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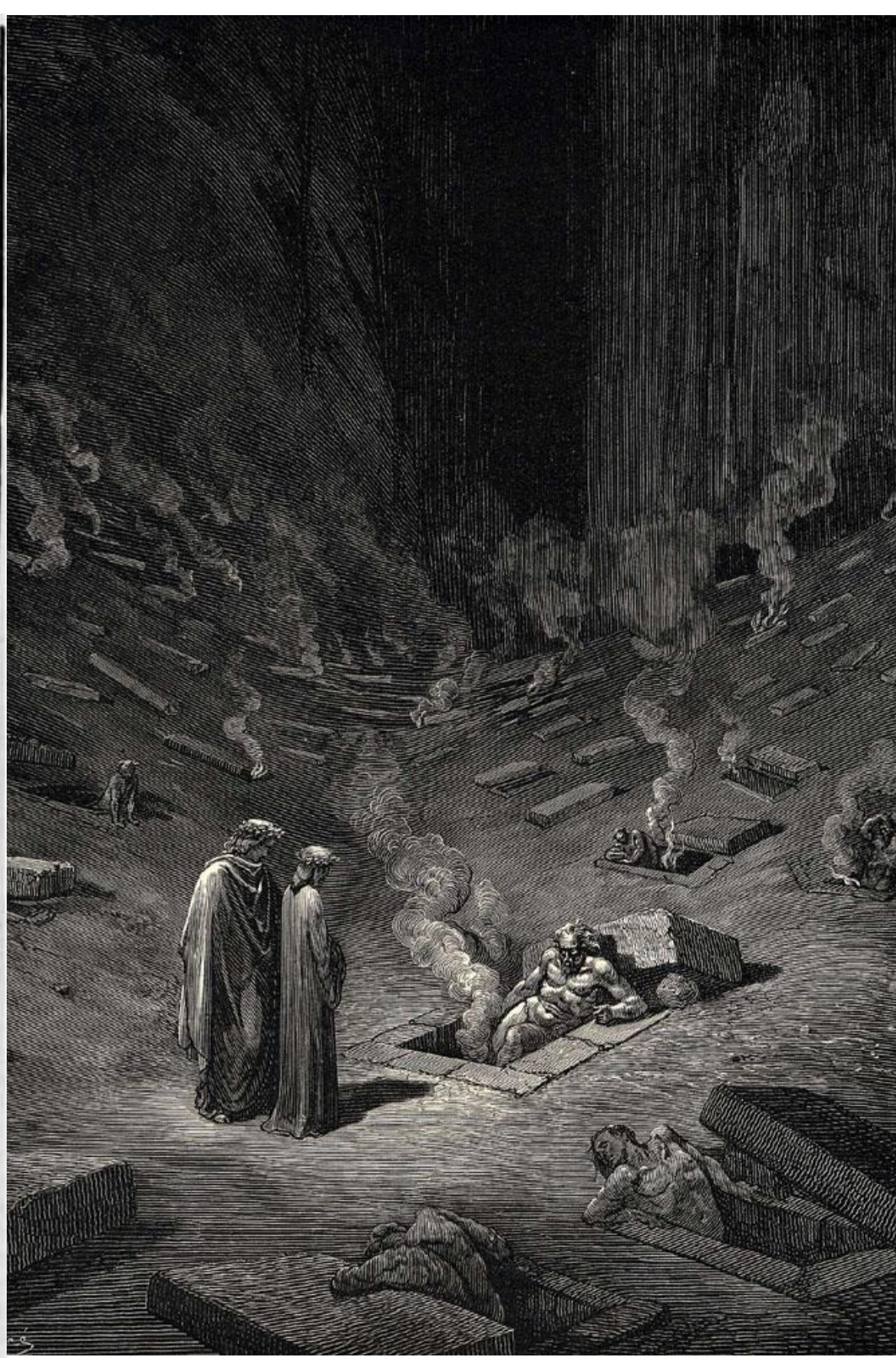

