## The Most Important Topic in the History of Humanity



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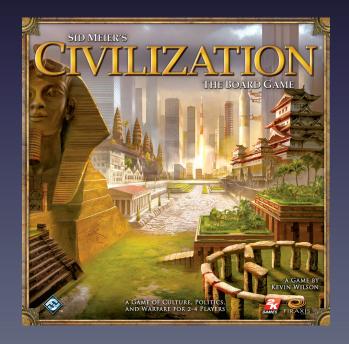
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#### Five Questions









# Our Food Choices in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century



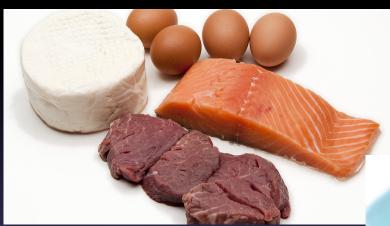
#### Our food choices give us...

# HOPE

Singular power of our food choices to

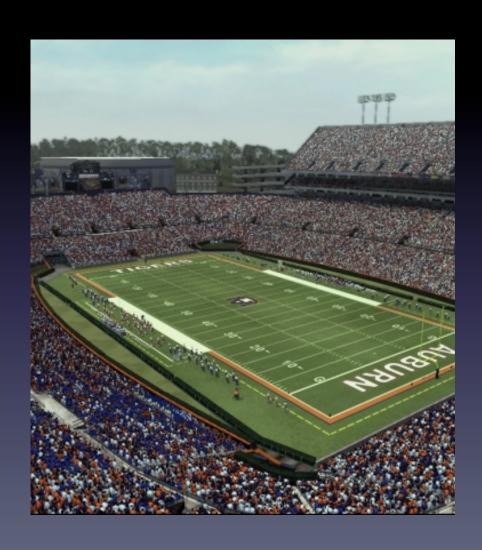
Promote Health, Hope and Harmony on Planet Earth

