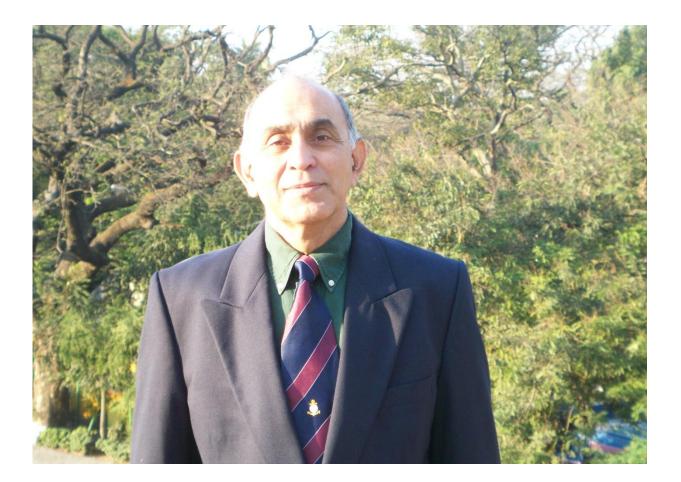
SET SAIL FOR AN EPIC ADVENTURE

refreshing ourselves... refreshing our world

Dame Liberty

Jimmy Shroff (Retired Sea-Captain)

Jimmy Shroff



The Solar Festival

Dear Friends,

Here is a collection of TimeLine posts, mostly contributed by friends, along with some quotes from the book "Love is."

This presentation is to initiate a movement, based on the above book, which will lead to a grand party at Hiroshima on 6th August 2020, the Solar Festival.

The Solar Festival

That is our Vision 2020.

You are a part of it. With your help we will survive. More, we will thrive with joy.

Arundhati Roy

Arundhati Roy

Lord hear my prayer: "The only dream worth having is to dream that you will live while you are alive, and die only when you are dead. To love, to be loved. To never forget your own insignificance. To never get used to the unspeakable violence and vulgar disparity of the life around you. To seek joy in the saddest places. To pursue beauty to its lair. To never simplify what is complicated or complicate what is simple. To respect strength, never power. Above all to watch. To try and understand. To never look away. And never, never to forget."

"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world." -Anne Frank, Age 15 - March 26, 1944 This Horse Chestnut Tree is dedicated to victims of intolerance and discrimination. April 11, 2010

first light at Glacier National Park in Montana. photographer Kevin LeFevre

Wire sculpture by Robin Wight

"Everything beautiful in life cries out against there being an end to their glorious life."





"What day is it?" asked Pooh. "It's today." squeaked Piglet. "My favorite day." said Pooh.

One day someone will hug you so tight, that all of your broken pieces will fit back together.

Humble enough to know I'm not better than anybody and Wise enough to know that I'm different from the rest...unknown

gaia's blessings

Light a candle

Any natural fire, for example in the form of a lighted candle, has similar good effects as the spiritual radiation of the Sun.

"Fire purifies and each family should keep a diya or a candle glowing every day, so that the purification passes en masse into the atmosphere and dilutes the wrong thoughts, deeds, etc.."

Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible. ~ Francis of Assisi

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It is not necessary to believe in God to be a good person. In a way, the traditional notion of God is outdated. One can be spiritual but not religious. It is not necessary to go to church and give money - for many, nature can be a church. Some of the best people in history did not believe in God, while some of the worst deeds were done in His name. -POPE FRANCIS

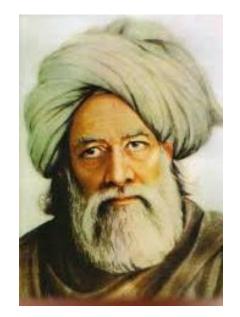
NATURE Cheaper than therapy.

David Avocado Wolfe

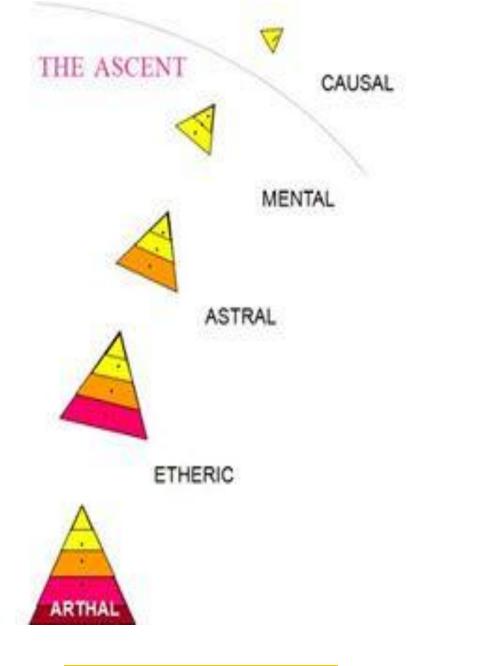
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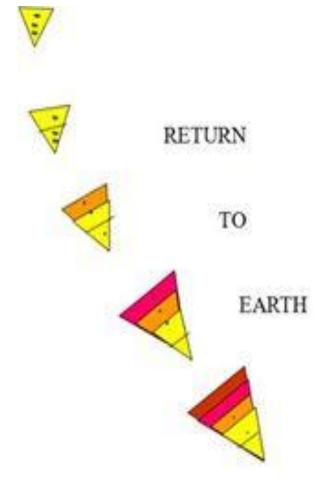
Destroy the mosque. Destroy the temple. Do as you please.

But do not break the human heart as God dwells therein.



1680- 1757 Lahore, Pakistan





Back to 'School'

'Annual' Holiday



I rest my case in a divine conscious Artist...

