

The Vishwas Brief

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A flying saucer landed on Planet Earth. Out came the small, green men. "We have come to save the planet", they proclaimed. "Wow", cheered the humanity, "How are you going to do that?" "By removing you", came the answer.

That might be the best solution for saving life on this planet - the only solution even. But unfortunately this is not going to happen. We have made the bed, we have to lie in it, and therefore if we want to survive on this planet we have to change.

Ever since I saw the first pictures of this planet taken from space I have been awed by how beautiful it is, how alone in the surrounding vastness. Being a former sea captain I also have a clear picture of this planet being our lifeboat - our space cruiser, certainly, but also at the same time our lifeboat. The only lifeboat we have and will ever get.

To survive, the people onboard that lifeboat have to keep it floating. It does not matter how many, or how few we are, how rich or how poor, which colour or which belief. If the lifeboat goes down, everybody goes down.

This is our situation. We have only this one lifeboat. No God, no angels, no green men will provide another lifeboat - another planet -- if this one goes down.

We have to change. We must "invent" -- reinvent actually -- a new life system, where survival of any form of life on this planet is more important than specifically preserving human life. That is what this brief is about: a new system where the first question shall always be: Does it benefit life on this planet? Not as hitherto: Does it benefit/promote human life?

We come second... lower... way down the line. We are not needed for the survival of life on this planet. Rather, we need all the other life for us to exist. We must change. We can change. There is still time, but the boat is sinking, and if we do not act now, it will sink.

I will present examples, here and there. Some are already history when you read this. But don't rely on my words alone. Do your own looking around - see for yourself.

Tværmarksvej

I grew up on Tværmarksvej in Gl. Vejlby in Denmark. It was really that -- Tværmarksvej means "across the fields way" -- a road, a dirt track actually, that ran across the fields and

across the farmer's tracks which spread out from the village like spokes on a wheel, leading out into the fields and meadows. Tværmarksvej divided the village from the countryside: village to one side and grazing cows, storks and lapwings to the other. Humans to one side, nature to the other.

One day - I was about 10 - I saw a flock of men with big bellies, cigars in their mouths and green rubber boots on their feet strutting around in the fields on the other side of Tværmarksvej, waving papers and their arms in the air.

"What are they doing"? I asked my mother.

"They are going to develop it, build houses. It is progress", she answered.

I remember thinking then: Why do they want to build houses on this fertile farmland? Where shall we grow our food? Where is the border between land and town? Where shall it end?

Well, one thing is for sure: they do not grow food there anymore. Gone also are the storks, lapwings and any other life except rats, cockroaches, dog, cats and humans. The meadows are drained, the stream sealed in tubes, the earth covered with asphalt, bricks and concrete.

And this is just a very small village in Denmark, which is a very small country on this planet.

The same thing goes on everywhere, day and night, all over the planet. Nature is being eaten up by humans, farmland is being pushed into increasingly poor, lesser-yielding soil, often at the expense of forests or wetlands.

So my question remains the same: Where shall it end?

The Meaning of Life

What is the meaning of life?

First of all, I am quite sure only humans ask that question. The cat does not, nor does the fish, the bird or the cockroach. They just live while they are alive. But sooner or later any human will run into this question: What *is* the meaning of life?

It is quite simple actually: you have to live your life so that you can afford to die.

Either there is no meaning of life whatsoever - it is totally arbitrary - or the meaning is to leave it as a better place, in a better state, than when you entered it. Only if life *is* arbitrary can you soil your nest, as we have done. That is, if you insist on remaining unaware.

I was born during the Second World War and grew up during the euphoric years that

followed. For many years I was convinced that I lived at the very peak of human evolution, of the evolution of the planet, of the universe. Now I know, that the future - if there is such for humans - will condemn these years, these centuries, as darker than we condemn the Middle Ages.

We have really lost sight of the meaning of life, squandered our heritage, and are soiling our nest to a degree that may very well hinder any life form for a good many thousands or millions of years.

Life *is* arbitrary and can be erased by a stroke of God's hand. More likely, however, it will be erased by man's hand.

Exactly therefore the meaning of my life is to prepare, to enhance the possibility of any future life form - not only, and definitely not mainly, human life form - to live and survive on this planet.

We, we have no purpose on this planet. All other life forms have a purpose, the smallest the biggest purpose, namely to turn the dead into food for the living - to turn death into life. We can only turn life into death. We HAVE no purpose. Therefore we have the responsibility.

The one cell amoeba, the bacteria, the birds and the bees, the flowers and the trees, the shark and the cactus - they all have a purpose and no responsibility. We have no purpose, so we have the responsibility.

It is time we take up that responsibility.

The Meaning of Death

The meaning of death is clear: To give room for life.

Just imagine there was no death, that everyone that ever were born, were still alive, that everything that once had started to grow, was still growing - it is not possible - death is the prerequisite for life.

