



I recently saw the movie "I Am". It asks the questions: What's wrong with our world?" and "What can we do about it?" The movie, in my opinion, sees the human problem as separation, separation from nature, and separation from our true nature or essence. A lot of us could agree with that. But to me, the movie doesn't go quite far enough. It doesn't go to what is the fundamental act of separation. And if separation is the problem, what is its root, and who or what is going to fix it?

Join us for a dialogue on the question of separation. The discussion will be facilitated by myself and my friend, Dan Kilpatrick. It will be an open inquiry into the root of separation. There will be no time constraints. We will pause and take breaks as we need to. People will also be able to come and go as they please.

SOME LOGISTICS

LOCATION: We will meet at Earthlands in Petersham, MA on Saturday, February 2nd at 10:30am and Sunday February 3rd at 9:00 am. Depending on snow depth, you may have to hike in to the lodge, maybe about a quarter mile. (The hike could be longer if you can't

park in the parking lot closest to the lodge.)

Earthlands is off-the-grid and very rustic. It is heated by wood alone, and is an earth-based community that is not interested in unnecessary creature comforts, although there are indoor flush toilets.

FEES: The rental fee for use of the lodge for the 2 days is \$200. We ask that you chip in whatever you can. It is not a requirement for attendance. Dan and I will make up the difference if we don't collect enough to cover the rental fee.

FOOD: We suggest bringing enough food for the day or to share with others. Kitchen facilities are available. Earthlands has a policy of preparing only vegan/vegetarian meals in its kitchens. This policy has not changed for 25 years. Participants can bring meat, but it cannot be cooked in Earthlands' kitchens.

ACCOMMODATIONS: If you want to stay overnight, there is a \$40 fee. Earthlands provides a clean sheet & pillowcase and a mattress. You would have to bring your own sleeping bag or blankets. There are other accommodations in the area for an overnight stay. Please contact these establishments directly to make your own arrangements.

The Inn at Clamber Hill 111 N Main Street, Petersham, MA 978 724-8800 / 888 374-0007
website: www.clamberhill.com - B&B on a 33-acre wooded estate - exquisite and luxurious

Winterwood At Petersham 19 N. Main Street, Petersham, MA 978 724-8885
website: www.winterwoodinn.net - B&B, 16 room Greek Revival mansion. - Very Nice

The Harding Allen Estate B&B Inn Rt. 122, P.O. Box 933, Barre, MA 978 355-4920
website: harding-allen.com - exquisite and luxurious

The Jenkins Inn 7 West Street, Barre, MA 978 355-6444
website: www.jenkinsinn.com - Country B&B with Fine Dining Restaurant - Very Nice

Executive Inn (formerly the Bald Eagle Motel) Exit 16 off Rt. 2; junction of Rts. 2 and 202, 110 Daniel Shays Hwy., Orange, MA 978

544-8864 - very basic motel

DIRECTIONS

Earthlands Address: 39 Glasheen Road, Petersham, MA 01366.

<http://www.instituteforenvironmentalawareness.org/earthlands/directions>

RSVP: Please email me at photos@paulrezendes.com to let me know you are coming, and whether you'll be there for one day (and which one) or both.

Any questions, contact me through the same email address.