Patricia Chaves

"Everything is energy and that's all there is to it. Match, the frequency of the reality you want and you cannot help but get that reality. It can be no other way. This is not philosophy. This is physics." -Albert Einstein

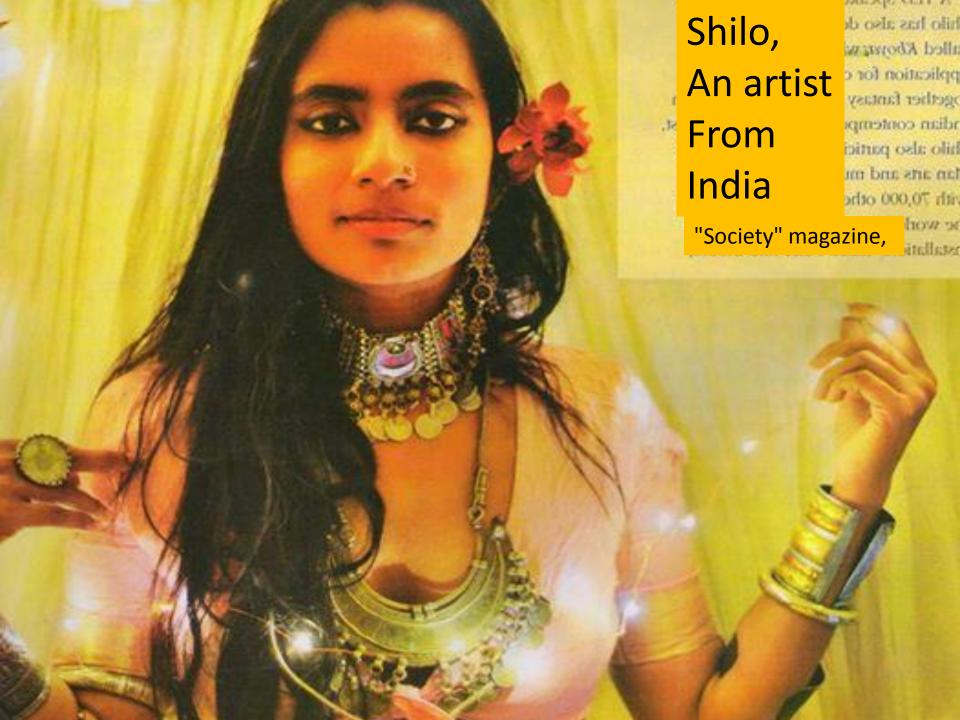
There is a Jewish saying that whenever a man or woman walks down the street, he or she is preceded by an invisible choir of angels crying

> "Make way, make way! For the image of God."

"Fortunately, some are born with spiritual immune systems that sooner or later give rejection to the illusory worldview grafted upon them from birth through social conditioning. They begin sensing that something is amiss, and start looking for answers.

Inner knowledge and anomalous outer experiences show them a side of reality others are oblivious to, and so begins their journey of awakening. Each step of the journey is made by following the heart instead of following the crowd and by choosing knowledge over the veils of ignorance."

~ Henri Bergson On Intuition vs. Intellect, 27Nobel Prize in Literature 1907



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"PEOPLE WILL STARE. MAKE IT WORTH THEIR WHILE"

-HARRY WINSTON-



CREATED IN HIS IMAGE

Over time, humans have learned to quiet the activity on the right side of our brains. This has reduced our ability to relax into the pleasure and sheer joy of being alive, or

to participate in the ongoing creation of beauty that is our true nature.

CREATED IN HIS IMAGE

In her book Dying to Be Me, the author Anita Moorjani explains that after her neardeath experience — in which she literally was pronounced dead of terminal cancer — her insight was that we are here to enjoy life. QUOTED: "I think we risk becoming the best informed society that has ever died of ignorance." -Reuben Blades

(Rubén Blades Bellido de Luna, professionally known as Rubén Blades, is a Panamanian salsa singer, songwriter, actor, Latin jazz musician, and activist, performing musically most often in the Afro-Cuba)

The rare & beautiful glass-wing butterfly

HERE'S TO YOU

So here's to those who do what they love. Who care about what they have to say and say it regardless of what people tell them. To those who are dialled into their heart and soul and express it for the world to see.

HERE'S TO YOU

To those who are taking action regardless of knowing the end goal but who realize something needs to be said NOW!

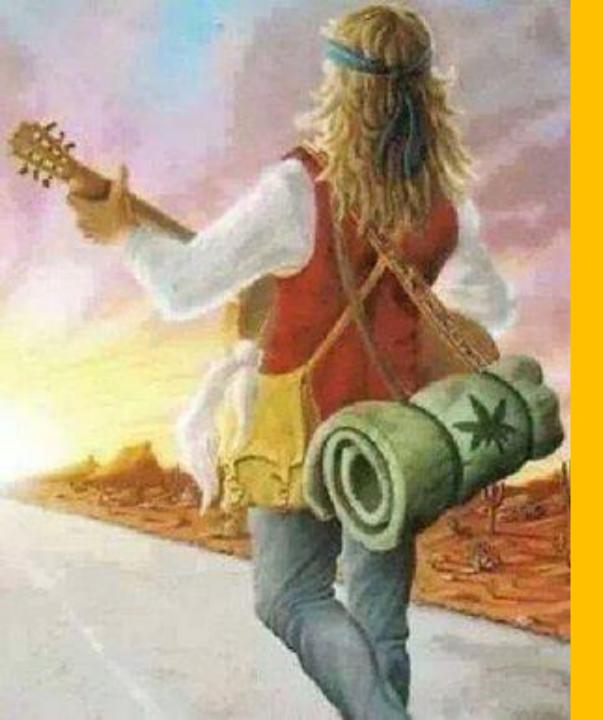
We are all part of a collective and all affect each other in one way or another. Dream big... it's happening everyday.

