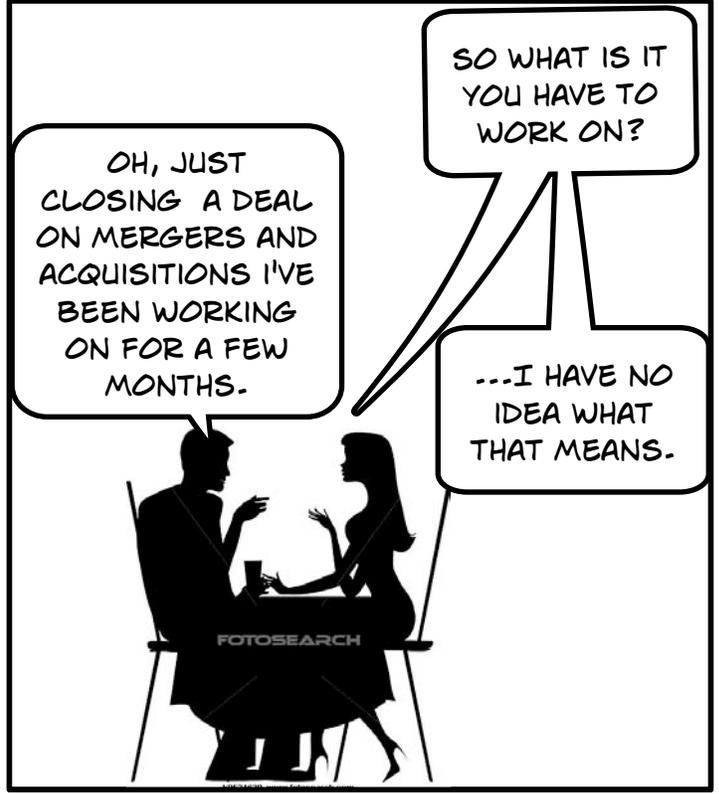
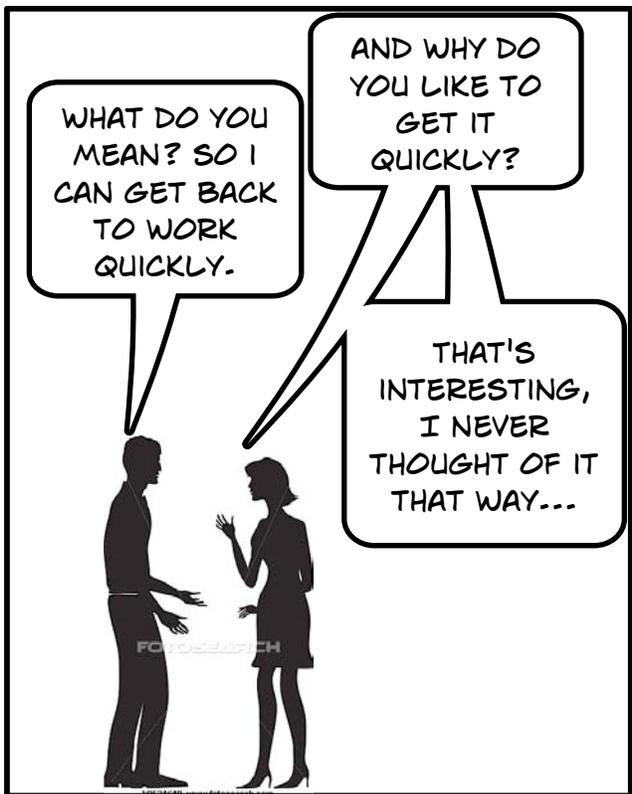
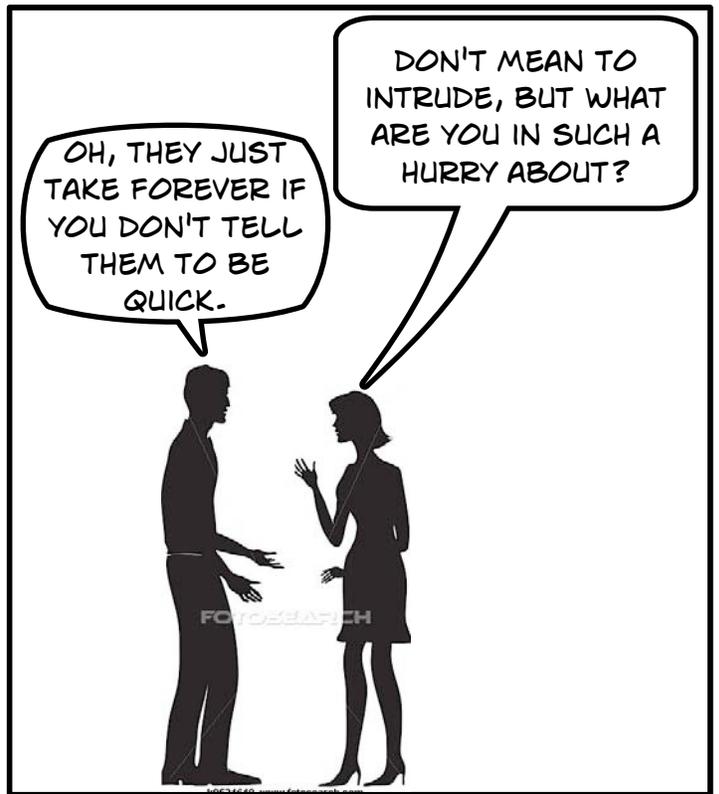


