

‘The Earth is Speaking’

Have you ever heard the earth speak? It does you know. Have you heard the shriek of the hawk in flight, during one of its hunts? Or the blue jays song, or when the wolf howls at the moon, or when the mountain lion cries through the night? It can be so magical possessing a power of its own if we are a-tuned to it.

But today in our modern enclave and hubris of horns honking, tires squealing, high pitched radios, harried and anguished voices, mobile phones, talking of mundane and frivolous things ... ‘We hear nothing’ ... (least of all the earth, speaking) except the long playing cassettes in our heads telling us ‘how to listen’, ‘how to feel’, ‘how to choose’ and ‘how to be’, the voices of societies, culture and all their rigid and ridiculous rules that are turning us from ‘human beings’ into non-thinking, non-feeling and non-choosing machines.

When was the last time you enjoyed the setting of the sun, the awakening to a new day, a rainbow after a hard and fresh rain, the first snow fall and the enchanting glimpse of the full moon? These precious gifts given to us, our species, so naturally, and through the earth’s stages and cycles, that have no price, for they cannot be bought or sold as they are freely given.

But we know so little of this because we humans are so dangerously out of touch with the rhythms and beat of nature, which we are a part and have come to ignore these basic but profound truths of our existence. In short, we simply don’t listen anymore to the earth, one another or ourselves even when we know this has great costs and consequences.

It is because of this that the earth has resorted to more drastic means to get our attention and for us to listen. Now, the sounds and movements get louder and more powerful; these coming through earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, hurricanes, floods and other radical shifts in the climate. All of these are signs for us to wake up and to take heed as to our misdeeds and destructive tendencies and begin to walk in a sacred way. For the earth no longer is waiting for us to hear its voice. It is beginning the steps it needs to take towards the cleansing and healing of itself and our abuse to its body and soul. Where we go from here is up to us. Our destiny and future and the kind of relationship we end up having with the earth remains to be seen. This relationship will be reflected as a mirror reminder of what that can be. What we do or don’t do will have an influence on this outcome.

In the movie ‘The Day After Tomorrow’ this point comes across with graphic detail. Although the movie was the more typical Hollywood sci-fi disaster film; its message had a great impact. It reminds us that if we continue to disregard nature, law and order of existence, we have better be ready to pay the price.

If there is one thing I have learned in all my years of being alive on this planet plus, traveling and working on it for over seventeen years, it is this: If we ever hope to awaken to consciousness fully or to take the next evolutionary steps into the place of i.e. Global Soul, planetary citizenship, universal human etc, then we must begin to listen and pay more attention to what nature and the earth is trying to say to our species-human and our world community in these times. We not only have to stop abusing the earth through our lack of concern and disrespect and let go of our “conquer and control” attitude we have used against nature for thousands of years. We also have to become more responsible in our choices and conduct with nature now on a daily basis.

Today, nature is speaking to us through the changes that we can witness everywhere as its very order is being threatened by our selfish and thoughtless deeds. All we need to do is to look around to see what this is all about. We need not be a ‘geologist’ or some other specialists in the area of environment to know something important is happening to the planet. We need not know how to use a crystal ball to see into the future either; nor do we need to be up on the whole line of prophesy from the Bible, Mayan Calendar, Nostradamus or others. All we need to do is look at what is the obvious. The earth is doing what it needs to do to heal and cleanse itself from the centuries of abuse

and damage from our species. The one species of the multitude that has become hell-bent on its own destruction and through its madness has sought to destroy and cause the extinction of many of those others that comprise that multitude. The one species as well that has done a really good job of messing up the system of harmony and interdependence that has taken the earth millions of years to create and evolve.

If the earth has one message for us today that we need to hear. It is that this abuse and disregard for the earth's eco-system has to stop. If we're not willing to take the efforts to do so, then the earth will. This is what these dramatic changes going on with the earth are all about, at least in part. The other side of this happening is related to our role in the intensifying of these changes. Such as: Nuclear bomb tests, depletion of the ozone, pollution, strip mining, destruction of rainforest etc. These have caused the necessary eco-balance in the earth's cycle's and stages to become more unbalanced and disconnected. I need not go into a big and heated discussion about these things. There are plenty of books and articles and organizations that have a great deal more knowledge about these subject areas. If anyone really wants to know more about what is going on all they need to do is to search out the sources. But, from what I have seen today, most people don't want to know more about these things anyway. After saying this, I find that I have one more important point to make and if I don't it will haunt me for days. Here it is:

The other factor that also has something to do with the apparent earth changes is that they are part of both the earth's and our evolution and spiritual development. This means that they are part of the next stage or steps or leaps in becoming more conscious beings. In order for this to happen we have to go through initiations or "rites of passage". In a sense, we have to go through necessary processes of transformation, which include the death of old ways and the preparation for new ways to live and states of being.

If we extend this more into the material arena of our existence it tells us that as the physical environment is passing through many different kinds of shifts in form and process, we too will experience these as well, being that we are a part of this species – environment connection; hence, the outside physical environment and our internal human environment are related.