HERE'S TO YOU

From : Disturbing and uncomfortable truth told through the powerful street art.

"Let's nourish trees instead of missiles."





Let the spirit speak

Rumi

Rumi

Stop the flow of your words Open the window of your heart and let the spirit speak...

Jalaluddin Rumi



HOW TO BE SKINNY

1. NOTICE THAT YOUR BODY IS COVERED In Skin

2. SAY "WOW, I'M SKINNY" CONGRATULATIONS YOU'RE SKINNY.

OLDEST CHILD I MAKE RULES

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MIDDLE CHILD I'M THE REASON WE HAVE RULES

YOUNGEST CHILD THE RULES DON'T APPLY TO ME

The lovely chaos that is India

Life's a beach



"Make a mess, but then also help to tidy it up"



A CHILD NAMED ALICE looking Through the Looking-glass

Alice laughed. "There's no use trying," she said: "one *can't* believe impossible things." "I daresay you haven't had much practice," said the Queen. "When I was your age, I always did it for half-an-hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast."

Deuce

"I know what I'm trying to achieve. I actually forget the negativity of the rest. I think I've been unbelievably positive throughout my career. Of course the negativity has also got to me at times but thankfully not too often and not for too long."

ROGER FEDERER



REMEMBERING

It is not too difficult to believe in a God who remembers each of us and touches each of us by the golden beams from his sunny face each morning and throughout the day.

He does not fail to turn night into day, each day, to resurrect our life each day.

REMEMBERING THE SOURCE

God is also particular and street-smart. He may be busy with his innumerable appointments but he does not forget any of his children. Not for an instant. We would not exist for even an instant without his attention, without his continuous radiation of energy. We may take life for granted. He does not. It is a great and continuous sacrifice to gift life. He remembers each of us. Let us not forget him.



Children

Children are born with a deep, innate knowing of right and wrong. Their internal guidance system is fresh to be moulded;

- an uninfluenced, clean slate.
- Kids are completely brilliant;
- they think with their emotions and come from the heart.



THE CHILD

As the infant has just entered our muddled world, the entity still retains its unsullied clothing. It retains full access to its memory of pre-natal life but this memory starts to fade generally in a few years. By the time the baby has learnt to speak, in most cases, there is now a complete break with the memory cache of the life experienced by the entity, before its entry or re-entry into our world.

THE CHILD

Never the less, even if the baby is unable to verbally proclaim Its heritage, each baby is of royal birth. It is we, in our ignorance, who are all ready to obliterate all signs of royalty each time the tiny cherub makes an appearance. We have forgotten our heritage and we cannot recognize it displayed even in the freshness of innocence.

THE CHILD

The further downgrading of the new arrival is a continuation of our unconcern for the vital inner being. Each human being is now just a body for sale. The buyer expertly weighs the use of the body for mating or for putting it to work in the houses, factories, fields and offices around the world. Our intuition is being smothered with the stress of daily life.

THE STATE OF OUR WORLD

The state of our world is an accurate reflection of ourselves.

So what does it say about ourselves?



Your suffering will not be in vain.

We will overcome.

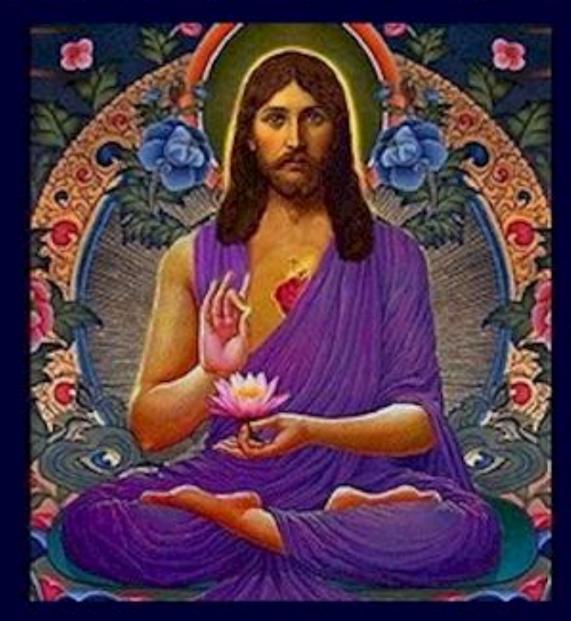
THE STATE OF OUR WORLD

Drugs, weaponry and slavery are the three top occupations in our civilization.

THE STATE OF OUR WORLD

But there is a silver lining to the dark clouds enveloping our life on Earth. We are the cause of darkness; we can also bring Light.

We are created in His image; we have been endowed with the magic quality of Light. "I have said you are Gods & all of you are children of the Most High." Jesus

