

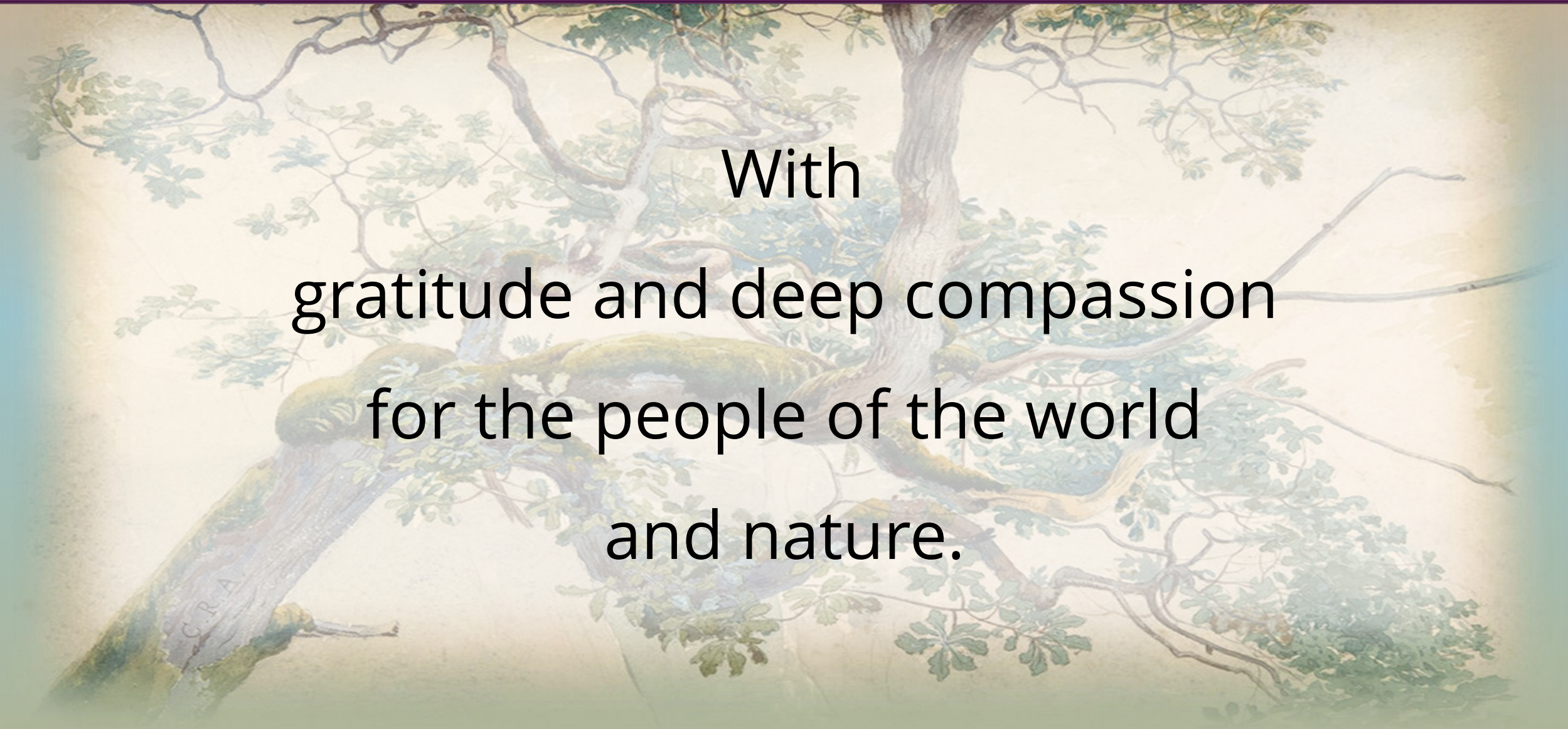


# Evolving Humans & Systems



# Dedication

With  
gratitude and deep compassion  
for the people of the world  
and nature.





