

Toward a World that Works for Everyone*



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The phrase “Towards a World That Works for Everyone” originated with Werner Erhard.

We Can Choose to Be Audacious....

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Werner Erhard

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I remember when I first heard Werner Erhard say these words. I was moved to tears.

"We can choose to be audacious enough to take responsibility for the entire human family. We can choose to make our love for the world be what our lives are really about.

"Each of us now has the opportunity, the privilege, to make a difference in creating a world that works for all of us. It will require courage, audacity, and heart.

"It is much more radical than a revolution – it is the beginning of a transformation in the quality of life on our planet. You have the power to fire the shot heard 'round the world.'" (1)

At that time I had no idea that I was a starseed and I wouldn't have called myself a lightworker. The drive was there, the commitment, the yearning. But I knew nothing then of what I do now.

Archangel Michael said to me in a personal reading on Oct. 2, "You've been talking to me all your life. Do you know that." No, I did not. But I wouldn't be at all surprised.

He also told me that Werner is active in the world today and operates interdimensionally.

It was Werner who popularized the phrase "making a difference." Many of his phrases have entered our common vocabulary and affected the way we see things today. Getting it, getting off it, getting conscious, at cause, at effect, above the line, what you resist persists, conscious

awareness, Everything/Nothing – a lot of what he said shaped my way of thinking perhaps more than anyone else I can think of save, perhaps, Sri Ramakrishna.



Werner in the late 1970s

And Werner and his work received the same disrespect that much of what we're doing today does. No different then.

But what he said in this paragraph burned itself into my memory. We can choose to be audacious enough to take responsibility for the entire human family. The entire human family....

Take responsibility for: See ourselves as cause in the matter and our input as crucial. (2) My heavens, could I ever dream of such a thing? I can today.

We can choose to make our love for the world be what our lives are really about. Can we really? Can we be so big and live so boldly?

Each of us now has the opportunity, the privilege, to make a difference in creating a world that works for all of us.

Is such a thing possible? Yes, when viewed from Fifth Dimensionality, which I suspect is where Werner was viewing things.

He saw that such a world could be and we're now bringing it into being. A world that really works. We can do this.

Yes, it does require courage, audacity, and heart from us every day, day by day.

Elsewhere he said that yesterday's share (3) was now dead and only today's share lives. To share ourselves honestly and transparently requires audacity and courage, but what a difference it makes for us. How freeing it is.

And heart – yes. In a world that valued craftiness, strategy, looking out for number one and getting to personal success by climbing over everybody else, the willingness to love was downright dangerous and only the hardy - and foolhardy- risked it.

I remember having a blowout transformational experience in a Communication Workshop and coming home glowing, only to have my girlfriend shout at me: “Stop that right now!” I swallowed my original face.

Werner would have said the world is hostile to transformation. We wanted to remain in our comfort zones and transformation was not comfortable.

He used to say that, if we wanted to remain in our comfort zone, he could oblige. He’d remove our internal organs and suspend us in tepid water. But if you wanted to live, to love, THAT was uncomfortable. THAT was dangerous.

It’s much more radical than a revolution – it’s the beginning of a transformation in the quality of life on our planet. Yes, not a violent overthrow of existing institutions but their transformation, just as Archangel Michael has said the chosen route of the Company of Heaven is.

Transformation isn’t a mere shuffling of the deck, not simply moving our Scotty dogs around the Monopoly board. It isn’t simply “change,” not a mere repositioning of the content, which causes persistence of the present condition. Transformation is an alteration of the context in which things are held, which alters everything.

You have the power to fire “the shot heard round the world.’ The shot heard round the world – the declaration on our part that hunger would end in the world by the year 2000 (we were perhaps 20 years premature).

Werner always put a deadline on projects so that social action could be coordinated. We will have a man on the moon by the end of this decade: that was Werner’s favorite example of how a deadline works. But boldly declaring what we were about was the shot heard round the world, an idea whose time has come.

And soon, because of the Reval, many lightworkers will find themselves uniquely in the position of having the resources to take the first steps into this new domain, the domain of coordinated, committed social action, firing the shot heard round the world. We CAN choose to be audacious enough to take responsibility for the whole world, not just the human family but all life on Earth. And - later - elsewhere.

I’m game for what comes next. I’m willing. I want a world that works for everyone and all my actions are aimed at achieving that world right now.

Footnotes

(1) Werner Erhard, est Graduate Review, February 1980.

(2) “Responsibility begins with the willingness to take the stand that one is cause in the matter of one’s life. It is a declaration not an assertion, that is, it is a context from which one chooses to

live. Responsibility is not burden, fault, praise, blame, credit, shame or guilt. In responsibility, there is no evaluation of good or bad, right or wrong. There is simply what's so, and the stand you choose to take on what's so. Being responsible starts with the willingness to deal with a situation from the view of life that you are the generator of what you do, what you have and what you are. That is not the truth. It is a place to stand. No one can make you responsible, nor can you impose responsibility on another. It is a grace you give yourself – an empowering context that leaves you with a say in the matter of life.” ([http://wernererhardquotes.wordpress.com/tag/responsibility/.](http://wernererhardquotes.wordpress.com/tag/responsibility/))

(3) A share is the expression of our personal truth, conveying the truth for us, an honest and transparent communication.

Toward a World That Works for Everyone - 1

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We sovereign citizens of Planet Earth commit ourselves to the adequate provision for every citizen of Planet Earth, without distinction or exception, of:

- Food
- Clothing
- Housing
- Public utilities and electricity
- Medical Care
- Education
- Public transport
- Other necessities of life

We accept the natural laws of the universe and agree to live by them.

We also agree to live by those laws of the land which are just.

We agree to respect the rights of others.

We agree to come from the point of view that all human beings are members of one race and that the animal and other kingdoms have equal rights and access to Gaia and are to be respected.

We agree to respect the priority and special needs of children to the necessities of life and appropriate services.

Signed,

Sovereign Citizen of Planet Earth

Creating a World that Works for Everyone

June 30, 2014



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Werner Erhard, the founder of the est Training, is the source of the concept (he would call it a "context") of "a world that works for everyone" and of many other abstractions that have worked their way into our language.

One of these is "making a difference" and there isn't a greater difference we can make than creating the world Werner envisioned.

I'd like to examine that context briefly here because the Reval is nearing and, after it occurs, we'll be collectively starting the work that Werner envisioned more than thirty years ago, building Nova Earth, a world that works for everyone.

Werner held that our deepest urge was to make a difference in our world. His words have stayed with me since he spoke them back in the 70s.

"You and I want our lives to matter. We want our lives to make a real difference – to be of genuine consequence in the world. We know that there is no satisfaction in merely

going through the motions, even if those motions make us successful or even if we have arranged to make those motions pleasant.

“We want to know we have had some impact on the world. In fact, you and I want to contribute to the quality of life. We want to make the world work.” (1)

I watched by a satellite hook-up the event called “A Shot Heard Round the World: A World That Works for Everyone,” and was bitten so badly with the desire to participate in the creation of such a world that it remains a driving force in my life today, even without the events that we’re all following.

A world that works is what Werner would have called “an idea whose time has come.” Nothing is so powerful, he said, quoting Victor Hugo, as an idea whose time has come. And has Nova Earth not come? He was decades ahead of his time.

Werner’s workshops turned on the notion of making a difference. One workshop leader once went so far as to say “all of est comes out of the abstraction ‘making a difference.’” (2) Werner expanded:

“The context of est is impact, or making a difference. ... It is possible to do things in life that are pleasurable and gratifying, that feel good, and that when you’re done with them – although you’re very excited about what you did – don’t really make a difference in your life. ...

“What has allowed people to support est is that it has actually made an impact on their lives.” (3)

He identifies what holds us back:

“Every human being’s deepest, most natural expression is the desire to make a difference in life, yet our lives give us little indication that we matter.

“We want to live meaningful, purposeful lives, yet all our attempts to do so fail because we live in a condition that says we don’t make any difference.” (4)

His workshop leaders returned to the theme on many occasions.

“Notice that you deal with your participation in the [est] Training as you deal with it around everything else – as if your participation doesn’t matter.” (5)

“Everything about your system is there to keep you thinking that you don’t make a difference, to defend you from getting your magnificence.” (6)

“As I look into people’s lives, I see that they are living their lives out of ‘I don’t count’.” (7)

Sound familiar to those who listen to the Company of Heaven today? Nowadays we call it a lack of self-worth and our sources say it’s probably the deepest problem on the planet. Here is Jesus

on the subject: “It always comes back to this situation of self-loathing or self-worth, the lack of self-worth.” (8)

Holding that we can make a difference was unthinkable in the world as it was in Werner’s early days.

“That you make a difference, that the rules for living successfully are now based on you-and-me, that we can live in a context of the world working for everyone, is literally unthinkable.

“It is beyond our present paradigm, outside the scope and limits of the condition in which we have lived. You have to dare to think the unthinkable, dare to do more than dream, dare to be the architect of your own world.” (9)

So what can we do? His advice is especially pertinent to us who will soon benefit from the Reval:

“What can you do? Decide on a project for which you are willing to take complete responsibility. Complete the project successfully. Relate this achievement to others as an inspiration to them. ... You can make the difference.” (10)

Werner had such presence and courage. I’d never heard anyone suggest that we could take responsibility for the whole human population. I cried when he spoke these words. I still cry today when I read them.

“We can choose to be audacious enough to take responsibility for the entire human family. We can choose to make our love for the world be what our lives are really about. Each of us now has the opportunity, the privilege, to make a difference in creating a world that works for all of us.

“It will require courage, audacity, and heart. It is much more radical than a revolution – it is the beginning of a transformation in the quality of life on our planet. You have the power to fire the shot heard ‘round the world.” (11)

At the same time that he was raising our sights to take in the whole world, he was also implanting in us the idea that we could do it, that we could make a difference.

“Thank you for having the courage, audacity, and heart to create as the context for your life that people – you – make a difference.” (12)

So when the bell rings and the Global Currency Reset is announced, after you go on that vacation, come back. Regroup. It’ll be time to apply ourselves to the unworkability in the world and turn this planet into Heaven on Earth, the Garden of Eden, a world that works for everyone.

The research for this article comes from the "est Dictionary," which can be found here: <http://goldenageofgaia.com/spiritual-essays/the-path-of-awareness/est-dictionary/>. Given that Werner's views are so relevant to the work we're doing today, I'll be writing more about them.

Footnotes

- (1) Werner Erhard, *The End of Starvation: Creating an Idea Whose Time has Come*. San Francisco: The Hunger Project, n.d., 3.
- (2) Bix Bickson, Vancouver Center Manager, Making a Difference Seminar, March 1981.
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- (8) Jesus on *An Hour with an Angel*, January 9, 2012, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2012/01/transcript-of-an-hour-with-an-angel-with-jesus-jan-9-2012/>.
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Toward a World That Works for Everyone - 2

Dec. 8, 2009



Werner Erhard in 1979

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My sense of the goal of all our efforts.

If we were looking for a phrase that would describe the world we're headed for, for me, it would be Werner Erhard's memorable phrase: "a world that works for everyone."

I now see that Werner was looking through eyes that knew the Fifth-Density world that we're aiming at. The rest of us blinked when he spoke about "context" and "coming from the whole." But I now see what he was describing where I didn't then.

He was describing a world he could see and feel, a world that he lived from in which he did what worked and what he did worked. It was a world in which he felt love and compassion for all without condition or distinction, the same universal love that we are being encouraged to live from today.

Our partners on the spirit side of life like St. Germaine and Archangel Michael and on the galactic side like SaLuSa of Sirius and Mira of the Pleiadians are standing in that ascended space and beckoning to us.

"Here is the world you're looking for, the world that works for everyone, with no one left out."

What is it that chiefly stands in the way of my experiencing that world?

I'm convinced it can be summarized in one phrase: My "unfinished business" stands in the way – what (Hindu) Vedantists would call “vasanas,” what Linda Dillon calls “core issues.”

“Vasana” is a Vedantic term for a persistent reaction pattern triggered by a current upset which harks back to a past traumatic upset. Collectively mi vasanas comprise all the issues I’ve been carrying around since forever.

One of my intentions here is to begin mapping the whole business of processing old issues out so that, when the time comes, I can assist people who're wanting to be free from theirs so they can pass through the eye of the needle of Ascension.

In reality, I am (you are) a completely innocent and sovereign individual who has, over lifetimes, created issues over various situations that all but mask that innocence and sovereignty from my (our) awareness.

That said, I offer as an initial hypothesis that the two chief tools I see I have to overcome those issues without needing to process each and every one of them would be forgiveness and gratitude.

Forgiveness of myself and others and gratitude to God and everyone around me for what I have, what I’ve learned, and what I’ve gained.

I'll be exploring how forgiveness of everyone who has ever harmed me and asking the forgiveness of all I have ever harmed works. A simple statement of that said once does not seem to do the job. There must be more to the practice.

By the same token, giving thanks to God and the world once for all that I am and have also does not seem to do the job. I must explore the work that gratitude does and see what a "grateful heart" really looks like.

I acknowledge that, without the cooperation of everyone else in this world, I would not be in the position I am today, anticipating Ascension and an end to dualistic consciousness for myself and the planet.

Werner’s goal of creating a world that works for everyone is, by the words of the spiritual hierarchy and Galactic Federation, guaranteed.

Werner held that dream for millions of people, such was the power granted him by the state of enlightenment he was in. I have an inner “video” of him, as it were, burnt into my mind and it serves as my inspiration as I work my way along from a state of incompleteness to a state of completion, Ascension, and then service to others.

Attention, Starseeds! Create a World That Works for Everyone!

February 2, 2011



In Goethe we trust

("Attention, Starseeds! Create a World That Works for Everyone!" February 2, 2011, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2011/02/02/attention-starseeds-create-world-works/>.)

William Hutchison Murray wrote:

"Until one is committed, there is hesitancy, the chance to draw back. Concerning all acts of initiative (and creation), there is one elementary truth, the ignorance of which kills countless ideas and splendid plans: that the moment one definitely commits oneself, then Providence moves too.

"All sorts of things occur to help one that would never otherwise have occurred. A whole stream of events issues from the decision, raising in one's favor all manner of unforeseen incidents and meetings and material assistance, which no man could have dreamed would have come his way. I learned a deep respect for one of Goethe's couplets:

Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it. Begin it now." (Attributed to Goethe.)

If you don't think it's uncomfortable to be saying what I'm saying, think again. I'm definitely outside my comfort zone and, in fact, I may have to scurry back under my rock and put my fingers in my ears.

But uncomfortable or not, this is the time to fire the shot heard round the world. This is the time for bold action.

If this is illusion, then let's create the illusion we want, the illusion of our dreams, and not the illusion of the dark forces or cabals. Let's paint with bold colors and decisive brush strokes.

Now you are readers. But by tomorrow I request that, if time and commitments allow, you become editors, writers, researchers, tweeters, facebookers, bloggers, artists, illustrators, collectors of photographs, collectors of epigrams. I request that you communicate, spread the word, get the message out.

What message? Freedom. Individual sovereignty. Abundance. Universal medicare. Education for the illiterate. Food for the hungry. Jobs for the jobless. Homes for the homeless. It doesn't matter what. Take a part of your world that doesn't work and make it work. Create a world that works for everyone.

You know it's coming. We're not running against the tide. To global transformation - that's the direction we're going in. But it takes us rousing ourselves to action.

Get on Wordpress, Blogger, Facebook, My Space, I don't care what. Start posting photos of UFOs, of freedom's ferment, of aid to Haiti, of floods in Australia. Just begin.

I want to hear by tomorrow that twenty blogsites have been created by readers of this site.

YOU are the hundredth monkey. Critical mass lies in your hands.

What There Is to Do to Create a New World, a World that Works for Everyone

April 8, 2012



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As imperfect as this abstraction may be, here is what there is to do:

Unworkability -----> Workability

What does it mean?

It means that what there is to do is to look around and recognize unworkability and turn it into workability.

Apparently there doesn't need to be disease, old age, and death. According to Gaia through Ute:

“Those who have abused Me for so long did also abuse you, and were eager to indoctrinate you with the belief in disease, or even more, incurable disease and death. None of them is necessary; both are only a matter of ignorance and separation from Divine Consciousness and the realization of unity.” (1)

Do I know if this is absolutely true? No, I don't. But let's accept it provisionally, until proven otherwise.

A characteristic of Third Dimensionality as we know it is unworkability. Things run down. They don't last. They break. They fall apart. They age. They succumb to disease. There are many conditions that cause what's perfect to become imperfect, what's running to stop running, what's whole to disintegrate.

When something is running or working, it's usually invisible to us. We usually only notice that which is not running or working.

This table that holds my computer up is working. It hasn't received my attention since forever. The chair I sit on receives my attention. It's squeaking and I remind myself that I need to get out my drill and fix it. (Why I don't buy a new chair I don't know. I just like this squeaky one.)

The squeaky wheel gets the grease. The rundown car sees the mechanic. Whatever's not working receives our attention and ministrations.

Just to show you that I've been thinking about this problem since what seems like forever, here's an excerpt from an article I wrote in 1976, when I was a museum historian studying culture, history and artifacts. Pardon the use of the masculine pronoun:

"Were man in Eden still, ... he probably would not have invented artifacts. Man had only to reach up to procure the pleasing fruits of the garden; spoilage, containment, and transportation were not problems.

"Moreover man had no need to build an artificial environment to protect himself from the elements, whether that second skin was in the form of clothing or shelter. Thus man's survival was guaranteed by a benevolent regime and his own efforts were superfluous.

"But Eden is metaphorical [little did I know at the time!]. It suggests a state of Grace where man is a perfect and natural animal, rather than a human and cultural one. Outside Eden, energy is not universally and effortlessly available.

"Foods must be grown or gathered; they must be stored and transported; they must be prepared and served up. ...

"Moreover, man himself must create a second, artificial environment to protect himself from inclement weather; his clothing and buildings are such a man-made outer wrapping." (2)

Even at that time, though I had no idea this was the case, I was mulling over the problems presented to all of us by unworkability.