# BEYOND DARWIN'S DREAMS

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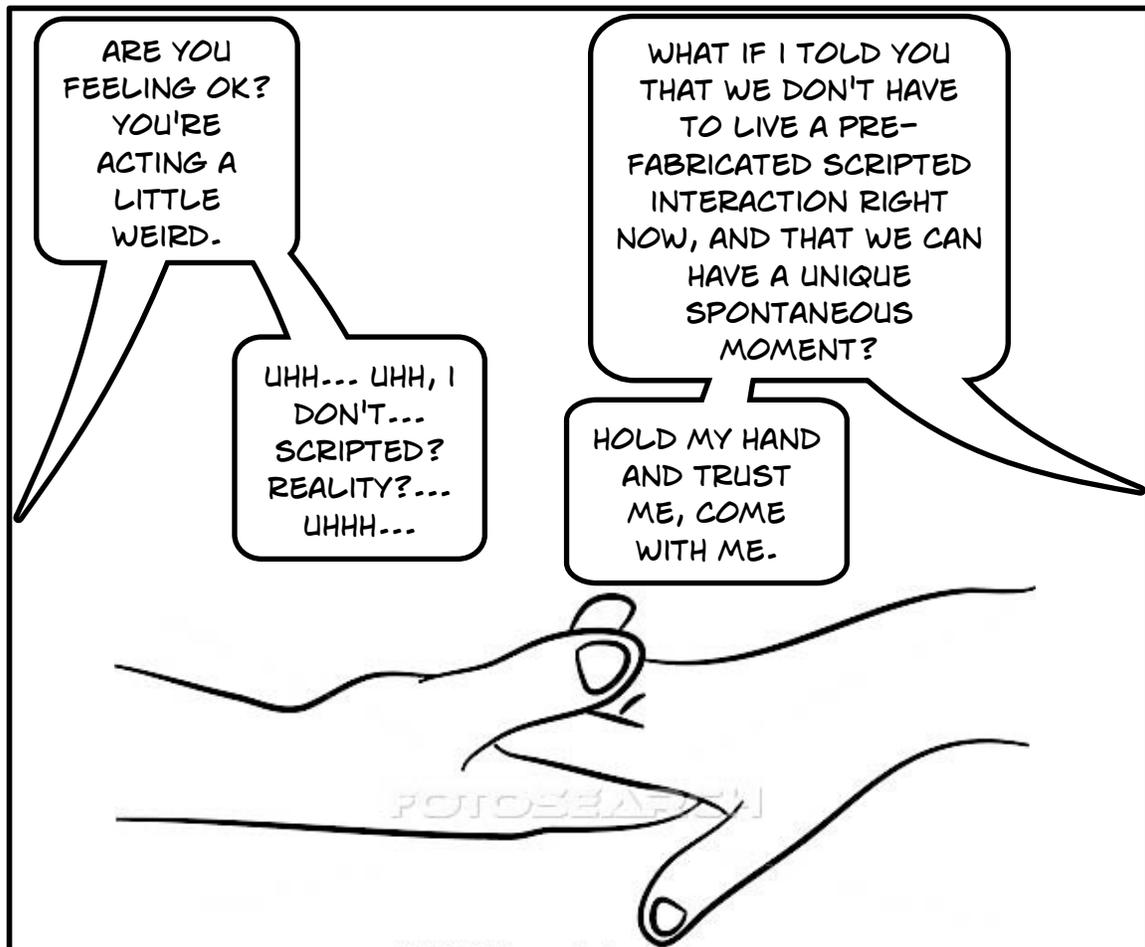
