

The Father of Ecozoic

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Thomas Berry, the father of Ecozoic, is not here with us in our community of humankind now. But we can hear his voice to tell us the stories not only in the past but also now and in the future. We are always hearing his stories about the Ecozoic in the background of the universe. The stories concern the universe community, the Earth community and our human community. There is no human community without the human community story, no Earth community without the Earth story, and no universe community without the universe story. We all live in the geo-biological systems of the planet. Each component of the Earth is integral with every other component.

Thomas Berry lets us know that we are going to the Ecozoic, at the same time we have already terminated the Cenozoic Era of the geo-biological systems of the planet. The Ecozoic Era is succeeding the Cenozoic. He tells us how quickly events of such catastrophic proportions are happening on the Earth. Extinction is taking place throughout the life systems on a scale unequalled since the terminal phase of the Mesozoic Era. The Ecozoic Era, a new biological period come into being, humans would dwell upon the Earth in a mutually enhancing manner. Once we understand we are going to the Ecozoic, we can get on with our historic task. We can accept and even ignore the difficulties to be resolved and the pain to be endured, for we are involved in a great work.

Thomas Berry teaches us to take our Great Work in this transition from the Cenozoic to the Ecozoic. We did not even exist until the major developments of the Cenozoic were complete. In the Ecozoic, however, the human will have a pervasive influence on almost everything that happens. The entire pattern of Earth's functioning is being altered. We are approaching a critical watershed in the entire modality of Earth's functioning. Our tasks are in the geo-biological process of the Earth.

We remember you by our hearts, the father of the Ecozoic; we know you are walking into your dream, that is the Dream of the Earth, the Dream of the universe. You told us the story of the Ecozoic, and now we have learned to meditate on it, have learned to listen to it as it is told by every breeze that blows, by every cloud in the sky, by every mountain and river and woodland, and by the song of every cricket. We shall continue to take part in the community in the bio-geological process of the planet and take on the great tasks, that is the journey of the Earth entire.

Thomas Berry — the Ecozoic Era

Thomas Berry — the bio-geological process

Thomas Berry — the community of the Earth

Thomas Berry — the Great Work

Thomas Berry — the Dream of the Earth

We shall always remember you and everything about you!

Your Shen, spirit, is always living with us in the Earth community!