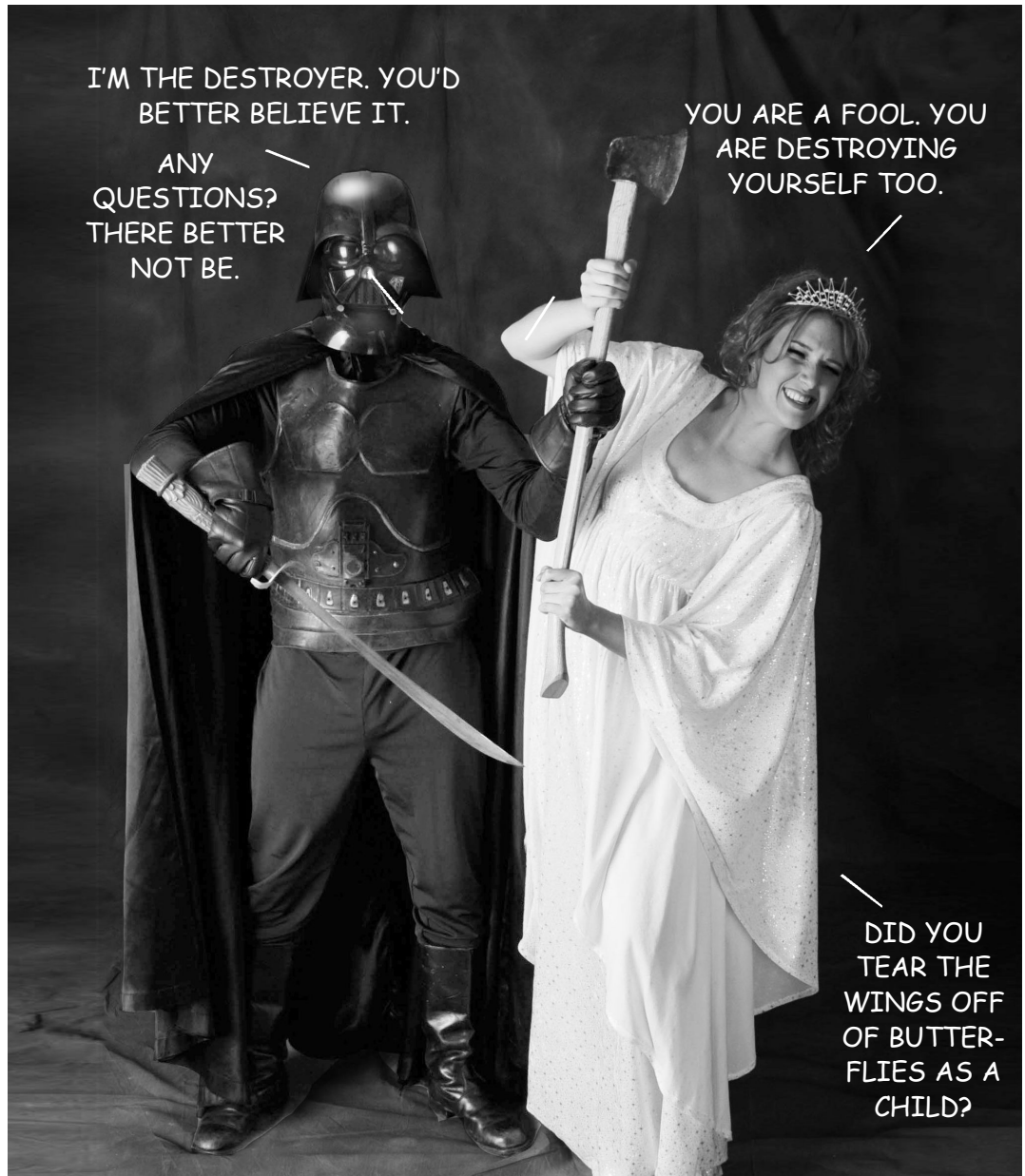


I will destroy whatever gets in my way. I am Empire!



*Even clowns
know that
empires don't last
very long.
Don't they read
history?*



I'M THE DESTROYER. YOU'D
BETTER BELIEVE IT.

ANY
QUESTIONS?
THERE BETTER
NOT BE.

YOU ARE A FOOL. YOU
ARE DESTROYING
YOURSELF TOO.

DID YOU
TEAR THE
WINGS OFF
OF BUTTER-
FLIES AS A
CHILD?

Voices from Two Different Stories:

FEAR (STRATCOM) wants to build and sustain an empire that assures that America can have its way, especially enabling multi-national corporations to operate freely, and exploit natural resources of the world, including oil, minerals, and cheap labor.

HOPE: I hate becoming an empire because this hinders people from developing the kind of world we prefer. Why do we doubt that we can create such a world? We could overcome poverty and hunger in the world. We could set up schools of opportunity to educate every person in the world in human greatness.

Comments: ■ *U.S. plans to create a space "First Strike" program are well underway. — Bruce Gagnon.*
■ *Project for A New American Century was formed in 1997 (It included Cheney, Wolfowitz, Rumsfeld, Perle, Jeb Bush) and spelled out a report for U.S. global domination, which has become the blueprint for the military plans and policies of the Bush II regime. The devastating policy failures visited on the United States since 2000 speak to more than a corrupt and incompetent administration intent on rolling back the post-World War II gains for the U.S. middle class and asserting global imperial rule by military force. They speak to an imperial legacy, a plutocracy posing as a democracy, and a wounded national psyche in denial of the shadow side of our national history.*
— David Korten in *THE GREAT TURNING — FROM EMPIRE TO EARTH COMMUNITY*.