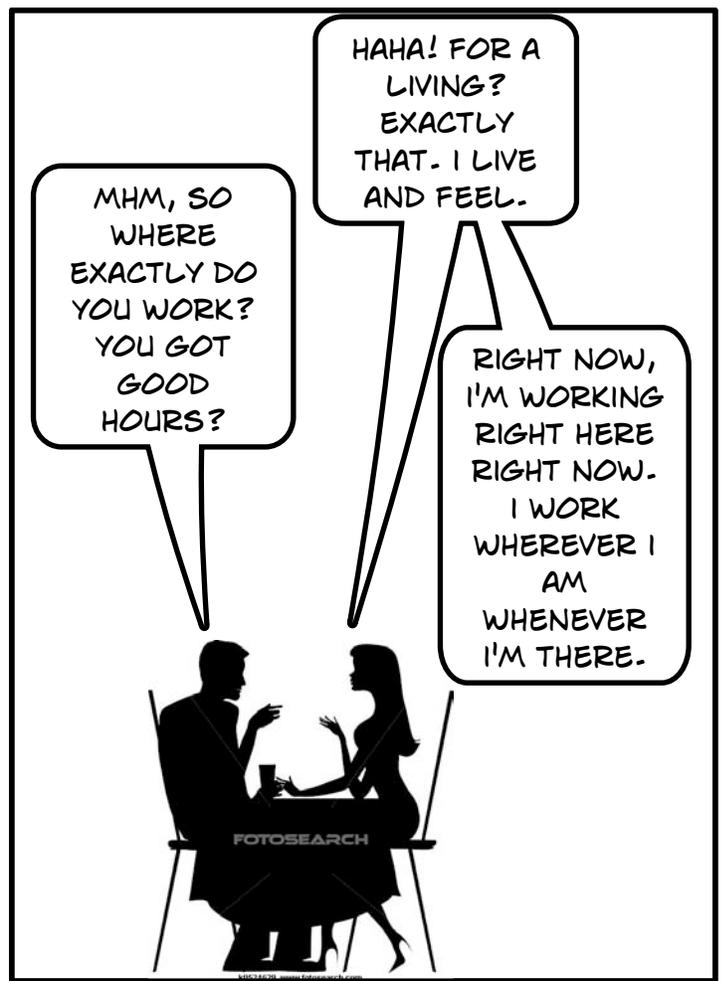
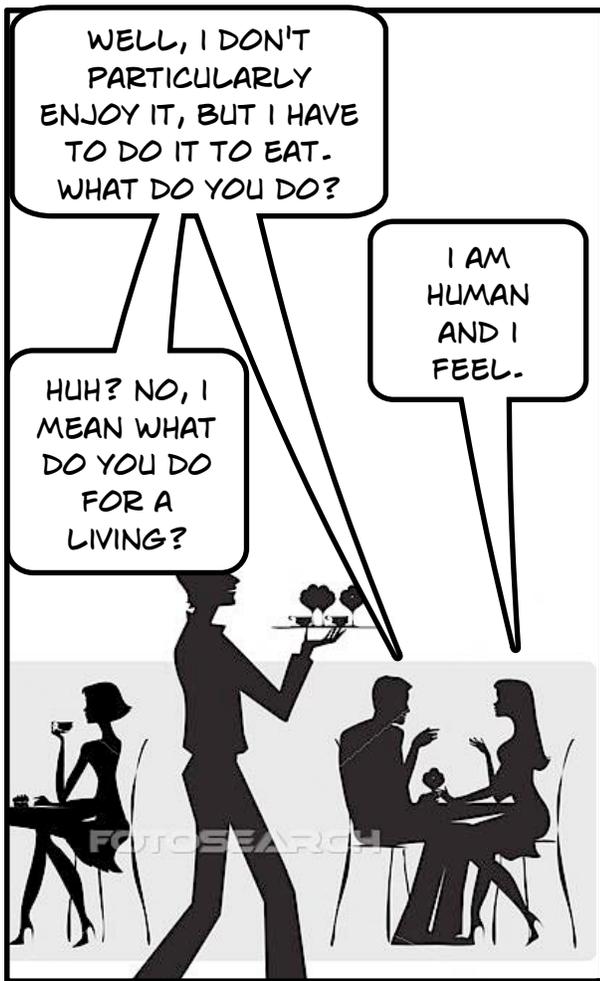


