

# Review of: "Collective Guilt and the Search for Meaning in Post-Communist Albania: An Existential Perspective"

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Interesting topic, well framed with personal interest and depth. Valuable topic even in terms of the lack of studies on the subject and area..

The intent is to analyze psychological experience. Good, can be. Nevertheless - the problem is primarily legal, or philosophical and political - certainly then cultural, probably also religious. This contexts are ignored by the author.. First of all, I'm missing a reference to the problem solved after 2. World War II, a treatise by K. Jaspers - the question of guilt! Why is there no introduction to the question of guilt as a philosophical and legal question? Without this, one cannot begin to open up psychology - it is then only subjective - individual experience. Good for therapy - but what one?

The author is thinking of a national cultural framework where psychology is not enough! Jaspers was writing about the political collective guilt of the German nation after 2WW, not criminal in the sense of the individual - that is individual, and surely must be judged very strictly, but individually. The study refers to the personal experience of collective guilt. But then it should be noted that it is limited to this private sphere - emotions, guilt, anger, powerlessness and hopelessness, remorse and shame - and that it omits the philosophical and legal side of the matter.

Then I would miss a view of the international tribunals, the EU, the UN - at least a frame and basic information. How current developments affect the sense of confusion, disappointment. What are the causes? What could be the advising?

=If the study also takes this context into account, it will certainly be valuable.