



*We Mercies*

## *Care for Creation*

*As we take the first step, let us remember the traditional custodians of the land*

Two of the recent ground breaking books we have looked at about the necessary evolution of consciousness if the planet and the human race are to survive are *This Changes Everything* by Naomi Klein and *Consciousness v. Catastrophe* by Gillian Ross.

Both these books postulate a new story, one that rejects the current rationistic story of individualism and separation, that no longer sees the earth – and ourselves – as imbued with the sacred. Note too that the authors are both women, a sign perhaps of the other need our culture has, that of reclaiming the sacred feminine.

This newsletter is to introduce you to a third book, Bruce Lipton's *The Biology of Belief*, which is written by a scientist who arrives at a similar conclusion from his investigation into biology. He experienced an *aha* moment which he likens to that of Saul who became Paul as he too turned from unbelief to belief.

I love his story of the *aha* moment in the middle of the night when – wild haired and wild eyed – he rushed to the college library and expounded his new insight about cells to a first year medical student. The latter did not understand a word and could only say *Are you okay, Dr Lipton?*

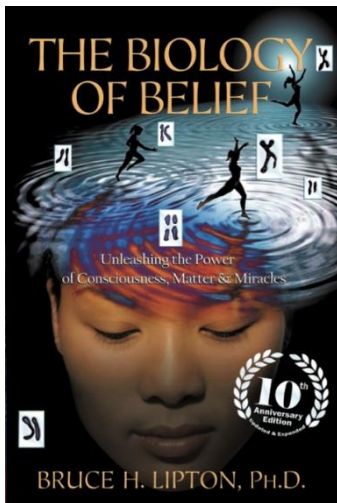
Applying quantum physics rather than just Newtonian science to his research changed his whole understanding. In my lay terms – hopefully fairly accurate – matter is all a matter of energy and a void full of infinite possibilities. Cooperation is the name of the game not Darwinian type competition. We are composed of myriads of cells that cooperate rather than compete or control us through our DNA. The membrane of our cells are their memBRAIN and respond to the environment including our belief. And so we have a new biology, one of belief.

What is relevant to our present discussion is that it reintroduced spirit into the equation.

**THE BIOLOGY OF BELIEF  
Unleashing the Power  
Of Consciousness, Matter&Miracles**

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While his book is about the new biology – how smart cells can teach us how to live – in an epilogue Lipton explains how his study of cells turned him into a spiritual person.



He claims that it was not a leap of faith that converted him into a believer but through his scientific research he saw something so profound it immediately transformed his life. The mechanics of the New Science provided insights that implied the existence of our spiritual essence and our immortality. For him the conclusions were so unambiguous that he instantly went from unbeliever to believer.

He writes:

*The fact that scientific principles led me, a nonseeker, to spiritual insight is appropriate because the latest discoveries in physics and cell research are forging new links between the worlds of Science and Spirit. These realms were split apart in the days of Decartes centuries ago. However, I truly believe that only when Spirit and Science are reunited will we be afforded the means to create a better world.*

**Mercy2Earth:** The Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM) is coordinating a Mercy2Earth Campaign to get people to read and take action on the Pope's incredible message last year "[Show Mercy to our Common Home](#)", when he enshrined care for creation as an act of mercy.

GCCM is hopeful that this will be a “big global moment” where Catholics all over the world demonstrate their concern for the climate through action and prayer during #Mercy2Earth Weekend (April 22-23): leveraging that Earth Day (April 22) and Mercy Sunday (April 23) happen back to back. To register for Mercy2Earth Weekend go to [www.mercy2earth.org](http://www.mercy2earth.org).

To help you prepare for Mercy2earth Weekend, GCCM has created a [#Mercy2Earth Examen](#), patterned after the examination of conscience developed by St. Ignatius of Loyola, as a way to deepen in your vocation as “protector of God’s handiwork”.