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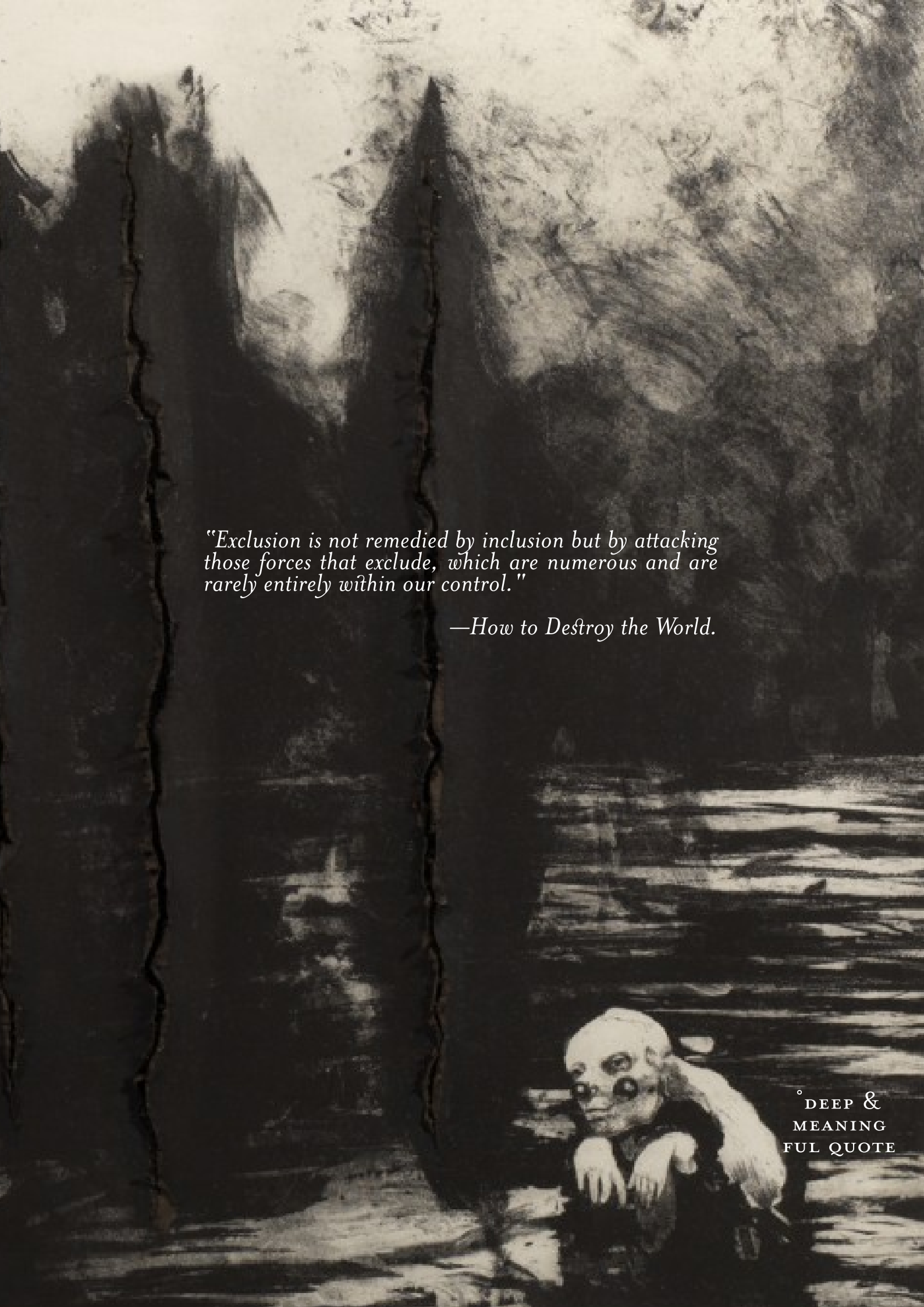
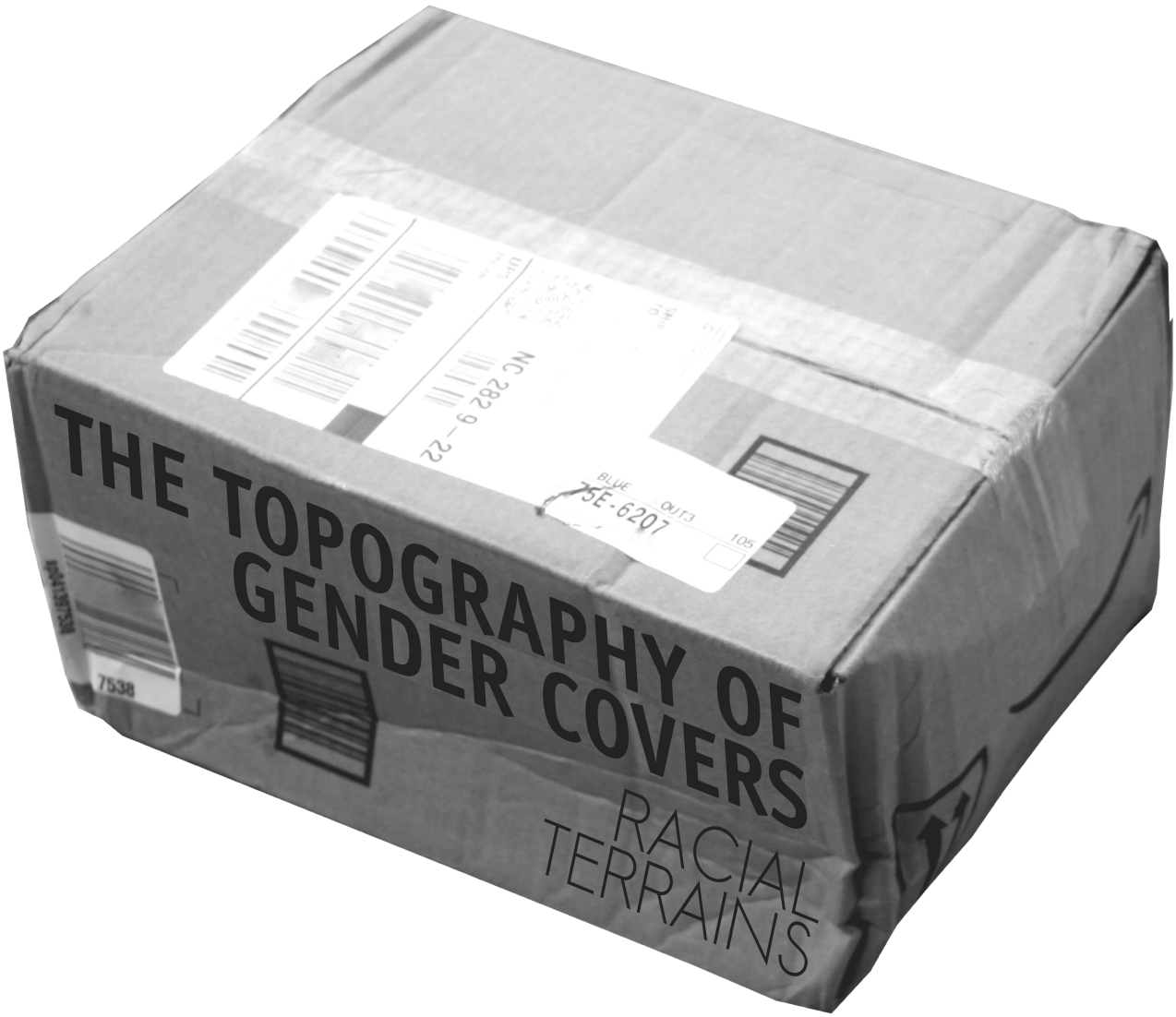