#### The first of 22 questions

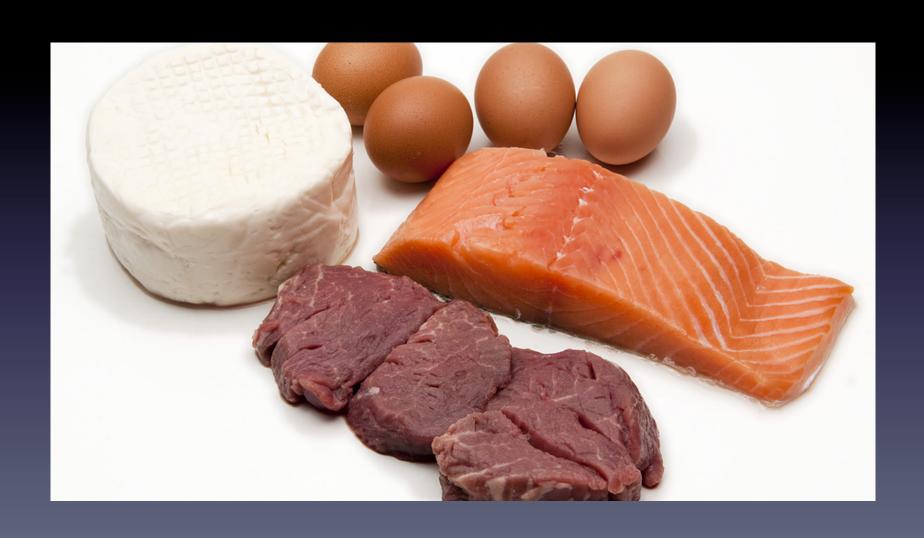


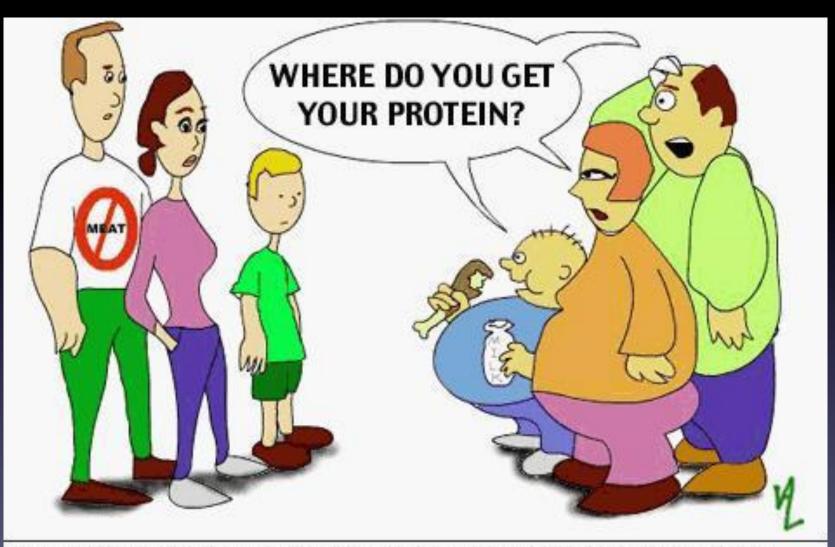


#### LAND---A finite resource



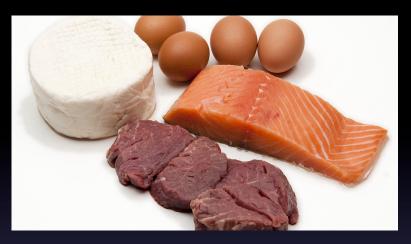
#### Animal Protein?





Latest studies: A third of Americans are overweight, and an additional quarter are obese.

#### Saving Money







#### Meat & Dairy Substitutes





#### A Double Whammy

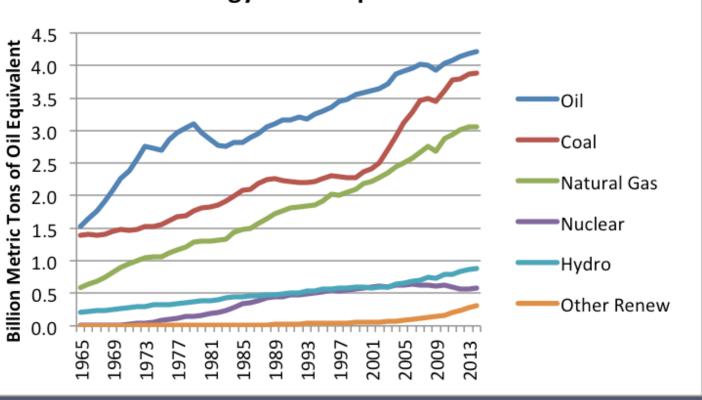


#### Climate Change

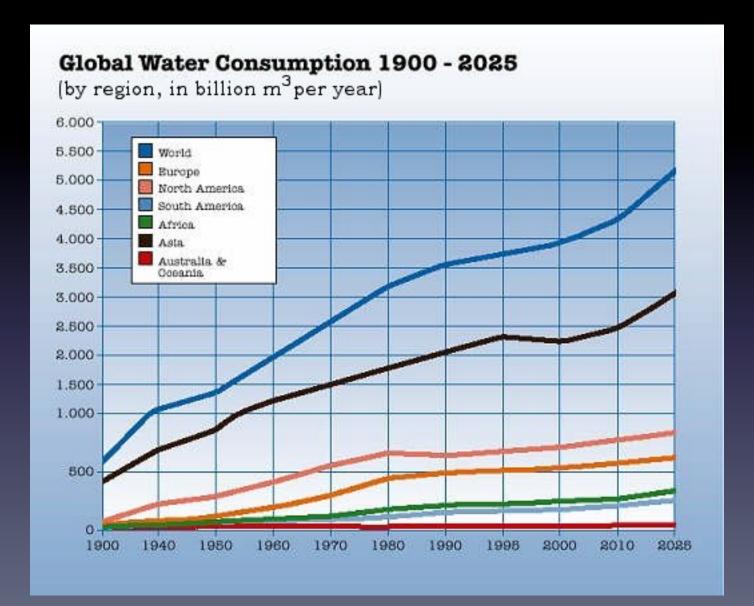


#### Replacing Fossil Fuels

#### **World Energy Consumption for Each Fuel**



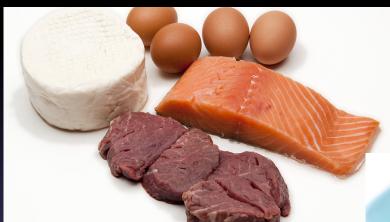
#### Water Crisis Happening NOW



#### Oceans in Peril



#### Food Choices Can Change Fast







#### Life began on Earth...

- About 4 billion years ago
- We humans emerged as a species just 200,000 years ago

