

OUR EARTH NEEDS "ONE THING" —OUR RESPECT! —EVERYDAY!

RESPECT

FIRST & FOREMOST



Our planet Earth receives little respect TODAY, so why celebrate Earth Day knowing that we TODAY continue to do far more destructive ruin than good to our planet. As alarming, governments of the world who hold all the power don't appear to be concerned enough, especially the wealthiest nations. They would rather fiddle time away with their technologies, chasing water and life in outer space while destroying what remains here. Can anyone make any sense of this? With their money and technology, they believe they can do what only a living HEALTHY planet can, but their thinking is foolish and irrational.

Since our first Earth Day celebrated in 1970, we have had a few successes protecting our planet and our children's future, as there have been far too few, as we have moved far too slowly and accomplished far too little, resulting in far more harm than good. We continue putting ourselves and our comforts first while relying on the government(s) to do what's right for all people. But they don't because it most often involves compromise, promoted by the wealthy corporations and their lobbyists, even when it's about our health, justice, and our children's future. What's more important, protecting the wealthiest people and corporations so they can continue with their meteoric exploitations of our planet's finite life-sustaining capacity? It's like they have no sense or care of what the future may hold for our children. They are selfish, blinded by money and the power it provides them and their unjust ambitions. Because of this, many people believe something is missing today, as they see no solution on the horizon, and our children are terrified of their future. In 1992, we were warned of a global catastrophe unlike any humans have ever experienced, when 1700 of the world's leading scientists issued and signed a Warning to Humanity. The following is their introduction:

"Human beings and the natural world are on a collision course. Human activities inflict harsh and often irreversible damage on the environment and critical resources. If not checked many of our current practices put at serious risk the future that we wish for human society and the plant and animal kingdoms and may alter the living world that it will be unable to sustain life in the manner that we know. Fundamental changes are urgent if we are to avoid the collision our present course will bring about."

Could it be that fundamental (human) change is the change that's missing today because it's something money can't buy? I believe it is because real change must be firmly grounded in common sense and the common good of all, and the only way to achieve that is by grounding it in RESPECT.

Without Respect, real change is impossible on our planet of 7.8 billion people and growing, who are thoroughly divided on just about everything and subject. Without Respect First and Foremost for our planet, we will never have enough Respect for one another; therefore, we will be unable to do what's required of us today to save our children's future. Respect provides a foundation for Fundamental Human Change and Fundamental Living moving forward, which our natural world requires. Fundamental Living can be best defined as Responsible Living, as Responsible Living is living, just and sustainable as our natural world requires. To get there, one NEEDS TO WANT IT more than anything else because it's the right thing to do, knowing our children's futures are at stake today. By doing this, we can feel good and proud of ourselves because our children will be grateful for your love and courage.

Knowing all we know today about ourselves and our living world's rapidly declining finite life-sustaining capacity, are we not obligated to live responsible, just, and sustainable as our natural world requires to preserve our children's future?

It's important to understand that "How We Live" today, unsustainably and unjustly, has a cost (life) like no other, a debt we can never repay, a debt passed on to our children as their inheritance. Maybe this one thought will be enough to convince you that Fundamental Human Change is the change we need today.

Earth Day does little more than provide momentary soothing of our urge for something far better. It hasn't moved us enough to see that we need to embrace Responsible Living as a lifestyle, respecting all life and honoring our living planet, our only source of life, and our children.

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Links:

The World Scientists' Warning to Humanity:

<https://www.ucsusa.org/resources/1992-world-scientists-warning-humanity>

OHIAS — www.ohias.org

AGREE Our Health Is AT Stake <http://chng.it/m6TFYfHp>

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