"Exclusion is not remedied by inclusion but by attacking those forces that exclude, which are numerous and are rarely entirely within our control."
—How to Destroy the World.
° DEEP & MEANING FUL QUOTE

There is a war waged against our bodies, our minds and the potential of our relationships; the social war. What is gender and what is it to be gendered? Genders are socially constructed categories that corresponds to nebulous parameters surrounding behaviors, sexualities, aesthetics, socio-cultural roles, bodies, etc. Genders concretize differently in different places, times and individuals; some will experience gender as very constricting and others will never hit the boundaries their genders impose on them. Gender is inextricably connected to sexuality, both of which perpetually shape and define each other. The two most commonly imposed genders are man/male and woman/female, and to stray away from them, move amongst them or act against them summons the enforcement agents of society. Gender benefits those who want to control, socialize and manage us and offers us nothing in return. Every time a person is scrutinized and gendered, society has attacked them, confined them, waged war on them.

Social war is the conflict that spans all society, social war is the struggle against society; that is to say all existing social relations. The self-destructive tendency within society, so-called "anti-social behavior", the desire to command and to obey, acts of rebellion and acts of reinforcement, the riot and the return to work, these are the attacks and counter-attacks in this war. Social war is the battles between those who wish to destroy society and those maintaining it. Chaos against control. Nothingness and potential against everything and the existent. Everything that holds society together insulates us from each other; each blow to domination and control is a step closer to each other, a step away from our imposed identities, our alienation and toward infinite possibility. Because society is everywhere, the only way to escape is to win the social war; to destroy society. Gender is one of the fronts on which the social war is fought.



Prior to the industrial revolution and the two world wars, in many western cultures white women had to struggle to work (outside of the home) and move into the "public" sphere which was previously reserved for white men and people of color.Ø Women of color within these same cultures, on the other hand, have always worked both within and outside of the home. They were "workers" in a traditional sense, as well as women; though never held to the standard of white womanhood and in the eyes of whiteness seen as "secondary man" of sorts.

Ø. This isn't to say women do not continue to struggle, only that a shift of the gender composition has taken place in contemporary western work places.

Women of color are read and marked as capable of working outside the home. Women of color do not hit the limits of their genders when moving between "private/domestic" and "public/work" spheres but were limited by their non-white womanhood within each of these realms. White women had a different womanhood that demanded they remain within the "private/domestic" sphere, white womanhood had very little room for women to enter the world of work, however white womanhood ensured that white women would never face the challenges women of color faced simply for being gendered as such. Again gender while always limiting, limits differently on different racial terrains within the social war.

As Europeans moved outside of Europe to further colonial projects, they brought their ideas and conceptions of gender. The nuclear familyØ and the specific genders and sexualities that it requires were foreign to many non-western cultures that form families in any number of other ways. The nuclear family is a unit that fit most easily in the social narrative of dominant western cultures, it plays easily into patriarchal power dynamics. The nuclear family places much of the work that colonizers had to actively engage in on the patriarch of each family; socialization, policing behaviors and roles, and of course the enforcement and reproduction of genders capable of existing more peacefully within western hierarchies.

Ø. A term commonly used to define a family group consisting of a father, a mother, (typically married) and their children all in one household dwelling. This is in contrast to a single-parent family, to the larger extended family, and to a family with more than two parents. The family cooperates economically and reproduces.The term nuclear is used in its general meaning referring to a central entity or "nucleus" around which others collect.

The expansion of the church and the spread of christianity played a large part in spread of the nuclear family and western conceptions of gender and sexuality. Christianity was accepted by some populations that integrated it into their cultures to varying degrees while others were violently made to "accept" it. This isn't to say that gender didn't exist in some form or other outside of colonialism and western cultures or that other forces are not at play in defining and limiting what gender is, only that the current "universal" and "natural" ideas of what gender is now stems in part from colonialism and a need to centralize and control non-western forms of life.

