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——可持续发展与多尔维(Dooyeweerd)

的整全哲学及教育理想

Concern for the Poverty of the Future  
Generation-Sustainability and the Educational  
Implications of Dooyeweerd's Theory of Totality

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[Abstract] Dooyeweerd's modal theory of totality has its root in the Calvinistic tradition. His theory of knowledge and for knowing itself is worthy of our attention especially when the issue of sustainability is high on its way. The notion of sustainability first appeared some 30 years ago in the discussion of environmental threats on United Nations' agenda. It became more and more concerned by the world. Modal theory presents the world as a coherent whole with fifteen modal aspects inter-referential to each other, specifying the manifestation of creation in time. It opens up the possibility of a dialogue between Christian philosophy and the contemporary language of development. It draws to a deeper level behind the operation and technical endeavour of care for the future of the earth, and hence the human race. To achieve whole-ness by measuring the world's present situation using the Shalom Hypothesis is but one way of applying Dooyeweerd's theory. One should have a philosophy of totality

when one is concerned about a long term education for sustainability. Dooyeweerd's understanding of the world and of knowledge serves to lay substances for an education philosophy that is essential for educating sustainability. Think educationally about sustainability through the eyes of Dooyeweerd shall reclaim many lost land in the modern education trends. It sheds light on knowing, wisdom and the teacher himself/ herself.

谈到贫穷,我们大可以根据基尼系数去评定某区域贫富差距的状况,以了解这一区域当前贫穷的情况。但我们有没有想到,现在富裕的地区可能为其下一代种下极度贫穷的祸根。我们不能单单关注这一代的贫穷问题而忽略下一代可能要面对更严峻的贫穷问题。因此,探讨贫穷必须涉及可持续发展的问题,而可持续发展更涉及当今的世界是否具有整全的世界观,并从这世界观所引发的生命教育。一套包含着整全世界观的教育哲学是持续发展的核心。

可持续发展(Sustainability),近年成为一个很重要的社会运作指标,其中不无原因。近世人类文明,包括其科技及生活方式对地球环境造成了前所未有的破坏及引发不可逆转的后果,使地球有可能变成不容人类居住的地方。环保问题也就是生存问题,持续发展也就是可否持续生存的问题。对可持续发展的考虑一般注意的是从环境受威胁生的几种关注。联合国在1970年开始注意环境与生态危机问题,1987年联合国辖下的“世界环境及发展委员会”(World Commission On Environment & Development)发表了“我们共同的未来”(Our Common Future),提出可持续发展(Sustainable