

FORCE OF REASON:

The rationalization of violence

The compassionate **Christianity** of NATO bombers
and democratic influences of M-16s
inspire **productive** change.

The way **laser-guided** missiles
stimulate **consensus**
and **military invasions**
enhance **compromise**
seems **less and less** strange

Today many **nations** are stuck
in such **\$eductive hypocrisy** -
killing for p€ace
murdering people to make 'em free
and **committing untold horrors**
in **strategic sacraments**
called **"cleansing"**

Satoru : The wrong doings of any nation should not be blamed on any religions.

Frida : What else is religion for? Isn't it all about preventing sin and spreading compassion?

Ying : Over time every religion mutates to the point of parody – that's inevitable.

Satoru : Perhaps so, I also believe God reaches out in more ways than we can acknowledge
... and even satire like this has its value: it reminds us to be cautious
about combining 'empire' with 'faith'.

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