

Abstract

The Silver lining in the Power Dynamic from Individualism towards Solidarity

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This study investigates the dynamic between the oppressor and resistance in the context of Palestine, challenging Michel Foucault's thesis on the progression of domination.

While Foucault posits that history advances through successive forms of domination, the rise of global resistance movements in response to capitalist systems' increasing control and violence suggests a different trajectory.

The case study explores how the actions of journalists and activists in Palestine, particularly through social media, have exposed the censorship of mainstream media and sparked a worldwide resistance movement.

The research aims to explore the implications of these movements on Foucault's theory, particularly his notion that power struggles can only occur between free parties. In contrast, the resistance in Palestine has engaged the broader global community in a power dynamic that challenges traditional notions of oppression.

The study employs a mixed-method approach, using interviews and participant observations to gather insights into the psychological behaviors of both the oppressor and the resistance.

Drawing on the works of Berman and Woodman, the analysis reveals that while one side exerts oppressive control, the resistance is focused on balance rather than domination. This dynamic suggests that the energies driving both sides may not be antagonistic but rather complementary.

The research concludes that the path to a just resolution may lie in the introduction of a new ethical framework, one rooted in solidarity, empathy, and mutual support, which could restore the long-lost principles of human connection and cooperation.