

Economic Awareness and Sustainability

UNBEKNOWNST to many the World Commission on Environment and Development (WCED) had 15 meetings in various cities around the world to seek first-hand experience on how humans interact with the environment. The commission involved twenty-one members that were drawn from across the globe, half represented developing nations.

In 1987, a final report was issued by the Brundtland Commission entitled *Our Common Future*. This was the first reliable and widely distributed study exploring the global impact of humans on the environment; the principal link, Sustainable Development being the priority. It is described as the development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. As a global imperative, it is necessary for our nations to integrate pathways associated with social equity, economic productivity and environmental quality. Each should share certain common traits which would reflect the essential needs of the world's poor, plus address any limitations imposed by the state of technology and social organizations on the environments ability to meet present and future needs.

Sustainable development is to address the social construct that seeks to improve the quality of life for the world's people; reasoning that sustainability of environmental resources and services ties together social equalities, viability, and the bearability of the human race.

Spirit moved me to begin writing this book in 2005 and at the time the second edition is released, it is nearing the last half of 2024. The Hopi Indian documentary hit the market in 1985 but led us to focus on an increase of cataclysmic earth changes around the year of 1995. What's my point? From what Spirit has told me we should be in the beginning stages of the sacred movement by the time the first book goes into print and entering the final stages of transition by the time the second edition becomes readily available. The reports and studies done on the issue of sustainability are of extreme importance. They are revving up our engines and getting us to focus on what actions are appropriate as we move head-long into finding solutions to what plagues the world. (You may want to take note that I did not use the word reactions—this will come up again in a future chapter.)

Great Spirit has given us ample time to change those things that are necessary for the human race to come into alignment with creating sustainable change. Change that will create, promote and implement programs that seek to improve the lives of the world's people. With the availability of technology in the world today there is little reason for even one person to say that they cannot do something to help change the world for the better. For each of us to get into alignment with our own sacred time, investigation and self-exploration is essential. If you do not know how to begin, here are a few suggestions.

First, start where you are! Pima Chondron wrote a little booklet that addresses this very concept. I love it! When I feel stuck or fixated on something I go back through the text to engage in a higher perspective. So, start with you. Use the tools provided in this book and those offered by Lance Secretan to determine what makes you tick. What you are passionate about, and if you were to die tomorrow, what would you choose to scream from the rooftops today. Author Nancy S. Lawson, author of *A Final Farewell* suggested that we share the things that we would feel sad about, if we were not able to share it with the world in the future. Step two will require you to observe your immediate surroundings, taking what you know about yourself now and your need to share that with others, then marrying the two. What is it that only you can do, only you are capable of, that no one else can do quite like you?

Each of us possesses our own special gift. To understand how special, let us compare people to fingerprints. No two are alike therefore no one else can do something quite like you can. You came into this life to do something special. What is it? What does it look like? Consider and always be mindful that no one else is able to do what you do, better than you. Ask your-self, or ask your inner God-self, “what am I here in this lifetime to do that no one else can do as well as I can?”

Step three: Follow through.

You can ask your God source about your own life force. “What is my life force connected to naturally; Air, earth, fire, water?” You can get more specific by asking more direct questions that might include how your energy might work better when focusing on cells, tissue, atoms, animals, concrete, metal, vegetables, minerals, genes, germs, bacteria, the building up of, or the tearing down of something. When you are acting from a perspective of doing something for the betterment of the human race, or the generations that will come after us, you will be in alignment with your sacred time and you won’t be able to stop yourself from improving the quality of life for others in the world.

Again, get focused. Start with you. Don’t spend time fixating on the things you cannot change. Focus on the things you can once you have connected to your God source. Introspection leads to external harmony and peace. Honor who you are, take time to detoxify the old stagnant energy your body is holding on to. As we each do this we will find our outer world doing the same. As we live in the now, focusing our intention on what we can do at this time in our lives, our social, environmental and economic landscapes will change for the better as well.

We are at the crux of change. Our non-sustainable development, non-life sustaining habits create urban sprawl, impact land use and fuel consumption and we can see how these have negative health consequences for the entire human race, as well as having detrimental effects on other creatures.