

⚠️ Common-Law – Part II: When Sheep Forget What They Are

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□ Forgetting Is Not the Same as Losing

Howard Freeman made a careful distinction between **losing one's nature** and **forgetting it**.

Sheep do not become wolves by accident. More often, they forget what they are – how they are meant to live, how they are meant to stand, and how they are meant to conduct themselves.

Forgetting does not happen overnight. It happens gradually,

through repetition, pressure, convenience, and fear.

A sheep that forgets what it is begins to imitate the environment instead of understanding it.

⚙️ **Conditioning Replaces Awareness**

Freeman often warned that modern systems do not rely on force. They rely on **conditioning**.

From an early age, men and women are trained to:

- Obey before understanding
- Speak before thinking
- React emotionally to authority
- Confuse permission with rights

Over time, this conditioning replaces awareness. Conduct becomes automatic. Words are spoken without intent. Agreements are entered without comprehension.

The danger is not obedience itself – it is **unconscious obedience**.

□ **Identity Is Slowly Exchanged**

When a sheep forgets what it is, it begins to accept labels, roles, and identities assigned by systems.

Freeman emphasized that systems prefer **roles over souls**:

- Registrant
- Account holder
- Defendant
- Employee
- Subject

These roles are not inherently evil, but they are **contextual**. They operate within specific jurisdictions and carry specific obligations.

When a man or woman confuses a role for their true identity, they surrender ground without realizing it.

⚖️ **Lawful Conduct Becomes Legal Performance**

One of the clearest signs of forgetting is when **lawful conduct** is replaced by **legal performance**.

Instead of asking:

Is this right?

The question becomes:

Is this allowed?

Freeman warned that legality is procedural, while lawfulness is moral and relational. Systems reward compliance, not conscience.

A sheep that forgets this distinction begins to measure life by permissions rather than principles.

□ Emotion Is Used as Leverage

Freeman observed that fear, pride, anger, and urgency are powerful tools for control.

When emotions are triggered:

- Speech becomes careless
- Decisions become rushed
- Consent is easily obtained

Systems provoke reaction because reaction bypasses reflection.

The disciplined sheep learns to pause. Silence becomes a shield. Calm becomes leverage.

□□ Remembering Is an Act of Discipline

Remembering what one is does not require rebellion.

It requires **discipline**:

- Watching words
- Honoring boundaries
- Acting deliberately
- Refusing to perform unnecessarily

Freeman taught that dignity is preserved not by loud

declarations, but by quiet consistency.

Remembering is not nostalgia. It is **self-governance**.

□ **The Cost of Forgetting**

When sheep forget what they are:

- Wolves do not need to hunt
- Systems do not need to coerce
- Authority does not need to explain itself

Everything operates on assumption.

Freeman did not condemn the sheep. He warned them.

Forgetting one's nature makes even a peaceful soul vulnerable.

□ **Preparing for What Comes Next**

This part explains *how* forgetting happens – not to assign blame, but to restore clarity.

The next parts will examine how remembrance translates into:

- Standing
- Jurisdictional awareness
- Disciplined consent
- Lawful posture

Before a sheep can navigate wolf country wisely, it must first remember **what it is**.

Awareness is the beginning of protection.