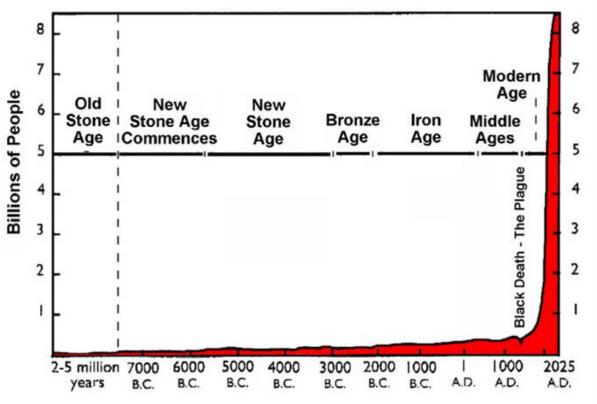


#### Putting our time here in perspective

- If we crammed all 4 billion years of "life on Earth" into just one year...
- We humans have been around for just
   26 minutes of the last hour of that year

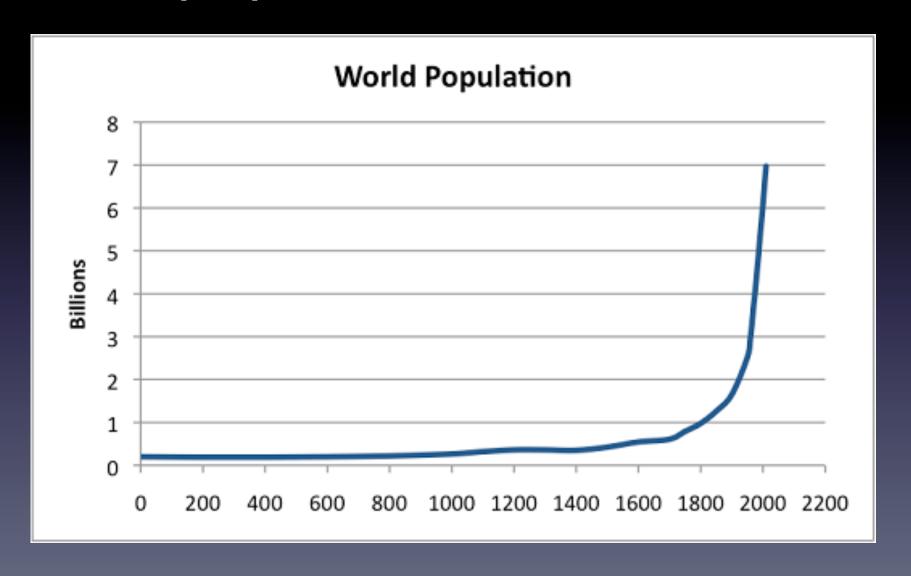
#### Overpopulation





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#### Overpopulation – More Recent





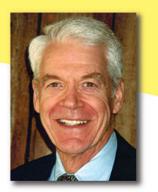


## Four Huge

Grossly Unsustainable Situations

- 1. Overpopulation
- 2. The way we live
- 3. Fossil fuel dependence
- 4. OUR FOOD CHOICES

#### Heart Disease



The Revolutionary, Scientifically Proven, Nutrition-Based Cure

Over 3 hours of Life-Saving Information!

# Prevent And Reverse Heart Disease

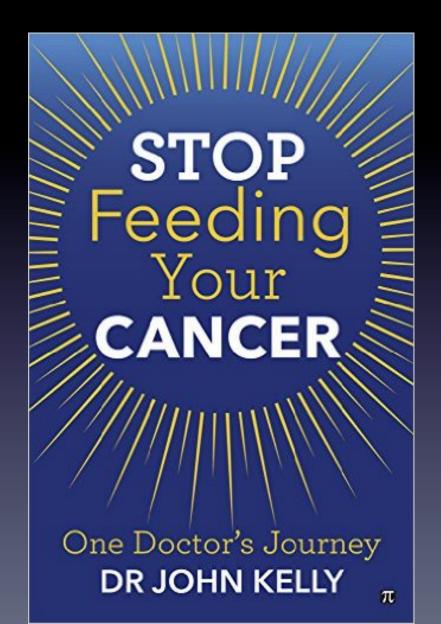
The DVD

Full Counseling Seminar from Dr. Esselstyn's World-Renowned Cleveland Clinic Wellness Institute program