Some claim there is no death, that the body dies but the consciousness remains. Surely the energy of the body transforms, either to smoke and ash, which is then to the benefit of no one, or becomes food for the micro organisms and ants, but what happens to the consciousness then - does it take home in an ant - does it become an ant's consciousness?

If the answer is, that it will take residence in another human newborn baby, then arises the question: Where were these consciousnesses (souls, whatever) when we were only one billion people on this planet. Where do the consciousness that now fill the remaining 6 billion, that are here now, come from?

Or is that the answer - that because the humans have killed so many life forms over time that these life forms have no themselves to return to, so they only have the human life form to manifest into - is that the explanation of the human population explosion?

But why all this speculation about death? The only thing we know for sure is that we know absolutely nothing. We know absolutely nothing about what death is, we know absolutely nothing about a surviving consciousness. No one, nothing, has ever returned to tell the story - as far as we will ever know.

So all speculations about death are absolutely, totally futile.

I do not fear death. I can say that today. How I will act/react when death actually knocks on my door, I do not know.

I know, that if I knew today, that I was going to die tomorrow, I would feel pissed. There is SO much I still want to do, to achieve, to accomplice. I do not worry one bit whether my consciousness will remain or not - will take residence in an amoeba, an ant, a lion or a fish. If that were the case - go with peace - it is of absolutely no concern of mine.

What is a concern of mine is to find peace, acceptance, compassion, gratitude, love - within myself, towards myself, towards all I have done, and to bring that into all I can still do before I die.

That is my quest.

Belief Systems

As humans we perceive the world according to our belief system. We all have it - our own belief system - also those who believe they have no belief system. Therefore of course, this brief is built on MY belief system - but I ask you to read it with an open mind and see, if it is in accordance with your belief system, or if it can, maybe, shake your belief system a bit.

What is a belief system? It is the sum of all the thoughts we have about what is right and what is wrong, what is black and what is white, what is real and what is fake, whom we trust, whom we don't. It governs how we move about in life. It can change during life, slowly mostly, as we grow older, but also instant changes can happen when suddenly a veil is drawn away.

Each and everyone has their own, unique belief system, being a result of upbringing and experiences so far.

As children - newborn - we do not have a belief system (but we may come with a genetic imprint). Any child is capable of learning/speaking any language on this planet - any child is capable of leaning anything - a child's mind is totally open, totally receptive - any kind of

garbage can be thrown at a child and will be accepted - and a few years down the line you will have incarnated Jews, Christians, Muslims, Hindus, capitalist, saints, criminals - enemies for life or searchers for life.

The human mind can believe anything - will believe anything - will create any belief that benefits, soothes or explains its existence.

And because the human mind is not big enough to be able to encompass the total - and specifically the question: Why must I die? - it invents all kinds of explanations - the main being God.

Religion

I was brought up by a single mother in a very unreligious environment, but mother did send me to Sunday School when I was around 5-6, mainly to get rid of me for a few hours, I think. I heard about this man, who fed the crowd with one loaf of bread, of the one who parted the waters, and of the one who was sitting up there, watching everything, seeing everything - stern, but fair.

It took me years to understand it was all lies - a child has no comprehension of parables - but even so the imprint in me was so deep, that I literally had attacks of fear when during adolescence I found out, there was no God. I was sure I would be cut down, lose my tongue or my eyesight in punishment for being blasphemous. Even when in my mid thirties I had to defend my right to get rid of God, I had attacks of doubt and fear.

And I only had - as stated - a very, very short contact with religion. It is no wonder to me, that eg. the Muslims experience such difficulty in dropping their religion - for all practical purpose are not able to.

Whoever gave the late Saudi king - now dead thanks to God - permission to pollute the planet with about 100 children? The answer is: His religion did (and his money made it possible). Religion has allowed man to commit any thinkable crime in the name of God.

There is no God for Christ's sake.

There is no man - or entity - who has written a book - Bible, Koran or first aid - telling mankind how to live life on this planet.

These books were guidelines, written in another time age under totally different life conditions by clever elders of that time. Maybe it was wise once, in that part of the world, not to eat pork. Maybe it was wise, somewhere, sometime, to eat Kosher. Maybe it was necessary to encourage man to bring up many children. But that is not the case anymore - not here, not in

Palestine, not in Bangladesh.

Maybe Jesus, Mohammed, Buddha and whoever else has lived once, but the story of their lives and deeds are written hundreds of years after their deaths - The New Testament 400 years after the death of Christ - so the belief that the story is an accurate record of the past, is exactly that - a belief.

The Koran forbids pictures, images of the prophet Mohammed. A Danish cartoonist drew a cartoon of an Arab looking man with a hand grenade in his turban - and the whole Muslim world was up in arms. How on earth can they say this was a drawing of Mohammed - as they claimed it was - if no one ever - for more than 1600 years - has seen a picture of Mohammed - if no one actually knows what and how Mohammed looks like?