# Political Dysfunction

# Faulty Humans

The human condition is very flawed with a built-in dysfunction system for the seven deadly sins and vices of Pride-Arrogance, Envy, Wrath-Anger, Sloth-Laziness, Avarice-Greed, Gluttony, and Lust, described as inhabiting the ID by Sigmund Freud and the Shadow by Carl Jung.

Humans are now destroying the biosphere. as the super-rich have created and fortified The Machine (the System of Money-Economics & Power-Politics) that has everything under control, thwarting all efforts to transform the economic system that is 300% over the Earth's carrying capacity.

Sandy Hinden

# The Need for Wise Leaders



**The difference between humans and animals?  
Animals would never allow the dumbest ones  
to lead the pack.**

Michael Haley

**What we've done with our politics  
is create a situation where  
we're electing idiots.**

Liz Cheney  
Former U.S. Representative

# We Need Beneficial Leaders

Some human leaders allow  
global warming and wars because of

**GREED,**

the ignorant influence of powerful interest groups  
and their political allies.

For other leaders,  
it is their basic human

**FOOLISHNESS,**

their lack of wisdom, intelligence, understanding,  
reason, and care.

For others, it is

**HEARTLESSNESS,**

a dullness of their sensitivity and lack of emotion for,  
and bonding with, humanity and nature.

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# Mad Leaders

Dictators, oil madmen,  
crypto/money lusters, warmongers, and criminals  
are all lost in their delusions and obsessions.

Public opinion is often not wise.  
Leaders need to follow the values of  
justice, honesty, wisdom, and Earth care.

The dilemma is  
how to get elected  
and vote for wise legislation,  
with an unwise populace and  
a superficial culture.

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# Beneficial Legislation

Many elected officials come in every day just to create sound bites they can then use for fundraising to endlessly hold onto their jobs and power.

Elected officials should have it explained to them very clearly that their job is to enact legislation that is beneficial to the majority of the people and nature.

These elected members do not understand they are elected to enact beneficial legislation that improves the economic, political, health care, and educational systems.

They need to help evolve systems that enable people to grow in consciousness, wisdom, wellbeing, peace, and collaboration while staying in balance with the carrying capacity of Earth.

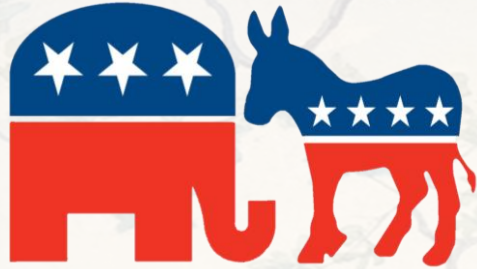
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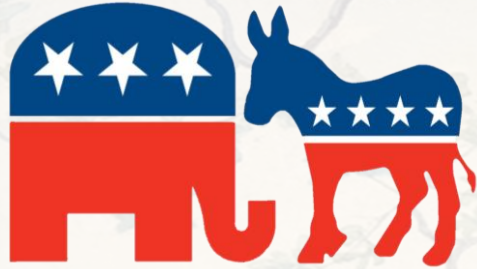
Political  
Polarization &  
Fragmentation

# Political Polarization



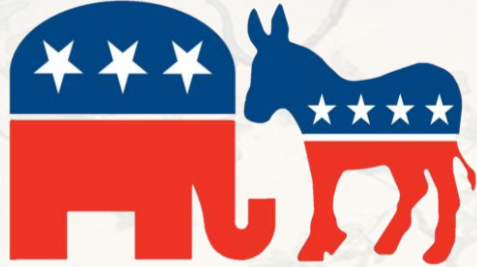
1. There are steady and relentless media messages of conflict, tension, and division and how we can make a difference by participating in the system.
2. Since 2000 – and the mass proliferation of websites, cell phones, and social media – groups have become mobilized, outspoken, and bold to promote their causes, including making money by selling politically branded merchandise.