Anything that's not working, we call a "problem." We identify the problems in life and produce a product or service that addresses them. The sum of the goods and services we produce to address our problems we call an "economy." All of life's productive activities are designed to address problems.

All of our productive activity is aimed at converting unworkability to workability. Therefore what's there to do? Discover what does not work around us and make it work. Convert unworkability into workability.

When we firmly establish ourselves in the Fifth Dimension, this may not be necessary. It may only be necessary now.

So what does not work in our society? People are starving, thirsty, homeless, sick, and dying. Men, women and children are being shot at and blown up.

Women in certain areas of the world are being murdered in honor killings, gang-raped and killed, married off against their will, burned in dowry deaths, doused with acid if they won't marry suitors not of their choosing, starved of education, sold into sexual slavery, and beaten.

Children in areas of the world are being used as soldiers, maiming and killing on command. They're being worked in industries, paid a pittance, used as sexual slaves, on and on the list goes of what in our world doesn't work and needs to be addressed. There's no time to delay. All these problems must be addressed and now is the time to address them.

Admittedly some are lightholders and not lightworkers, having chosen to keep the light shining bright within themselves and to realize their true identity - which is the purpose of life. Their lightwork is to keep their attention turned inward and so I'm speaking mostly to lightworkers: Convert unworkability to workability.

You say you have no money? Then until the money arrives, let's plan what to do. Take a piece of paper and pen and imagine it. Draw it. Represent it. Think about it. Research it.

Prepare for the day when we do have money, colleagues, and tools. Begin to envision and imagine how we'll turn this society from the sorry place it is at present back into the promised land of Eden.

Aren't satisfied with planning? Then begin on any level and any scale you can. Take a broom and clean your neighborhood. Tackle an abandoned lot and clean it up. Very soon your horizons will grow - I'm willing to wager on it.

Make (good) sandwiches and coffee if you can afford it and take them down to a place where people are known to be hungry. Go out to that tent city on the edge of town and see what people need. Then find it and supply it.

The way to make a world that works for everyone is to take the unworkability in our world and turn it into workability.

Footnotes

(1) "Message from Gaia: Catastrophic Events Are Not Necessary!," Gaia through Ute, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2012/03/message-from-gaia-catastrophic-events-are-not-necessary/>

(2) S.M. Beckow, "On the Nature of an Artifact," *National Museum of Man Gazette*, Winter 1976, 26.

Where Are We Going with All This? Toward a World That Works for Everyone

August 17, 2010



(“Where Are We Going with All This? Toward a World That Works for Everyone,” August 17, 2010, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2010/08/17/where-are-we-going-with-all-this-toward-a-world-that-works-for-everyone/>.)

Well, I'm sure you've noticed that in the last month we've lost Chris Story and Matt Simmons to assassination. Here is Pat Tillman in the news again, another probable execution.

Meanwhile Wikileaks is exposing the excesses being committed in Afghanistan. The Washington Post has shown how extensive the "national security state" intelligence apparatus has become. Mainstream newspapers are starting to re-assume their watchdog role in a free society, though there is a very long way to go.

Of course the Afghan and Iraqi wars are simply the largest false-flag operations that we'll hear about, short of dropping a nuke on Iran, which won't happen. There is nothing just or legitimate about those two wars, no angle from which they can be justified, and the sooner they are ended the better.

And Earth changes are drowning us in sorrow as an entire nation (Pakistan) is brought to grief, while we can only helplessly look on.

What have we to look forward to? What are we building, never mind seeing destroyed or actively tearing down?

Can we suggest a vision that focuses our attention on the future rather than on the gloomy present?

Yes, we can. What we are building, in the words of a man you know I staunchly admire (Werner Erhard), is a world that works for everyone, with no one left out.

When I first heard those words from Werner, I lit up. We never built that world back in 1980 but it has remained a vision that has endlessly inspired me.

I don't think it's possible to build such a world in the Third Dimension, but it is in the Fourth and the Fifth, and that's where we're headed.

In such a world, no one will go hungry or thirsty or homeless. No one will serve another, not as a slave that is. No one will be molested or raped or tortured. The thought would never occur to us.

In such a world, we'll refrain from any action that would harm another and look actively for those actions that will benefit all. Our attention won't be on our own survival, or the growth of our possessions, or recognition for ourselves over others.

We are headed for a world that works for everyone, with no one left out. So as this dross and grit and grime falls away, please keep in mind our goal. We're shaking off our chains and freeing the rest of the prisoners as well. We're turning our backs on predatory capitalism, racism, and all other imprisoning "isms." We're walking out of the cave and into the sun.

Yes, we need to chronicle the fall of the controllers, but that's not our final destination. Our final destination, on this circle of the merry-go-round, is a world in which everyone thrives and no one suffers, everyone realizes their full potential and no one is sold short.

A World That Works for Everyone is a Win/Win World

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So often, when we "win" - when we get the outcome we wanted - we don't really care whether the other person wins or not. That's theirs to see to, we reason.

But that's just one thing that'll have to change if we want to build a world that works for everyone.

We now need to be concerned about whether the other person also wins.

Here are some areas in which we as a global society probably could use some improvement.

(A) We ignore what I call the Rule of Four.

In any negotiation, we need to take into account:

- (1) What I want.
- (2) What I don't want.

(3) What you want.

(4) What you don't want.

If any of the four are pressing and not revealed or known, the negotiation is in danger of breaking down.

When it does break down, we discover that one or more of the four have not been shared, whether overlooked or withheld.

A narcissist would only be concerned with 1 and 2. A martyr would only be concerned with 3 and 4. A balanced negotiation would ensure that all four are seen to and taken care of.

For ease of reference, let's call this the notion of balanced negotiation.



(B) We hold that business, trade, and commerce are zero-sum games. If I win, it has to be because you lost.

We fail to see that, even if the world were that way, which it isn't, we could still share the pains and the gains by splitting any profit and any loss. There is never any argument about an even split. When even is not equitable, then an equitable split. Let the default be 50/50.

At its essence, this perspective holds that resources are limited.

It fails to take into account the fact that things can be created. Fiat money was created out of thin air. Fractional reserves were created out of thin air.

Free energy will soon be created ... from beyond thin air, from the vacuum. It'll be free in every sense.

Most galactic societies that we know about - the folks busily showing themselves in our atmosphere in their spaceships - exist without money because they have the power to create, as we will in the future. Their resources are unlimited because they can create what they need through the use of their own powers.

So, life is not a zero-sum game. Resources are not limited. Life is expansion, increase, unfoldment, and not at the price of another person's loss.

We create our abundance. Abundance itself is unlimited. We create less of it right now than we will later because we're still enmeshed in physical and mental density. Later we'll create whatever we need, as people do already in the afterlife, what we call the Astral Plane or Fourth Dimension.

Let's call this the notion of creative abundance. We need to integrate it into our lives and cultures.



(C) We go for maximizing our profit by any means without regard to the other party's gains. We can be aggressively greedy.

Instead of that rapacious, eat-the-other-guy's-lunch behavior, we can be co-operating with our opposite number to see that both parties get what they want from our negotiation and that both parties gain.

What we aim to get from the negotiation is an equitable arrangement to share the costs and proceeds. The most equitable is a 50/50 split, but there may be reasons why that is not equitable, such as a woman's need to be away from work during pregnancy.

Nevertheless the basis of our cooperation to obtain a return on investment that neither of us could reach alone, a synergistic effect.

Maximum profit is not the be all and end all. A world that works for everyone is.

Let's call this the notion of equitable synergistic cooperation.



(D) We ignore the other person's free will.

We approach them as if they "should" do this and "must" do that. We try to persuade the other person to do things our way, which we consider to be the best way, the best thing for the other person, good for the other person's welfare, etc. We don't respect the other person's free will and we don't take their "no" for an answer.

I regard this as the quickest way to taint a negotiation. Show the other person that you disrespect their freedom of choice, their point of view, their opinion.

All of us, I think could afford to strengthen our determination to respect the other person's free will if we're to make inroads into a world that works.

Let's call this the notion of interpersonal respect. It may just be the bedrock upon which all else rests.



Elsewhere, I've called the most influential point of view in the old Third Dimension social Darwinism and business Darwinism.

It holds that nature, life, and business are red in tooth and claw. Life is a struggle for existence in which only the fittest survive. The weakest go to the wall.

The "fittest" in our society are a small elite, 1% of the total population. The rest, minus a small number destined to serve the elite, are considered "useless eaters."

The cabal had its opportunity to build its dream of world domination and that dream world crashed to the ground. There was no place to run, no place to hide when the deep underground military bunkers were, first evacuated, and then destroyed. And so it went with HAARP, nuclear weapons, and every other weapon system and hiding place left to the cabal.

All done with the least possible violence and, where necessary, in accordance with local laws and natural law.

The 3D mindset called social Darwinism is grounded in a philosophical outlook called empirical materialism, that holds that only what we see, hear, feel, touch and taste is real. Sorry, Archangel Michael, you gotta go back in the closet. It was nice knowing you, Higher Self. I have to forget I ever paid you a visit, Fifth Dimension. Bliss, love, peace, you'll have to wait.

I have just reduced myself to a man totally bound and defined by what he does, thinks, and feels. Everything higher than Third-Dimensional reality is now closed to me. Mozart, stop that music. Tesla, stop making those gadgets. Michaelangelo, stop soaring into the heavens.

Drilled into acquiescence to a dumbed-down, programmed existence, all I'd know and care about would be "keeping up with the Joneses," "getting ahead," "having the American dream" - buying that house, raising those 1.8 kids, vacationing in Hawaii, and having a retirement fund put away.

The mindset these values gave rise to was numbing.

We need to be concerned about the position our negotiation leaves the other in. Service to others supersedes service to self now.

We need to take the time in any negotiation - especially at the outset - to establish relationship.

We need to see that all profits are shared equitably, without duplicity, without trickery. No hidden agendas, scamming or manipulating.

We need to see that everything is framed so that *both* parties emerge with maximal satisfaction - so that pain and gain are both equally shared.

And I'm sure we'll arrive soon enough at other elements of a business philosophy for a world that works - win/win - for everyone.

The Future of Society is 'Win/Win'

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Just back from Victoria, B.C., where I had an interesting discussion with my brother, who's a therapist, about the future of psychotherapy.

When I came home and was writing him an email, suddenly, the thought arose in me, "The future of psychotherapy is win/win."

What an interesting reminder. The future of *society* is win/win. The future of *human civilization* is win/win.

Haven't we tried everything else? We've certainly tried conquering each other and none of that has proved useful or lasting.

A world that works for everyone is naturally win/win because people in bliss only want the best for each other. The Fifth Dimension is blissful; therefore, it must be win/win. The two go together.

Nonetheless, when I look within myself, I still see much residual anger, judgmentalness, many "us against them" feelings. I can't seem to make the leap ... to win/win. Not with the present vibrational level of my consciousness.

I must get something out of being cantankerous. My big brother used to wrestle me into a headlock and tell me, "You're just a grumpy old fart." At seventy now, I'd better pay attention.

Why am I so grumpy? I hear my Dad saying "You're so hard done by." And hitting me on the back of the head. I feel smouldering resentment, resistance to loving him.

Now I see that slap as very military - a seaman who risked being torpedoed every day disciplining his son - or, as he'd say, teaching him a lesson.

But whatever it is or was, it's holding me back. This vasana, this core issue, around pure resistance itself, resistance as an identity, resistance as who I am is preventing me from making necessary leaps in consciousness. As long as I'm "in it," I won't open to a total comprehension of win/win.

So I haven't joined that club yet. Intellectually perhaps, but as experiential knowledge? No. As realized knowledge? Definitely not.

A You-and-Me World: The Organizing Principle for a World That Works

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Werner Erhard in 1979

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Yesterday I looked at the context called "a world that works for everyone," which was created by Werner Erhard in the 1970s. (1) Today I want to look at the organizing principle that Werner put forth for such a world.

In 1980 Werner referred to that organizing principle when he said "a you-and-me world [is] a world that works for everyone." (2) I actually vividly remember him saying the following words to describe his vision:

"Sometime around now – it may have happened five years ago or fifty years ago – ... the rules for living successfully on this planet shifted. We can no longer hope to live meaningful, purposeful lives using the rules of a you-or-me world. It's becoming clearer and clearer to those who will look that in order to live successfully on this planet, we must discover and live by the rules of you-and-me." (3)

He described this context as "more radical than a revolution." In place of the exclusionist principles common in society, Werner offered inclusionist principles based on each of us taking responsibility for our world and letting go of our polar, confrontational leanings. He said:

“Here, purpose and meaning in our lives do not come in response to a common enemy or in the wake of a popular leader, but from individuals willing to take on and create purpose and meaning for themselves.

“It is the beginning of a transformation in the quality of life on our planet for each of us, with no one left out. We can choose to make the success of all humanity our personal business.” (4)

The Vietnam War was fresh in everyone’s memory. There was awareness among a few of how the population had been manipulated into going to war. But there was nowhere near the knowledge of the forces that wanted to win control of the world that there is today.

No one suspected what was happening behind closed doors. It took 9/11 to wake many people up.

Werner was speaking into a space inhabited by protesters and activists who had begun by marching but ended by burning banks and eventually devastating the downtown areas through which they marched. No one’s hands were clean in those days. Werner seemed alone in emphasizing accountability and integrity.

Werner’s call for a you-and-me society, a world that worked for everyone, with no one left out, was about as challenging a perspective for me as any that I’d ever heard before. It wasn’t simply its global reach that was revolutionary; it’s that it included very many people whom activists at that time regarded with disdain and missed few opportunities to ridicule.

Werner described the kind of world we lived in here:

“The world isn’t friendly to the experience that your life works; the world isn’t friendly to the experience that you have relationships which are meaningful and nurturing. There’s no room for that out there. There’s plenty of room to be very slick and clever and successful. You’re a slick operator? Terrific! The world’s truly friendly to that. But if you’re decent, you’d better hide it.” (5)

Proposing his vision was radical enough. But Werner didn’t stop there. He practically campaigned for it.

And he wasn’t helped as much as we are by rising energy, the prospect of global prosperity and a shift in consciousness.

Our work to create Nova Earth is helped by the uplifting impact of the energies sent to us from the far reaches of space and from other dimensions. But Werner had no such help. He was a lone person facing into all the unworkability that prevailed at the time.

That unworkability included the undermining of foreign economies, the seizure of nations’ natural resources by multinational companies, the assassination of leaders of other countries who tried to establish democracy, and constant warfare in every region of the globe, disguised as anti-communism and later anti-terrorism.

No one at the time imagined that all this was a strategy to take control of the world from the people and create a “New World Order.”

In 1980 Werner wrote that:

“In this new context, making a difference becomes a way of life – individuals live their lives out of the knowledge that each of us has the responsibility and the power to create a world that works for all of us.” (6)

No one that I know suspected at the time that this generation would actually face into a global shift in consciousness. People like Werner did the heavy lifting for this global shift and cleared the space for us to consider forgiveness on a planetary scale.

Facing into the challenge that Werner issued was the first introduction for many of us of what we now know as “unitive consciousness.” As Werner put it:

“When we start to examine our assumptions about our relationship with the world, we begin a process that results in a discovery. We discover that not only are we related; we are actually members of a vast human family.

“Along with this discovery comes a deeply experienced sense of responsibility for all family members, and a desire to do something, to make a contribution that will make the world work for everyone.” (7)

He and his associates created one organization and workshop after another with incredible speed (the Hunger Project, the Breakthrough Foundation, Hermetet, etc.) to address the challenges of the work. His stated purpose for the Community Workshop was particularly revealing:

“The problems of our times are so massive, so pressing, that they cannot be handled by individuals alone. The time for solitary heroes is over. We can no longer rely on old ways of thinking, old patterns of leadership and followership.

“If we are going to create a world that works for everyone, we must learn to function in communities; to be effective and produce results in participation with others. ...

“The [Community] workshop is an opportunity to be responsible for a convergence of vision and circumstances which results in true community action.” (8)

He held that the world of his time was run on the basis of survival. In fact, the fundamental insight that brought on Werner’s own transformation was his realization that he too was skewed toward survival:

“I saw that the fundamental skew to all knowledge, and to the unenlightened mind, is survival, or, as I put it then, success. All my knowledge up to then had been skewed toward success, toward making it, toward self-realization, toward all the goals, from material to mystic.

“In the next instant – after I realized that I knew nothing – I realized that I knew everything.” (9)

A survival-oriented world gave rise to a you-or-me way of life (looking out for Number One, as one author described it). “In a you-or-me world, nothing makes a difference,” he said. (10)

Trainer Angelo d’Amelio referred to the rules of such a world:

“I know how to win and to make others lose. I know the rules of the ‘you-or-me’ game. I’ve been trained by society in these rules.” (11)

We could engage in individual acts of kindness and charity that “proved” our benevolence, which Werner would have called "gestures" and “pretense.” But we were not to allow others into the winners’ circle or share our knowledge with them of how to win. Angelo said:

“You can share the fruits of winning but don't share winning itself with them because you [may] have to start wrestling again and, when you do, it's still ‘you-or-me.’” (12)

In a you-and-me world, “I win by virtue of your winning. It's true but,” Angelo added, “you're not allowed to think in this way. It's not natural. It's naive, stupid.” (13)

We know that the strategy of the CIA at this time was to ridicule those who witnessed UFOs so as to keep us from knowing of the presence of the galactics. That strategy was not limited to one field; it was practised against anyone who tried to make a difference in the society of the times - if they were not assassinated (like John Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Robert Kennedy, Malcolm X, etc.).

Angelo asserted that “a completely-developed, whole human being will naturally select as a context for life that life will work for everyone.” (14) Others at the time were calling this context win/win. The work to make the world such a place was to be found precisely where we stood, he held.

“If you want to make a difference, if you want your life to matter, you must devote yourself to finding out what's wanted and needed where you are.