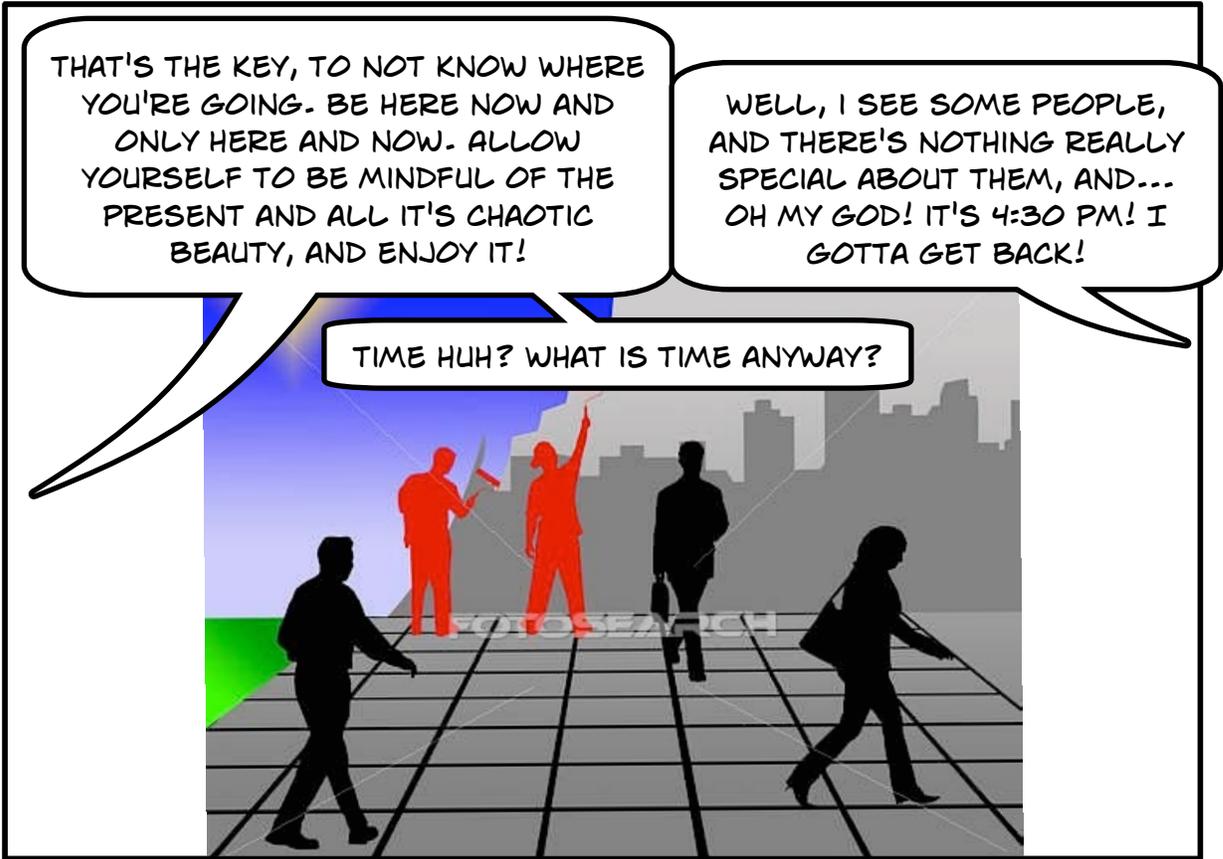
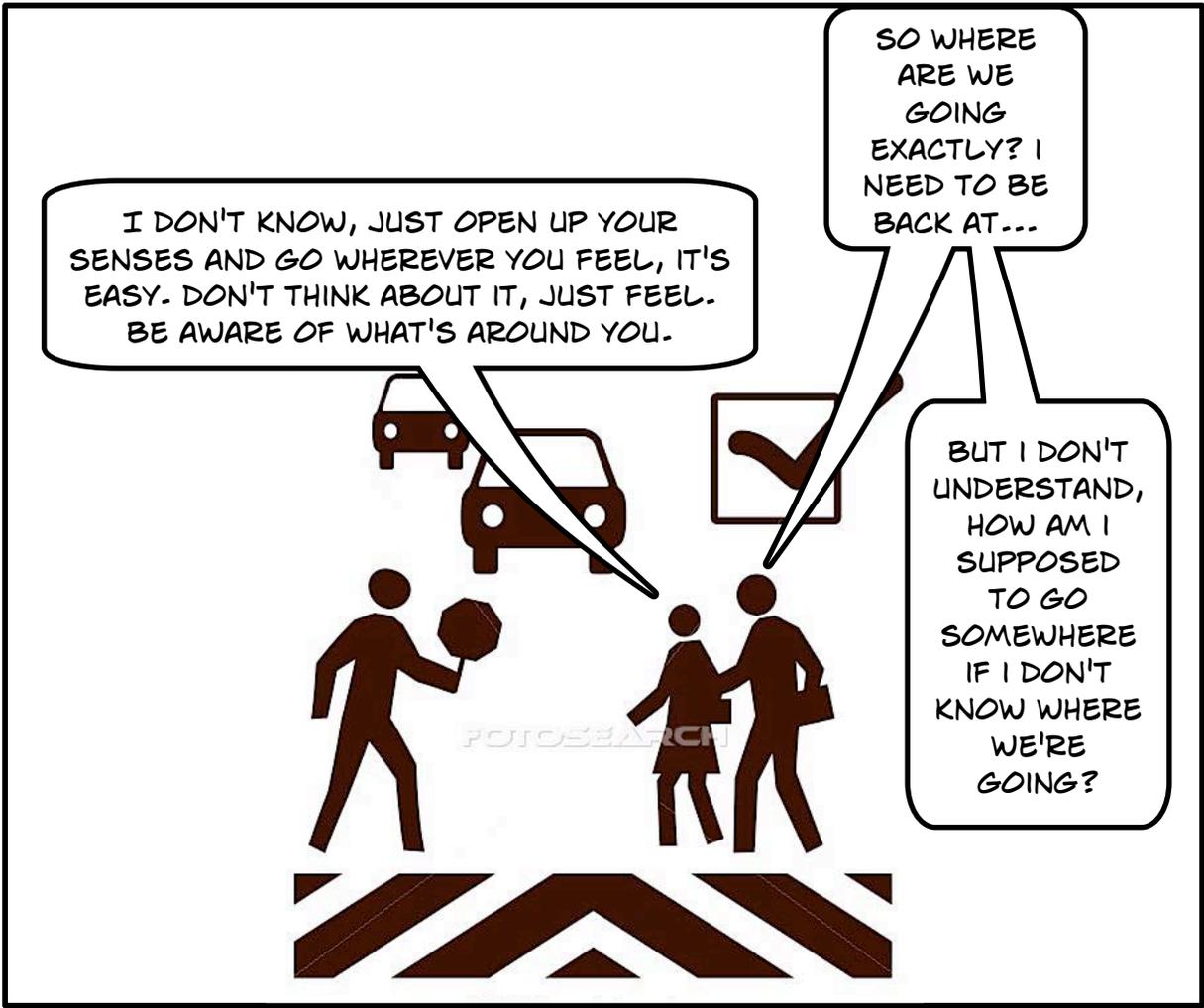


