

In the action potential AP curve, up then down; the dn downward stroke is energy divestiture, it is this which causes change, not the upward stroke.

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Cities of Aftermath

When I was a young adult, I was thrown to a city called Buffalo, which at one time had the largest percentage of millionaires in the US, but later fell on hard times. In the tradition of a boom town, we could say that buffalo was a city of invention, a tech boom town.

There are two lessons that I can write here. One is that, if you work in a factory, you are a number, and your family is a number, and when the factory closes, you have no future. But your kids might have a future.

We rented old homes which used to be owned by factory workers. They had left, either not renting, or not wanting (unable to) to keep the mortgage. In the attics we would have parties, among the abandoned items left behind by the families that lived there 20 30 50 years before.

There were hundreds of these houses. They had been the homes of families who had children growing up in them. The attics were the places which were not cleared out when the previous occupant left.

The rage, the hatred. Malice. For the renters who were leaving. The owners who were losing revenue streams. The banks which held a defaulted mortgage, on a house that was dropping in value.

Hundreds of abandoned homes, neighborhoods, patrolled for decades by wild dogs. First came low income people, then gangs, then homeless people. Then arson. Then the dogs. Cycle to cycle of lower possibility.

God gave you all that you need. Use it.

American cities die when their economy dies, if there is no social structure to replace economy. Many American cities are built on economy, not on society. Failure is common. We can see this in Venezuela where an entire country has failed. Venezuela did not fail from lack of resources, but from lack of organization. Buffalo also had plentiful resources and high technology, access to capital. Deep water port, railroads. Surrounded by good agricultural land. It failed from lack of belief.