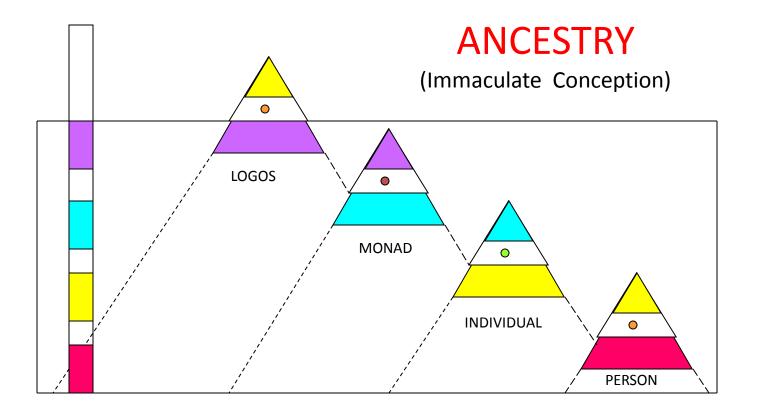


You are Gods

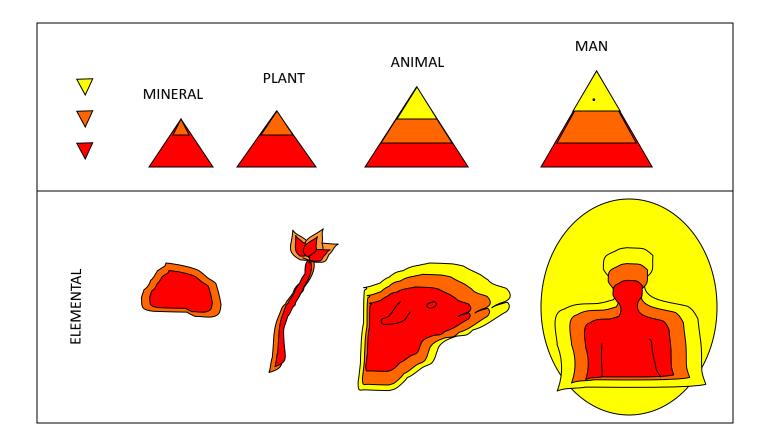
It has taken thousands of years of evolution.. But for the first time ever millions are ready or just about ready to grasp what He meant when He said "Ye are Gods

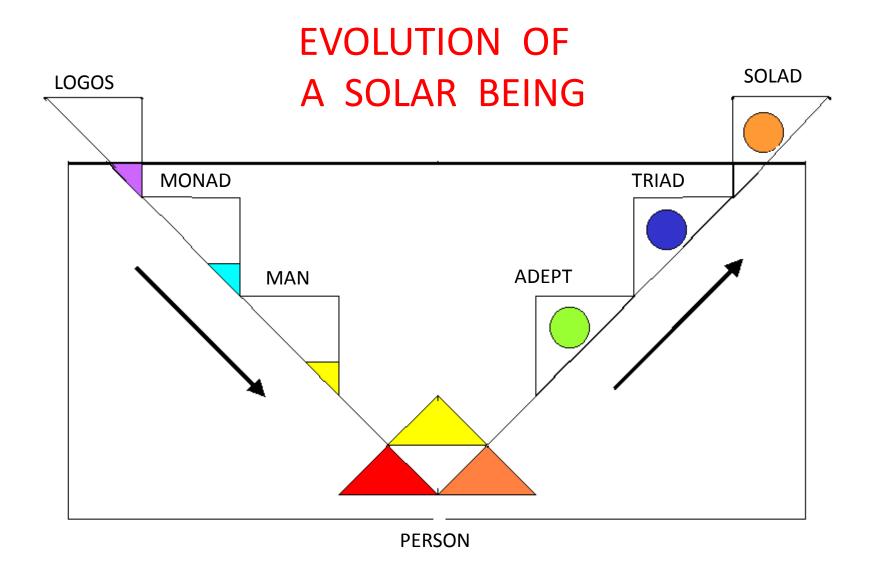
LIVING IN JOY

If we recognize the God Source as our Father and Mother, we must recognize that as her children we are basically young gods and goddesses ourselves.

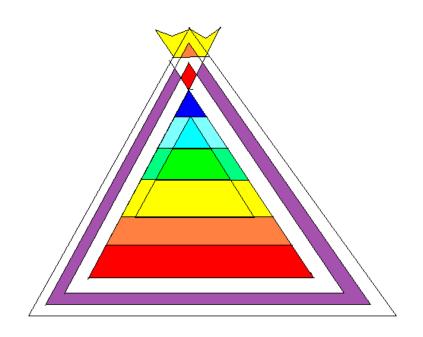


FELLOW CITIZENS





LOGOS





Man resides in the Heart of God

and

God presides in the Heart of Man.

Love is : A farewell to Nuclear Arms Jimmy Shroff

FOR OUR CHILDREN

"Hope for the earth lies not with leaders but in your own heart and soul. If you decide to save the earth, it will be saved.

Each person can be as powerful as the most powerful person who ever livedand that is you, if you love this planet."

Dr. Helen Caldicott



Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope. **POPE FRANCIS**

CAROLYN BAKER : THE BIG FIVE

In modern culture, we have no sacred initiatory practices; we have only profane ones such as gang initiations and teen pregnancy both of which are bogus, ineffectual initiations and actually exacerbate immaturity and prolong a childlike world view steeped in notions of invincibility, false heroism, and consumerism.

CAROLYN BAKER : THE BIG FIVE

We are socialized not to become mature men and women but to become consumers. Our consumeristic /puerile perspective profoundly prevents us from dealing with what I call "The Big Five": Love, death, suffering, the sacred, and eternity.

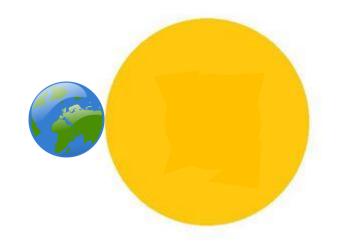


Our Earth: An Island in the Sun

This is our island in the sun,

Where our people have toiled since time begun; I may sail across many a sea,

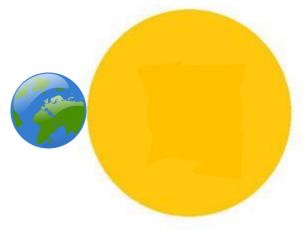
Its shores will always be home to me.



Our Earth: An Island in the Sun

Oh island in the sun, Willed to me by my Father's hand. All my days I will sing in praise Of its forests,

- its waters,
- Its shining sun.



LIVING IN JOY

In the mother's heart there is only love for her children. We only have to forgive ourselves for the distress we must have caused to ourselves, our brothers and our sisters, and our younger cousins who are presently in animal, plant and mineral form.