“You need to go home and find out what's wanted and needed to make the world work where you are, to create a you-and-me world context for life.” (15)

Today we’d say that a you-and-me world is run on the divine qualities, such as forgiveness, trust and love. We’d talk about how everyone in the world is connected and that our separative consciousness is what caused the problems on our planet.

Werner chose to leave America when Scientology threatened his life and his daughter accused him of sexual assault on the promise of a large bribe (which she never received).

My understanding was that he went to Northern Ireland where he assisted in achieving peace there. In these years he established the Mastery Foundation and trained peace negotiators and leaders.

I can't think of another person who's labored harder for world peace and a world established on a firm foundation of workability. There may be people who have but I personally don't know of them.

Now we're on the brink of creating a world that works for everyone, based on the organizing principles of inclusion, universality, non-judgmentalness, etc. In my own view, in many ways, we'll be reaping the crop that Werner sowed.

I certainly acknowledge my debt to the man whose associates turned me completely around the day I walked into that training room. He taught me principles that molded my thinking like no one else has.

The research for this article comes from the "est Dictionary," which can be found here: <http://goldenageofgaia.com/spiritual-essays/the-path-of-awareness/est-dictionary/>. Given that Werner's views are so relevant to the work we're doing today, I'll be writing more about them as we go along.

Footnotes

(1) "Creating a World That Works for Everyone," July 1, 2014, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2014/07/01/creating-a-world-that-works-for-everyone/>.

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A World That Works for Everyone? Why, That's Simple!

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It's been more than thirty years since Werner Erhard issued his challenge to create a world that works. He said in 1977:

"We can choose to be audacious enough to take responsibility for the entire human family. We can choose to make our love for the world be what our lives are really about.

"Each of us now has the opportunity, the privilege, to make a difference in creating a world that works for all of us. It will require courage, audacity, and heart.

"It is much more radical than a revolution – it is the beginning of a [transformation](#) in the quality of life on our planet.

"What we create together is a relationship in which our work can show up as making a difference in people's lives. I welcome the unprecedented opportunity for us to work globally on that which concerns us all as human beings.

"If not you, who?
If not now, when?
If not here, where?" (1)

He called the event announcing his intention to build such a world "the shot heard round the world."

Well, I can tell you, it was certainly a shot that resonated throughout my being. I wept when I heard him lay out his vision. And I was so grateful to him for having given it words.

I wondered for years how it could be done. And now here we are, doing it.

And it turns out to be easy peazy. That world that works for everyone? That's a Fifth-Dimensional world. That's exactly the world that awaits us after Ascension. You could sit back and do nothing and still arrive in such a world. It's laid on.

But what isn't laid on is how soon it happens. And what isn't laid on is whether we'll play a part in it. What isn't laid on is whether we'll recognize the opportunity it represents to grow and evolve.

Ascension happens when our vibrations reach a certain stage where we can energetically "support" such a world. It happens when our vibrations reach the stage where the largest possible number of people (some will choose not to go) ascend with us.

But we won't sit back and wait for it because for every minute we delay getting to work to create such a world, more babies die of famine, more fathers and mothers weep over their loss, more kidnapped girls suffer in sexual slavery, more women are attacked by acid-throwers or killed in honor deaths, on and on the list goes of tragedies and atrocities which we're going to address, just as soon as abundance arrives.

We have the opportunity to fire the shot heard round the world. We have the ability to cause a creative explosion in our world when our gifting shows everyone that there's a new Marshall in town, the old order has fallen, and we, the new wealth holders, are here, not to corral wealth, not to misuse it or use it poorly, but to transform the world to planetary workability with the funds being channeled through us.

We are incorruptible. People will try to trip us up. And occasionally we'll trip ourselves up. We are human. But neither money, sex nor power (or what the Divine Mother called "control, greed and lust"), (2) will in the end have us stand down and leave our posts.

How many of us have had a dream in which we saved the world? How many of us ever, ever thought that we'd be doing it?

Well, as soon as someone shakes the tree, we're going to do just that.

Don't worry about how you look. You look outlandish. Will people talk about you behind their back? Yes, they're doing so right now. Will they will say bad things about you? Guaranteed.

Will you let that stop you?

Will you, once abundance arrives, project your vasanas onto other people? Probably. So simply watch yourself and know when you're acting from ancient wounds and incidents that happened

to you when you were a child, that they have nothing to do with the poor bloke standing right there in front of you. Forgive yourself and stop.

Example: Why do I react so badly when someone discusses a financial arrangement with me and wants deference from me in return? When I was seven, I went to a Montreal hospital with my wealthy Grandfather. He'd donated the money to add a room on to a complex and his name appeared on a plaque above the door.

A doctor kindly guided us to the room and my Grandfather argued with the doctor because the plaque was bolted to the wall. He wanted an extender put in that would have the plaque be four inches out from the wall, so more people could see it.

Oh my. Can I have the Mother's cloak of invisibility please? This is my Grandfather?

I have to watch that I don't project my feelings of embarrassment and disgust onto others who demand my deference because they contributed, coming from the triggered memory of that incident.

It isn't all going to be easy. We'll lose friends in the process. We'll wonder at times why we signed on for this work.

I have a newspaper photo on my wall of a woman in Darfur, crying. Underneath is the final line from a positive Canadian refugee claim, the formula that all refugee claimants are waiting to hear: "...and I extend to you Canada's protection." How proud I was to say those words. How proud I was of my country that had such a robust human-rights system.



That woman is my employer. She's the one I work for.

You have the power to fire the shot heard round the world. Just keep getting bigger and bigger and bigger and bigger.

In fact we *are* the shot heard round the world. We *are* the world that works for everyone, in bud and blossoming. We simply need to get that intention, that commitment, that impetus out from our hearts and into the world.

Heroes are ordinary men and women who dare to see and meet the call of a possibility bigger than themselves.

Breakthroughs are created by such heroes, by men and women who will stand for the result while it is only a possibility - people who will act to make possibility real. (3)

Footnotes

(1) Werner Erhard, Graduate Review, February 1980.

(2) The Divine Mother in a personal reading with Steve Beckow, through Linda Dillon, June 7, 2015.

(3) Werner Erhard, at <http://www.wernererhard.com/thatworks.html>.

A World That Works? How? Through Love

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Archangel Michael said on *An Hour with an Angel*:

"Destructive adults, they need the help.

"And that is where your global work comes into play of holding peace, of holding the vision of a world that works for everyone. Of holding a vision where there is not a separation between human beings – that some are good and some are bad, that some are in and some are out.

"Hold that vision. That is the global work at the moment. Hold the vision of what you are desiring, what you are intending, what you are bringing forth in tandem with us." (1)

I never thought I'd be in a position to utter these words, but I feel capable of holding the vision of a world that works for everyone.

If you'd have asked me perhaps two years ago, I would have said, "No. Not ready yet." But now I am.

Nonetheless, there is a split in me. I can hold the vision in the quiet, meditative space of my apartment, but when I go out into the noisy street, my conditioning, my fear of losing my space as a hermit/writer, and all other leftover vasanas mean that I don't live up to my vision. I may be considered by many as grumpy, withdrawn.

In Kathleen's terms, the inner and the outer don't yet match. That accomplishment awaits me. I definitely sense what that would be like. Jesus discussed it, did he not? When the outer meets the inner, etc.?

Nonetheless, in the quiet and solitude of my lovely apartment, when I feel transformative love or bliss coming up at the sight of the setting sun or the memory of the beloved, I remember that it's this love and bliss that will have the world work.

And love and bliss are where we're headed. So I can relax. We can relax. Overall the matter is handled. Gradually, but certainly.

Just think of it! We don't have to worry about how to make the world work for everyone. The direction the world is headed in will take care of the matter simply in the outworking of things. Hallelujah!

And what will do it is what the Mother calls her "Tsunami of Love." That continues and continues. We might think of it as the "new normal."

I've actually felt the inner "tsunami of love." I called it, at the time, "torrential love." It didn't occur to me at first that this was what the Mother was referring to. It was like a flooding river or a rogue wave. It sweeps all before it.

Oh, yes, it's a real state of consciousness. It's not just a spiritual wind that blows at a higher dimension, which we don't feel. It's a state of consciousness just one flight of stairs up from where we normally are - and many people are breaking through to it now.

Like chicks out of the egg we are. We break through the shell in our transformational moments - in an encounter group or a meditation workshop, say. Or in love itself. (2)

When I had the obstacle in my heart blown out on March 13, 2015 - which is what I mean by a "heart opening," not a mere attitudinal shift - I as an ego felt swept away in the flood of love that followed. I went in and out of that state for the next six months. Each time I'd willingly drown anew in the Ocean of Love.

Each time it overwhelmed me was like a dam bursting and the resulting torrent of water swept down the valley. That conveys the force with which love takes over the place - sacred love, real love, transforming love.

It drowns everything. Nothing escapes it. Of course all of this is happening in inner space, in feelings and inspired ideas. I'm giving words to the wordless.

We truly are drowned in the deep end of the Ocean of Love, as Kathleen put it. And what one has drowned in turns out to be exactly what one was seeking all one's life. It's the treasure in the box that Eckhart's beggar is sitting on. (3) It's the treasure buried in the field that Jesus described.

If we'd had this experience, we wouldn't need to ask anyone to validate it. (4) It would be self-evident and would never leave our memory.

When everyone in the world feels love like that, the world will work. We'll only do what works and what we do will work. And all of us will feel love like that in our future.

Footnotes

(1) Archangel Michael in "Transcript ~ Archangel Michael: Peace is Love, May 11, 2017," Channeled by Linda Dillon, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2017/05/21/transcript-archangel-michael-peace-is-love-may-11-2017/>.

(2) I've found it particularly helpful to combine qualities, such as love and awareness or love and light, as a means of encouraging transformational moments. I can think of two spiritual experiences right away (the Silver Bullet and the Flame in the Heart, I called them) where it was the conjunction of two awarenesses that caused the peak experience.

(3) A beggar had been sitting by the side of a road for over thirty years. One day a stranger walked by. "Spare some change?" mumbled the beggar, mechanically holding out his old baseball cap.

"I have nothing to give you," said the stranger. Then he asked: "What's that you are sitting on?"

"Nothing," replied the beggar. "Just an old box. I have been sitting on it for as long as I can remember."

"Ever looked inside?" asked the stranger.

"No," said the beggar. "What's the point? There's nothing in there."

"Have a look inside," insisted the stranger.

The beggar managed to pry open the lid. With astonishment, disbelief, and elation, he saw that the box was filled with gold. (Eckhart Tolle, *The Power of Now*. Downloaded from http://www.inner-growth.info/power_of_now_tolle/eckhart_tolle_chapter1.htm)

(4) In the first Enlightenment Intensive I did, the master said that anyone who thinks they've had an experience should come up to him and discuss it with him. (Trick question.)

I thought I had an experience and went towards the front to discuss it with him and, even before I reached him, he curtly said "Sit down." I meekly sat down.

Some time later, I did have a transformational experience. I got up from my seat and went outside the hall. I felt no need to go to the front to discuss it with the master.

A World That Works for Everyone; or, When in Doubt, Love

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When Werner Erhard first called for “a world that works for everyone” in around 1979, it was a radical concept.

I remember when I grappled with it, I couldn't imagine how such a world could come into being.

Now that question has been answered: A Fifth-Dimensional world is a world that works for everyone. Unconditional love and unitive consciousness will prevail. The combination of the two, affecting everyone and everything, will create a world that works.

Back then I was deeply mired in Third Dimensionality, as were we all, and I couldn't see the solution to the problem. Werner could see it however because he was enlightened and was probably acting on what he saw as a result of his enlightenment - or its further unfolding. (1)

There are two ways in which a Fifth-Dimensional world works for everyone.

The first is our internal state and the second is the way in which we regard everyone else.

Just from the few tastes of higher-dimensional love that I've had in the last two weeks and multiplying that by factors of ten or a hundred, I can see that, if I were in Fifth-Dimensional consciousness right now, I'd need little, desire little, probably own little, etc. I'd be content with love and bliss and joy.

So my internal state would be conducive to a world that works for everyone.

Moreover, the way in which I'd regard others - from a place of love, compassion and sympathetic joy - and the fact that all others would also be in the same place, would mean that any departure from happiness and pleasant conditions would be quickly remedied.

But then, there would be no such departures. They could not exist in the elevated vibrations of the Fifth Dimension.

So we could say that Ascension itself will naturally lead to a world that works for everyone.

The trick is - and this is where we lightworkers come in - to create that world now, while we're *not* in Fifth Dimensionality.

We can sit back and wait for it and it'll come but we have an excellent opportunity instead to develop our skills by working diligently now for that same world, without the advantages we'd have after Ascension.

Moreover, as lightworkers, we'd be fulfilling our mission to see that as many folks come with us as possible by laboring strenuously for that world that works (and there are those lightholders for whom the words "laboring strenuously" won't apply).

How do we act Fifth-Dimensionally when we're not yet Fifth Dimensional?

First of all, we can trust. Why trust? Well, if we don't know the way, we're going to have to hear about it from others. And we're going to need to trust the best accounts we can find if we want hints on how to get there sooner than the rest ... like now.

Trust who? Trust the most credible sources we're aware of, who are telling us what life is like ahead of us and urging us to be loving, be compassionate, be generous, etc.

Second of all, we can see and extend the trend. Have you not noticed that our emotional floors - the point below which we never go emotionally any more - has risen? Can we not see that, as it rises, we feel more and more love, calmness, mental silence, etc.? Can we not distinguish that as a trend and, if we can, can we not extend it in any way we can now and into the future?

Thirdly, when in doubt, love. Love is what this whole thing is about anyways. We're asked to realize our true identities and one way to say what that is is that our true identity is love. The mind is the barrier to love so let go of thoughts and just love - as Mary Magdalene said, with power and abandon.

All our efforts are maximally aided at this time. There's so much love washing our planet and so much help that, as S.N. Goenka would say, we're bound to be successful, bound to be successful.

So we can understand what a world that works for everyone would look like and we're building it. We'd rather not wait to have it handed to us on a silver platter because we know that we can learn and grow from this work. So we're building Nova Earth now and the biggest step we'll ever take in that process is just to love.

Footnotes

(1) The est Training was Werner's attempt to communicate the experience of enlightenment. See W.W. Bartley, III. *Werner Erhard: The Transformation of a Man; the Founding of est*. New York: Potter, 1978.

A World so Loving

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A cast of thousands behind the scenes is staging our Ascension. They're responsible for the production side, more or less.

What we've been tasked with is building Nova Earth, a world that works for everyone.

You probably had no trouble with "building Nova Earth" but perhaps an involuntary laugh at the thought of "a world that works for everyone."

Tee hee. How can a world be made to work for everyone????

Let me put the matter this way. The Fifth Dimension, from the very minor experiences I've had of it so far, is characterized by divine qualities such as love, bliss, peace, joy, to name a few.

None of these is like anything we've ever known in our everyday lives. It was completely unknown territory to me. OK, OK, a few brief stopovers on the way to somewhere else. Seconds or minutes a year. But that was it.

Nevertheless, we use the same names for both the everyday and non-everyday kind of quality. And that's where things get confusing.

I'm going to follow the Divine Mother's example, when she talked about "sacred love" for what I was calling "transformative love" and what Jesus called "real love." (1) I'm going to say "sacred

bliss" and "sacred peace" as well because that phrase does suggest the gulf between, say, ordinary love and higher-dimensional love.

The point I want to make is that, when one is in the state of sacred love, sacred bliss, or sacred peace, one would never harm anyone. All one wants is that others could share the same state of consciousness. There's nothing in the world one wants for oneself except more sacred love, bliss, peace, etc.

The world works for one who enjoys sacred love, bliss, or peace. At some point in time, that'll be all of us. But for now, it's known only to a few of us and those few are lightworkers.

A world that loves is a world that works. When all of us experience sacred love, this world will automatically work. That comes with Ascension.

What you and I are doing is getting out ahead of the parade and finding the most direct route to get there as early as we can. Loving, now, is exactly what's required to make this world work.

We're all headed for a world so loving, so blissful, and so peaceful that everyone is naturally and normally happy. The state we'd be in then I call the "Natural Self." It's who we are without the overburden of issues and upsets, patterns and programs.

To speed the process along, I invite anyone who wishes to, to ask for love, bliss, or peace. Open to them. Imagine them. Draw love or bliss up from your heart on the in-breath and send it out to the world on the out-breath. Imagine love. Remember bliss. Prefer peace. Express only love.

Meanwhile I'm still here, knowing the punchline, understanding how this rivetting movie ends. And it's such a great ending that I want to share it with everyone, whether or not they intend to see the movie. I can't be quiet on this one. Never mind the stock market. Listen.

We're all headed for a world that works.

All those people who value the pursuit of happiness? This is your destination, your stop. Congratulations!

Just knowing how the movie ends is for me endlessly exciting and gripping. I can't suppress my excitement. The ending eclipses anything I ever wanted or wished for.

Footnotes

(1) Divine Mother: Why (laughing) can we not call it 'Mother Love'?

Let us call it Sacred Love. ...

Now, you have yearned to know love and this yearning has expressed in many simply as yearning, but many of you – most of you and this is part of your Ascension – are breaking through that barrier as well, and coming to what you, dear Steve, have called 'Bliss' – what many call awakening, expansion – it matters not. But into that knowing and that experience of such unlimited, unconditional, unrestricted bliss, exuberance, joy – all of this is love. ("Transcript ~

The Divine Mother: New Year's Message 2017," December 29, 2016, at [http://goldenageofgaia.com/2016/12/31/new-years-message-2017/.](http://goldenageofgaia.com/2016/12/31/new-years-message-2017/))

Jesus: Truly, although you do need to care for it sensibly, your human body is a distraction because you are so aware of it to the exclusion of what is real Love, and whose flame burns always within you maintaining your eternal existence. And yet you seek It, quite unknowingly, without, where It can never be found.

