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An important contributor to the problem: The notion that security is a result of secrecy. (FALSE, darkness is devil's playground)

How it should have been handled: Security is a result of openness, agreement, and trust! (TRUE)

Crypto keys do need to be secret. The guts MUST BE PUBLIC and must undergo the strictest scrutiny. This is a GOVERNMENT responsibility. Security requires broad understanding of the process and goals!

--Prof dB's take on the matter.


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God has chosen to have children. God is fatherly. In Hosea, God's child is called Ephraim. Ephraim stands for Israel and all God's children. God loves Ephraim. But Ephraim has gradually been breaking his father's heart. A careless and stubborn prodigal son, Ephraim has been wasting his father's gifts, blackening the family name, and smearing over his own soul with an ugliness which years cannot erase.

There have been numerous fatherly warnings from God. "Don't do that, son! Look at how you have come to live! You are sick and hurt and desperately wrong. You are feeding on sin. Come home!"

But Ephraim will not listen. At times it seems he cannot listen.

Finally God lets Ephraim go. He does not get even. He just gets out. Here is the ageless picture of a hurt, angry and deeply disappointed parent. He has

said everything there is to say. He has tried everything he can think of. None of it has worked. Now it is time for silence and restraint. "Ephraim is joined to idols; let him alone."

Here is God our Father, as someone put it, "pacing the room, biting his lip, hands gripped tightly behind his back." He forces himself to let us go, let us hit bottom, let us see what life is like in the darkness. If we want to destroy ourselves—well, all right.

And yet, he cannot do it. He cannot let us go. Isn't he the one who lifted and held us when we toddled into trouble? Isn't he the one who bent to feed our hunger with child-sized bits of food? Has he not sat with us many times through the watches of the night?

How can I give you up, "O Ephraim!
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For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen. (-Jesus Christ, "The Lord's prayer")

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