We judge ourselves

Ruth gave a merry peal of laughter. "Let me tell you, Roger, that there are no judges anywhere in the spirit world. Any judging to be done, we do it for ourselves, and manage very nicely. We can be very hard on ourselves. So whatever you may have thought about Judgement Day, dismiss the whole idea from your mind."

Spirit interaction

"By the world, you mean the earth, Roger. No, all this is not entirely unknown to the earth people. Some of them are aware of it, but by comparison with the earth's millions only a very few."

"And how do they know?"



THE SUN

With the Sun as our living centre, we can commence to establish a thriving world community, a community in which all are made to feel welcome. Gradually, narrow special interests will make way for global interests and subsequently universal interests. Our radiant Sun-God can help us get together, since he is familiar with global and universal issues.

Deborah Van Dyke

"There is no other living thing in nature that has a higher accumulation of the sun's electrons than human beings. Humans seem especially aligned with the sun"





Economics & Security

"Even though wealth and economic means cannot guarantee U.S. Security it can buy a comfortable sort of insecurity."

from a U.S. Report prepared for Congress.

(Fortunately, the camouflage is being shed.)



 Jamna Pariar, 22, is comforted by her son after she learns about the death of her nine-dayold daughter at a field hospital in Khatmandu, Nepal. (from MumbaiMirror, May 1, 2015)



Now, it is our turn to follow the example and wipe the tears shed by our Mother Earth.

LETS STOP CUTTING OURSELVES LOOSE FROM EARTH.



SPIRITUAL EVOLUTION

Our efforts to prevail over the present crisis are laying the foundation stones upon which succeeding generations of our children will continue building God's kingdom on Earth.

SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST

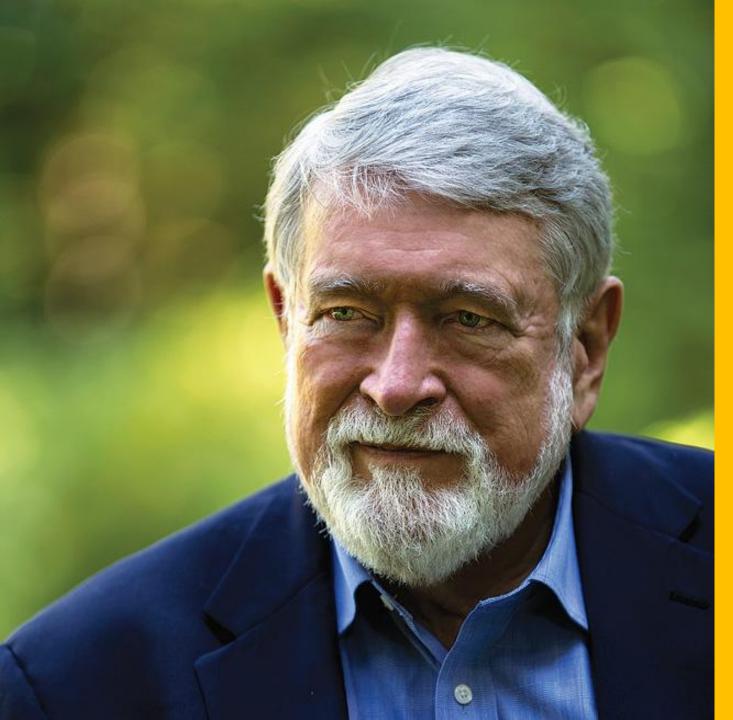
Man was created in the likeness of God. We have been endowed with his creative ability and love.

These are the very qualities we need to develop to be fit for survival.

SPIRITUAL EVOLUTION

There is a process of evolution underway among the spiritual forms too. The present activity related to the evolution of spiritual human beings is the use of the Intuitional.

The use of our Intuition will enable us to transform our world into a spiritual garden of Eden, fit for a cooperating evolved humanity.



David Korten, Harvard Business School

Replace the Gospel of Money

"You either see life as a means to make money, or you see money as simply a number useful for keeping accounts in service to life, but of no value in itself.

Buying into the "Sacred Money and Markets" story that money is wealth and the key to happiness locks us into indentured servitude to corporate rule. "

Former Harvard Business School professor David Korten

The Awakening

"Man has had enough of a life cut off from its religious centre; A quest for a new religious balance, a spiritual deepening, will begin;

In no order of his activity can he carry on any longer merely on the surface, a purely external life."

The Awakening

The moment is unique and urgent.

The call is to the individual but also, for the first time in history,

it is sounded in the ears of the crowd, because the crowd is ready to respond.

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THE WORST OF TIMES, THE BEST OF TIMES

Greed leads to over-consumption and squandering of resources and ultimately global warming.

Greed further leads to over protection and global arming of weapons of mass destruction.

Greed leads to physical poverty and poverty of spirit....

UNPRECEDENTED EMERGENCY

former prime minister of Norway – authored a landmark report. It stated that,

"in the face of an absolutely unprecedented emergency, society has no choice but to take dramatic action to avert a collapse of civilization.

Either we will change our ways and build an entirely new kind of global society, or they will be changed for us."



WHAT IS STOPPING US?

One of the factors keeping us in a denial mode regarding the present crisis facing us, is well said by author, Naomi Klein :

It is "the fetish of centrism – of reasonableness, seriousness, splitting the difference, and generally not getting overly excited about anything."

WHAT IS STOPPING US?

Now it is OK to get overly excited.....both regarding the danger and the great time we will have changing the way we live....we have left it till the last, carrying on our business as usual, even after seeing we are heading towards a dead end.... but better late than never.

The best of times

To prevail over this crisis and get our act together will need the cooperation of each of us.

This also means each of us have a chance to dance with each other!