Love is the energy field in which all exists. (Jesus through John Smallman, Jan. 30, 2015, at [http://johnsmallman2.wordpress.com.](http://johnsmallman2.wordpress.com/))

Here is the Arcturian Group:

You are ready and it is time to move more fully into a consciousness of real Love--Love that is free of limiting three-dimensional concepts and that you live and express in every experience of daily living. (Arcturian Group, Jan. 29, 2017, at [http://www.onenessofall.com/.](http://www.onenessofall.com/))

A World at Peace is a World that Works for Everyone - Part 1/2



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Children of the Sun said to us in their meditation for peace in France: "I am Love. I am Light. *Awaken!*" (1)

Normally we'd awaken to - or remember - the nature of our true Self. But you and I've been sent to Nova Earth to reconstruct the planet and its society and so what *we* awaken to may be a social truth, rather than a personal one - the truth of planetary unity.

That truth is that we're One, that we *can* live in peace, and that we *can* build a world that works for everyone.

Werner Erhard, the founder of the est Training, is the source of the context "a world that works for everyone" and notions like "making a difference." (2)

Why look at what he's saying at a time like this? Why not be penetrating down into what Archangel Michael has said?

Because I want to emphasize how terrestrial sages have also labored mightily on this project of peace in the world, no one harder than Werner.

Werner held that our deepest urge was to make a difference in our world. His words have stayed with me since he spoke them back in the 70s.

“You and I want our lives to matter. We want our lives to make a real difference – to be of genuine consequence in the world. We know that there's no satisfaction in merely going through the motions, even if those motions make us successful or even if we've arranged to make those motions pleasant.

“We want to know we've had some impact on the world. In fact, you and I want to contribute to the quality of life. We want to make the world work.” (3)

There isn't a greater difference we can make than creating peace in the world and going on to create a world that works for all.

Nothing is so powerful, he said, quoting Victor Hugo, as an idea whose time has come. And is the idea that Nova Earth is here, a world that works for everyone, not an idea whose time has come?

Have we not exhausted ourselves and the planet through our survival-oriented, us-against-them philosophies?

All of us came here to serve such an idea. World unity, abundance for all, peace on Earth - all of these are ideas whose time has come.

You and I want our lives to work out. We want to make a difference in righting a world where school principals kill babies, where multinational companies run sex-trafficking rings, where government officials throw parties with young children serving as prostitutes.

We want to see the end of societies that stone women, mutilate their genitals, and forcibly sterilize them.

We want to see the end of regimes that start wars with false-flag operations, train assassins to eliminate democratically-elected leaders, and in general execute all who oppose them.

No amount of "collateral damage" is too much. Spray the world's skies with toxic chemicals. Spread pandemic viruses and then offer the cure of an equally-toxic vaccine. Try to start World War III. Anything is permissible to rid oneself of one's enemies and the world of "useless eaters."

But that time is now over. The cabal's is an idea whose time will never come because it promises no unfoldment of love in the world. It ran smack into the Divine, which it has denied for millennia. Now it's access is also denied.

Essential to its program of world domination was the conditioning of the population to think that we're unworthy, that we're born in sin, that we don't count. Werner's colleagues said:

“As I look into people’s lives, I see that they are living their lives out of ‘I don’t count.’” (4)

“Everything about your system is there to keep you thinking that you don’t make a difference, to defend you from getting your magnificence.” (5)

Sound familiar to those who listen to the Company of Heaven today? Nowadays we call it a lack of self-worth and our sources say it’s probably the biggest problem on the planet. Here's Jesus on the subject: “It always comes back to this situation of self-loathing or self-worth, the lack of self-worth.” (6)

The research for this article comes from the "est Dictionary," which can be found here: <http://goldenageofgaia.com/spiritual-essays/the-path-of-awareness/est-dictionary/>.

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(Continued in [Part 2](#).)

Footnotes

(1) At 17:10, <http://childrenofthesun.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/perm/Love-to-France.mp3>

(2) “All of est comes out of the abstraction ‘making a difference.’”(Bix Bickson, Vancouver Center Manager, Making a Difference Seminar, March 1981.)

(3) Werner Erhard, *The End of Starvation: Creating an Idea Whose Time has Come*. San Francisco: The Hunger Project, n.d., 3.

(4) Joan Bordow, “Voting,” *Graduate Review*, May/June 1980.

(5) Bix Bickson, Vancouver Center Manager, Making a Difference Seminar, March 1981.

(6) Jesus on *An Hour with an Angel*, January 9, 2012, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2012/01/transcript-of-an-hour-with-an-angel-with-jesus-jan-9-2012/>.

A World at Peace is a World that Works for Everyone – Part 2/2

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(Continued from [Part 1](#).)

Holding that we can make a difference was unthinkable in the world of Werner’s days.

“That you make a difference, that the rules for living successfully are now based on you-and-me, that we can live in a context of the world working for everyone, is literally unthinkable.

“It is beyond our present paradigm, outside the scope and limits of the condition in which we have lived. You have to dare to think the unthinkable, dare to do more than dream, dare to be the architect of your own world.” (1)

Why is it unthinkable? Well, coming from what I’ve experienced, I can acknowledge that I’d never have imagined what divine love felt like. And divine love is the condition in which the world works. Therefore I’d never have known how it would be possible to have a world that works.

But knowing divine love, I now readily see how the world will work. Experience and realization rather than thinking are what have shown me the secret of the world working.

You-and-me? What is that? I actually vividly remember Werner describing what it was in 1980:

"Sometime around now – it may have happened five years ago or fifty years ago – ... the rules for living successfully on this planet shifted.

"We can no longer hope to live meaningful, purposeful lives using the rules of a you-or-me world. It's becoming clearer and clearer to those who will look that in order to live successfully on this planet, we must discover and live by the rules of you-and-me." (2)

You and I want our lives to make a difference and the difference we're making at this moment is we're bringing peace to our world. The difference is made by those who are teaching non-violent communication, by those who are adopting the orphans of war, rehabilitating child soldiers, rescuing children from white slavery, fighting corruption in government, etc.

The difference is made by lightworkers who hold the space for peace and radiate love and light into the world. It's made by writers, parents, actors, doctors, nurses, pilots, and department-store clerks. It's made by all of us who take up the principles of a you-and-me world.

What principles are they?

- (1) Loving our neighbors as ourselves.
- (2) Seeing all as One.
- (3) Serving the collective as we serve our family and friends.
- (4) Detaching from all that doesn't serve the Divine Plan.
- (5) Devoting ourselves to all that does.

Whether some are happy about it or not, we're heading towards a world that works and there's nothing anyone can do to stop it. But there's everything we can do to facilitate it and speed its arrival.

Since Werner is the architect of the vision I use, let me allow him the last word. These words may as well have been emblazoned on my heart for the impact they had on me when I first heard them:

"We can choose to be audacious enough to take responsibility for the entire human family. We can choose to make our love for the world what our lives are really about.

"Each of us now has the opportunity, the privilege, to make a difference in creating a world that works for all of us." (3)

Here we are, standing on the doorstep of a world at peace, brought to us in largest measure by the Company of Heaven - Airborne Division (I'd give my eye teeth for a fly-by).

The curtain is rising and the play of compassion, abundance, and peace will soon begin.

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Footnotes

(1) Werner Erhard in poster for *A Shot Heard Round the World: A World That Works for Everyone*, Spring 1980.

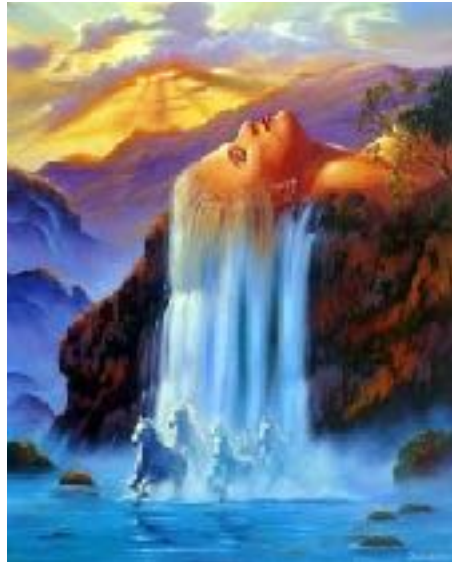
(2) Werner at the Werner Event, c1980.

(3) Werner in the *Graduate Review*, February 1980.

What I'd Like to See

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What is my vision of what could happen after the Reval?

This is all pure fiction, creative imagination. But it reflects my wishes.

I'd like to see lightworkers arise to take on each of the needed functions that will then present themselves.

Someone would take on organizing the Lightworkers Congress. I'll only do it as a last resort. I have enough already to keep me more than busy.

The Lightworkers Congress would create in-person forums for discussion, a form of membership voting, a research arm, a mechanism for pooling funds, and mechanisms for dispersing them, tracking them, reporting them, etc.

Its aim would be to pool resources to tackle problems of a global nature, like hunger, poverty, freedom from enslavement, medical care, education, etc. *Oh, yes, we can.* This generation *can - and will - end* these global problems.

I'd like to see lightworkers arise to take on the informational needs of a generation of humanitarian philanthropists. Reportage. Databases. Accounting services. Software development. Trainings. Forums. The complete spectrum of services.

Like a huge tidal wave, the results of the Reval will restructure countless ventures and initiatives and spawn countless others. And it will all be donor-driven. We need to know how to manage and run a donor-driven economy. Information is needed.

I'd like to see lightworkers using existing agencies wherever possible and whenever uncontaminated by the Illuminati.

These NGOs (non-governmental organizations) are often once removed from resident folks, but they're set up to do the work and they know as much about conditions on the ground as any non-residents.

Operating on a global scale, what we have to watch out for is cultural insensitivity. That could mean seeing others through our cultural lens. It could take the form of forcing our values on others.

It could be failing to estimate a situation correctly because we don't know or understand local conditions or our expectations blind us to actualities. For instance, give a woman in some countries \$50,000 and you may have just signed her death warrant. Our interventions will have to be planned and the pitfalls predicted.

Thinking and acting culturally-sensitively will, in some cases, be essential. Humanitarian philanthropy on a global scale will be adult business, not child's play. Care and attention will be needed.

I'd like to see lightworker donors realize that their donees - the ones who receive their gift - may feel themselves in a one-down position. It behooves the donor to be sensitive to that and not ask inappropriate things of them. I'd like to see a lightworker write an etiquette manual for donors and donees.

I'd like to see all of us be sharp and clear in our vision. We're building a win/win world, a world that works for everyone. Let's disregard the distractions that arise once our work begins.

Single-minded commitment to the goal of a world that works, in the service of the Divine Mother, using the Mother's own resources.

That's what I'd like to see.

The Vision I'm Holding

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I was sharing with some friends what I was creating.

"What am I creating? I'm creating a restoration of collective will among lightworkers on this planet such that they will come together to use their financial resources to build Nova Earth: to rid the Earth of global problems like hunger and poverty and create a world that works for everyone.

"[We'll soon be] handed the resources and now we need to do the actual work."

What does this mean?

A restoration of collective will among lightworkers on this planet...

Wherever the will to collaborate is lacking, to encourage it, call it forth (if it can be called forth), to help others to find their will.

The collective will is 7 billion individual wills, intending.

What we need to do is to make that process of intending a conscious matter and then exercise our will in a conscious and unified way to build Nova Earth together.

... such that they will come together to use their financial resources to build Nova Earth:

Financial resources: A portion of funds received from a Reval investment, a prosperity program, the sale of historic bonds, or any other element of the abundance program. We asked Archangel Michael to give us the tools and we'd finish the job. These are the tools.

Come together: Don't give it to me. This is not a pitch for you to send me your money. It's a pitch to send it to a central organization (like the Lightworkers Congress) that will receive and channel the funds and apply it to build Terra Nova - in every respect - artistic, medical, educational, transportational, etc.

Financial wayshowers could either leave it to a central organization to channel or specify programs of choice.

Let's use these funds to end hunger. End poverty. End disease on the planet. End all other causes of global misery and suffering.

Build Nova Earth? Turn away from a consideration of the past to build the future. Concentrate our attention on the emergent shape of the new world - new society, new government, new spirituality, new education, new finances, new art, etc.

Rid the Earth of global problems like hunger and poverty ...

Working separately, financial wayshowers won't be able to impact the global situation. But if we pool our resources, we could.

The most we could do separately would be to think globally and act locally. If we combine our efforts, we'd be able to think and act globally.

Only unworkability is visible. When people are in perfect health, their perfect health is usually not noticeable. But the plight of a beggar, a leper or a victim of AIDS is very visible.

We need to take the unworkability in our world - hunger, poverty, slavery, disease, disability - and make it workable again. And we need to do it in an organized way, according to evolving and equitable standards.

... and create a world that works for everyone.

When I first heard Werner Erhard use this phrase, it electrified me. Later, whenever I heard it, it had me in tears.

Looking back now, I think I knew at some deep level that such a world was possible. But I had no idea as to how it might be attained.

Now of course I do, having spent nearly a year in either higher-dimensional love or bliss, at which time for me the world worked.

So I see how the world can work. Ascension will produce the elevation in consciousness sufficient to remove from all of us any desire to harm another. We're gradually getting there. But the permanent heart opening that Ascension is will complete the process.

A world that works for everyone is a Fifth-Dimensional world. It's a world in which Heaven (the early Christian name for the Fifth Dimension) has been brought to Earth. It's a return to the Garden of Eden.

It's a world without duality, separation, or suffering. It's a world whose primary and unmistakable characteristics are love and bliss, joy and serenity. The divine qualities.

As I write these words, I gently enter into the blissful state. Here, in this state, nothing is amiss; nothing is lacking; nothing is required.

Saturation with bliss, I assert, will transform everyone into a person who does what works and what they do works.

A person who would do none harm, as Thomas More put it. With *muno kokura*, an absence of evil intention, as my karate teacher would've phrased it.

Saturation with the bliss of the Fifth Dimension will by itself create a world that works for everyone. Our opportunity is to grow and evolve by exercising our own spiritual capacities to create that world now and not wait. The sooner it's created, the sooner people stop dying from hunger and disease.

... [We'll soon be] handed the resources and now we need to do the actual work.

Our constant refrain has been that our hands are tied because we don't have the money. Well, now we're about to get the money.

There'll be no more excuses for not rolling up our shirtsleeves and getting to work then. We need to come together in a Lightworkers Congress to plan out how to accomplish our task.

We then need to debate the various proposals and accept some or all of them.

Next as financial wayshowers we need to contribute the resources to accomplish it.

Then we need to get to work.

I don't administer. I don't supervise. I don't even lead. I'm a blue-sky kind of guy. I comment and envision.

And this is the vision that I'm holding.

Lightworkers and the Vision

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There will be wars and rumors of wars in the end times.

But there'll also be incredible visions of peace, uplifting experiences of love, and the first signs of a change in the wind.

A friend played a video for me the other day that discussed the reason why some companies succeed and others fail. I'm going to put what he said in my own words, inspired by his.

According to him, companies that failed told their customers at most what the product was and perhaps how it was built.

Companies that succeeded started by offering the customer a vision. He actually used the word "cause." Equally good. A purpose, a direction.

After that, the successful companies talked about what the product was - and how it was built, if they had to.

He offered an illustration of providing a vision. The Wright Brothers had many competitors for the record for first manned flight. One was Samuel Pierpont Langley, who had all the advantages that money and privilege could buy - sponsors, media coverage, etc.

The Wright Brothers paid for their entry in the race out of their earnings repairing bicycles. They had no media coverage or any other advantage.

They were in it because they saw the future of manned flight. The colleagues of the Wrights were in it as volunteers because they shared that optimistic vision.

Langley was in the race for personal glory. His colleagues were employees, working for money. He offered no vision, nothing that inspired adherence or loyalty.

Langley's team did not make the progress the Wright Brothers did and so the latter won the competition.



Here we are, on the verge not of manned flight, but of global abundance. Before things break open, I'd like to discuss lightworkers and vision, if you'd permit me, based on what I've experienced lately.

To start with, never mind the details. Leave those to others.

Never mind micromanaging anything or anyone. "Create and let go," as Michael said to me.

Lightworkers, in my opinion, before anything else, are in charge of the vision. Lightworkers are above all else leaders who receive, communicate, and hold that vision.

Someone needs to see the goal and offer their version of it.

Someone needs to imagine what needs to be done at the macro level.

Someone needs to provide direction on what brings us closer to the goal and what takes us further away.

Someone needs to hold that vision through thick and thin.

That someone is the lightworker.

Lightworkers see the goal. They've heard about Ascension. They've felt the energies. They know about Disclosure, dimensions, divinity.

They've listened to the celestial and galactic mentors on the need to cleanse themselves of the past, cultivate the divine qualities in the present, and work for a future acceptable to all.



Lightworkers, Archangel Michael told us in 2015, are equipped to step into leadership roles in this time of rapid change - to serve as the visionaries, to fill the leadership "need of the moment." He explained:

"If no [lightworker] steps forward into [leadership], then there is a massive vacuum because many of the billions upon your planet have not yet learned, adapted and integrated the new tools – the fullness of this new energy.

"So [when non-lightworkers] are assigned ... or try to step up ... to create and to take the leadership role, they do not have the training and insight to do it in a way that is achievable. ... So there is a lack, a vacuum of leadership.

"Now, who, upon this wondrous planet, has been hiding in the shadows or edging out, or in the limelight and is ready? ... Who has been diligent and practiced patience and fortitude and stamina, and anchored the divine qualities? Who is it that is prepared to do this? Well, it is the lightworkers." (1)

I'm interpreting lightworkers as all who serve the Light, God, the Mother, the One. It's an umbrageous term and is designed eventually to take in the whole world, as Michael explained in 2013:

Archangel Michael: Does the conversation expand organically and naturally? Does the energy go out to the entire planet, those who want to hear and those who don't want to hear? Yes, it does. But it begins with the lightworker community. That is what we have need of.

Steve Beckow: And I suppose then more and more people join the lightworker community?

AAM: Exactly, until it is one family and one path. (2)

I keep having to tell myself, my job is not to do it all myself (vasana) but to provide challenging, rewarding, and satisfying employment for others as interested as I am in building Nova Earth, a world that works for everyone.

