

Daily Meditation 10/17/22

Further Cataclysms and Elephant Futures

Good morning.

In today's meditation, we're discussing cataclysms and elephant futures, and the human cataclysm that occurs when lies take over, as has happened recently, in a profound way, in our political system.

A big lie that an election was stolen and that led to the January 6 insurrection and violence. And that has morphed into something else, mainly the effort to pass over four hundred laws which are essentially laws to restrict voting, not to improve them. Improve voting but to restrict voting.

And here we are.

And then of course, the cataclysm of a fellow named Alex Jones, who had the gall...what else to call it... to denounce the terrible Sandy Hooks murdering of numerous children and some teachers as a hoax. And to go on radio again and again and again, year after year, to say the same thing, and rile up people to go after the parents and the families of these people who are already suffering so profoundly from the loss of their murdered, assassinated children.

The fact that he's allowed to go on air and say those things and to make millions and millions of dollars, and that there are millions of millions of people out there happy to believe lies like that, is pretty scary.

And then we hear about the ongoing danger that elephants are in. Wonderful elephants, wonderful species, largest land species on Earth. So communal, so family oriented, so intelligent.

And Crystal Parks who tells us about how these animals, it looks like they'll be going extinct in twelve years unless some serious things are redone in the human order, including reversing climate change. And she tells us that the Masaai and Samburu tribes of Kenya told her that if elephants go extinct, humans will lose their soul and go crazy.

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I wonder if we're not already losing our soul and going crazy. And that may be proceeding the extinction of the elephant as part of our bringing down the elephant. Because if we continue to choose lies over truth, over facts, and if we continue to be in denial, which is a lie about climate change, and half our

politicians are. 50% of American politicians have no plans whatsoever about climate change, apparently. They voted against it this year in a bill that was passed by a very, very slight majority.

So, we are in not just difficult times or dire times, we are in apocalyptic times.

And I do think that if humans continue to destroy the elephants, this will just be one of many, many other species that we're contributing to going extinct. But the elephant is obviously so visible and so special that it challenges the question of whether we humans have a right to continue on this planet. Whether we really do not only face our own extinction, but perhaps are bringing it upon ourselves appropriately, so the rest of nature can flourish without us.

These are difficult questions to raise, but they've got to be raised in the context of what's going on around us.

Thank you. We'll see you tomorrow.