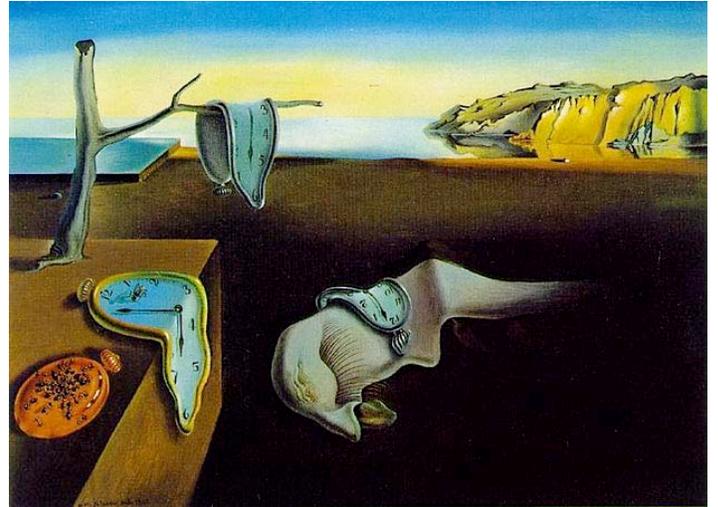
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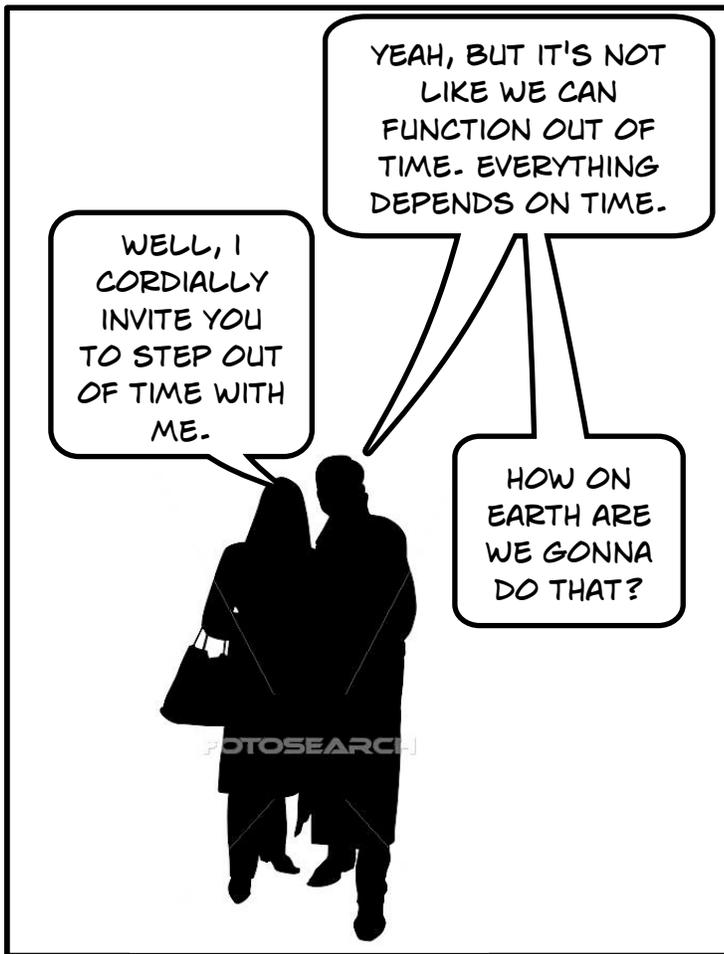
WHAT DO YOU MEAN? EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT TIME IS! I THINK YOU REALLY MIGHT BE CRAZY.