I create jobs.

But even more important than that, I, as a lightworker, create, maintain, and transform the vision of a world that works.

Footnotes

(1) "Transcript: Archangel Michael – On Mastery and Leadership, April 16, 2015," channeled by Linda Dillon, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2015/04/25/transcript-archangel-michael-on-mastery-and-leadership-april-16-2015/>.

(2) "Archangel Michael: A Global Reset of Values, Part 2/2," channeled by Linda Dillon, September 16, 2013, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2013/09/archangel-michael-a-global-reset-of-values-part-22/>.

A World that Works for Everyone: What Are We Waiting for?

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Poster for the World that Works for Everyone event, Werner Erhard, around 1979

("A World that Works for Everyone: What Are We Waiting for?" Jan. 27, 2013, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/building-nova-earth-toward-a-world-that-works-for-everyone/nova-earth-society/a-world-that-works-for-everyone-what-are-we-waiting-for/>.)

I'm hoping that, over the course of this next week, with all the articles posted on people around the globe joining together to build Nova Earth, you'll see that "the human collective," as Archangel Michael calls it, is definitely on the move co-creating Nova Gaia in the Golden Age of humanity.

I could list a page full of men and women and organizations who are awake to the task and at work. Many people are using different language to describe what they're doing.

Some call it life-affirming. Others speak of the new paradigm. You know that we speak of it as manifesting the divine qualities in our lives. People are all pointing at the same thing. Best to look at the moon and not at the finger pointing to the moon.

Humanity is on the move and it isn't adequate to say that we all somehow hit upon this in a crazy fit of synchronicity. All of this points to the blossoming of consciousness under the effect of the continuously-rising energies on the planet, just as our sources have been saying.

There are two phases to this work. One is to stop the behavior that we conditioned ourselves to for so many centuries - just to stop! No more ifs, ands, or buts.

Never mind saying that guns don't kill, people do. Get rid of your guns or put them away. Never mind saying "she got what was coming to her." Stop violence against women. Never mind calling universal medicare "socialist." Step up to the plate and provide free health care for everyone, as so many other countries have.

The second phase is to open up to the expansion of consciousness sweeping the planet and let it in! The second phase is to really understand at a deep level that we have taken a fundamental turn in human existence.

That turn is to commit ourselves now to consciously refine and expand our manifestation of the divine qualities in our lives every minute of every day. And it isn't a goal and an agenda for this lifetime only, but for every other lifetime we live from this moment on.

I see that so clearly now and I just wish it was an idea that one could pass along as one does a business card. But it isn't. It's something each of us has to get for herself or himself.

It now makes a huge difference whether or not we align with the divine qualities because there's a mammoth price to pay if we don't. The train is leaving the station and those who insist on behaving as if nothing they do makes a difference or those who continue to practice violence, greed and selfishness, will, one way or the other, be left far, far behind. It's definitely "Showtime!"

Playing small or playing brutal will no longer make it. Those who continue to play small will be left behind in the tidal wave of divine emergence that is already occurring. And those who insist on playing brutal will simply not be allowed on the train.

It's our time as lightworkers to clamber aboard the Freedom Train and shovel coal, or seat the passengers, or make the food, or make the beds. This is our train.

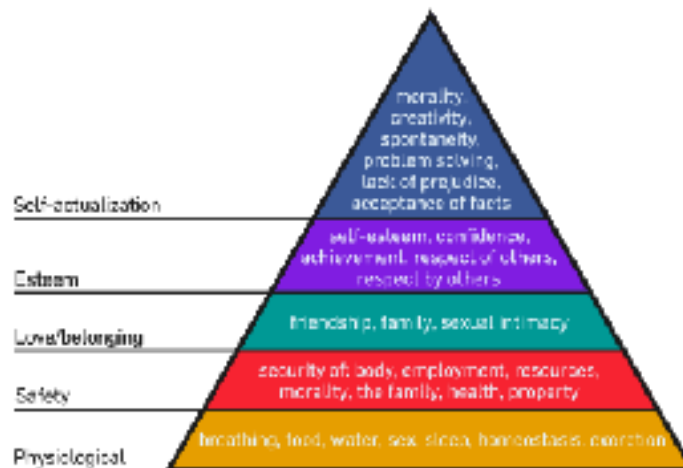
And this is the Day of Deliverance. It's the "We Shall Overcome Some Day" Day. It's the Day the Earth Stood Still - and then took off at lightning speed.

We're headed for a world that works for everyone, as Werner Erhard said more than forty years ago. He saw it clearly, just a few decades ahead of his time.

He called it an idea whose time has come, a shot heard round the world. And you can hear its echo this week here in these pages. The question is: What are we waiting for?

Time to Begin the Planning of a New World, a World that Works for Everyone

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("Time to Begin the Planning of a New World, a World that Works for Everyone," Jan. 24, 2013, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/building-nova-earth-toward-a-world-that-works-for-everyone/nova-earth-society/time-to-begin-the-planning-of-a-new-world-a-world-that-works-for-everyone/>.)

"The next part of your Ascension is with Mother Earth, and with our help to create a new Earth that is befitting souls who are growing exponentially and becoming fully conscious Beings. You will then be able to call yourselves 'Galactic Beings' and the doors will open to even greater opportunities than you have ever experienced. Your rate of progress is entirely up to you, and once you have made your decision you will have plenty of help from us." (SaLuSa, Jan. 4, 2013.)

I said earlier that I regard it as time to begin thinking in terms of world service, to start the whole process of creating the context of a New World, a world that works for everyone.

I now want to suggest four areas of the globe to begin focusing our love on as an exercise in beginning to concentrate our attention on areas of the world in which much work needs to transpire.

I don't mean to suggest that anyone needs to go along with my suggestion of areas. My intention is simply to start the ball rolling and the final outcome of these discussions may be very different than the first go-round.

They're the areas of the globe usually thought of as the Middle East, South Asia, Sahel/ Subsaharan Africa, and Middle Latin America.

I don't want to define those areas overly much. What each of those terms means for you is acceptable to me. But perhaps I can say a word about what I think they should include as a minimum.

As a minimum, the “Middle East” should include Syria, Israel, and Palestine; Afghanistan, Iraq and Iran. These are areas that have been embroiled in conflict, either native or imported, for millennia, have been largely or partially unsuccessful in extracting themselves from it, and need our combined focus and help to make the transition to peace, equality, and wellness again.

As a minimum, South Asia should include Pakistan, India, and Bangladesh; Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam and Indonesia. These are areas of intense exploitation by First World powers and conflict between majorities and minorities.

As a minimum, Subsaharan Africa should include all the countries below the belt of Arab countries, but most intensely the band of Sahel or Subsaharan countries from the bulge of Africa in the West to the Horn of Africa in the east.

As a minimum, the Latin American countries I'm suggesting we focus on are those that have been ravaged by the drug trade and intensely exploited predominantly by the American military-industrial complex ranging from Mexico in the North to Columbia in the South and including all states in between. Mexico may feel that it doesn't need to be included in this focus. However, until the drug trade is eliminated, I personally believe it should be.

That's not to say that all areas of the world cannot use intense attention, but rather that these areas have been exploited the worst and need the first immediate attention if we're to raise the vibrational level of our planet and rescue its citizens from poverty and helplessness. It's also to say that the revitalization of other countries in the so-called First World would be designed to be accomplished in the very process of turning their attention to the areas named.

I'm suggesting that other areas of the world uplift themselves in the process of focusing their attention on these areas. And NESARA will be the means of doing that.

For those unacquainted with NESARA, the term stands for "National Economic Security and Reformation Act," and has become synonymous with a global abundance program that is near to being introduced that will redistribute the world's prosperity equally and fund the revitalization of the world and the terraforming of the globe.

What's needed immediately is that attention be focused on those matters which form the bottom rung of Abraham Maslow's hierarchy of needs. Our efforts would then work their way up the pyramid of needs once the bottom level is assured.

Among the needs listed on the first rung of Maslow's pyramid is “sex.” I'm not sure what Maslow meant by the term but assume he was referring to procreation.

I'm not sure if the first rung of needs can be met without putting in place elements associated with the second rung; for instance, security of the body and of property. But I ask us to begin the process of discussion and planning now which will answer questions that can be expected to immediately arise such as these.

Our concerted assistance is postulated on the arrival of NESARA. But we cannot wait for word that NESARA is in place. I believe the time to begin discussing and planning the world's revitalization is now.

I'm not offering myself as someone who's knowledgeable in the areas that we need to explore to tackle the unworkability in our world. I'm only a motivator. I ask you to refrain from focusing on my own inadequacies, which are legion, and simply respond to the call.

Your expertise is what's needed. *Your* taking the conversation another yard down the road is what's requested.

I'm calling for a global conversation to begin on how to approach turning the affected areas of the globe from regions of poverty and exploitation to regions of self-sufficiency and sovereignty.

Toward a World That Works for Women

July 29, 2014



("Toward a World That Works for Women," July 29, 2014, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/building-nova-earth-toward-a-world-that-works-for-everyone/ending-gender-persecution/toward-a-world-that-works-for-women/>.)

Given the concern of readers expressed via "Contact Us" over gender crimes, persecution and inequality on the planet, I'd like to review some of the circumstances that exist for women today from a human-rights perspective.

I respect the intention of some readers to concentrate on Ascension and not focus on unworkability. For those readers in that position, I request that you not read this post. Please be responsible for your participation or non-participation. The job will get done no matter what.

This list is meant simply as a starting point for discussion and is by no means exhaustive. Not by any stretch of the imagination.

Setting the deadline that I did was done in the expectation that the Reval would occur much earlier in the year that it has. Once the Reval occurs, work in this area will begin in earnest.

Nevertheless I believe it best to keep to that deadline and retarget if necessary rather than amend the deadline now and throw off the coordination of work in the area. Deadlines are necessary to coordinate work underway.

It doesn't work to say that we'll end an unworkable condition "one day, some day." It does work to set a deadline, to make coordination of efforts possible.

With that as preamble, I'd like to discuss the ways in which women are suppressed and subordinated in the world, which at this moment contains more unworkability than would allow for peace, aliveness, satisfaction and full self-expression.

Words in italics are mine.



Human Rights

Rights (such as freedom from unlawful imprisonment, torture, and execution) regarded as belonging fundamentally to all persons.

Boy Preference

Among the complex social and cultural reasons ... for son preference, no doubt the most compelling is the economically crippling system of dowry. Dowry stems from the early concept of *stri dana* in which gifts --usually jewelry, including often a quarter pound of gold--was given to the bride by her family, in order to secure some personal wealth for her when she married. This jewelry remained her personal property throughout the marriage, providing some security in case of her husband's death or other calamity. (2)

Forced Abortion

A forced abortion may occur when the perpetrator causes abortion by force, threat or coercion, or by taking advantage of woman's incapability to give her consent. This may also include the instances when the conduct was neither justified by medical or hospital treatment. (3)

The one-child policy has been blamed for upholding the traditional bias for male offspring, especially in rural areas, and triggering a surge in selective abortion, child trafficking and killing of female infants. (4)

Female Foeticide

Destruction or abortion of a female fetus in the uterus out of boy preference.

Female Infanticide

Female infanticide is the intentional killing of baby girls due to the preference for male babies and from the low value associated with the birth of females." (5)

Infanticide usually takes the form of exposure.

Female Genital Mutilation

FGM refers to several types of deeply-rooted traditional cutting operations performed on women and girls. Often part of fertility or coming-of-age rituals, FGM is sometimes justified as a way to ensure chastity and genital 'purity.' (6)



Arranged, Forced and Child Marriages

The practice of early marriage is prevalent throughout the world, especially in Africa and South Asia. This is a form of sexual violence, since young girls are often forced into the marriage and into sexual relations, which jeopardizes their health, raises their risk of exposure to HIV/AIDS and limits their chance of attending school. (7)

Child marriage, defined as a formal marriage or informal union before age 18, is a reality for both boys and girls, although girls are disproportionately the most affected. (8)

Forced marriage is a marriage in which one or both of the parties is married without his or her consent or against his or her will. A forced marriage differs from an arranged marriage, in which both parties consent to the assistance of their parents or a third party (such as a matchmaker) in identifying a spouse, although the difference between the two may be indistinct. (9)

Forced Sterilization

Compulsory sterilization, also known as forced sterilization, programs are government policies which attempt to force people to undergo surgical sterilization. In the first half of the 20th century, several such programs were instituted in countries around the world, usually as part of eugenics programs intended to prevent the reproduction and multiplication of members of the population considered to be carriers of defective genetic traits. (10)

In China, forced sterilization is resorted to to maintain a “one-child policy.”

Kidnapping/Brideknapping

Bride kidnapping, also known as marriage by abduction or marriage by capture, is a practice in which a man abducts the woman he wishes to marry. (11)

Holiday Wives

Holiday wives are brides, usually in India, who marry foreigners, often after knowing them only a short time, on the expectation they will be sent for. They seldom are.



Acid Attacks

Acid throwing, also called an acid attack, a vitriol attack or vitriolage, is a form of violent assault defined as the act of throwing acid or a similarly corrosive substance onto the body of another "with the intention to disfigure, maim, torture, or kill." Perpetrators of these attacks throw acid at their victims, usually at their faces, burning them, and damaging skin tissue, often exposing and sometimes dissolving the bones. ...

The long term consequences of these attacks may include blindness, as well as permanent scarring of the face and body, along with far-reaching social, psychological, and economic difficulties. (12)

Acid attacks are usually committed by rejected suitors.

Rape

Rape is a type of sexual assault usually involving sexual intercourse or other forms of sexual penetration initiated against one or more individuals without the consent of those individuals. The act may be carried out by physical force, coercion, abuse of authority or against a person who is incapable of valid consent, such as one who is unconscious, incapacitated, or below the legal age of consent. The term rape is sometimes used interchangeably with the term sexual assault. (13)

Forms of rape include date rape, custodial rape, mass rape, and rape as a weapon of war.

Refugee law is not consistent or uniform in the world. The worst case of rape I heard, as a refugee adjudicator with the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada, was that of a Russian woman who was used as a sexual plaything by the Chechen mafia.

She was refused admittance to other western countries because what happened to her was viewed as a crime rather than persecution.

However Canadian refugee law contains "Gender Guidelines," which state that a crime perpetrated against a person because of fixed traits such as gender is persecution and the woman was permitted to stay in Canada.

It amazes me that our view of persecution can itself be gender-insensitive.

Sex Slavery

Sexual slavery is the slavery of unwilling people for sexual exploitation. (14)

Honor Killings

'Honor killing' is an ancient crime in which men kill female relatives in the name of 'defending family honor' for forced or suspected sexual activity outside marriage, even when they have been victims of rape. Reports indicate that offenders are often under 18 and that in their communities they are sometimes treated as heroes. (15)

Bride Burnings/Dowry Death

Dowry murder is a brutal practice involving a woman being killed by her husband or in-laws because her family is unable to meet their demands for her dowry — a payment made to a woman's in-laws upon her engagement or marriage as a gift to her new family. It is not uncommon for dowries to exceed a family's annual income.

While cultures throughout the world have dowries or analogous payments, dowry murder occurs predominantly in South Asia. (16)



In many instances, the wife is killed because her family will not meet repeated and increasing demands for more dowry. Dowry deaths are often masked as kitchen fires.

Stoning for Adultery

A form of capital punishment in which the criminal is pelted with stones until dead.

While women are stoned for adultery in some countries, men usually are not.

Girls can be executed for simply talking to boys:



Stoning

“A 16-year-old Turkish girl was buried alive by relatives as a punishment for talking to boys, the Hurriyet newspaper reported on Thursday.

“Police discovered the body of the girl, identified only as M.M., in a sitting position with her hands tied, in a two-meter-deep hole dug under a chicken pen outside her house in Kahta in the southeastern province of Adiyaman, the Turkish daily reported on its website.

“The body was found in December, around 40 days after M.M. went missing. Police have arrested and charged the girl’s father and grandfather over the murder. The father reportedly said in his testimony that the family was unhappy his daughter had male friends. Her mother was also arrested but later released.” (17)



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New-Age Social Activism

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“New-Age Social Activism,” January 26, 2017, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2017/01/26/new-age-social-activism/>.)

Having given up confrontational posturing and manipulative behavior, I'm having to re-invent myself in the area of social activism.

Granted I've been asked to refrain from taking a role in it (I have other duties), still one cannot ignore the social action that's taking place.

At the outset, I need to say that I support using all available means getting the message across to Third-Dimensional politicians that government must return to the people.

I'm not willing to conduct social activism any longer the way I used to. In the olden days, I used social activism to generate the sense of self-importance I hungered for. My confrontational posture gave me an "edge" in those days and energy to push a point through.

I don't have that edge any more. So I don't come at the subject from the same place. I don't know how I come at it any more.

But, if we're to have peace in the world, we're all going to have to give up our confrontational edges, the pointy end of the spear, so to speak.

Speaking more generally, in my view, the social activism of the New Age needs to proceed by certain principles. The first is that it must be in alignment with the divine qualities and the Divine Plan.

Several decades ago, we could get by with not knowing about things like the universal laws but we can't any longer. The laws impact us though we ignore them. We do so now at our peril.

Two world wars should have shown us that we can't get away with ignoring the laws. We destroyed the lives of tens of millions out of a failure to understand how the universe works. And we only invited as our future an elite that intended to finish the job of the last two wars.

We now have to refuse to participate in such a world. However that refusal can be expressed without endangering the person. Purely mental refusal is entirely acceptable.

The second principle is that the outcome of today's social activism must be of benefit to all; it must be a global win/win. Anything else will leave residue and fester.

Life is not a zero-sum game, as we've been told, where for me to win you have to lose. Life, we're now being shown, is infinitely expansive and abundant. It's only our dense level of vibration that prevents us from knowing, experiencing and realizing this.

A third principle is that the vision for what we're building needs to be the widest, deepest, and most holistic we can make it.

The widest, deepest vision for me is a world that works for everyone.

