

To my Pluto in Leo (baby boomer) friends: Let Go!

I've recently been involved in bringing what I think is a very futuristic film to our local theater. Looking for local support with this endeavor has been extremely illuminating in regards to what exactly "progressive" does mean.

Here's the allegory I've come up with to describe this experience. Imagine a diverse crowd in a room together. I stand at the front and say, "give creationism a chance!" Now, take the people who are most resistant to that statement – the staunchest defenders of evolution.

Next, imagine talking to these people about evolution. Ask them about epigenetics and the role DNA plays. Check in with them on the biological implications of epigenetics on human or environmental health.

Here's the really interesting part. What you run into with these people is dogma. They're convinced that their model for evolution, the way they understand it, has a sort of permanence to it. In other words, they have a fixed notion of evolution which they'll defend dogmatically.

I write this in the hopes that you will look within yourself for any and all ideas which you hold on to without questioning. Evolution, quite frankly, evolves.

It is truly difficult to contextualize the immensity of change we are living through. There are very few periods in history when ALL the models were shaken, and yet that's what is happening now. Economics, biology, physics... every branch of human understanding has come to an end, and whatever is coming next has yet to be revealed.

I think the best story we can look to for understanding here is the 16th century, and in particular, the Copernican revolution.

There was a period of time when the most educated, well thought-of intellectuals in Europe scoffed at the notion that the Earth rotated around the Sun. Today, we look back at these people and think of them as religious fanatics, stuck in a church hierarchy that couldn't accept any deviation from its orthodoxy.

But it's important to realize that the roots of the geo-centric model go back to Ptolemy and Aristotle – who were in their time revolutionary. To be considered a "thinker" at the start of the 16th century meant that you had ascended through an educational hierarchy founded on some very old ideas. Hmmm.

I'm talking about the intellectual "establishment" of those times. Analogous to, say, probably 90% of sitting professors and established "experts" today.

When Copernicus proposed that the Earth was a spinning ball orbiting the Sun, the most famous thinkers of his day scoffed at him. They would stamp their feet on the ground and exclaim that the solidity and apparent immobility of the Earth under their feet was proof enough that Copernicus was crazy. They actually thought he was crazy.

I've been enjoying imagining the change in understanding that those people went through. I can't help but think that there were people who actually fell over, quite sober, as the awareness of the Earth's rotation and orbit sank into their minds. To go from stamping on the Earth and laughing at those who would claim it's spinning to taking it for granted that all we can see, including ourselves, is

whizzing through space, spinning like a top, etc.... Now THAT was a Shift!

Even without any metaphysical context, it's easy to see that we are in a period of transition at least as consequential as the 16th century. That it's been 500 years since then is a big part of why so many people are having such a hard time opening up to the level of change we're experiencing. We have very little context for what happens when the basic tenets of our mindsets are dissolving.

We live in a system founded on the concept of a never-ending supply of resources that could forever be utilized without consequence. Adam Smith was writing at a time when the horizon was expanding. Our country is based on an ever-expanding physical horizon. What America is, is ever-expanding consumption. America without consumption growth doesn't exist.

We have run in to the limits to growth. It's really important to realize that, to accept that. I don't care what you've done to save or destroy the environment. When carbon hit 400 PPM, the game changed. Nature is coming.

I don't know about you, but I don't think my family can afford tickets for the flight off of this rock. Forget the technological solution.

But even as the physical horizon is contracting, the inner world is expanding. Leading edge scientists and thinkers of all kinds are finding unlimited energy resources within each of us.

In the current context, Einstein's theory of relativity wasn't actually his most evolutionary concept.

I think it will turn out that the most impactful thing Einstein actually said was this: "Energy is everything 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."

What this says is that the frequency you emanate is the "reality" you live.

Working to "match the frequency of the reality you want," is basically Free Will in action. And, as far as I can tell, working to exercise that Free Will becomes an immense responsibility as soon as you fully embrace that concept.

Either the reality we are living is the result of the frequency we are emanating, or it's not. Either the toxicity of our environment is a reflection of the toxicity of our thoughts, or it's not.

You see, it took the context of an ever-expanding resource supply to popularize the *idea* of Free Will. Now what we have to do is popularize the *truth* of Free Will, which is that it's energy work, and not the same as work energy. I mean, it ain't easy. But whether enlightenment is sudden or the result of long practice is of no consequence to enlightenment itself.

I am touching on some of your favorite dogmas here. Please take note of what resistance you feel to this. Yes, it helps to demonstrate your conviction through action. No, more action does not demonstrate more conviction. Quite the contrary.

This really gets interesting when you apply this concept of Free Will to collective

humanity. As I see it, the concept of original sin, which states that each of us is essentially inconsequential, created the collective frequency which has led us to this crux.

Another implication of Einstein's energy statement is that every single one of us actually matters. You are currently creating this reality. Yes, you. Can you handle that?

Really doing Free Will has never been easy. Maybe the Buddha could do it. Maybe a few others. But does that mean we're all doomed?

Absolutely not and in my way of thinking, it plays perfectly into the story of humanity. We've always loved a good climax, hey what? And maybe a climax analogy would work really well here... Letting go of inhibitions, opening an energy channel, whatever work you do to get "there..." Action demonstrates conviction. More action doesn't change the inhibition.

And as they say, past performance is no guarantee of future results.

But you know you want to feel the Earth move, under your feet.

What *is* the reality you want? I'm not asking you how, I'm asking you what.

The process of "matching the frequency of the reality you want" implies so much that all I can do is, hopefully, give you the concept. It's not about denying what is. But what is can never again be an excuse.

If you think the current system of government, philosophy, education, health care, etc. etc. is taking you on a ride you want to go on, then good. Your Free Will has a home there.

But if you want that system to change, then stop resisting it. Put your frequency into the reality you want, not the reality you don't want. That's the really hard part – that's where "progressives" are incredibly stuck. Working through an educational hierarchy founded on old ideas demonstrates a certain adherence to old ideas. Hate to say it.

Match the frequency of the reality you want. Or not. What Einstein said, what Jesus said (become like a child, and the kingdom of heaven etc...), what Buddha, et al. have said is true, or it's not. Do you want to be one of those who denied Copernicus? Laugh if you want, but your context is dissolving and you know it.

If you get a chance, come see "Occupied Cascadia." You will see people living another reality. It could be the reality you want.

It's playing at the Panida Theater in Sandpoint on Wednesday, October 24th, at 7 PM. Tickets \$7 or less, depending on whether we get any more donations to cover the cost of the theater.

May you feel the Earth move under your feet, today.

With Love, Jon