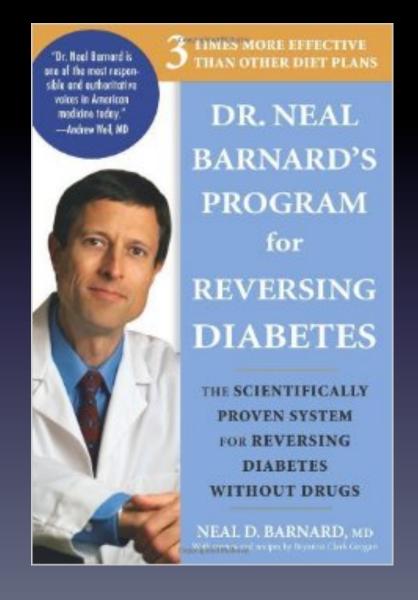
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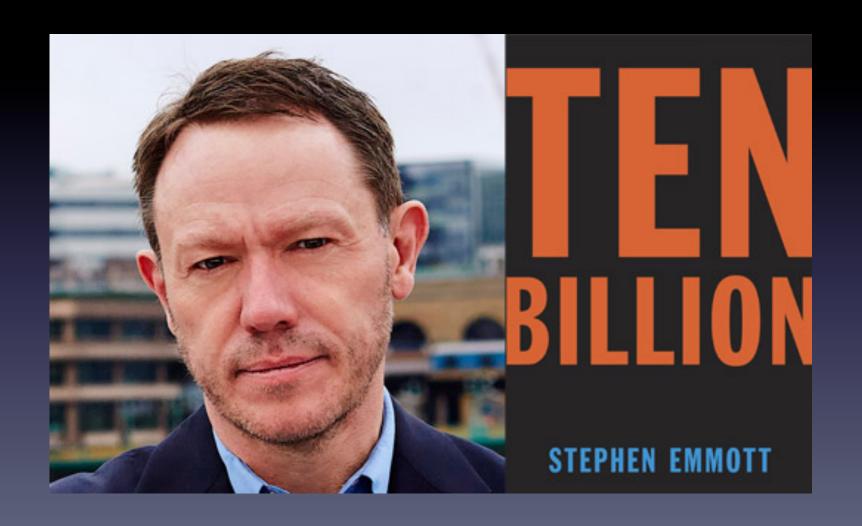
#### Cancer



#### Type 2 Diabetes



### **URGENCY!!**



#### Greenpeace, Sierra Club, etc.?

"I think they "focus grouped" it and it's a political loser. They're membership organizations you know; they're looking to maximize the number of people making contributions. And if they get identified as being "anti-meat," it will hurt with their fundraising." Michael Pollan – in "Cowspiracy"



#### More Hurdles

- "Humans have always eaten meat."
- 2. "They ate meat in the Bible."
- 3. "What about calcium and osteoporosis?"
- 4. "I simply can't live without my burgers."
- 5. "Too expensive to eat a healthy diet"
- 6. "It's not convenient to eat this way."

#### Too Expensive? Not convenient?



#### Re-cap: Eating Plants, Not Animals

- 1. 90% less water
- 2. 90% less land
- 3. 90% less energy
- 4. Return farmland to forest
- 5. Slow down climate change
- 6. Spend 80% less \$\$ on healthcare
- 7. End world hunger
- 8. BUY ENOUGHTIME to fix other issues















- Not a "win" for everyone
- Lots of money at stake
- Trillions of dollars











American Cancer Society®



The closer we get to eating a diet of whole, plant-based foods, the better off we will be.

---T. Colin Campbell PhD, Cornell University







- Focusing on what we DO eat
- Not what we're avoiding
- Implied "wiggle room"



Not necessarily vegetarian or vegan

## The Survey

- 4leafsurvey.com
- Fruits, Veggies, Starches
- What about Omega-3??
- 3 questions on dairy & eggs
- 3 questions on junk food
- One question on flesh
- One question on oil
- Also keep fat % less than 20



#### Harmony Project Plan

- 1. Work on demand side of the equation
- 2. Go directly to the people...
- 3. With credibility and repetition
- 4. LEADERSHIP and...