How can a flock of Yemeni women run around screaming in the streets condemning Denmark, a country they had - to the best of my conviction - never heard of, not knew existed?

But that is what religion is for - exactly that - to get the masses marching when called upon, and in the direction pointed out.

The Muslim religion, however, has one big advantage over Christianity - namely that it keeps its male members in excellent, physical form, doing their 5 prayers a day. So if the battle comes - or more likely - when it comes - the next clash in the row of ongoing clashes - and when the Muslims have learned to fight on the Christian's premises, the outcome is given - the Christians will choke in their own fat as the agile Muslims jumps around and cut their throats.

Because our brain is not big enough - certainly not big enough to comprehend the Universe - but big enough to build immense egos, that believe we are cleverer than animals, only because we are able to kill them faster than they can kill us - because our brain is not big enough, we invent all kinds of things - including God. God did not create man in his image, but certainly man created God in HIS image.

If there WERE a God, there would only be one and the same for the whole planet - the whole universe.

Hard core Christianity contains the silly contradiction of terms of claiming there is only one God, but allowing, encouraging freedom of religion.

There is no God. There is religion, the main purpose of which is to keep control of the masses, giving all power to certain, limited circles.

There is no heaven, and there is no hell, no matter what the Pope claims - or rather, both are here on this planet right outside our doorstep. For most, inside their very brains.

Eternity is not any eternal life, reincarnation or any such. What does it matter, if you are actually being reincarnated, but return without any memory whatsoever of your previous life -

your previous experiences? Why on earth should that influence your present life?

No one - with any remembrance of it - has ever returned from either heaven or hell.

Eternity is this present, in which nothing is missed.

There is no God. There is religion.

And then there is religiousness - but that is a totally different matter.

As Osho, an Indian mystic, has said it: "Life is God."

Not that there is a God for life. No. Life itself, all forms of life, is God.

Then God is everywhere, is part of everything alive.

Then, if I love life, which I do, consequently I can also, God help me, love myself.

The AI Gore Project.

A few years ago, I was invited to a presentation of the AI Gore project, given by one of his disciples.

I wrote him a letter, which till this day remains unanswered:

"Sir,

I was invited to your presentation in Marbella on December 20th. Thank you for your engaged and convincing talk and impressive slideshow. It is good, that people with your power of penetration now push forward.

This project follows the general evolution of all new ideas:

- 1. Everybody denies it.*
- 2. Among the crowd there is a murmur of: Maybe there is something about it.*
- 3. Everybody goes: Yes, isn't that what I always said.*

I leave it to you to decide at which stage the world is.

The most impressive/scaring graph you showed was the graph of human population (Google: world population growth.) If this curve is not broken, all other efforts will be in vain.

The problem is not CO2, but Homo sapiens. As you put it: We did not - do not - pay the rent. Also do we persevere in claiming that this planet, earth, wind and fire, mineral, plant and animal does only exist for the benefit of humans to consume and exploit.

I wrote about this back in the sixties/seventies, when there was a worldwide concern/discussion about the world population, but since then the problem has been "forgotten" - obviously so overwhelming that nobody dare touch it any more.

The climate project is good - if nothing else it brings awareness. But as it does not tackle

the core problem, it is bound to fail.

We have only ONE source of pollution on this planet: Homo sapiens.

All other kinds of waste products produced, the planet can handle - except for the ones produced by the human race, simply because we are too many producing too much. (And because we now produce stuff, nature cannot produce itself and therefore cannot get rid of).

For sure we can reduce this or that emission, or we can ban this or that poison, but we cannot omit human greed. For every one person who makes a serious effort, there will be 10 to exploit whatever there is to exploit. How many red standby lamps must I turn off to make up for that development up there on the hillside - not one house built yet, but 53 streetlamps blazing full power.

Our mere number will ruin any effort to reduce the impact of our mere number.

The human race is a cancer on this planet. Seen from the point of view of the cancer cell in the human body, it is extremely effective and successful, thriving and doubling its number every other day. Little is it aware, that its very success is its very end, because its host is dying, and it will die with its host.

Are we aware? Are we becoming aware? Are we willing to use, what we claim to have: Intelligence?

We MUST reduce our number.

If we do not do it, it will be done for us.

I doubt that the universe was born in a big bang - I do not doubt, that life on this planet will end with a big bang, unless we use our intelligence.

You sir, introduced the very picturesque formula: Old thinking plus old technology equals predictable results and old thinking plus new technology produces unpredictable results.

So - we need new thinking plus new technology to produce predictable results.

Here is my contribution - the same I brought forward in the sixties - nobody listened then - maybe you will - now.

To insure a steadily declining world population, until it is down under say 3 billion, every woman, who has given birth to 2 children, and every man, who has given sperm to 2 children will/shall be sterilized - being white or black, yellow or green, poor or rich, Christian, Jew, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Zen or devil.