What more can one wish for!

Your contribution

To help sustain humanity and our planet, from the privacy of your own home and mind, please download a free soft copy of the book,

"Love is: A farewell to Nuclear Arms" from FB/my website www.JimmyShroff.com All of us may not want to be activists but we would like to continue being active, continue to live with joy.

Love is : A farewell to Nuclear Arms Jimmy Shroff

JimmyShroff.com

When Mother Theresa received the Nobel prize, she was asked "What can we do to promote world peace?"

She answered "Go home and love your family."

THIS IS 2015

We as a global community, are tired with the organized murder known as war. We are love. And we will not take it any more. The people are waking, and we are realizing our contentedness to each other and the love we share.

... "Global demonstration against war"

THE CONSEQUENCE OF SIMPLY SITTING BACK

The following is a quote from a German psychiatrist, regarding Germany during the Nazi regime:

"Very few people in Germany were true Nazis but the rest of us were too busy to care. So the majority just sat back and let it all happen. Then before we knew it, they owned us and we had lost control and the end of the world had come."...

Let the last world war be the last Else the next will definitely be the last.

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PEOPLE POWER

One does not need to be rich or powerful to impact the future of humanity, the Pope said.

The future "is fundamentally in the hands of peoples and in their ability to organize."

Water Affirmation

I am Pure Water am Healing Life I am Love





Time seems to be running out

"Time, my brothers and sisters, seems to be running out; we are not yet tearing one another apart, but we are tearing apart our common home" **Pope Francis**

The Hiroshima Solar Festival

So lets meet !

Dame Liberty, respectfully drafted

refreshing ourselves... refreshing our world

The irresistible call

of

Dame Liberty





"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free"

Poet Emma Lazarus

Now we rededicate ourselves to the idea of Liberty.

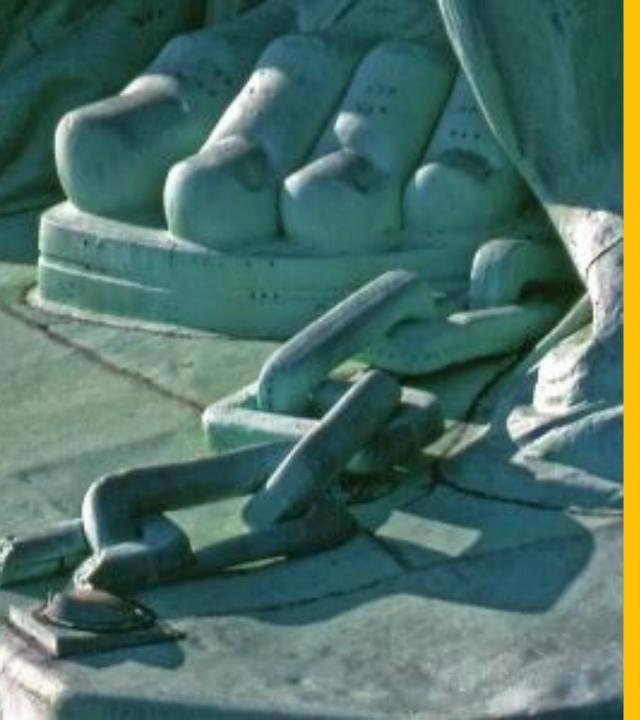
We pledge joyfully and with determination to bring our Idea into the light of day, to secure Life by securing Liberty.

For without Life we cannot strain for Liberty but without Liberty life becomes a chore instead of an adventure.

The Statue of Liberty

A gift to the United States from the people of France. The statue is of a robed female figure representing Libertas, the Roman goddess, who bears a torch and a tabula ansata (a tablet evoking the law) upon which is inscribed the date of the <u>American</u> <u>Declaration of Independence</u>, July 4, 1776.

A broken chain lies at her feet.



At the feet of the Statue lie broken shackles of oppression and tyranny.



Now, we have to fight for the inter-dependence of the people of this planet for our very survival, as both planet and her people are in peril.

Statue of Liberty

The statue is an icon of freedom and of the United States, and was a welcoming sight to immigrants arriving from abroad.



The Pedestal of the Statue was constructed in the United States.

The Pedestal

The story of the construction of the pedestal in the United States, on which the Statue would stand, is as interesting as the story of the construction of the statue itself, in France.

The Pedestal

Fundraising for the pedestal proved difficult for the Americans, and by 1885 work on the pedestal was threatened due to lack of funds.

Joseph Pulitzer

Publisher Joseph Pulitzer of the <u>New York</u> <u>World</u> started a drive for donations to complete the project that attracted more than 120,000 contributors, most of whom gave less than a dollar.

Pulitzer pledged to print the name of every contributor, no matter how small the amount given.

The drive captured the imagination of New Yorkers, especially when Pulitzer began publishing the notes he received from contributors.

"A young girl alone in the world" donated 60 cents, the result of self denial.

One donor gave "five cents as a poor office boy's mite."

A group of children sent a dollar as "the money we saved to go to the circus with"

Residents of a home for alcoholics in New York's rival city of Brooklyn — the cities would not merge until 1898 donated \$15; other drinkers helped out through donation boxes in bars and saloons.

A kindergarten class in <u>Davenport, Iowa</u>, mailed the *World* a gift of \$1.35

80 percent of the total had been received in sums of less than one dollar.

Indeed the smaller the individual amount of contribution, the greater the spread of enthusiasm and fellowship and fellyship. Its not the power of money as much as the power of excitement which will get us together for a chance to dance with each other.

What is the need to collect a fund as our party, the Hiroshima Solar Festival 2020, is intended to bloom largely through volunteer efforts?