YOU KNOW, IT'S... WELL... IT'S SORTA LIKE... TO KNOW WHERE TO BE AND WHEN... AHHH... WELL IT'S COMPLICATED.

SO WHAT IS IT THEN?

ISN'T IT FUNNY HOW TIME IS THIS ABSTRACT HUMAN CONSTRUCT, AND YET OUR LIVES ARE COMPLETELY RULED BY IT? WE ARE SLAVES TO A MASTER WE DON'T UNDERSTAND.

The comic panel features two silhouetted figures, a man and a woman, standing against a background of green, swirling, abstract patterns. They are engaged in a conversation, with their dialogue captured in speech bubbles. The man's speech bubble is at the top left, the woman's is at the bottom left, the man's second speech bubble is at the top right, and the woman's second speech bubble is at the bottom right.



WELL, I CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO STEP OUT OF TIME WITH ME.

YEAH, BUT IT'S NOT LIKE WE CAN FUNCTION OUT OF TIME. EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON TIME.

HOW ON EARTH ARE WE GONNA DO THAT?



IT'S REALLY SIMPLE, A LOT SIMPLER THAN BEING A SLAVE TO TIME. REMEMBER WHAT I TOLD YOU ABOUT BEING HUMAN AND FEELING?

YEAH, BACK AT THE COFFEESHOP.



DO THAT FOR ME. JUST LOOK WITHIN AND RECONNECT WITH THAT WHICH MAKES US FUNDAMENTALLY HUMAN. DON'T THINK, JUST BE HERE NOW AND FEEL. PERCEIVE EVERYTHING THAT'S AROUND US, EVERY COLOR, EVERY SMELL, EVERY SOUND.



WORK WILL ALWAYS BE THERE. THIS MOMENT IS UNIQUE IN TIME AND SPACE. DO YOU REALLY WANT TO MISS IT?

BUT I GOTTA GET BACK TO WORK SOON.

OK, OK. I'LL PLAY ALONG.

THEY GO TO NATURE AND THE MAN BREATHES DEEPLY, AT FIRST WITH HIS EYES CLOSED AND THEN HE OPENS THEM. THE TWO SIT IN SILENCE FOR WHAT APPEARS TO THE MAN TO BE AN ETERNITY.



YOU'RE CRYING... WHY?

YES THERE IS. YOUR EYES ARE OPEN NOW.

