

Let's Schmooze

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Children of the Light

It's a timeless concept, but often overlooked in the press of ordinary, everyday living. Let's review it together ~ this concept ~ *Children of the Light*. That might help us keep a healthy perspective on what we are, and how we should go about living our lives, and taking care of our planet.

In an earlier blog entry entitled *Read This Before You Bite That*, we noted, among other things, how important plant life is to the human race. Without vegetation on our planetary home Earth, animal life could not exist. We are totally dependent on the bounty of plant life for our very existence and sustenance.

It's finally happened ~ our food has turned against us. This isn't a light matter. It is the plant world that stands between us and instant extinction. All animal life on Earth is completely dependent, in some way or another, on the plant world for sustenance. We can't survive by eating dirt.

It would appear that global warming is the immediate culprit. Scientists have discovered that as various plants adapt to protect themselves against climatic warming, they produce chemical products that are toxic to us. We happen to eat many of these plants as major staples in our diets.

Evidently, so it seems, other life forms on planet Earth are getting serious about the ongoing global warming, and adapting to it. We need to get serious, too.

We can't live without the bounty produced by the plant world. When the plant world starts to turn against us, the end is not far off.

We need to really think about this, and change our long-standing approach to living on this planet. We need to shift from a mentality of exploiting nature to a mentality of caring for nature, and of being willing to share planet Earth with all

the various life-forms and manifestations of nature. This paradigm shift in our thinking may have a chance of saving our skins.

Our food is becoming our enemy. We need to change our values and behaviors, and change them fast! The alternative is unthinkable.

The bounty of plant life is practically miraculous. Warmed by our Sun, a plant seed in the ground germinates, and sends a small shoot out of the soil reaching up into the sky to the Sun. That's just the beginning, and to get going via germination, the seed only used the warmth of the Sun.

The true miracle is just starting. That small shoot of green stuff that the germinating seed sent soaring up into the air and reaching for the Sun ~ it does something very special ~ this time with the light of the Sun. We call it the miracle of photosynthesis. The light of the Sun falling upon the plant allows the plant to grow into maturity, and in doing so, to bring forth edible fruit in the air and edible roots in the ground.

It's an awesome miracle, and it's what we eat to survive. It's what animals eat to survive. In fact, whether directly or indirectly, it's what everything eats to survive. And, plant food is the direct product of the blazing light of our Sun. Without the blazing light of our Sun, there would be no plant life, and no plant food.

In that sense, we are *Children of the Light*. Our Sun not only warms us; it feeds us. Without the light of our Sun, we would die immediately.

It's something to think about. When we think of it in a certain way, we are *Children of the Light*. We need to act like *Children of the Light*, and start taking good care of the plant world. After all, it's in the plant world that our Sun lays the foundation for our own miracle of life.

~ 'til we meet again ~