



Journey to the Future

By Guy Dauncey

Editor's note: At the Annual General Meeting of Canadian Unitarians for Social Justice on May

21st, 2016, Guy Dauncey was the guest speaker. His talk and slideshow were so well received that I asked him if we could use his slides to promote his message in a JUSTnews Discussion Paper.

Guy is famous for concentrating on the positive, refusing to dwell on the negative. "If it's not fun it's not sustainable," he's fond of saying. He

used 606 slides to emphasize the positive in his talk, far more than could be used in a Discussion

Paper. So, although much of his past work has centred on climate change and the move from

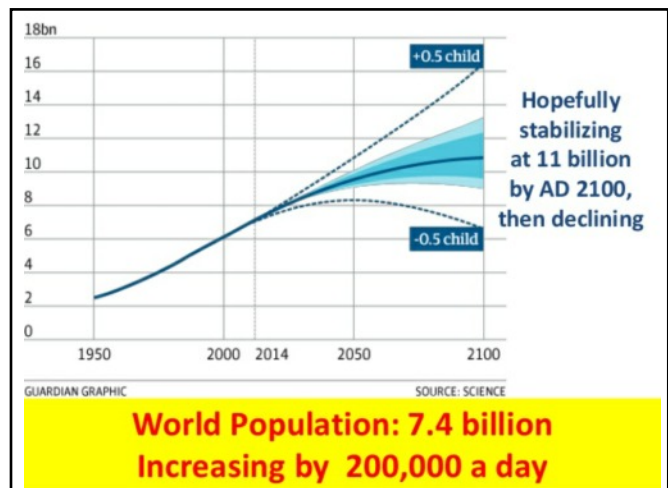
fossil fuels to renewable energy, topics that are familiar to JUSTnews readers, this Paper summarizes in pictures the other main points in his talk: poverty, and spreading the world's wealth to create a greater feeling of well-being and happiness than currently exists.

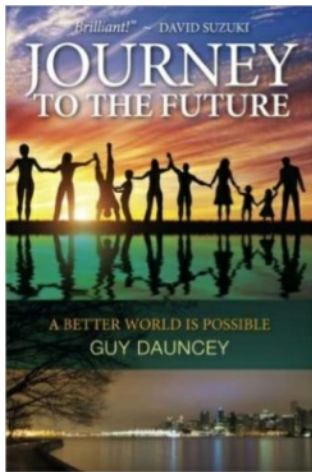
Enjoy the pictures and the message!.



**I see grave
fundamental
problems
ahead...**

**DEMOCRACY CRISIS
ECONOMIC CRISIS
AFFORDABLE HOUSING CRISIS
ECOLOGICAL CRISIS
CLIMATE CRISIS
POVERTY, DESPAIR, LONELINESS
LOSS OF PURPOSE**