When this much chaos reigns, people open up to higher-dimensional visions and largescale solutions.

Finally, our creations must come from love or they won't produce the results we desire. Sanat Kumara discussed the matter in the last *Hour with an Angel*.

"You are building the new. But if your daily life, if your inbreath and outbreath are not in alignment with love, with the truth of who you are, bright angel, then the external construction will not be of the truth, and the peace, and the love that you are seeking. It will not be the genuine reflection of the universe that lies within thee." (1)

We know we have undefeatable support from the other side. If what we do comes from love, if it aligns with the Mother's Plan and if we ask for celestial help, I believe our social action in this direction would be irresistible.

Social action could mean the rallying and organizing of the message on all alternative media - blogs, Facebook, Twitter, etc.

It could mean the refusal and withholding of service. Strikes and boycotts are examples. These could be coordinated online so as to make the public will be felt.

It could mean marches, like a march to take back Washington from the cabal, provided they were peaceful.

All of our social action needs to come from a grounded and centered, balanced and peaceful place. Without make-wrong; opposing behavior, rather than people.

We need to deliver the message to our politicians that we'll no longer tolerate a government of the elite, by the elite, and for the elite. Government must return to the people.

It isn't up to the Third-Dimensional politicians to set the agenda any longer. It's up to us.

Footnotes

(1) Sanat Kumara, *An Hour with an Angel*, Jan. 26, 2017, at <http://inlightuniversal.com>

Bliss and a World that Works Go Hand in Hand - Part 1/2

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("Bliss and a World That Works Go Hand in Hand - Part 1/2," Feb. 19, 2017, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2017/02/19/bliss-world-works-go-hand-hand-part-12/>.)

Many paradigmatic breakthroughs involve a change of metaphor.

Someone suggests a new metaphor and it leads to breakthroughs in understanding.

It may not be that one person becomes exposed to a new metaphor and the paradigmatic breakthrough happens immediately. I had one that occurred thirty-five years after hearing the new metaphor.

I had that breakthrough thanks to one brilliant thinker, Werner Erhard. Before I met him, I was deeply cynical. The world did not work and, as long as it left me alone, I was OK knowing that.

Nothing worked. There was nothing we could do about it so don't get excited. Just go about your work and keep your nose clean.

Then this man, Werner, sitting in a director's chair, spoke the words "a world that works for everyone."

Outrageous. C'mon, Werner, this world cannot - no world can - be made to work for everyone.

Ten minutes later I'd be arguing with myself again. No, that cannot be. Silly idea. Forget about it.

But look at the man. He's so radiant and wise.

The new metaphor - a working world - never left me. I trusted Werner and so I continued to keep it centermost in my mind, for all these years, hoping that one day I'd solve the mystery - how can the world be made to work for everyone?



I wrestled with it and wrestled with it and then, on March 13, 2015 I entered into a state of divine love and and again on Sept. 27, 2015 (I think it was), I entered into a state of bliss. I remained in the two spaces for the better part of a year and then they there melted away. (1)

It took no more than half a day in those states for everything to be crystal clear to me. Werner must have known these states. He must have had a glimpse of the promised land, what we'd call a glimpse of a higher dimension.

He knew that, while he was in these states, he lived in the context of a world that worked for everyone. It was his realization of these states of love and bliss that made him certain the world could be made to work for everyone.

Few other people probably knew that or had had these exact experiences. But he definitely knew it. Werner passed all my tests.

He was able to hold that space of universal workability and communicate from it to the whole world, rather than be beaten down by that world, as most of the rest of us are. That was one of his greatest contributions: That he held the space and modelled it.



But here I was in bliss and would it have been possible for me to harm another? Absolutely not. You'd have to be in bliss to see how ridiculous a question that would be.

If heaven could pass you a bowl of ambrosia and put you in bliss, they would and then you'd instantly see that there's nothing more desirable than bliss (ok, ecstasy and exaltation) but for the most part nothing more desirable and so why would anyone risk losing their bliss in pursuit of some non-noble end or means?

One minute in bliss and you'd see that. Ask for it. Draw it up from your own heart.

As Ramakrishna said, jump into the lake of bliss, dive in, get pushed in. It doesn't matter. Just get into the lake. Then you'll know.

(Concluded in Part 2, tomorrow.)

Footnotes

(1) I've been told that I can visit higher states but I cannot (yet) stay there. And that makes sense. If I stayed there, I'd cease being a communicator. And my mission is to write.

Bliss and a World That Works Go Hand in Hand – Part 2/2

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(Concluded from Part 1, yesterday.)

When all of us are in bliss, which is the end result of the Ascension process anyways, the world will just work.

Do you realize that I couldn't say this to any other audience than lightworkers right now?

As I write this, I realize it.

At some point in the Ascension process - certainly by its culmination in Sahaja Samadhi, a few subplanes into the Fifth Dimension - everyone will be permanently in bliss. This state Hindus call *moksha* or liberation. It is eternal bliss.

We can have tastes of bliss beforehand, as happened to me, and, when we do, we can readily see that a person in bliss is not capable of machinating or mounting an offensive or doing very much of anything other than celebrating life and enjoying how indescribably heightened our senses are and how they screen out anything base and how bliss never leaves you in want of anything else than itself.

How could a world composed of such people not work?

Before hearing Werner's change of metaphor, I thought of the world as definitely broken and probably not fixable. And there's was nothing one could do so why worry about it?

I was deeply cynical. But Werner's phrase lit a lamp for me that burns brightly to this day.

Not only that. But I recommend that the whole world align on having a world that works for everyone. By steps we'll get there and some will get there through their own Ascension.

For sure we'll end up in bliss. All roads lead to it.

Aligning on a world that works for everyone is aligning with Oneness, love, and compassion. The attitude itself works, as we discover more and more every day.



I'd like to propose a change of metaphor myself, in what lightworkers have been doing, one that doesn't cancel the others out, but simply points to a possible change of phase. Instead of saying we're cleansing, I'd like to propose that perhaps we're past that phase and we're now "re-orchestrating" our lives.

Each of us, overseen by our Higher Selves (Seventh-Dimensional Christ Consciousness), has cleansed and now we're learning what someone once called "the right use of will," the right use of mind, the right use of heart. The orchestra is assembled and ready but we've never played together and we've never played this score. We're raw recruits but clean and willing.

We know the direction and the end goal and getting there is what makes everything along the way bearable.

The end goal is a world that works for everyone and the proof of membership in that world lies in experiencing the bliss.

This cannot be faked. I'm not experiencing bliss now. Perhaps a little here and there. But I could not fake it. And you would not buy it.

Not everyone in the world needs to be in bliss for the world to work for me. If I alone am in bliss, I exist in the context of a world that works for everyone. Bliss and that world go hand in hand.

If everyone were in bliss, the world would work for everyone. I know it from experience.

You can labor at the wheel of recreating society until the world works or you can jump into the lake of bliss and watch the context of the world alter magically.

Let me leave Archangel Michael with the last word on the importance of taking time for the bliss.

Archangel Michael: When you are in the bliss, what happens is - and it is a key element, my brother - the stressors, as you well know, and the new behaviours simply flow.

Steve: Yes, I do. Dilemmas dissolve becoming not problems but simply situations. Stress melts away in bliss.

AAM: Now you have had a lot of physical-practicality things that have eliminated you from having the time and the spaciousness, the feeling that you can take that time to really be in the bliss but it is absolutely necessary, my brother. So make the time. (1)

Footnotes

(1) Archangel Michael in a personal reading with Steve Beckow through Linda Dillon, Jan. 20, 2017.)

NESARA: The Financial Side of a World That Works for Everyone

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I notice, at least in myself, a tendency to compartmentalize things like NESARA and consider it only a financial and an economic arrangement. But in fact, as we discussed, it's at once more than that and at the same time simply a facet of a greater whole. How can I describe that? Hmmm....

There are many sides to that discussion. The first one I'd like to mention is that we're moving towards unitive consciousness and NESARA is a way of behaving economically that translates unitive consciousness into financial behavior.

Unitive consciousness as a social matter produces, as Werner Erhard pointed out so many years ago, "a world that works for everyone, with no one left out." That's where we're headed. That's what we're building.

If we were to consider a world that works for everyone from a spiritual point of view, we'd be talking about tolerance for other people's religions, their paths, their disciplines, and their traditions. If we were to consider a world that works for everyone from a medical standpoint, we'd be talking about universal accessibility to health care at no cost. We'd be talking about everyone having what they need and the entire society operating in a manner that looked to and ensured that universal accessibility occurred.

If we were to consider a world that works for everyone from the standpoint of finances and economics, then we'd be talking about NESARA. So NESARA is an arrangement that captures how unitive consciousness invites us to operate financially. NESARA is an arrangement that

expresses a world that works for everyone in financial terms or the financial behavior of people who embrace the ideal of a world that works for everyone.

Secondly, we need to consider that the society that enjoys NESARA will not be the same society that is standing here, now, looking forward. Oh, yes, the same people, but not the same mindset, mood, or experience. The energies continue to rise on this planet.

By the time we reach NESARA, we'll be happier, more blissful, more joyful. Cooperating will be easier and in fact it will seem natural, whereas competition seems natural now. Peace will probably have been declared so there will be no desire to go to war, no ability to do so, no temptation to do so.

Therefore, we may not be able to see NESARA through these eyes. We have to imagine what it will look like as seen through the expanded, peaceful, joyful eyes we'll be seeing through then.

Einstein once said that our social problems cannot be solved thinking from the level at which the problems were created. More competition will not make competition disappear and cooperation establish itself on Earth. More predatory conduct will not see predatory conduct disappear. As I said a while back, if we want predatory competition to disappear, we have to stop the train and lay new track.

But more to the point we cannot imagine our changed society looking from the standpoint of our unchanged society. These eyes cannot see or imagine those days. Fortunately we have a host of ascended beings who are looking through their eyes and *they* can imagine it and are creating it for us or we might never have NESARA.

NESARA mandates that borders fall. NESARA presupposes that the current tax structure be gone, debt disappear, and that government serve significantly different purposes than it does now. We can't project our current situation into the era in which NESARA exists. This current society is falling away and NESARA will see entirely new social arrangements being nurtured and put in place.

Thirdly, NESARA will be part of a wider program that will see us using - if I'm correct in my understanding - replicators, robots, better computers, anti-gravity vehicles, and so on. It doesn't make sense to consider how we'll use Earth's resources under NESARA because, by then, we probably won't be using Earth's resources very much compared to now. It isn't as useful to consider how we'll work under NESARA because a lot of work will disappear. And lest we think we'll be bored, we need to remember that blissful people are very seldom bored.

So I just encourage us to understand and acknowledge all the changes that will occur along with NESARA, how our mood and experience of life will be altered by then, and how NESARA itself is just a part of a total program that will revolutionize life, and is not simply a new currency, gold standard, and debt forgiveness.

NESARA is a step along the road to Ascension itself and a "middle-ground" arrangement that is better than this and not as good as that. And it can't be imagined coming from or extrapolating from life as it is now.

Community: Creating a World that Works for Everyone

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Werner Erhard and his associates had rich insights into so many processes of use to us now as we build a world that works for everyone. (1) Here are his comments on building community. Many of these remarks were made in promotion of a "Community Workshop."

Werner: No matter how successful we are as individuals, we remain incomplete unless we're able to recognize and express ourselves in community. We pay dearly for that incompleteness by having to live in a world that doesn't work, by living in a condition of unworkability. A fundamental purpose of the workshop is a context of community being brought into being where people can recognize and know themselves as community. (2)

It's not just that because we're successful as individuals we turn to community to have a new game to play. Community is really who we are. (3)

The problems of our times are so massive, so pressing, that they cannot be handled by individuals alone. The time for solitary heroes is over. We can no longer rely on old ways of thinking, old patterns of leadership and followership. If we are going to create a world that works for everyone, we must learn to function in communities; to be effective and produce results in participation with others.

While most of us have some private vision of community – what it is, or what it could mean for our lives – few of us have worked it through or had an opportunity to actually test it, to make it visible or tangible. While we may feel some personal power and efficacy in our work and in our families and relationships, we have little sense of our ability to make a difference in our

communities. It's not that we don't make a difference, but there seems to be a gap or gulf between our desire to contribute and our ability to do so.



The Community Workshop is about closing that gap. It is about learning to create a vision – your own personal vision – for community, and then getting down to work on a practical, day-to-day level to make that vision real. In the process, we discover the principles by which a community can be workable, effective, and produce real, measurable results. We learn the skills of working together that can empower everyone, everywhere. (4)

Who you are is expressed by your visioning. You and I need to make a commitment to discover, or create, our vision for community. And from that state of envisioning, our projects and our actions will flow.

It's not enough, however, to have a vision. You've got to know what's going on in the world. You can't be naïve.

If you engage in a project that emerges solely from some set of circumstances, no matter how successful your actions are, they will make no difference. If your project comes only out of your vision, then your actions will lack real impact on the circumstances; they'll be mere idealistic notions.

The workshop is an opportunity to be responsible for a convergence of vision and circumstances which results in true community action. (5)

We're finding out what we need to know right here. We're creating this together.



I want to work with people who are willing to participate at a very high level of responsibility and integrity. We need to be willing to work through the difficulties and frustrations that accompany a creative process.

We need to transcend our personal interests, our own agendas, and search for what's wanted and needed to create community. We'll have to give up that last-ditch reaction to our frustration of not being able to get it done: 'All right, I'll do it myself.' That won't work any more. We need to learn to produce results by empowering each other. (6)

As a context, ... the community now exists totally. Throughout the workshop we'll grind and polish all that's in this room: the ideas, the notions, the personalities, the individuality, the weaknesses, the strengths, the beauties, and the uglinesses. Who we are, in essence, is community – and the workshop will keep grinding away at everything else until we manifest ourselves as community. The stone which grinds us is shaped by the context we create for ourselves. (7)

Footnotes

(1) *est Dictionary*, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/spiritual-essays/the-path-of-awareness/est-dictionary/>

(2) Werner Erhard quoted in Joan Bordow, "Inventing the Community Workshop," *The Review*, May/June 1982, 9.

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(7) *Ibid.*, 8-9.

This is the Workshop

September 22, 2017



("This is the Workshop," September 22, 2017, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2017/09/22/this-is-the-workshop/>.)

The Third Dimension, the physical plane, is the only dimension where "saints" live beside "sinners."

Once over on the Astral Plane - the Fourth Dimension - souls sort themselves out and the saint and the sinner need never see each other again. Or they might.

Those who had lead a virtuous life go to the Summerlands; those who led a vicious life (like, for instance, Hitler or Stalin) go to the lowest subplane, the Dark Plane or Winterlands.

But here, on the "cleaned-up" Third, "decent folk" and criminals continue to live side by side.

And what's the opportunity here?

Well, for me, it's for the lightholders to offer an example to those who serve the darkness of criminality, racism, greed, etc., of what life is like living up to the divine qualities, following the universal laws, and serving the Mother.

The lightholders will reach some folks and they won't reach others.

There may be other lightholders better able to do that job who now come into play. And so on.

All lightworkers, in my view, are in a sense gatekeepers. All are here to assist the slow-to-awaken to ascend.



For those left on the Summerlands, there'd be no more game to play. Everyone in the Summerlands but the newly-arrived is in fine form. No scope for compassion there because nothing is out of order.

The new arrivals may need tending, to be sure. One who wished to develop their compassion could work with them.

One could also work with the residents of the lower subplanes, including the Winterlands. That too excites compassion.

The Summerlands are a world that works for everyone because the higher vibrations mean more love is experienced, sweeping away the petty judgments we make of each other in this more dense environment.

In the atmosphere of divine love such as exists there - and such as we'll experience after the Mother's promised heart opening - concerns evaporate and all we want to do is share our love with each other.

This world that we're in now is the best school for the development of compassion, of a heart-feeling for our fellow humans. This is the workshop in which love in relationship to others can best be nurtured and developed.

It's exactly in seeing the affliction of our brothers and sisters that compassion awakens or multiplies in us. We saw this by our responses to the suffering of the victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, the South Asian monsoons, and the Mexican earthquake.

And we can see it as well in our own downtown slums. The suffering all around us - people sleeping in doorways, shooting up in alleys, everyone desperate for a few more moments of escape - is not something we can live alongside of forever, without feeling the need to take some concrete action to address it.

My Life is Mine to Create – Part 1/2

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Written in the midst of a spiritual experience

I'm in the middle of a realization. If I don't write it down, no trace of it will remain.

I suddenly felt the onset of a wave of love directed from me to myself. For a moment, I fell in love with myself.

I felt the same divine love for myself that I feel for my sacred partner.

I was aware of myself as a being. And I loved myself. Why have I been holding back?

I was delighted with myself. And it didn't depend on what I did or did not do.

When I saw that love didn't depend on what I did or did not do, I had yet another realization.

I saw that nothing depended on what I did or did not do, that everything I did was made up anyways. This whole world is illusion compounded and I'm acting as if anything I do truly matters, when it really doesn't. Not absolutely.

It probably sounds as if I'm demeaning myself. I'm not. At the absolute level, every trace of an individual "I" dies. At that level, none of this that has gone on will retain its meaning.

It's a very refined form of play acting we do, with some very real consequences on the level on which events transpire. But at the level where we re-unite with the One? No meaning at all.

In my moment of realization, I saw that my life was a series of actions that I'm carefully making up as I go along, moment by moment. I observed myself making it up.

And then I persuade people to believe about these events whatever I want them to. I sell my story to them. But it's all made up.

It's all my interpretation, my version of whatever actually happened. It isn't the truth.

And invariably I construct my version to favor myself, to give myself the benefit of the (read: every) doubt, etc. It's very refined but nonetheless it's all there, just spread out over a little more time.

In this second "Aha!" I saw that the matter goes much deeper than just this one instance in which I observed myself "making it up."

The self-serving bias is one of the hardest viruses to clean out of ourselves, one of the last to go, I believe. I saw how deep it goes in me. And how subtle it is.