Primarily the donation consisting of a dime to a dollar allows the donor to stand up and be counted, to serve in the greatest heartfelt mobilization of public opinion. Each donation, no matter how small, will be chronicled. Together we will save ourselves.

And the aim and logistics of this fund? Joseph Pulitzer may have passed away but his Family and his spirit survives. Even if the scion of his family does not take an interest in getting a sample of the human Family together for a reunion at Hiroshima on the 6th of August 2020, there may be some newspaper or network who may decide to champion recording our cause.

The United Nations is welcome to act as the world co-ordinator for our attempt to bring to life Vision 2020.

And the cause?

To survive the imminent composite crisis and eventually flourish in a regenerated world, a garden of Eden, no less.

The trusted champion will handle the fund, appoint local trustees who will decide how to disburse the funds to initiate the grand party, the Hiroshima Solar Festival, called Vision 2020 in short.

Similar funds may be commenced in each of the cities whose people will be moved enough to become both conveners and honoured guests at the party.

The logistics will remain the same. The money remains in the locality in which it is collected and in the hands of a trusted local individual or a trusted news service or other trusted organization.

For example, if one of the funds is commenced at St. Petersburg, Russia, then it will be the local Russians who will control the fund. The money will be used in all cases to help the local contingent to be present in Japan and help bring about Vision 2020.

Since each contribution of cash and personal view will be publically chronicled, each of us will be the authors of the vision.

Each of you are free and encouraged to submit your views, feed-back, ideas and stories to the news organisation who will agree to champion our highly ambitious plan to come together and recognize ourselves as part of one family.

The local news of our steadily growing planetary family will be collated and shared world-wide.

No matter how many generations it takes for the superstructure to be erected, we, the current generation of human beings aboard our space-ship Earth, will not rest till we lay the foundation, the keel of our ship, the State Ship called Friend-Ship.

The funds are a ploy to collect the rich funds of stories and experiences which will be used to form the keel of the S.S. "Friendship"

A dress rehearsal of Vision 2020 is needed, in 2018 in the month of August in Japan if the people of Japan agree. Small contingents of young persons from each of the dozen nationalities will actually set sail on cargo container ships to Japan. Their berths and board will be requested free of cost from the giant container Lines. We accommodate ourselves to their sailing schedules to ensure there will be no delay or diversions of their ships.

It is not necessary that all the volunteer delegates need to be in any one city of Japan. The delegates would have opened correspondence with donor families of Japan in the Japanese ports of destination of the individual groups. The donor families are requested to provide board and lodge to a few delegates, for a few days.

The actual face-to-face meetings between the interested Japanese people and the arriving delegates is the aim of this dress rehearsal. The agenda and the many items planned to be performed at the central stage set up at Hiroshima for at least the three days, 5th, 6th and 7th of August 2020 will be discussed both before and after the dress rehearsal, through our remote networks.

Modern communication technologies can accomplish a lot. But the trust developed by gazing into each others' eyes can be more easily accomplished through face-to-face meetings.

We have stayed away from each other too long and hence our mutual trust has frayed. We will not allow it to dissipate again.



The young persons making up the contingents setting sail from their own countries to Japan will carry with them the hopes and aspirations of all young and old persons residing on Earth.

We will sail with them in spirit and meet with the Japanese friends as they exchange hearts fearlessly, knowing the significance of their trial and intention: The quality of our life and perhaps our life itself is at stake.

The result of our crusade cannot be measured in terms of success or failure. We have embarked on a great adventure and it is the joy of the journey, each nautical mile that is traversed through fine or rough weather, which is our continuing, never ending, series of intermediate results.

The transformation to a refreshed human being is the goal. Both the sea passage and the ports visited along the passage provides the refreshment.

The native people met in the ports remind us of ourselves. We were so caught up in our own family intrigues, office politics, planning week-end amusements and annual vacations, that we almost forgot that members of our race live in other parts of our globe who may not have the above luxuries.

They may live in other parts but they are a part of the same family of races: the human race. Better late than never to remind ourselves of our large Family.

With this reminder, with the exchange of deep emotions by simply looking into each others' eyes, we will set into motion a cleansing of our emotional atmosphere which in turn will help cleanse our own emotional bodies and that of our Mother Earth. Then our efforts to sustain our Earth physically will automatically succeed.

Climate Change is a symptom of the heartache experienced by any Mother as she sees her children scorn their mother.

A Pavithra homeland will reflect we have recovered our default joyous state. Both Mother and Child will be healed.



Rendering the world arsenal of weapons of mass destruction impotent is our first test.

It is not the weapons per se that is our problem. It is our attitude which allows this monster to thrive in our midst. If this attitude is allowed to prevail, we will not need nuclear weapons to inflict suffering and destruction upon us and upon our mother earth.

We must refuse to hand over our fractured way of life to the next generation.

If we fail our first test, if we cannot cooperate and get together with honesty and good-will and pledge non-use of nuclear weapons during the interim period needed to find a safe way to permanently dispose of the weapons, we will not be ready for our last test.

The loom of Climate change, with the destructive power of a million atomic bombs in a slow burning phase, can be seen rising and casting its baleful eye on us and on our planet.

Even with the experience of solidarity gained by getting rid of the nuclear threat, it will still require all of us to strain utmost to utilize our inner and outer resources and save ourselves thereby restoring the beauty of our Mother Earth.

A "stream of light shall pierce the darkness of ignorance and man's oppression until Liberty enlightens the world".

Lets make the above dream declared at the unveiling of the Statue of Liberty come true. If not now then when? If not us then who?

We have gone through two world wars since then. We cannot afford another world war, nor a war with Nature, for we will lose.

One immigrant who arrived from Greece recalled,

"I saw the Statue of Liberty. And I said to myself, Lady, you're such a beautiful! You opened your arms and you get all the foreigners here. Give me a chance to prove that I am worth it, to do something, to be someone in America.

and always that statue was on my mind"

" And always that statue (the statue of Liberty) was on my mind."



