Infusing New Life into the World for a Sustainable Future* By Joelle Danant

Ever Enjoy swimming in fresh or salty blue water? Most people find much solace and self-renewal in immersing themselves in the natural world.

As the pioneering oceanographer Sylvia Earle has said, "Without the blue there could be no green." The natural world can no longer be taken for granted as if there were no tomorrow. All relationships best blossom thanks to genuine giving and receiving of the best in life. This is how we ultimately find our true place in the world. Our planet is alive, intelligent, supportive, unconditionally and generously providing abundant life energy, resources and beauty. We humans are being called to align our actions with life-giving choices.

Author Rev. Michael Beckwith stated that "a challenge offers the opportunity of becoming." Mary Huffington, founder of the Huffington Post, said: "In life there are happiness chasers and happiness creators. Who do you choose to be?"

When we elevate our work to aim for the benefit of the common good, including that of the Earth, we become "happiness creators." Let us become empowered to create sustainable solutions now for a better tomorrow.

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