We MUST do it. There is no way around it. We cannot erase human greed, but at least, if human greed is contained within say 3 billion, it cannot destroy the planet.

10 billion can. Will.

To insure this is carried out in the deep of Africa, inside the Vatican, in China, in Saudi

Arabia, inside the strong Christian circles in U.S.A. among the rich and among the ignorant, we need a new technology to bring the message forward inside the thinking of every human being, to carry it out and to control it, until it becomes a prerequisite for human life on this planet.

When I told my son, who has two children of his own, about this, he said. "But dad, then I would not have been born, nor would Lukas or Ida". (Well, he would, being the first out of two) - But he is right - they would not have been born. My answer was - is: "You would not have been here either to feel the loss".

Who feels the loss of being unborn? Who is there to feel the pain?

When I see pictures of all these starving children - Africa, South America, Far East, next door - my heart bleeds. Off course they should not starve. Any child deserves a childhood free of starvation and fear. Unfortunately the planet cannot deliver that any more, maybe never could, but was it not better then, if these children were never born?

I think so. I feel so. I believe so.

We come with our help - a sack of rice, a book, a play toy - and feel as a holy Mother Theresa. But what she and we do is - really - to put patches on a sinking vessel. We patch up for the lack of true actions - treat the symptoms instead of the disease.

So, I do not propose that we go out and cull humanity - which, by the way, nature will do for us, if we do not start to use our intelligence. A right to give sperm to 2 children to every man, a right to give birth to 2 children to every woman - whether these children die just after birth or live a full life - and then the cut. This will bring down, slowly but surely, the human population.

Nobody could claim, they have been sacrificed. Nobody has given their life for a better cause or any such crap. Instead we all share a higher goal: To deliver to our children a believable future.

On a practical level - to keep pollution down - we must place the responsibility on any producer of any product - a ban - to also bring about a full system to return his product to nature - before it is brought to the market.

As it is today - and has been since Adam - any producer can - and will, if there is money in it - produce anything whatsoever, and leave it to society to treat the pollution it creates in production, use and destruction. Total madness.

Yes, it will be a different world. Not back to the stone cave, but forward, reclaiming paradise.

Yes, the real estate people are screaming. They will be the first out of job, when the population goes down. Our whole economic system will probably break down. Everything false will actually break down.

But imagine the freedom we will get, no longer on the treadmill to produce useless stuff, we do not need, in order to be able to live in houses, we never frequent because we are out producing or buying the useless stuff we do not need.

Instead we would clean up the nest, produce stuff we need and which can return to nature.

Clean air, clean water, clean streets, poison free food, trees, animals, time to play with the children, a clean planet - that is what we need - not a flatter television or a fatter car.

So - we have a choice.

We can use our intelligence, or we can let the planet decide.

The planet will survive whichever way - so will probably also an amoeba or two - and the cockroaches. We will not.

Kaj Aage Helming.

Mijas Campo, December 27th, 2007.

Why did Al Gore's disciple not reply? Who knows? Maybe he was too busy, maybe he is a devout catholic and as such cannot agree with the above mentioned measures, maybe he was too important a person to reply to an unknown one like me - who know?

The Laboratory Flask

This planet is like the laboratory flask, closed and sealed. Nothing can be added and nothing can escape. For the Earth - except for some few tons of dust added from the universe every year - the condition is the same: Nothing can be added and nothing can escape.

We do not make anything disappear on this planet - all we can do - and what we do - is change stuff - move it around.

The shit does not disappear because you flush the toilet - it just becomes somebody else's problem - in the best of cases a problem for a city hall running a sewage treatment plant - but ever so often a problem for the swimmer down on the beach, or for the farmer/mother/child who has to drink the water.

We cannot make anything disappear - we can transform it, burn it, put it away down in deep mines - but it remains.

It does not take a big, university degree to understand, that when coal, gas and oil, which took the planet millions of years to produce, is being burned off within a couple of hundred year, it will have a massive effect on the planet.

Maybe CO2 adds to global warming. Maybe there would have been a major climate change anyway. Life can survive that. Maybe not human life - but life.

Much more ominous is the pollution we leave behind. All this stuff nature's bacteria flora cannot treat - not within a couple of thousands years anyway.

I remember when it was said, that we could not pollute the oceans. They were so vast, that anything would become so diluted, that it would pose no threat. Today we know better. In the Pacific Ocean two enormous islands - one the size of Texas - of plastic waste are floating around - killing the fish and whales that eat it believing it is jellyfish. Animals in the arctic regions are being poisoned from stuff we produce, which can only have been carried there by air or water.

Nothing we burn disappears - it changes - and particles and gasses - may they be ever so small - float up into the atmosphere, affect the atmosphere, CO2 being only one ingredient. So beyond doubt can we pollute our atmosphere also.