# Political Polarization



3. In the United States we seem to be bonding into smaller and smaller identities and groups. Bonding here refers to our connections with the people most like us, and to whom we are closest.
4. Too much political bonding can result in shrinking social support for each other and leads to more social isolation and its negative consequences. It leads to division and loss of the common good for all.
5. Much of our bonding has resulted in competition by “tribes” into who is victimized the most, as evidenced in our national political debates between “red” and “blue” America.

# Political Polarization



6. See the next page for how the issue groups have aligned with the two major parties in the United States.
7. People then became locked into parties, not voting for other parties even if the leaders were not wise. Being locked into a party platform as an issue group is profitable for the party's fundraising.
8. Party Wars have led to Congressional obstruction of legislation to not allow the other party to look good and succeed.

## Republicans

## Democrats

1  **Low taxes, small government**

**Government programs to help people**

2  **White nationalists**

**Most Black, Brown, Asian**

3  **Less emphasis on women's issues**

**Women's rights, pay equity**

4  **Anti-LGBTQ**

**LGBTQ**

5  **Pro-guns**

**Gun control**

6  **Anti-abortion**

**Pro-choice**

7  **Anti-immigration**

**Sensible immigration**

8  **Anti-environment**

**Pro-environment**

9  **Pro-Putin, Anti-Ukraine spending**

**Pro-Ukraine**



# Society Needs to Work Together

We need people who care and collaborate to solve local, national, and global problems.  
We need to find ways to communicate it is in people's interest to support peace and nature.

<b>SURVIVING</b>	2 billion people	Can't afford to care	Struggling to survive	Finding water, food, shelter	Living day-to-day
<b>STRIVING</b>	2 billion people	Can almost afford to care, may not seem to care	Struggling to succeed	Finding work, transportation	Living week-to-week
<b>SUCCEEDING</b>	1 billion people	Can afford to care, but don't seem to care very much about the environment or future generations	Average status quo	Climbing the ladder of success	May have no time May vote for who supports cheap gasoline Fear of crime and competition, support police & military to preserve gained advantages Very high CO2 emissions
<b>ADVANTAGED</b>	1 billion people		Elite status quo	Competitive Protecting wealth Some are proud of high-carbon lifestyle	
<b>CARING</b>	2 billion people	Can afford to care, and do care	Many NGOs, Nonprofits, Health & Human Services, Educators Philanthropists	Competing for attention, positions resources, and recognition	Attend many conferences Little to no incentives to collaborate



# Evolving Humans & Systems



# Humans Have Been Trying to Grow Wiser for Thousands of Years

## Learning

is an active constructive, cumulative, and goal-oriented process, that involves problem-solving.

## Wisdom

is the ability to think or act using knowledge.

## Gnosis

means knowing through observations, experiences, logic, or reason.

### Values

*Valere*  
Be strong, be well

What is of worth  
What is of value  
What is important

### Ethics

*Ethos*  
Character

Distinctive mark  
Distinguishing qualities

### Morals

*Mores*  
Ways, customs

Vices, virtues  
Evil, good



How we choose to interact with each other

Good-Bad

Right-Wrong

Just- Unjust

Fair-Unfair

Principles are identified for Human Rights, Fundamental Freedoms, Rights of Nature



## Laws

created to protect general safety, and ensure rights as citizens against abuses by other people, by organizations, and by the government itself.



## Institutions, Agencies, Policies & Programs

created to help people live better lives

# Evolving from Vices to Virtues

UNHEALTHY / VICES	DEFINITION	HEALTHY / VIRTUES	PRACTICE
<b>Pride (Arrogance)</b>	A life centered in self	<b>Humility</b>	A life of modesty and collaboration
<b>Envy</b>	Feeling sorrow at another person's good	<b>Admiration</b>	Praising others
<b>Wrath (Anger)</b>	Unreasonable desire for vengeance	<b>Forgiveness</b>	Understanding and taking steps to calm and mend self or a relationship
<b>Sloth (Laziness)</b>	Reluctance to work or make an effort	<b>Conscientious</b>	Doing what is right to do one's work or duty well and thoroughly
<b>Avarice (Greed)</b>	Extreme desire for wealth or material gain	<b>Generosity</b>	Giving unselfishly for the common good
<b>Gluttony</b>	Habitual overindulging and excess	<b>Moderation, Self-Control</b>	Understand cues that hijack your brain to lose self-control and binge
<b>Lust</b>	Treating others as a sexual object just for pleasure	<b>Healthy Relationship</b>	Treating others with dignity and respect