Now is a chance for All of us to do something for ourselves and for the world we live in.

The use of France's gift and America's receipt, is once again needed since Liberty and Life, both are in peril More than ever.

Along with the people of USA, the peoples of Great Britain, France & India are requested to become the chief conveners to join hands with Japan and host the Festival.

The people of Russia, China, Pakistan, Israel, and Korea are our honored guests and Equal partners in the Holy crusade

The people of America, the land of the brave and free, can take the initiative to build up the momentum for the Hiroshima Solar Festival of 2020.

America and Japan became blood brothers, closely related during the fiery baptism of Pearl Harbor and Hiroshima. Now the sacrifices must not be allowed to become a memento of transfers of power resulting only in a fiery death.

The great wars ended last century but peace has been elusive.

The bountiful gifts of technological progress after the wars have blinded us with their glamour. We failed to account for their true cost. The price tag of our excess consumable goods do not cover their true cost. The impoverished, the victims of war, rape and other crimes, and finally all of us would have to pay the actual price.

Let us settle accounts now instead of continuing to raise the cost till it becomes unbearable.

We have also become complacent with the danger of sleeping with the bomb for more than half-a-century.

It is time to meet and celebrate our luck holding so far and invest in more durable values, a more joy-filled existence.

What are we going to celebrate? Isn't it a bit vulgar to plan a celebration at the place associated with a deliberate act resulting in mass destruction?

Would the Japanese people approve of a celebration and permit the same?

Remaining gloomy is not the best way for us to show gratitude to those pioneers who showed us the effect of a nuclear device being dropped on them.

They have paid for our lesson with great suffering and they are still paying for it, since we have not yet learnt the lesson.

It is time we receive the lesson with reverence and learn it, thereby thanking them deeply for their unprecedented sacrifice of agreeing to be at the front line.

Any and all suffering borne without bitterness carried forward for long, is a sacrifice.

A sacrifice is to prevail over the pain, to eventually gift or receive the lesson with joy from oneself and from others.

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To remember the pain of those who died and the pain of those who survived, in a helpful way, is the purpose of the celebration.

It is a good way of saying we will overcome the ugliness of war. We will not let the specter of the nuclear fires keep us in hell.

We shall overcome.

The brave people of Japan have renewed their cities which were destroyed during the war. It is high time we pledge to renew ourselves, as per the heart-felt request from the survivors of the nuclear holocaust.

That is what we are celebrating. That is why we are here.

We are celebrating the arrival of good times on Earth, which all of us desire from the depths of our hearts. We have gone through a lot of bad times.

And what better way to start celebrating the arrival of good times than by having a celebration, having a good time together.

This will be no ordinary celebration. We have a lot of work ahead of us both before and after our party.

Eventually our work will involve a complete overhaul of all the systems in use now, to serve the people: governance, justice, business, monetary, education, including religious education, even family organizations.

Only the arena of art will remain unscathed. Our attention towards art and beauty will help us form better social systems.

It will help us rekindle our true nature.

We are alive now.

We work towards maintaining this state of humankind.

We cannot be complacent with a defeatist statement like "the farewell to nuclear arms will not be accomplished in our generation."

Is our generation to be cursed by us, to become a disposable unit within our great planet's long active phase?

Are we members of a sub-human generation that we generate such a verdict upon ourselves?

Where have all the flowers gone https://youtu.be/0LZ2R2zW2Yc

New York, the heart of America, beating in the rhythm of Liberty, can take the initiative to build up the momentum for the Hiroshima Solar Festival 2020.

However great the light from the Statue of Liberty, eventually we will pass the Torch of Freedom to the mighty Star, our Solar Sun, to spread our intention of freedom to our entire planetary system. Dame Liberty, respectfully drafted

We request Dame Liberty, her spirit and her torch, to initially provide light for our unprecedented expedition :

the re-discovery of a land forgotten by us, Our Homeland, lit up by the flame of friendship.

Homeland security will be supplemented and eventually maintained by the exchange of joy, the lingua franca of sustenance.



During the restoration, the flame in the torch was carefully covered with thin sheets of 24 karat gold.

The golden flame structure within the torch reflects the sun's rays in daytime.

Let us strongly intend it also reflects our gratitude to the sun's daily powerful intent carried out unfailingly to sustain us.

Remaining joyous is the best way to indicate gratitude.

The most evolved kingdom on earth will not call it a day despite the state of our world. We will not give up.

We will become emotionally and mentally purified and vigorous enough to hold negativity at an arm's length and courageously supplant it with joy.

"WE SHOULD NOT GIVE UP AND WE SHOULD NOT ALLOW THE PROBLEM TO DEFEAT US"

ex-president of India and scientist, Abdul Kalam



We invite delegates of all peoples to come and join us and dance at our party. The people of Japan have tended their hallowed garden for over seventy years, waiting for reconciliation between peoples, waiting for the flowers to bloom.

It is now time to celebrate the dawn together.



We welcome the people of Russia. We welcome the people of China. We welcome the people of Pakistan, Israel, and Korea. We welcome you all.

We seek the services of the people of New Zealand, Australia and Scandinavia, the great fun-lovers and peace-makers.

We welcome the people of Marshall Islands, to forgive us and bless us.

We welcome you, not warily but WARMLY ! We need You!

You should not avoid looking directly into our eyes and seeing our need, our determination and our consistent strong intent to reflect our common parent's love.





Taps Vocal : Mel Carter

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As we go, this we know:

God is nigh.



Res' We can change! We can abolish nuclear weapons" 今こそ共に核廃絶 Hibakusha From Hiroshima & Nag