Just watch how much pollution is left in the atmosphere, when a rocket is launched to place a satellite. Or try to add up the pollution from the air traffic.

Nero

The Roman emperor Nero is quoted for having said: "Give people entertainment for bread." So obviously already back in those days there were too many people cramped together in too little space. What do we get today? Where do we get anything nutritious for life, soul or planet?

The masses are so much bigger now - and so is the "entertainment" used to keep the masses at bay. Football, television, internet, cell phones - devices to keep the masses at bay - not to forget religion. Surely, to run around and kick a ball can be fun - but the mass hysteria invested in football has nothing to do with fun - it has become an anger outlet and a money machine. 54 million Euros for the transfer of a football player, who himself earns 200.000 Euros a week.

How is it, we cannot see the madness - my girlfriend, who can no longer work because of severe arthritis, has been given a pension of 360 Euros a month. Madness it is. A civilisation gone wrong. We allow it, that is why it can happen. As eg. we allow graffiti to grow in our cities. Nothing is more degrading for a city than graffiti - but it happens, because we allow it. We do not invest the resources it takes to educate the punks who spray their pee/paint everywhere, because we have already spent it to buy tickets to the football game.

As we allow advertising to penetrate our lives. Ever since my childhood I have brushed my teeth with toothpaste, that every year is substituted by the new paste that brushes them even whiter, even cleaner. My teeth should be so white by now, that my smile should blind the rest of the world. But it does not. My teeth are as yellow or as white as I remember they ever were. Nor the wash powder that every year washes even whiter, even brighter, has made my tee-shirts any whiter - still the same shade of off white.

As more and more of the world's population is packed into cities with no contact to nature, the internet and the television becomes their contact - and substitute - for life. Avoiding television, internet, e-mail, Facebook, Twitter and music for just 24 hours already is a "cold turkey" for many with its own name: "Information Deprivation Disorder".

In the western world - on this planet - there is not enough work - paid work - for everybody anymore. How can there be, when we export all industry to China and let the machines take over whatever work is left? Nobody can move a shovel of earth now without calling in a machine to do it.

Our cities are dependent on food being brought in over large distances every day - it is known now, that without constant long-distance supply, the amount of food on hand will last 3 days at best. Vegetables from Murcia, Spain, flowers from Kenya, tools from China - what happens the day the transport breaks down? Not only is the industry exported - so also is the knowledge of how to do it. A woman in her mid thirties, whom I gave 3 acorns to as a present, said: "But they are food for the pigs.", knowledge she had from the television - totally unaware, that they could also be planted to become trees - which is their function on this planet - not to be food for pigs.

Car races - Paris-Dakar, Formula 1, the local Sunday burning of tyres - are they anything but entertainment? Do they serve any higher purpose for the planet? Every 2 weeks each team in the formula 1 circus transports 22-24 tons by air to somewhere else to run a 90 minute race, using more than 1 million litres of high octane fuel and millions of pounds a year. The motorcycle circus does the same. Dakar is only once a year, but now everything is transported to South America and back.

Have you ever noticed how much petrol and diesel it takes to run a bicycle race?

Nature pays a high price - also for our entertainment.

Growth

Even if we know, that trees do not grow into heaven, we continue to behave as if they

do. This planet has limits, boundaries - so does everything on this planet - including growth.

Why is it, that companies believe they cannot exist - continue to exist - if they do not constantly grow? What silly belief is that? If you follow that belief to its ultimate consequence there will only be one company left on the whole planet - and how can that grow then?

Of course companies can live in a declining economy, as can families - is only a question of changing the belief system and acting accordingly.

We were 2.5 billion humans on the planet in 1950 - only 60 years ago - the good old days - now we have more than doubled – 6.6 billion - and it is predicted that we shall turn 10 billion in 2050. A doubling every 50th year. Why should it stop there? Who wants to take this to its ultimate consequence?

A country like Sudan had 9 million people in 1950. In 2007 they were 39 million. During the same period their cattle increased from 7 million to 40 million, while sheep and goats increased from around 14 million to around 113 million.

As the population grew, they brought in more cattle, and as the land could not feed the cattle stock they brought in first the sheep and then the goats, which eat whatever green may have been left. After the goats, there is only Sahara.

Money

Early in 2009 the Spanish Prime Minister Zapatero encouraged in a public speech the consumers to consume - to continue to consume - in order to keep the workers employed in their workplace. So this is as far as it has come now: Consume to keep the workers at work.

Once, at least, it was the other way around: The workers produced so that the consumers - the people - had something to consume.

I have even heard important people say that now we live in a consumer economy. We have had the industrialized economy, the technology economy, the information economy - and now we have the consumer economy.

That is what we are - consumers. That is all we do - consume and exploit. The contributors are few and sparsely scattered.

The money people, bankers, stockbrokers, these people in the finance "industry" are not among the latter.