# Whole Earth Economics

Build a Website for Progress on the  
12 Economic Goals for Earth & Humanity  
with 12 Student Reporter Teams for Quarterly Updates

<p>①</p>	<p>②</p>	<p>③</p>	<p>④</p>	<p>⑤</p>	<p>⑥</p>
<p>Interdependence of life on a planet with finite resources</p> <p>Population / Carrying Capacity Balance</p>	<p>GDP to GWP Gross Wellbeing Product</p>	<p>ESG Investment &amp; Real Support for Renewable Energy &amp; Smart Grids</p> <p>Disinvest from Fossil Fuels</p>	<p>Circular Economy</p>	<p>Whole Earth Business Models</p>	<p>BioRegeneration</p>
<p>⑦</p>	<p>⑧</p>	<p>⑨</p>	<p>⑩</p>	<p>⑪</p>	<p>⑫</p>
<p>Protection and Repair of Planetary Boundaries</p>	<p>Fair-Share Taxes to Reduce Wealth Gap &amp; Violence</p>	<p>Global Demilitarization for Peace &amp; SDGs</p>	<p>Funding for Education Health Care Housing Work</p>	<p>Culture for Peace &amp; Work-Life Balance</p>	<p>Whole Earth Economics Education</p>

# Evolving Government

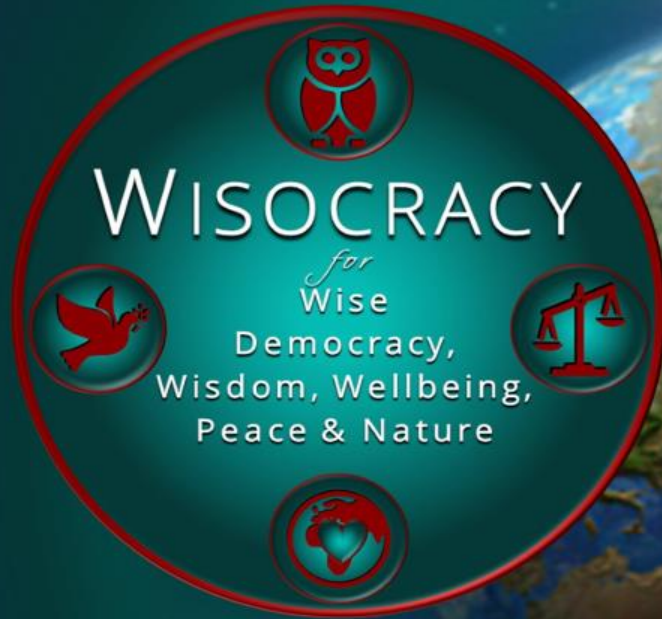
Quality  
Education

Funding Wisdom  
& Wellbeing Needs

Good  
Governance

Civic  
Deliberation

Building Trust  
& Collaboration



## WISE GOVERNMENT COALITION

10 WAYS TO IMPROVE DEMOCRACY

Compassionate  
Communication

Solution  
Seeking

Meaningful  
Media

Wise  
Leadership

Wise  
Economy

# Going Beyond the Culture War

We need a ceasefire by the Culture Warriors to allow emotions to calm down and the mind to develop further. You can become mindful, meditate, and detach from the addictive Culture War, one day at a time.

6

Try to understand the other person's real feelings and needs.

5

Listen to the other side and try your best to understand those you disagree with the most.

4

Explore values, morals, ethics, logic, reason, fairness, and justice.

1

The antidote to perpetual culture war is for both sides to be heard with equal respect.

2

Sit comfortably with contradictions.

3

Resist the urge to simplify a debate to fit into a camp. Don't turn complex issues into for-or-against and agree-or-disagree debates.



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