

## **Eight stages of the Atomistic Family**

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Three Stages the Family goes thru in the birth, life and death of a Nation:

Trustee Family - Birth of a Nation

Domestic Family - Nation ascends to greatness

Atomistic Family - Nation collapses

Eight stages of the Atomistic Family

1. Marriage loses its sacredness and is frequently broken by divorce.
2. Traditional meaning of the marriage ceremony is lost - alternate forms arise and are substituted.
3. Feminist movements abound - women lose their interest in child bearing and rearing and the birth rates decline.
4. There is an increase in public disrespect for parents, parenthood, and authority in general - it becomes harder to parent.
5. There is an increase in juvenile delinquency, promiscuity, and rebellion.
6. Refusal of people with traditional marriages to accept family responsibilities while they watch others go free - hostility of pseudo-intellectuals towards family soon spreads out to the common people, sealing the doom of the society.
7. There is an increasing desire for and acceptance of adultery.
8. There is a tolerance for and spread of sexual perversions of all kinds - especially homosexuality, but including many others - this is the last stage - marks the end of that society/nation.

Note: This book was published in 1947.