The money people control more than 90% of the wealth of the planet. They make fortunes with a click of a mouse or a signature on a piece of paper - without producing anything - nothing whatsoever. They thrive on the greed of humankind, on the belief that everything will

expand and grow forever. They make a few rich - mostly themselves - and the rest of the planet poorer. They shuffle money around, that is all they do.

What does that achieve? Money in itself is worth nothing. Money has only value if you can exchange it for something else - goods, services, or most basically, food.

Money is based on trust. You trust, that this piece of paper with a cipher and a number of zeroes behind it will be accepted by somebody in exchange for - again basically food. In the good, old days the banknote said, that it could - and would - be exchanged for the equivalent amount of gold. No bank gives that kind of guarantee any more. There is not enough gold to cover the amount of circulating paper notes. And more important: there is not enough food to cover the amount of circulating paper notes - not to mention the amount of circulating shares, bonds, futures or whatever they call it - pieces of paper that promise sometime in the future to pay this certain amount of money.

What is it all worth, if you cannot exchange that piece of paper for food?

That is what happened in Zimbabwe. No matter how many zeroes they printed on the banknotes, they could still not buy a piece of bread for that note.

And we are all heading in the same direction.

Governments all over the planet are bailing out money to save "the economy" - banks that have over lent, people that have overspent.

I have no faculty to understand the amount of money they are talking about - last I heard was 80 billion British pounds to save Ireland from going bust. To save the Euro. At the same time it is said that 200 billion Euros are lost in fraud to the Italian mafia. The bigger systems become, the more they bail out, the more vulnerable to fraud they become. And it is all paper money - is has no basis in either gold, work or food. Basically is the Zimbabwe situation on a larger scale and one day we will all pay the price - the hyperinflation.

Governments claim they must cover the loss banks have suffered on the falling stock markets or on dodgy debtors to save the economy. But money is not lost in falling stock markets or on dodgy debtors - the money does not disappear into thin air - it is just transferred to somebody else's pocket.

A small example: I bought on the advice of my bank worth Dkr 50.000 IT-shares half a year before the IT bubble burst. Today these shares are worth Dkr 9.500. Have these Dkr 40.500 vanished into thin air, so that a government has to replace them in the monetary system in order to keep the world going? No way. That money is out there - certainly not in my pockets, but surely in somebody else's.

And so it is with any loss on the stock market or anywhere else in the money world - the

MONEY is not lost - it just shifts pockets. Any loss is somebody else's gain. And any gain is somebody else's loss.

The money people do not care whether the stock market moves up or down - they make money both ways. They need the market to move. They could not exist in a stable market. So they create these movements. An example is the price of a barrel of oil. It was a long time stable around \$ 30. Then it jumped to \$147, and the whole world was trembling. But it dropped to around \$ 40 and is now (Nov. 2010) up to \$ 86.

Nothing else has changed - not the amount of available oil, nor the reserves, the refineries, the oil tankers, oil producing countries, wars, approaching comets or what else might affect the price of a barrel of oil.

I saw this statement in a magazine: "The investors are clapping their hands by the prospect of 5 billion people having mobile phones, dressing on their salad and cars to drive their families to the shopping malls." (Talking about India, China and Brazil - the growing middle classes). Remark who are clapping their hands: The investors - the money people - totally ignorant or indifferent to the effect 5 billion more middleclass will have on the buoyancy of the lifeboat - their yardstick is the amount of zeroes on their bank accounts.

So why do governments need to pump uncountable amounts of money into the system? All they do is create the basis for a coming hyperinflation, which will strip all values from the middle class all over the world. The filthy rich will not suffer. They have my Drk 40.500 - and so much more - stuffed away in gold and land. Nor will the poor suffer. They have nothing to lose to start with. But the middle class - the bone of society - will be stripped.

And now, after 4 years of world crises, we know where all the bailouts have gone. No need for hyperinflation any more. The new is bailouts. Take the taxpayers money and send them straight into the pockets of the rich. While everybody else have suffered through these years, the rich have grown even richer. 1% of the world population owns 40% of the total wealth.

However, if the boat sinks, we all sink together - the poor with their rags, the middle class with their houses, and the rich with all their sacks of gold. The rich will try to buy inflatable life rafts and God knows what, but the day they cannot buy a loaf of bread for all their zeroes, because nothing more can grow on this planet - also they will sink.

No need to buy a lifejacket - there will be nobody to fish you out.

Laws

Because we live in societies, we need laws to regulate our behaviour. Oddly enough, other societies - those of animals, plants, microorganisms - do not need laws. Surely they have hierarchies, and most potent: their number is regulated by the amount of available food - and they do not have greed and cannot lie.

In Seville, Spain a few years ago there was a case of 4 young punks who raped, killed and got rid of the body of a 16 year old girl, Martha. First they claimed they had thrown her in the river, and after half of the region's police force had searched for her body in vain, they changed their explanation saying they had dumped the body in a waste container. Then this huge dump yard was turned upside down - but her body was never found.