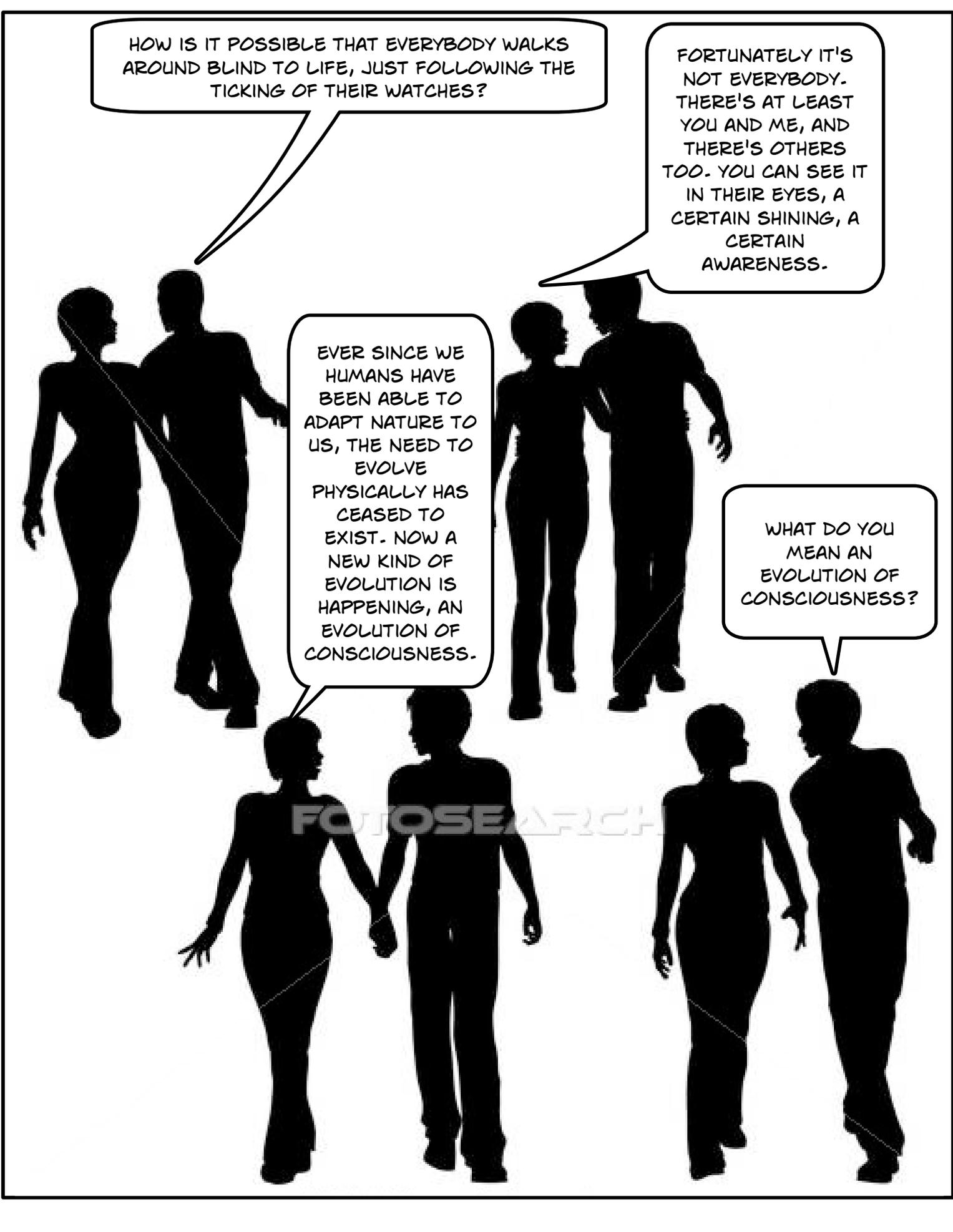
I FEEL SO ALIVE. I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE I'VE BEEN NUMB TO MY SURROUNDINGS FOR SO LONG. I FEEL NOSTALGIC FOR ALL THE MOMENTS I'VE MISSED. THERE'S SO MUCH BEAUTY.



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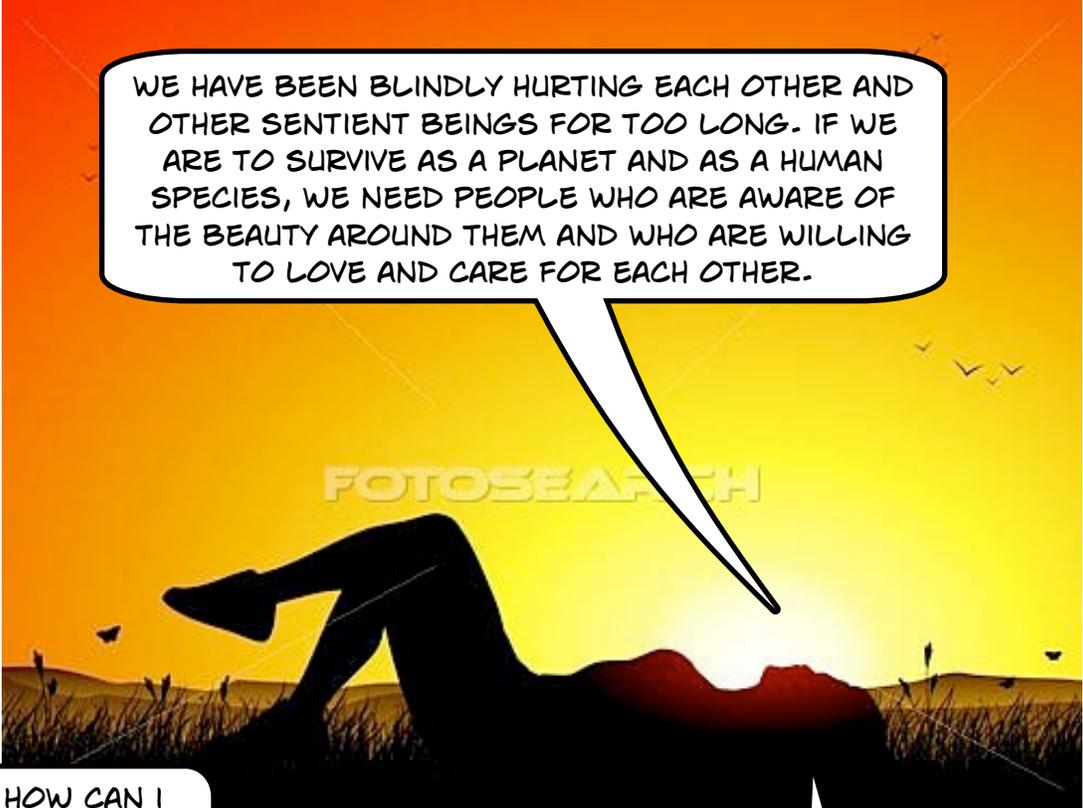
HOW IS IT POSSIBLE THAT EVERYBODY WALKS AROUND BLIND TO LIFE, JUST FOLLOWING THE TICKING OF THEIR WATCHES?

