLANATION TO THE BIBLICAL PASSAGE.

a - Theological: The man is punished by God "with the confusion of tongues" in their pride wanting to be like God. "They wanted to reach heaven," abode of God alone.

Adam, Eve and Lucifer fell into the same sin of pride and were roundly punished. The Man meets the punishment for breaking the law.

b - Sociological: The men who built the city and the tower were in harmony, because it was understood by having the same language and are one people. Everything changed drastically because in the minds of the people they got the desire to be like God ... claim unattainable, and to change the language they came two serious problems of coexistence:

- 1) They left to form a single people.
- 2) They were forced to disperse because they spoke different languages and no longer understood.

NEW TESTAMENT. Book of the Apostles, Chapter 2 verses 1-12. The biblical text expresses the need and speed that the apostles were in Jerusalem for preaching the doctrine of Jesus, his Lord. And they found the language barrier with the variety of listeners with their own language. Jerusalem was a cosmopolitan city. The solution ... high technology was the coming of the Holy Spirit which gave the apostle the ability to speak as appropriate to each language of the listener. But the solution did not work very well, because part of the audience laughed at the apostles calling them drunks. Why did not understand the doctrine or the language?

Then the apostle Peter solved the problem preaching in the common language, perhaps in Aramaic, in Jerusalem and converted great crowd. Aramaic was the language spoken most often used at the time.

CONCLUSIONS OF BIBLICAL NARRATION.

- 1.The man can never be like God.
- 2.The man needs the same language to communicate and inform and make better and more harmonious progress of works.
- 3.If there are many languages arise the difficulties in undertaking the development works in villages and communicate, as in the Old and New Testament texts as quoted.
- 4.The benefits of having and using a universal language are innumerable in every way. Ensures the needs of its speakers noted with biblical passages.
- 5.This biblical narrative must be respected and having in mind because it has a permanent truth whose roots are in human nature itself.
6. " THE LINGUISTIC FRAGMENTATION OF BABEL WAS A SIN AND PUNISHMENT, TODAY MEN ARE STILL ENCOURAGING".

COROLLARIES:

From my observation and my experience as professor at the University, I have presented this article to motivate you to think ... quite possibly against the statement made in it, but let's not forget in the field of science and research the HYPOTHESIS in its origin participates of the UTOPIA.

The Science, investigation, and technology will find the appropriate media, worldwide, mitigating the bitter experience of the TOWER OF BABEL.

MY UTOPIAN REFLECTIONS TODAY MAY BECOME A REALITY TOMORROW.

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