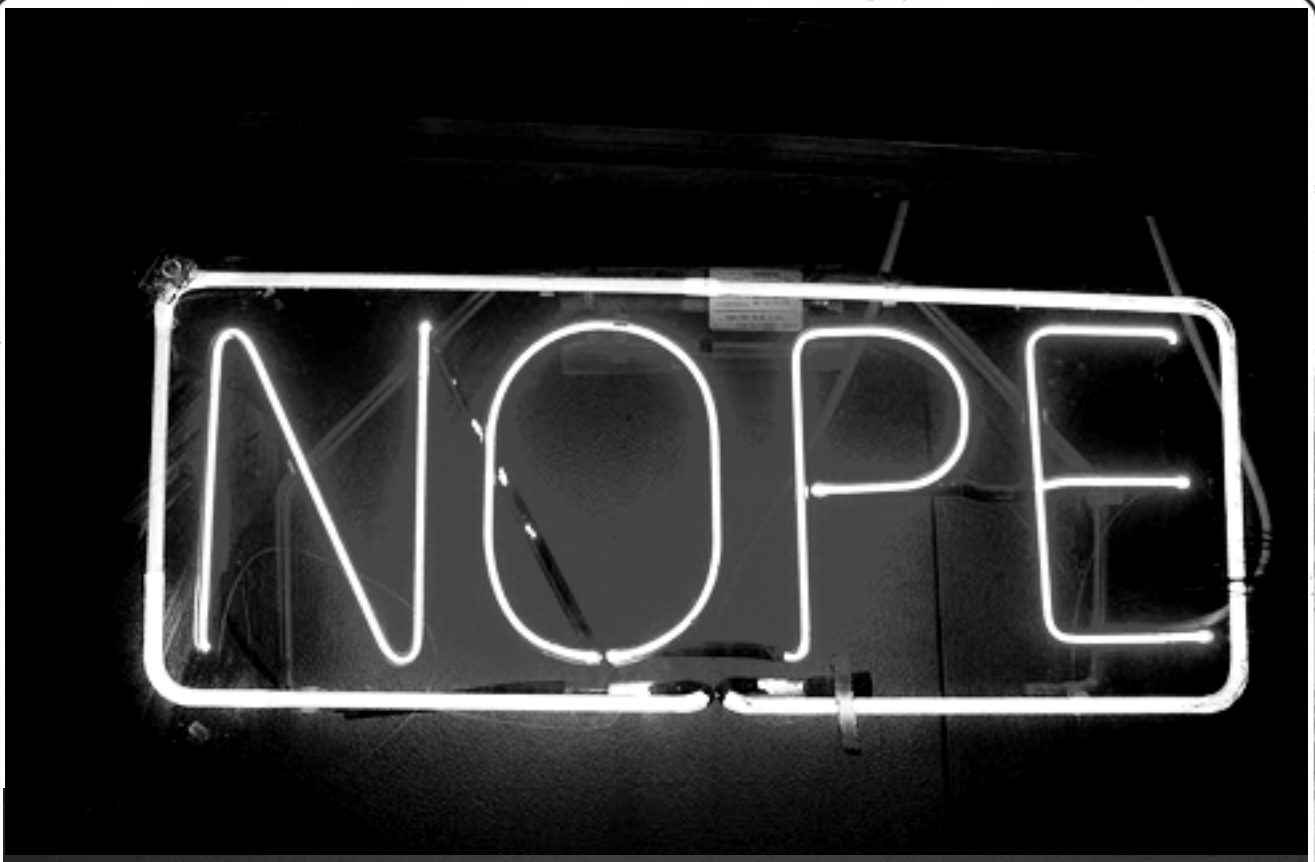
Additionally the cis/trans* binary also furthers centralization and colonialism, assimilating and categorizing all identities outside of itself. Like all forms of representation, the cis/trans* binary as an all-encompassing set of categories is both flattening and inadequate. There are genders that are not cis, but do not place themselves under the trans* umbrella. Despite this, anyone who isn't cis is assumed to be trans* and vice versa. An LGBTQ avant-garde of sorts, moves to assimilate all unusual genders and even the lack of gender into trans-ness. This leaves no room for anyone to fall outside of these categories. This often plays out in a colonial manner; rendering non-western genders legible to and manageable by western LGBTQ narratives of gender and sexuality.