Punks - okay - but the scary thing here was, that their lawyer explained, that they used lie as their line of defence.

Lies as line of defence?

I have been to court once - in Denmark - and I remember the judge told me, that I was obliged to tell the truth. Not: Do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. But simply: I was obliged to tell the truth. I found that so very obvious.

That was why the case had ended in court, wasn't it? - To find the truth.

But I have heard a Danish defence lawyer publicly say: "I do not care whether my client is guilty or not. My sole intention is to get him off the hook".

A Spanish lawyer told me: "We have many good laws in Spain, but nobody to enforce them".

Not to forget the silly, American law system, where money always wins, and where you can be held responsible for damages a burglar suffers by slipping in the banana peel he himself have thrown on your kitchen floor.

So, do we need laws? Do we want laws?

If so: 1. No law, whatever magnitude or subject, can/must be passed, unless it will also be enforced. Not intended to be enforced, and not passed only to please a screaming public, but actually enforced to its letter. There is nothing to destroy the respect of the law more than laws not being enforced.

2. If brought to a Court of Law you are obliged to tell the truth. If proved in court that you lie, your sentence according to the law, shall be doubled. If a Court official lies - defence lawyer, prosecutor, witness, judge - any such shall receive 5 years of imprisonment and loss of license to practise.

Is that radical? But it will enforce the laws. People may still lie in the Court of law, but they will think twice, before they do.

What good is a law system that is not respected or enforced? What good is a law system that is being bent and twisted and appealed into the plain ridiculous? As the saying goes: "The law applies to the one, who adheres to it."

Man Above All

There was a Brazilian farmer who had cleared a part of the Amazon rainforest. In an interview on television he admitted, that he knew, that what he had done was wrong - and then he said: "But I have 4 children to feed. What would you have done?"

Exactly the case in a nutshell. There is no limit to the destruction man will create or allow to save his own pitiful life. Or even just for money.

Everything is measured by the human yardstick. This human yardstick is the very tool of destruction.

We have the Human Rights Watch, the human this, the human that. What about the trees' rights? Most of them have a much longer natural lifespan than we have. Or the birds' rights? Or the insects' rights? Or the whales' rights, or the sharks' rights?

Just imagine that dogs or trees had a voice and could use the human law of justice to bring their tormentors and killers to court.

Can you hear the voice of the whales in the Royal High Court?

It is all about humans. That poor Brazilian farmer with 4 starving kids is just a sad symbol of a humankind long gone wrong.

And the sad truth is that we will not change before the human life is threatened. Never mind that every day we destroy life forms, some of which we do not even know exist. Nothing has done so much damage to life on this planet as has the Bible, specifically Genesis, chapter 1, 27/28:

"So God created man in his OWN image, in the image of God created he him, male and female created he them. And God blessed them and God said to them: "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth"".

Propelled by the human belief system this was the grant that allowed man to put himself outside of the conditions for life on this planet - to make him the sole ruler, exploiter and consumer of all other life forms.

There is so much beauty on this planet - not much of it is created by man. Again and again we must turn to the animal world to learn how it is possible to live in accordance with the

planet - turn to the cat to learn how to relax.

If ever you want to see the essence of human arrogance - then go and watch a bullfight in Spain. One of these former "brave" toreadors claimed, that the bull showed a certain amount of arrogance, when it stood there, half of its blood already lost, no longer able to lift the head, waiting for him to run his sword into its heart. Too arrogant he was to even notice, that he was looking into a mirror.

There were - before the white man with the bible in hand took over - societies, tribes, civilisations even, that lived in pact with the planet. Surely, they had their Gods and their belief systems too - but they were aware, that they lived here on the grace of the planet, and not as - especially the white, Christian man lives - the ruler of the planet.

We have long ago put ourselves above the planet. Nothing will be spared to save the human life - no effort, no expense too big. No illness, no pain will be accepted. Why is it, we cannot see, will not accept, that any other life form except the human life form, is subject to the available resources - that their number increase or decrease in accordance with the available resources. The tiger does not die out because it has outlived its lifespan in its environment - the tiger dies out, because man moved in and ploughed, ruined or polluted its environment.

Man above all. Why is it, we cannot see, that we are the unnecessary element on this planet - that the rest of the life forms will live a whole and rich lifespan without us, and that we, when we have extinguished the other life forms, we will die too. We need them - they do not need us. We are the ones that must adapt, if we want life on this planet to survive.

Surely, a relation between two humans can be beautiful, surely the relation between mother and child can be beautiful - but try and watch a 200 ton whale taking care of its newly born or the tiger taking care of its cubs. Why are we so special?