I've talked about this for years under the term "the constructed self." May I digress? I think it's important. This is me the sociologist.

Almost all of what we say, in my estimation, comes from our constructed self, the character or persona we project and try to sell to the world - our self-image, with its self-serving interpretations. In lightwork, we call it our "service-to-self" persona. I just happened to find myself staring at mine.

This whole thing I call "my life" is simply something I'm making up, self-servingly, as we go along and have made up throughout time. And none of it matters a damn. Not one damn. Not really.

None of what I do or do not do ultimately matters. When I bend the knee before God and hand him back everything he gave me, including my separate identity, what I said to the car mechanic or stewardess won't matter.

Ultimately we're dreaming that we're acting when the real us - the Self, the Christ, the Atman - is not acting. "I am not the doer."

(Concluded in Part 2, below.)

My Life is Mine to Create – Part 2/2

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Written in the midst of a spiritual experience

Meanwhile, everything we do together as a collective is a carefully-scripted drama, in which we have the right to depart from our agreed-upon lines.

Well, now that I'm free of thinking that what I do or do not do matters, the question then becomes: Now what? I'm not going anywhere so what do I want to create with the rest of my life?

Where can I turn for guidance? I'll turn to the Divine Mother:

"I have chosen and created and birthed you into form. That is the Plan at work and I have done this, we have done this, with that spark of divinity so that you would be divine in form.

"And what that means in very practical terms is the assumption of your divine authority to be in charge of your life, of your thoughts, of your feelings, of your actions, of your behaviors, of your steps, of your environments, all the way out to the edges of the universe, throughout all times and dimensions. ...

"If you do not take authority over your existence – think in practical terms, this life – then what happens? You are adrift. You are in fact that row boat in the middle of the ocean being twisted and turned every which way. Divine authority means choosing - yes, with ... your divine authority of free will - to direct how, where, when, [and] if you choose to proceed." (1)

Assuming my divine authority, rather than continuing to respond to my vasanas and conditioning, what do I want to create with my life?

If this were the processing of a core issue, then this would be the moment when the individual, having laid the vasana bare, has the opportunity to rechoose.

Do I want to create a sad tale of ... whatever ... or a tale that I myself can be proud of?

Do I want to see the tragedy in the world continue or do I want a world that works for everyone?

I've seen such a world. When the whole planet is in the higher-dimensional state indicated by phrases like sacred love, divine love, true love, transformative love, then the world will work for everyone.

It's in our future, no matter what. I certainly choose a world so deeply in sacred love that it effortlessly works for everyone. That's the world of our dreams.

And we'll have our first taste of it when the Mother grants us our heart opening.

Somehow I find myself in the driver's seat in a way I wasn't before. I've moved from acting as the victim of circumstances to acting as a self-commanding individual.

As a result of these two realizations - realizations are the ultimate fruit of the awareness path - I feel inspired and energized. I'm more in my power now than I was. (2)

Footnotes

(1) "Repost: The Divine Mother: Assume Your Divine Authority," March 11, 2017, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2017/03/11/repost-the-divine-mother-assume-your-divine-authority/>

(2) These are not major realizations so deep that they bring on enlightenment. These are a minor order of realizations, often called peak experiences, transformational moments, or "Aha's!"

Yearning to Make a Supreme Difference in Your World?

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(“Yearning to Make a Supreme Difference in Your World?” May 3, 2017, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2017/05/03/287397/>.)

If I were giving an introduction to the Michaelangelo Fund to a new employee, this is the introductory talk that I'd like to give.

I've been following channeled literature since 1975 and have sat in psychic development circles, etc.

I currently work with a channel in Florida by the name of Linda Dillon. Through her I speak every month to Archangel Michael.

The Michaelangelo Fund, named for Archangel Michael, is a partnership between him and me.

This partnership is sacred to me. I'd have difficulty working with anyone who disrespected the sacredness of that connection.

The premise underlying all the activities of the Michaelangelo Fund is that it's possible to create or build a world that works for everyone.

Archangel Michael calls that “Nova Earth.” I know that that's possible because I've been in a state of consciousness where it existed.

I was in a state of bliss from Sept. 27, 2015 until it gradually faded away in early January 2016.

In that state, the world worked for me, unquestionably. I was in a world - a state of consciousness - that would have made the world work for everyone - if everyone were in it.

After the culmination of our gradual Ascension, we'll live in a state of permanent bliss. The world will then work for everyone.

But we're building it now. We're not waiting. We're soon to be given the tools and the means and then it's up to us to get to work.



Turning to the Michaelangelo Fund in particular, its specific task is to birth, nurture, and release projects which align with the Divine Mother's Plan for Nova Earth. That Plan is one of love in form.

We don't join the projects that we help birth, unless we wish to. But we don't ride two horses. We birth them, train them, finance them, and send them out into the world. But we have no say in their affairs past the training stage.

These projects are all designed to address an area of the world's unworkability and make it workable again. To restore it. To fix it.

While the Michaelangelo Fund is about projects, a companion charity, the Hope Chest, is about individual people. But we'll leave that discussion for another time.

All of it is bold and rewarding work. If you've ever yearned to make a supreme difference in your world, this is your chance to do it by joining in the funding of the most creative, constructive, innovative, and compassionate projects just waiting to mushroom all over planet Earth.

Laying New Track – Part 1/2

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I've told a story from Werner Erhard a number of times.

A man aboard a train looked out the right window and saw that the train was heading for disaster. He warned the other passengers.

All the passengers joined him on the right side of the train and looked. They conferred among themselves but no matter what they said, the train continued on, heading for disaster.

Then all decided to go over to the left side of the train and see what that brought. No matter; the train remained heading for disaster.

What did they need to do? What they needed to do, Werner suggested, was to stop the train, get out, and lay new track.

We've leaned to the left, leaned to the right, and it hasn't helped. Now I submit that what we need to do is, as Werner suggested, dismount the train and lay new track.

Where our social institutions are corrupt, they need to be left behind. Where our governmental processes are corrupt, they need to be stopped.

We know that a flood of information is going to be forthcoming that will sweep many of the dark from their positions of control ... unless they turn to the Light.

Our part in all this, I think, is to expand our experience of cleansing from just ourselves personally, as we've been doing in recent years, to cleansing ourselves socially.

Yes, I didn't say cleansing others or even cleansing a pattern of behavior in others. I said a new level of cleansing ourselves. Cleansing ourselves at the level of our social beliefs.

That's the new track to lay. And work upon ourselves will always be the area of new track I'll be laying. Others can look at new track in other areas like government, technology, education, etc.



Let's face it. It's the degree of our cleansing that will create the path for others and dissipate some of the collective karma as well.

Gandhi asked us to be the change we wanted to see. That couldn't be more true than for this generation.

If we all updated our social beliefs - now that we've eradicated so many of our personal vasanas and their products (conditioned behavior and the constructed self) - the rest, I think, will follow.

What new social beliefs might represent new track, not leading to disaster?

Let me get the discussion going, perhaps, by suggesting some examples that occur to me. These in turn will/may be superseded.

A New Social Contract

We acknowledge that:

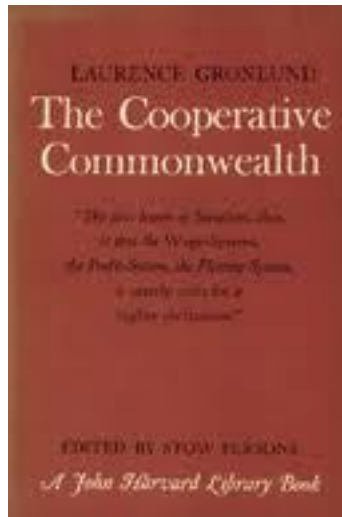
- (1) We live many lives, this just being one of them.
- (2) The universal laws in general govern life, including our lives and the lives of our communities.
- (3) We are all children of God and therefore brothers and sisters; ultimately, we are all One, without differentiation.
- (4) We're here to discover and realize our true identity as the undifferentiated God.

Based on these beliefs, we hold that:

- (1) Human beings - who differ in history, color, religion, etc. - are equal before God and the law.
 - (2) Men and women, being equal, deserve equality of wage, working and living conditions, except where biological circumstances create exceptions that must be supported (eg., childbirth, early-childhood care).
 - (3) Humans share the globe with other species who are also deserving of fair treatment; that behooves us over time to find other food sources than meat.
 - (4) Everyone lives under the universal Law of Freewill and has the right to make their own choices and decisions, providing they don't harm others.
 - (5) Human rights must be respected by all nations, as defined in international covenants and charters.
 - (6) War in all its forms is forbidden.
 - (7) While everyone defines their own vision of the New Earth, we suggest that what we're aiming for, at its most general, is a world that works for everyone.
- (Concluded in Part 2, below.)

Laying New Track – Part 2/2

November 12, 2016



("Laying New Track – Part 2/2," November 12, 2016, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2016/11/12/laying-new-track-part-22/>.)

(Concluded from Part 1, above.)

Here's another new rail. Another name for a world that works for everyone, seen from my view, is a "cooperative commonwealth." A cooperative commonwealth is distinctly new track.

It was first recommended in the early 20th Century. (1) A Canadian political party calling itself the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation was largely responsible for bringing in universal medicare.

Medicare is the jewel in the Canadian crown, as far as I'm concerned. I'm dedicated to seeing that every country has universal medicare. Soon there'll be no excuse for denying medical assistance to anyone.

A cooperative commonwealth is not competitive like social Darwinism (only the fittest survive) and not elite-driven (trickle-down economics) but a free, democratic, and egalitarian commonwealth.

Please don't use the CIA's tactic of ridicule on me, calling me a "socialist" and a "communist" for supporting cooperation and sharing. (2) I'm no such thing.

The CIA supplied that strategy in the early 1950s and the elite took up allegations like that to squelch our native compassion and generosity. A commonwealth is a governmental form that recognizes that government functions to serve its citizens.

Not to make war on others. Not to drain wealth from all nations and commit it to the 1% who controlled government and whom government served.

Sharing the wealth is how this will be done. Currency holders have the opportunity to lead the way in sharing - globally. (3) We have the power and ability to model a whole new way of being - open-handed, open-hearted assistance to all those who for centuries have been trodden under.

This the elite opposes but sharing must win out in the end because it's of love.



The cooperative commonwealth is one way of creating a government that serves the people - of the people, by the people, for the people, as Lincoln described it. (4) It's only one idea. There'll be others.

Often if we let go of one familiar branch without having an unfamiliar but equally solid branch to grab on to, we feel unsure and hesitate. New governmental forms cannot be created from a space of hesitancy. Boldness is required, as Murray said.

I know that we've heard the quote many times, but it's so relevant that I include it here:

“Until one is committed, there is hesitancy, the chance to draw back, always ineffectiveness. Concerning all acts of initiative (and creation), there is one elementary truth, the ignorance of which kills countless ideas and splendid plans: that the moment one definitely commits oneself, then Providence moves too. All sorts of things occur to help one that would never otherwise have occurred. A whole stream of events issues from the decision, raising in one's favour all manner of unforeseen incidents and meetings and material assistance, which no man could have dreamt would have come his way. I have learned a deep respect for one of Goethe's couplets:

"Whatever you can do, or dream you can, begin it.

"Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it!" (5)

We may not want to play on a global stage ourselves. If we don't, that's fine.

The only thing I ask of us is to empower those who do, rather than insult, belittle, and criticize them. Lightworkers fighting lightworkers is simply importing Third Dementia into our work of building a new world and will hamstring us in our globally-ground-breaking work.



What I'm trying to do with this article and others on the same theme is to help us get over our hesitancy at taking on the building of a new world by seeing that strong commitment is the

antidote. Let's start from the top down and commit ourselves. Is there anyone who cannot commit to the overarching idea of a world that works for everyone? Is that not new track?

It can be scary to leave the familiar. And so I'm trying to offer a stable platform for us, while we stop the train, dismount, and lay new track.

Then we continue on in a workable direction with our personal and collective lives.

Let me end by saying that I'm seeing lightworkers beginning to write. You may be seeing new faces appearing on these pages. And, if one or two of them start out with a few rough edges, please forgive. This is all part of raising a brigade of lightworker writers, journalists, commentators, and activists.

Footnotes

(1) Laurence Gronlund, *The Cooperative Commonwealth in Its Outlines*. Inbunden: Engelska, 1884; c2016.

(2) The policy of ridicule was developed for use against witnesses of unidentified flying objects. See, for instance, George A. Filer <Majorstar@aol.com>, Director - Mutual UFO Network Eastern MUFON Skywatch Investigations, "National Policy Of Debunking UFOs Began With The Robertson Panel," at <http://www.rense.com/general3/rober.htm>

(3) I'm referring to folks who have purchased foreign currency to participate in the "Reval" or Re-evaluation of currency. See "On Financial Wayshowing and the Reval" at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/financial-wayshowing-reval/>

(4) "We here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain -- that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth." Abraham Lincoln, Gettysberg Address, at <http://www.abrahamlincolnonline.org/lincoln/speeches/gettysburg.htm>

(5) At Goodreads, Inc., at <http://www.goodreads.com/quotes/128689-until-one-is-committed-there-is-hesitancy-the-chance-to>

Thinking About Our Post-Reval Humanitarian Work

August 27, 2016



(“Thinking About Our Post-Reval Humanitarian Work,” August 27, 2016, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2016/08/27/thinking-post-reval-humanitarian-work/>.)

At some point I think we all struggle with how to think about humanitarian projects after the Reval.

Have we any conceptual models that might help us organize our thinking on how to achieve global workability - a world that works for everyone?

We do. The first is Abraham Maslow's hierarchy of needs.



Our focus will undoubtedly start out with cleaning up and restoring air, food, water, shelter, and clothing. Without these basic needs addressed, people's attention will simply not be there for creating a world that in all ways works for all.

Safety and security needs are next. And then the need for belongingness, in most cases the family, but could be an army unit, place of work, etc. Only after these are put in place do self-esteem needs and self-actualization arise on his hierarchy of needs.

The second is the UN's Agenda 2030. Yes, the Illuminati planned to use it to create global unity which it would then hijack. We know they'll never be able to achieve that goal. But we're gambling that we *will* be able to achieve this plan for a world that works.

Here are the goals the United Nations set out:

Sustainable Development Goals

Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere

Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

Goal 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries

Goal 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

Goal 12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts*

Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Goal 15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

Goal 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development (2)

In my view, wholeheartedly applying ourselves to achieving these goals would in and of itself create the human unity and harmony that the world so badly wants.

If we want to stretch our thinking about the process of creating largescale employment projects, I suggest "Some Principles of Large-Scale Employment Development," at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2015/08/04/some-principles-of-large-scale-employment-development/>.

What it says is that to create largescale employment projects, we need to:

- (1) Identify areas of the world's unworkability,
- (2) Create projects that reflect and express our values,
- (3) Set targettable, society-wide deadlines that allow for project-wide coordination of efforts,
- (4) Build alignment with win/win solutions,
- (5) Bridge dissonance and create new paradigms,
- (6) Ask our critics for their expertise. (3)

To work on the global stage requires us to complete our core issues, drop the conditioned behavior that flows from them, find and activate our will (this time, tempered by love, rather than the lust for money, power and sex, as in earlier times), and begin to take action.

If we're to build on a foundation of stone instead of sand, we need to inform our actions with the divine qualities. (4) Previously our actions were based on social-Darwinist values like "looking out for number one," seeing things as us against them, keeping the sharks from eating our lunch, etc.

Now they need to be based on divine values such as unity, harmony, and compassion; personal responsibility, awareness, and commitment.

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How possibly could the world work for everyone? It's very simple. The rising energies on the planet are causing us to get bigger, expand, emerge from our shells.

We may not know it at the moment but where the energies are sending us is into bliss. I've been privileged to spend time in that state (around three months) and I can tell you that, in it, there are no problems, no divisions, no selfishness (except the desire to sit there in bliss forever).

In it one doesn't do anything that would harm another and does everything that would assist.

Therefore a blissful state is one in which the world would work. And that state is the very one we're headed for: Fifth Dimensionality.

In committing ourselves to building a world that works for everyone, we're simply aligning with the Divine Plan for our consciousness shift. We're getting a head start on matters that are destined to unfold with or without us.

After a space of time needed to set things up, the Michaelangelo Fund and the Golden Age of Gaia will help set up a Lightworkers Congress that will bring lightworker donors together to plan out how to pool funds and address global problems.

That will offer lightworkers a place to discuss creating planetary workability, decide on how to use funds channeled through the Congress, and report on results.

Who among us doesn't yearn for a world that works for everyone?

Footnotes

(1) See "Transforming Our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development," United Nations, at <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld> and "Taking Back the Agenda," Sept. 29, 2015, at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2015/09/29/taking-back-agenda/>

(2) "Transforming Our World," *ibid.*

(3) "Some Principles of Large-Scale Employment Development," at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/2015/08/04/some-principles-of-large-scale-employment-development/>

(4) See "The New Paradigm is the Divine Qualities," at http://goldengaiadb.com/The_New_Paradigm_is_the_Divine_Qualities

The Principles of Largescale Employment Projects – Part 1/2

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From 1995.

I became aware of the impact of automation on employment in 1991 and soon began to write articles on it. (1)

By 1995, when the first version of this article was written, I was looking into the principles of creating largescale employment projects.

Very soon we'll launch into the building of Nova Earth and these principles have never seemed more relevant to me.

We've been told that it's time to re-examine all our limiting beliefs, look at processes as generically and globally as possible, and borrow from what often lies in front of us to come up with radically-new solutions to creating a world that works. This article is meant to be a contribution to that outcome. In two parts, today and tomorrow.

At a time (1995) when the bottom is falling out of the economy, when we've automated people out of work and shipped whatever jobs remained overseas, I think we need to seriously look at how to put our population back to work. The following principles may clarify, and can be adapted to, the work of creating largescale employment projects.



(1) Work is a Function of Unworkability

The first principle underlying the creation of largescale employment projects is that work is a function of unworkability.

If we think about it, workability is invisible and only unworkability is visible.