FIGURE 1.1

The tenets of gender abolition illuminated.

FIGURE 1.2

Your plasma donations at work.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None of us belongs to any gender outside the context of social war; that is to say gender is a social imposition upon us, a means of keeping us under control (by limiting what is acceptable for anyone gendered in any way). Despite the popular notion that gender is one of two stable biological categories resulting from certain sexed bodies, the very existence of trans* people of all stripes (especially non-binary people) and of intersex bodies that frustrate efforts to attribute gender to certain anatomical characteristics calls this narrative into question and forces us to acknowledge the idea that gender is something that happens to us and not something that we are inherently or "naturally".

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Each of us is a vast and unquantifiable nothing, an infinitely potent singularity. Imposing a gender on us, an identity even, can only stifle us at best and destroy us at worst. Attempting to define us will always fail, no category can fully contain us, any identity will necessarily restrain. We must oppose identity. However we'd be foolish to deny the material consequences of the myths of identity, after all they are amongst the foundations of oppression. Anyone who is told they are a woman will be treated "like a woman" despite the fact that women share nothing other than the myth of womanhood and the societal violence that accompanies this myth.

Each time we are gendered society is attempting to limit us; to certain behaviors and roles, to certain actions and aesthetics. Women are caring and weak, men are strong and insensitive. Gender robs us of our potential to do and be *whatever* and then offers us a limited range of roles, actions, aesthetics and behaviors packaged as a specific social category. We have the potential to be anything, and gender is the myth that tells us we are specifically *something* and *only* that something. All the traits various genders "offer" are traits we can embody on our own without the help of gender.

Behaving in ways that are seen as outside the domain of our genders will inevitably bring down repression — whether that means an awkward laugh from a sibling, or a severe beating and prison sentence will depend on the context. However, as long as gender remains intact we will be limited to the lists of actions that are acceptable to the gender we're perceived as, lest we face societal violence. We have nothing to gain from being gendered that doesn't come from either conformity to our genders or as a benefit of policing or enforcement of the genders of others. This is to say we gain nothing from gender that isn't based on controlling others or limiting ourselves.

Additionally all gendering perpetuates and reinforces hierarchy. In terms of hierarchy, cis-ness and maleness are centered, prioritized. Gendering places people closer or further from center, above and below others as a consequence. Because of the way genders are defined in society, different genders are valued more or less. This, combined with the fact that none of us can escape our socialization, leads to the constant perpetuation of gender hierarchy by everyone. Every gender exists at an intersection of subjugated and subjugator. Combinations of genr, race, trans*-ness/cis-ness of gender and myriad of other factors create subject-positions where it is possible to both oppress and be oppressed. Hierarchy has always gone hand-in-hand with control, domination. Gender is simply another facet of hierarchical control, of social war.

FIGURE 2.1

This fence is an activist. Here, xe advocates total destroy.

FIGURE 2.1

A rainbow arc assists rioters in determining the trajectory of both their politics and their bricks.

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While some make demands of society to accommodate, respect or even equalize genders, we must look beyond gender equality and gender inclusion and destroy everything that perpetuates or imposes gender, we must turn against society itself. Gender is a war against all of us and for those who desire freedom, *nothing short of the total abolition of gender will suffice*. To those of us who wish to remove all the walls between each other instead of being alienated from each other (and ourselves) because of groupings we never chose, to those of us that wish to access all our potential doings, our potential to become any being instead of pacing within the limits of genders we know to be inadequate, we say let's destroy society, let's destroy gender.

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FIGURE 3.1

A rainbow escapes custody.

FIGURE 3.1

A police officer gets fired.

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42Ø: Even the Emoticons are Sad
0Ø‡: That's How Nihilist We Are