

Hope in Hell

notes

Chapter 1

The human species is now at risk.

All the solutions needed to address the climate emergency are already at hand.

There are grounds for hope.

Paris Agreement signed in 2015.

There is no hope whatsoever in another ten years of incremental change.

Without mass civil disobedience, at this very late stage, I cannot see any other way of avoiding that threat of runaway climate change.

It is not too late to avoid runaway climate change, but it soon will be.

By 2060 life on Earth will be intolerable if things go on as they are.

Push the solutions agenda harder and harder.

The schools strike movement (is) an inspirational manifestation of civil disobedience on the part of young people.

Continue to spell out the uncomfortable implications of today's climate science while seeking solutions in three areas:

- Radical decarbonisation of the economy through technology, stopping CO² and other greenhouse gasses getting into the atmosphere.
- Radical recarbonisation of the natural world through ecology, taking CO² back out of the atmosphere.
- Radical political disruption through civil disobedience.

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