Educate \* Motivate \* Legislate

#### Reaching top 2 B people

- 1. Just five regions of the world
- 2. 72% of all beef, pork & chicken

- 3. 60% in the top three
- 4. Brazil and Russia rank 4 & 5
- 5. MASSIVE global awareness campaign (not using V words)





### Leadership & MONEY

- 1. International credibility
- 2. Truly "gets it" about food
- 3. Ready to LEAD fulltime
- 4. Can attract other leaders
- 5. Can raise \$ billions



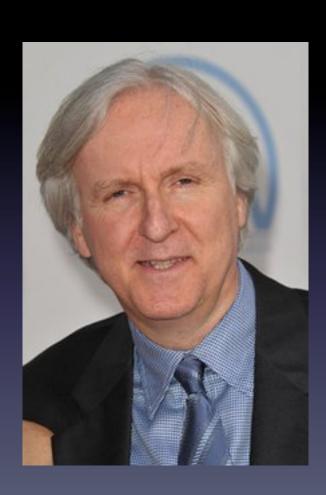
### LEADERSHIP

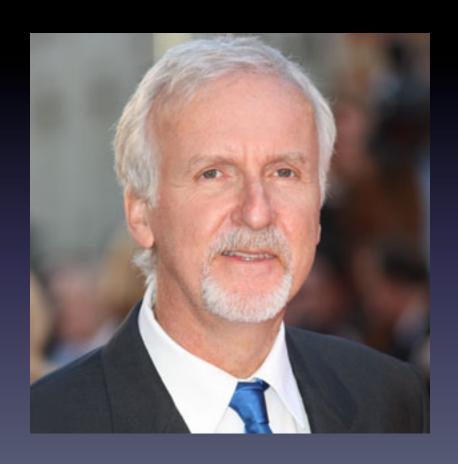


# "Messengers"



## "Messengers"





#### "Leaders"



# "Leaders"



### Harmony Project Re-Cap

1. Replace MDEF with PLANTS



- 2. 4Leaf "system" for teaching
- 3. Leadership & Money
- 4. Massive global awareness campaign
- 5. What can you do?

### A Vision of Harmony

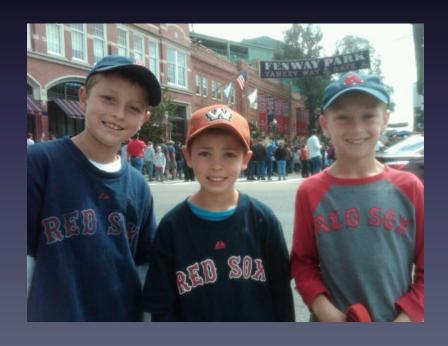
As people everywhere begin to learn the whole truth about their food choices, millions will start replacing most, if not all, of their animal-based calories with healthier and "greener," plant-based alternatives. As we begin working on the "demand" side of the equation, markets will quickly respond, people will begin getting healthier, the cost of healthcare will plummet, water will become more plentiful, trees can be planted on the freed-up land and our fragile ecosystem will begin to heal.

Eventually, we must also deal with overpopulation, over-consumption and the excessive burning of fossil fuels---but those tasks will take many decades, if not centuries. Taking URGENT action NOW with our food choices can buy us the time we need to address them all.

How important is this topic?











#### Do we have a chance?

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. — Margaret Mead

People who are crazy enough to think that they can change the world—are the ones who do.

Steve Jobs

## Story of Easter Island



#### Before Humans Arrived





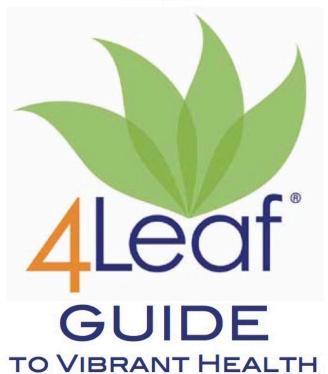
Our "Easter Island"

# Let's get rolling with...



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-W. Shane Williams, MD, Cardiology, Internal Medicine Ontario, Canada



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UNLEASHING THE POWER OF PLANT-BASED NUTRITION

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