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Yahoo Watch: Michael Novak

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Sometimes, I wonder what planet Michael Novak is living on. Over at InsideCatholic they have an interview with him in which he discusses his 1981 book "Toward a Theology of the Corporation." If there is a piece of conservative religious agitprop more obnoxious than that book, I don't know it.

It is a measure of Novak's lack of understanding of and appreciation for Catholic anthropology that he uses a phrase, sometimes used by those on the left as well, that I always find chilling: "human capital."

You will note that "capital" not "human" is the noun there, which tells you all you need to know about why Novak's efforts to baptize contemporary capitalism are mere idolatry.

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