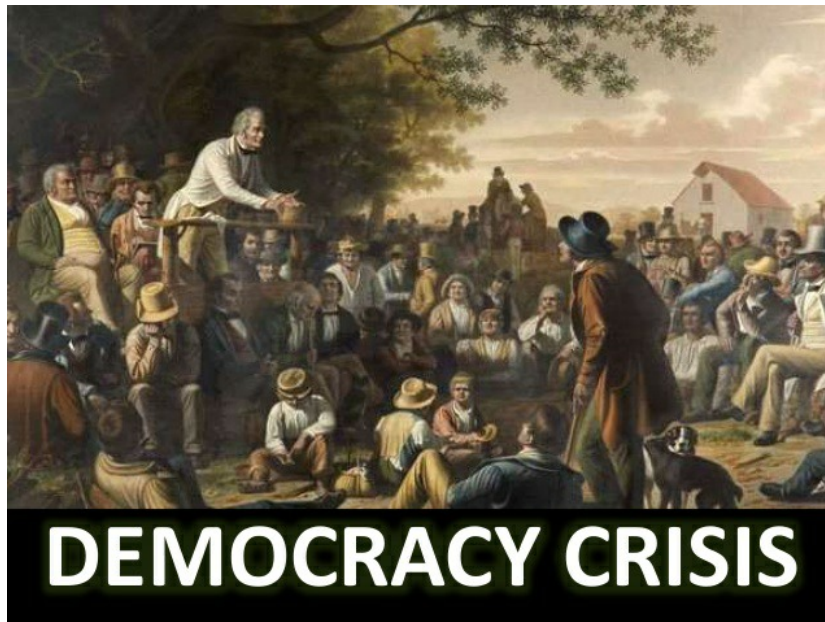




1. Empower with Positive Vision



2. Organize: to Strengthen Democracy...



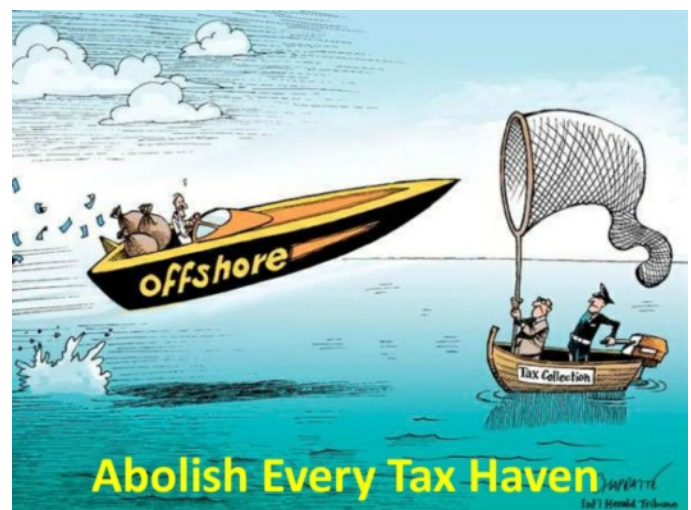
...to Make the Economy Work for People



Microlending – The Grameen Bank



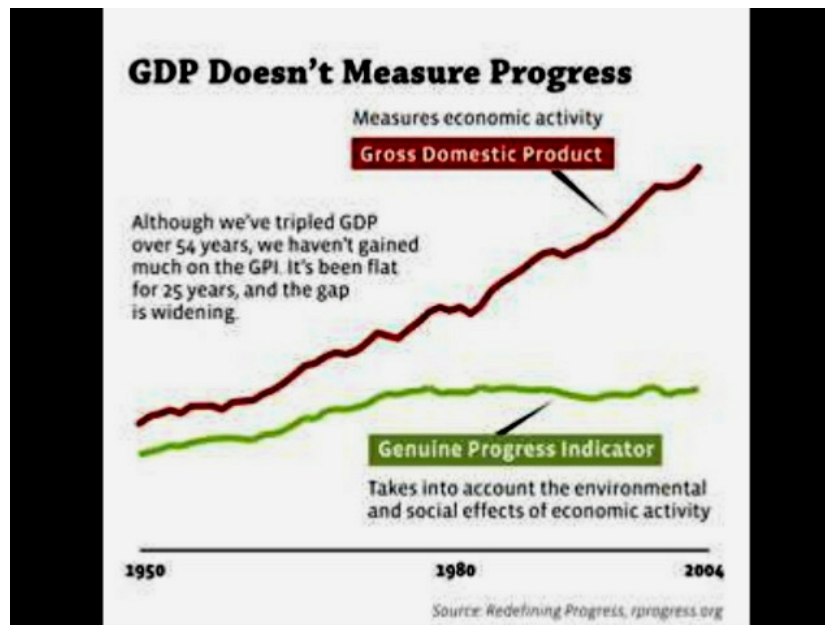
...for Affordable Housing



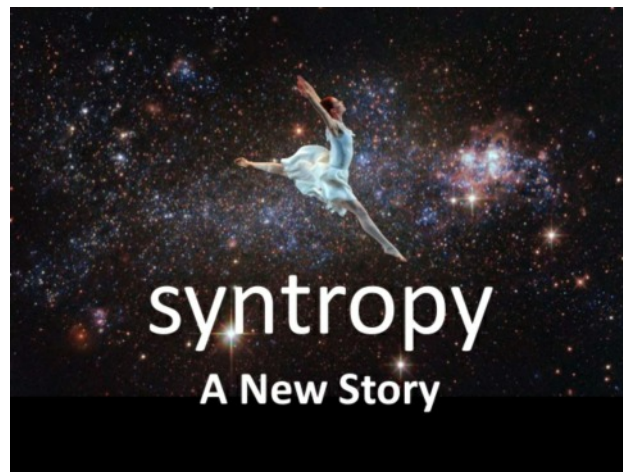
...to Reduce Poverty



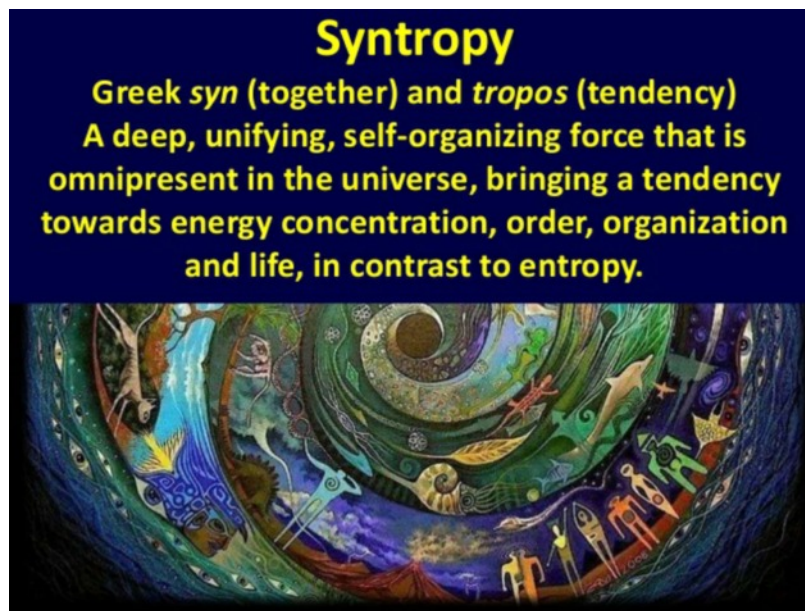
...to Rebuild Community.



3.



Humans are motivated by dreams of life and wholeness,
not by nightmares of death and collapse.



Syntropy

Greek *syn* (together) and *tropos* (tendency)
A deep, unifying, self-organizing force that is
omnipresent in the universe, bringing a tendency
towards energy concentration, order, organization
and life, in contrast to entropy.

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Guy's book, *Journey to the Future: A Better World is Possible*, is available in bookstores, on Amazon, and as an E-book. For details see www.journeytothefuture.ca, where you can also find the book's 940 Endnotes. You can view Guy's full talk on YouTube here: <http://tiny.cc/journeytothefuture>.

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