FORTUNATELY IT'S NOT EVERYBODY. THERE'S AT LEAST YOU AND ME, AND THERE'S OTHERS TOO. YOU CAN SEE IT IN THEIR EYES, A CERTAIN SHINING, A CERTAIN AWARENESS.

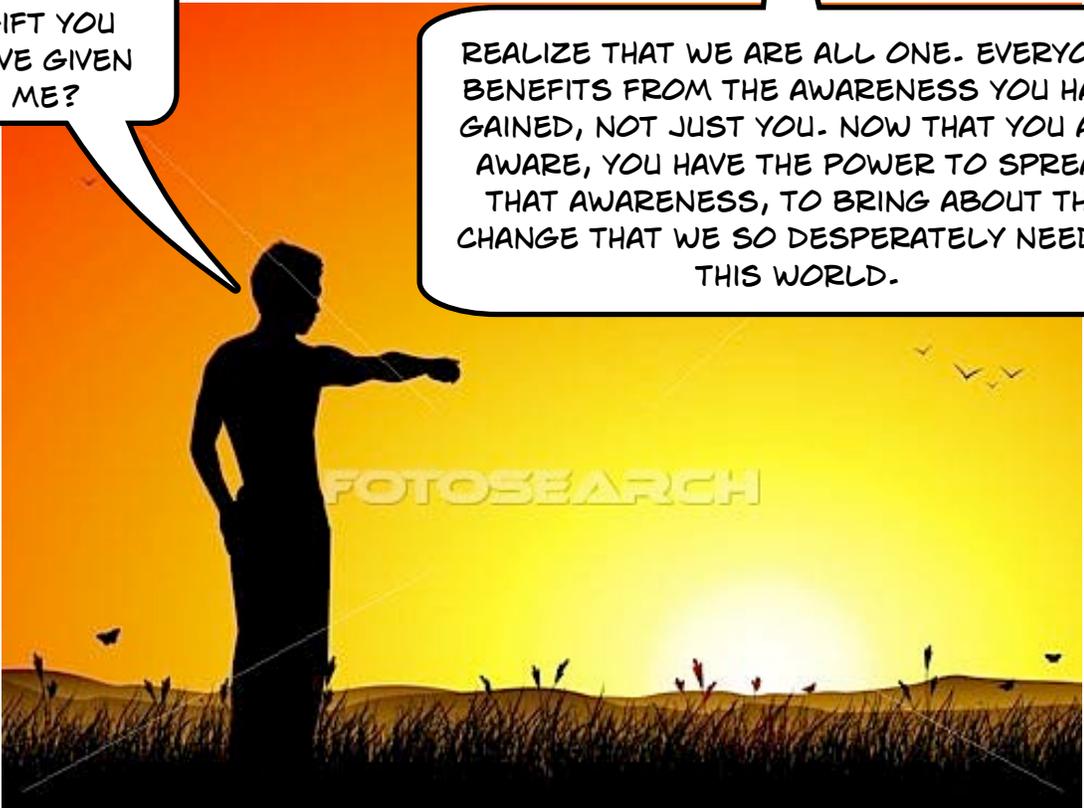
EVER SINCE WE HUMANS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ADAPT NATURE TO US, THE NEED TO EVOLVE PHYSICALLY HAS CEASED TO EXIST. NOW A NEW KIND OF EVOLUTION IS HAPPENING, AN EVOLUTION OF CONSCIOUSNESS.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN AN EVOLUTION OF CONSCIOUSNESS?

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WE HAVE BEEN BLINDLY HURTING EACH OTHER AND OTHER SENTIENT BEINGS FOR TOO LONG. IF WE ARE TO SURVIVE AS A PLANET AND AS A HUMAN SPECIES, WE NEED PEOPLE WHO ARE AWARE OF THE BEAUTY AROUND THEM AND WHO ARE WILLING TO LOVE AND CARE FOR EACH OTHER.



HOW CAN I EVER REPAY YOU FOR THIS PRICELESS GIFT YOU HAVE GIVEN ME?

REALIZE THAT WE ARE ALL ONE. EVERYONE BENEFITS FROM THE AWARENESS YOU HAVE GAINED, NOT JUST YOU. NOW THAT YOU ARE AWARE, YOU HAVE THE POWER TO SPREAD THAT AWARENESS, TO BRING ABOUT THE CHANGE THAT WE SO DESPERATELY NEED IN THIS WORLD.

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