

Politics

**A rudder, a bedrock, a cornerstone,
a north star: people used to find
these things in their personal relationships.
In their church, family, factory or town.
As modernity scrambled those things,
mostly for the good, the need to
subsume oneself into a group
was going to have to be met
some other way.**

That turned out to be politics.

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