

2nd in line of Musical Trivia Blogs:

Today's topic: Ecological Heritage

Do You See what I see:

“Where did all the blue skies go?”

“Oil wasted on the ocean and upon our seas, fish full of mercury”

Eating contaminated fish is the number one cause of mercury exposure in America. Mercury is brought into our air from coal-burning power plants and factories. That pollution can travel around the world by weather systems and then settle into lakes, rivers, and oceans, where it is absorbed or ingested by small organisms and then starts working its way up the food chain, with its contamination growing exponentially. Huge predatory fish, like sharks or tuna, can have especially high concentrations in their bodies. You can imagine, with each tuna fish sandwich, we could be getting sicker and sicker. *“A 130-pound woman can eat almost two six-ounce cans of light tuna a week and stay within the EPA-recommended safe zone for mercury. A four- or five-year-old child should eat only about four ounces of light tuna per week. The rules change when it comes to albacore tuna. Children should avoid that fish altogether, and women of childbearing age should stick to no more than four ounces per week.”* (NRDC, Mercy Guide, March 10, 2016)

Do You Hear what I hear:

“Poison is the wind that blows from the North and South and East”

Air pollution is a mixture of solid particles and gases. Solid particles come from our car emissions, chemicals from factories, dust, pollen and mold spores. Ozone is an irritating gas, when mixed in surface air pollution. CFCs have been implicated in the destruction of our ozone layer.

<https://medlineplus.gov/airpollution.html>

Do You Know what I know:

“Radiation under ground and in the sky, Animals and birds who live nearby are dying”

Radioactive pollution can be defined as the release of radioactive substances or high-energy particles into the air, water, or earth as a result of human activity, either by accident or by design.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DBRKTvOQRIU>

Listen to What they say:

“How much more abuse from man can she stand?”

Sustainability requires that we protect our ecosystems from destruction. According to Mann and Kump “Dire Predictions Understanding Climate Change, 2nd edition” 2015 It is believed that the responsibility for implementing sustainable development policies lies with government, industry and civil society:

- *Recognizing the human health has improved globally- thanks to diverse local strategies*
- *Sustainability and profitability are gradually recognized as compatible goals in industry, perhaps multinational companies with regulations in tact*
- *Non-governmental organizations: encouraging reform increasingly expressing the will of our civil society. (p205)*

A possible plan or Theory for Change:

We as people take what we need and then we put back into the land what we are not using ourselves, not selling energy to foreign lands. Economy or the drive for money appears to be the catalysts in the destruction of our Planet. We can start by working the front lines: claiming responsibility and moving forward to a greener, more educated planet.

By now I guess that you have it:

“Mercy, Mercy, Me” Marvin Gaye (1971)

<https://youtu.be/U9BA6fFGMjI>