Why is it, that a punk, who has raped, killed and cut into pieces 16 teenage girls, will be spared, given a life sentence and be out after 30 years, whereas a poor tiger, who has killed 2 cows, will be hunted down and shot? What is so precious about this human life, that we will keep this punk alive, clad him, feed him, give him a bed to sleep in and roof over his head - a television too - and people to watch over him and guard him for 30 years, maybe for the rest of his life? A ridiculous waste of resources that could be much better spent helping the farmers, so that they did not cut down the tiger's habitat, so that the tiger did not have to kill their cows to survive.

There is a surplus of humans on this planet - a dangerous, all consuming, deadly poisonous surplus of humans - and a fatal, soon extinct, shortage of tigers.

The Weather

Have you noticed that the weather is getting more and more extreme? Well, maybe it is, maybe it is not. We know more, and we see more - in the television we see all the weather catastrophes from all over the planet, as they happen. Maybe it was always so. The weather just being the weather. But because we now see it, and because we are so many more, and because we behave like we do, the consequences are getting worse and worse - for life on this planet - not for the planet itself - for the planet the weather is just the weather.

No river has ever broken its banks. Rivers do not have banks. Rivers have beds, sometimes small, sometimes bigger, according to the amount of the water in the river. Water flows down. Each and every second in the life of a water particle it looks around 360 degrees to find out: Where is down - and that is where it will flow. So if down is on the other side of that barrier silly humans have put up, that is where it will flow. If silly people built houses on the land the river now and then needs to contain its water - then their houses will be flooded. If silly people cut away the trees on the hillsides and build houses there, they will now and then drown in the mudslides.

The rainforests used to take the bulk of the rain and send it back to the sea in rivers without banks. As the oceans heat up, even just a tenth of a degree, more water will evaporate and more rain will fall. Now the forests are not there anymore, so the rain must fall somewhere else, where the rivers will swell and claim back the bed, that was always theirs - and we have the natural disaster - so-called, because we fail to see, it is only man who see it as a catastrophe.

Note, that however adverse the weather may be, it does not harm the planet at all - only the humans are hurt where they have been with their silly tools and machines - and the poor cars, they drown by the numbers.

The New World

How are we going to survive? First of all we have to change our mindset, our belief system. Deep down we believe, and continue believing, that God gave us this planet for us to exploit.

So we must change that belief, that we are the owners of the planet. We must change and become the caretakers of this planet.

We must leave the path of exploitation to become the caretakers - be the caretakers.

That is now our mission, and that is the path we must vigorously pursue.

Once we were predators - just one of many species - but we grew intelligence faster than the others - now it is time we use it.

And changing the belief system is actually easy. Stop telling - indoctrinating, brainwashing - the children the lies about God, and tell them the fact, that we are here on this planet - in this lifeboat - by the grace of this planet. So our whole mission in life is to take care of the planet - to take care of, enhance the diversity of all its life forms. Just change the belief system.

So - in the new world the life of the planet comes first - human life coming way down the list, because we have proved to be the toughest, the sturdiest species to eradicate. No Genghis Kahn, no Hitler, no Black Plague, no epidemic, no famine, no earthquake, no volcano eruption could make but a dent in the growth of the human race.

We must limit our numbers by using sterilisation of each and every man and woman, who have given sperm/birth to 2 children.

We must only produce things, that can 100% be returned to and absorbed by nature within the lifetime of one human. If any doubt whatsoever, we do not produce.

Decisions shall be measured - not by the human yardstick - but by the planet's yardstick - whether or not it enhances the condition for all its life systems. We need the diversity of life for life to survive, and we need the rainforests to grow back, so that they can again become the womb of life forms.

How we shall get there, how we shall achieve, I have no idea.

Democracy is obviously not the way, democracy always reflecting the lowest common denominator. Dictatorship has not proven any better either. What will be needed is the highest denominator - enlightened dictatorship?

Post script

I am very well aware, that humankind is made up of individuals, who are each and every one special and valuable - except for the punk, who probably was not born as a punk, but chose to become one due to circumstances and influences later in his life. He could have chosen otherwise - that is hard, but so is life itself - so hard actually, that you die from it.

But how special any single individual may be, multiplied they become a threat to life. One locust is a miracle - 10 billion are devastating.

Jivan Vishwas, February 2011.

After I had written the above, I found this quote from Osho:

"I believe in the earth.

I repeat Zarathustra who said to his disciples: "Never betray the earth." All religions have betrayed the earth.

The earth is the only reality.

Everything else talked about by religions is only fiction to distract you. We do not want religions which are interested in a future heaven after death. Our interest is here, now - before death. What is the point of thinking about after death? This has been the routine because people could not succeed to create something beautiful in life. They started postponing it beyond death because nobody knows what happens beyond death; so it was a very good postponement.

I am not for postponing it, not even for tomorrow. Whatever can be done should be done right now. Don't betray the earth; don't betray the present. Don't betray your dream; your dream is your very soul."

Osho, Indian Mystic, August 21. 1987