

## *Monotheism vs. Moneytheism*

Monotheism believes:  
there is only  
one God;  
moneytheism says:  
that god  
is money.

Monotheism is articulated  
in a creed;  
Moneytheism is manifested  
by greed.

Monotheism looks up  
to the higher realms;  
moneytheism scans down  
to the bottom line.

Monotheists find their home  
in church, temple, mosque;  
moneytheists prefer  
bank, market, bazaar.

Monotheists congregate  
at a Mass;  
moneytheists conspire  
to amass.

Wealth  
for the monotheist  
is spiritual capital;  
for the moneytheist  
it is capital gains.

People  
for the monotheist  
are worshippers;  
for the moneytheist  
they are consumers.

Relationships  
for the monotheist  
are bonds of love;  
for the moneytheist  
they are schemes of manipulation.

Solidarity  
for the monotheist  
is profit-sharing;  
for the moneytheist  
it is price-fixing.

Interest  
for the monotheist  
is revealed in concern;  
for the moneytheist  
it is calculated in percent.

Moneytheism  
favors the few  
while marginalizing  
the many;  
monotheism  
privileges the poor.

Globally,  
moneytheism  
alienates and enslaves;  
monotheism  
connects and liberates.

Personally,  
“live more  
by possessing less”  
is the stance  
of the monotheist;  
“live less  
by owning more”  
is the fate  
of the moneytheist.

Finally,  
be assured that  
at the end  
of our earthly sojourn  
“you can’t take it  
with you”  
applies to the  
moneytheist,  
but not to the  
monotheist.