Any tool or machine that works usually doesn't attract our attention. But the squeaky wheel does and it gets the grease.

My computer, as long as it works, receives little or no attention from me. However, the minute it ceases working, I swing into action, attempting to fix it myself or having it repaired or replacing it.

With the exception of preventive-maintenance programs, we usually do no other work on anything until it ceases to work; that is, until the situation becomes unworkable.

Therefore all largescale employment projects will in the first instance arise as the result of identifying a largescale instance of unworkability and then turning it into workability. There's no lack of unworkability or "problems." So there is no lack of work for our population.

Examples of largescale instances of unworkability include global famine, disease, pollution, illiteracy, homelessness, etc. Unemployment is not a function of a lack of work. It's a function of a lack of means.

[And after the Reval, and later NESARA, there will be the means]

(2) Value is a Function of Agreement

The second principle that I'd like to point to in the creation of largescale employment projects is that a change, solution, or opportunity, I believe, has value only because we say it has.

Take for example the case of nuclear missiles. To the best of my knowledge, every intercontinental ballistic missile that I'm aware of has only either sat in a silo or been launched up into the air to fall into the ocean.



[In fact we now know that no military on this planet has been allowed to explode a nuclear bomb with hostile intention since at least the 1950s.]

In fact ICBMs have value only because people regard them as valuable. They serve no direct useful function as, say, a car serves a function by transporting its passengers.

Some might say they serve the function of ensuring national security. I would argue to the contrary that they simply produce a condition of national insecurity. ICBMs have value only because we say they do.

Though they serve no direct useful function in the same way that a car does, they are still massively funded.

What this principle demonstrates to me is that a new solution or opportunity shouldn't be measured in terms of fictitious 'inherent' value, but in terms of the value that we attach to it. If a country deems the ending of hunger and poverty within its boundaries as valuable, money will be found to end them.

This principle gives us permission to allow ourselves to explore unheard-of or unthinkable opportunities and to focus our attention on how to create agreement around value rather than looking for non-existent inherent value. I believe that value is not inherent in a thing or event. Like beauty, value is in the eye of the beholder.

(3) Alignment Requires Deadlines



A third principle is that the social alignment needed to create a largescale employment project requires targetable, society-wide deadlines. If we want alignment on a planetary scale, we cannot agree to accomplish our project “some day.” We must have a specific deadline to orchestrate the coordination involved.

Putting a man on the moon succeeded, all other things being equal, because President John F. Kennedy attached a deadline to it – the end of the Sixties. Had President Kennedy left the matter without a deadline, the necessary coordination of efforts might never have taken place and the goal might never have been achieved.

(4) Alignment Requires Win/Win, Global Solutions



A fourth principle in the creation of largescale employment projects is that win/lose solutions prevent alignment. Alignment is created with win/win solutions that leave no one out. Win/win solutions are global, contextual. They create no “us against them” divisions. They leave no residue.

Many society-wide solutions create as many problems as they solve. Their formulation creates new conflict. Their accomplishment transfers a burden from one shoulder to another. Their completion leaves a festering wound.

Social programs to fight crime, help minorities, or combat disease go on within a fragmented context, with some people left out of their scope, some people winning at other people's expense, and some people, identified as the cause of the problem, being penalized or ostracized.

At the moment our global scene is riven with divisions. Blocs of nations, rich and poor, of varying religions and creeds oppose one another. Typically these days [1995], alignment is sought by justifying one's own side and blaming the other.

Righting one imbalance or injustice at the cost of creating another will not create social alignment. Only global, win/win solutions to unworkability will win the degree of alignment that ensures success.

(Part 2 will be published tomorrow or you can read ahead at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/the-principles-of-largescale-employment-projects-part-22/>.)

Footnotes

(1) I wrote politicians, labor leaders, anyone I could think of. No one listened. I think people were too fascinated with their computers to realize the tremendous stripping of employment and the turning of the job market into a buyer's market that was soon to happen. Here is one article from 1998, published in the Toronto Globe and Mail. "If This is Your Job, Watch Out!" at <http://goldenageofgaia.com/accountability/automation/if-this-is-your-job-watch-out-1998/>.

Equally ironic is that I collected probably the largest library of articles looking at how automation worked its way through the job market, collapsing firms, stripping entry-level jobs or any jobs that a computer could do, and ending entire careers. But when it came time to seek a library or archive for this collection, no institution was in the slightest bit interested. A phenomenon had just occurred that caused hardship to millions and ended forever the equitable workplace that we were building since the Fifties and not a person I knew or contacted had any interest in it.

The Principles of Largescale Employment Projects – Part 2/2

From 1995

(Continued from [Part 1.](#))



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(5) The Resolution of Dissonance Creates Paradigmatic Breakthroughs

In the course of creating a largescale employment project, dissonance will arise. Disagreement may ensue. A scheme may be abandoned. But history shows numerous examples where dissonance has been the occasion, not for abandoning a scheme, but for creating a paradigmatic breakthrough.

Given the dissonance that may occur in our future, the need for mechanisms to bridge dissonance should be clear. If we're looking for paradigmatic breakthroughs, we must find new ways of addressing dissonance.

I can't think of an example of a social endeavor that illustrates this principle. In the course of my studies, I've only come across it in the resolution of personal dissonance but I'm willing to bet that the same principle can be applied to dissonance associated with largescale projects as well.

Here's an example. Max Weber created a distinction considered fundamental to the field of sociology out of resolving an ongoing family dispute.

His father, a rabbi, met Weber's sociological arguments with “unprovable” religious arguments, which Weber labelled 'values.' His own “provable” assertions he considered 'facts'. By bridging the two, and contextualizing them within sociology, he created a division between facts and values that remained a basic distinction in the sociologist's toolbox.

Another example: Benjamin Lee Whorf, before becoming an anthropologist, was a fire insurance investigator. He found that fires occurred because inaccurate linguistic labels led people to misunderstand a situation and take hazardous actions.

A worker would see an “empty” oil drum and drop a lit match into it, overlooking that it was full of flammable vapors. An office worker would throw a coat over a cone heater and turn on the “light” switch, not knowing that the switch activated the heater. When the light didn’t go on, after the worker toggled it several times, he’d assume that the “light” didn’t work, leaving the heater to blaze underneath his coat.

In the course of resolving these linguistic misconceptions, Whorf stumbled upon what has become known as the principle of linguistic relativity – that things are for us as we see and describe them.

Finally, Thomas Kuhn, working as a historian of science at a junior college, found the writers of outdated history texts touting their own age as the pinnacle of science, even though the age that succeeded it often discredited its science. Puzzled at how all eras could regard theirs as the height of attainment, when the science of their eras ultimately went nowhere, he arrived at the notion of temporocentrism – that people self-servingly represent their own as the best of all possible eras.

Temporocentrism comes hand-in-hand with egocentrism and anthropocentrism. Ultimately these "centrism" came to be known and described as the self-serving bias.

I realize that these examples don't shed light on largescale enterprises, but I wish only to consider the principle that lies beneath them.

By offering solutions that bridge cognitive dissonance, instead of abandoning fruitful schemes, we create paradigmatic breakthroughs. Therefore, dissonance in our personal lives (or in our social projects) should be seen neither as a stumbling block nor as an occasion for choosing one side against the other, but as an occasion to recontextualize and bridge the dissonance.

We might therefore welcome paradox, confusion, double binds, dualisms, and the clash of opposites when they arise in the course of our social alignments and common endeavors.

(6) Critics Identify Their Own Expertise



A sixth principle in the creation of largescale employment projects encourages us to look at our critics in a productive way.

Any genuinely new activity can't be fully planned in advance. The answers to many of its problems are found in the course of accomplishing the project itself.

Critics will arise, some sincere, some not. The insincere we can pass by. But some critics are sincere and we may lose their expertise by dismissing them.

A more constructive response would be to see them as potential contributors, speaking from their own areas of experience and sometimes identifying important actions needing to be taken.

In the example of sending people to the moon, those who say that such-and-such a material won't work probably could very well be indicating knowledge of materials that will.

This principle reminds us to turn the negative to our advantage and harness the energy of those who can foresee the problems that stand in our way.



These are just some initial thoughts on the principles of projects that might put people back to work or address areas of the world's unworkability. In the language we use today, they assist us in the building of Nova Earth.

I have in mind not some pharaoh's use of slaves to build a monument and not some manipulation of the masses to serve a reigning social class. Rather, I have in mind ennobling cooperative

endeavors in which all people of the world participate for the benefit of the planet. (I have on occasion called this the vision of a "cooperative commonwealth" and, after Werner Erhard, "a world that works for everyone.")

To summarize, when we turn to addressing global famine, drought, poverty, homelessness, disease, infirmity, and inequality, the following principles may help us to frame an adequate, largescale response:

- (1) Identifying areas of the world's unworkability,
- (2) Creating projects that express and reflect our values,
- (3) Building alignment with win/win solutions,
- (4) Setting targettable, society-wide deadlines that allow for project-wide coordination of efforts,
- (5) Bridging dissonance and creating new paradigms,
- (6) And asking our critics for their expertise.

I very well may have left many things out of consideration. If you see any, I welcome your contribution. This essay was not intended to end discussion, but to begin it.

Using Reval Funds to Create a World That Works

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This article is intended for circulation outside as well as inside the lightworker community.

<http://inteldinarchonicles.blogspot.ca/2016/08/using-reval-funds-to-create-world-that.html>

Currency holders seem to be asking themselves two questions these days:

- (1) How will I spend my earnings?
- (2) How will I be able to discern which organizations are legitimate and which organizations are fraudulent?

I have the same concerns.

I know how I'll spend my earnings. I'll put 20% away as a contingency fund. I'll put aside enough money to pay my taxes. I'll gift to my loved ones and take care of all the other gifting I intend to do.

I'll set aside a percentage of what's left for projects I intend to create. And then I'll dedicate the rest to ... what can I call it? As a provisional title? How about the Lightworkers Congress? Hold that thought. More about it in a moment.

How will I be able to discern? Archangel Michael would say: Ask your heart. And I do that.

I would also add: Use credibility analysis on the organization's communications.

Are their claims credible - that is, probable, plausible, possible, and without contradiction or inconsistency? What's their history? What do others say of them?

We have to do our due diligence until we learn to trust our hearts implicitly. (I'm not there yet.)

Someone needs to create a central directory of charities, foundations, NGOs, etc., with an appraisal of their legitimacy - to help us all out. But that's another matter.

Lightworkers Congress

What's a Lightworkers Congress?

As an idea, it's a democratic gathering of lightworkers, to decide the financial goals and targets for the Congress's planetary-reformation work.

The Congress itself convenes to define and tackle the world's persistent problems - hunger, drought, disease, homelessness, sexual slavery, child labor, etc.

What are we doing by creating an organization? We're concentrating our financial power as a prism concentrates light, to create real change in the world.

Real change toward what? Real change toward a world that works for everyone. (1) We lightworkers call that Nova Earth. You probably do as well.

Most lightworkers come from the firm belief that we can and will create a world that works - a world free of pollution, a world in which everyone's cares and necessities are taken care of, a world that we haven't even dreamed of yet, but are about to have a crack at building.

Free energy. Cars that run on ... water, free energy, anti-grav, you name it. Medical breakthroughs that will have your head spin. And more.

Our Reval funds are what give us leverage. They give us the chance to build this new world, to irrigate this field and watch a crop of new inventions grow and a weed bed of unwanted conditions disappear.

I envision a democratic organization of lightworkers, acting as decision-makers directing the use of funds given to the organization by other lightworkers. These other lightworkers will have participated in the various abundance programs.

These lightworkers give a portion of their earnings to the organization to be used to end the unworkable conditions in the world.

At some level of your being, you must be aware that there's a gradual consciousness shift going on, are you not? Do you not feel happier than last year? Is the Reval itself not an indication that a consciousness shift is going on?

How else would such a way-out idea as a Reval make any sense at all except if we're in the midst of a raising of consciousness on the entire planet?

Our frequencies are getting higher and, in this higher resonance, things are possible that simply weren't decades earlier.

If this were not the case, I wouldn't have the confidence to say: We can do this. We can create a world that works. I know we can.

We have the collective will, means, and opportunity to turn this planet's situation around - to win equality for women, to end exploitation, to level the playing field for the poor and much more.

You and I have it within our power to finance a revolution of love on this planet. Finely-targeted, strategic gifting - in this case by an organization representing lightworkers - is how to ignite that fire.

Footnotes

(1) The phrase originated with Werner Erhard.

Werner Erhard: Butterflies Can Explain How Caterpillars Came to Fly

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Werner when I knew him

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In the course of a conversation with a reader, I became aware of the fact that Werner Erhard (1) had posted online one of the most stimulating books for humanitarian philanthropists I've ever read.

Werner was ... is ... an enlightened humanitarian philosopher. He might call himself an ontologist, a student of being. I'd add awareness. And responsibility. And, well, everything you see me still writing about today, such was his impact on me.

What you're reading here from my pen, you'd never be reading if it weren't for his work and that of his colleagues. My debt to them for opening up my everyday life and making the awareness path I followed rich and rewarding is incalculable.

We have a lot of folks around who teach a future of evolutionary spirituality, but not a lot who focus attention on enlightening ourselves through our everyday ways of living. Some, but not as many.

Our schools don't have it in their curriculum. Many of our parents didn't know what Werner was teaching; neither did we, their children. Much of it was completely new to all of us. That's what made it so surprising and interesting. And every statement could be checked out in everyday life.

Werner, to use his own turn of phrase, was a butterfly who could explain how caterpillars came to fly. (2) And the est Training was for me like concentrated medicine in lifelong release tablets. It keeps on relieving.



If you and I build a world that works for everyone, we'll have lived out a vision that Werner created for the world in the late Seventies. One among several.

With that, I bring to the attention of all humanitarian philanthropists the illuminating Hunger Project source document, [The End of Starvation: Creating an Idea Whose Time Has Come](#), an excerpt of which is posted below.

Read it. Mull it over. Check it out with other ideas from Werner and the est Network here: [est Dictionary](#). They're worth wrestling with and assimilating, given what we'll soon be tackling.

The Hunger Project Source Document:

The End of Starvation: Creating an Idea Whose Time Has Come

[by Werner Erhard, 1977](#)

You and I want our lives to matter. We want our lives to make a real difference - to be of genuine consequence in the world. We know that there is no satisfaction in merely going through the motions, even if those motions make us successful or even if we have arranged to make those motions pleasant. We want to know we have had some impact on the world. In fact, you and I want to contribute to the quality of life. We want to make the world work.

When you look at making the world work, you are confronted by, and cannot pass over, the fact that each year 15 million of us die as a consequence of starvation. This unparalleled failure for humanity enables us to see that the world's unworkability is located in the very condition in which we live our lives. Thus, it is not people "out there" who are starving; people are starving

"here" - in the space in which you and I live. You and I are working to make our lives work in the same condition that results in hunger and starvation.

Starvation both maintains and dramatizes a world that does not work. Persisting throughout history, it has accounted for more deaths and suffering than all epidemics, wars, and natural disasters combined. During the past five years alone, more people have died as a consequence of starvation than from all the wars, revolutions, and murders of the past 150 years. As you read this, 28 people are dying in our world each minute as a consequence of hunger, three-quarters of them children.

The bare statistics are so shocking that we rarely examine the further impact of starvation on our own lives. Hunger, by its persistence, seems to invalidate that our lives could matter. It seems to prove that we are capable only of gestures. It suppresses the space in which each of us lives.

Yet, precisely because the impact of starvation on our lives is so great, its existence is actually an opportunity. It is an opportunity to get beyond merely defending what we have, beyond the futility of self-interest, beyond the hopelessness of clinging to opinions and making gestures.

In fact, in experiencing the truth underlying hunger, one comes to realize that the ordinarily unnoticed laws that determine the persistence of hunger on this planet are precisely the laws that keep the world from working. And the principles of the end of hunger and starvation in the world are the very principles necessary to make the world work.

So this paper is not an explanation, a solution, an opinion, or a point of view about the problem of hunger. It is an examination of what is so about the persistence of hunger, aimed at answering two questions:

1. What are the laws governing and determining the persistence of hunger on our planet? Not the reasons, however cogent; not the justifications, however comforting; not the systems of explanation, however consistent or clever. If we were merely looking for reasons to explain the persistence of hunger and starvation, we could logically deduce them from the facts.

Fundamental laws and principles, however, cannot be deduced. One knows them by creating them from nothing, out of one's Self. (2) One does not arrive at fundamental laws and principles as a function of what is already known. Such laws and principles do not merely explain; they illuminate. They do not merely add to what we know; they create a new space in which knowing can occur. (3) The test of whether we are dealing with fundamental laws and principles, or with mere reasons and explanations, is whether there is a shift from controversy, frustration, and gesturing, to mastery, motion, and completion. (4)

2. What are the principles of the end of hunger and starvation on the planet? Not new programs of solution, no matter how saleable or clever; not different or better opinions, no matter how arguable; not points of view, no matter how agreeable. This discussion is not about another good idea. It is about revealing the fundamental principles of the end of hunger and starvation on our planet. (5)


(To continue, go [here](#).)

"Heroes are ordinary men and women who dare to see and meet the call of a possibility bigger than themselves.

Breakthroughs are created by such heroes, by men and women who will stand for the result while it is only a possibility—people who will act to make possibility real." -
Werner Erhard

Footnotes

(1) Werner's site: <http://www.wernererhard.net/>

Werner's current academic papers are available at  [Author Page](#)

(2) Endnote to *The End of Starvation: Creating an Idea Whose Time Has Come* at <http://www.wernererhard.net/thpsource.html>

"Nothing" = "The One."

(3) I call this realized knowledge. Some ideas have the power to create space and open us to sudden insights or realizations. Certainly "a world that works for everyone" was such an idea for me.

(4) Exactly. Or as he's said elsewhere, whether release is brought about. If we experience increasing release in our conversation, then we're getting somewhere because the truth will set us free.

(5) Are we ready?