

***Collapsing with Care: A Field Guide
to Meaning-Making as the World Unravels***

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An Incomplete Introduction

1. **Prelude: on Collapse, Hope, and Joy**
(plus, a more complete overview of what's ahead in the book)
2. **The Bio-Physical Drivers of Collapse**
(the “hard science” factors)
3. **The Deeper Human System Drivers ...**
(the economic & political systemic factors)
4. **The *Deepest* Psychic-Social Drivers ...**
(the psychological, sociological, cultural, religious forces at play ...)
5. **Taking Full Stock of our Predicament**
(no longer a “problem” to be solved, but an *unsolvable* “predicament” that we can only *respond to* in better or worse ways)
6. **From Collapse Aware to Collapse Acceptance to *Collapse Engaged***
(turning to the better ways we can respond)
7. **A Vocation for Communities of Faith**
(why faith communities must seize this moment – or betray their purpose for being)
8. **Justice Remains Paramount**
(even w/Collapse as the defining challenge of the present/future, other justice issues matter!)
9. **Meaning-Making (Faith) as the World Ends**
(some “models” of meaning-making: Active Hope; Transition Town; Deep Adaptation)
10. **Children of Collapse**
(the hardest work of all: equipping children and grandchildren for a dying world)
11. **Ethics for Collapse**
(on decision-making in desperate times)
12. **The Final Freedom**
(on choosing character right up to the End)
13. **Befriending Joy in Collapse**
(on the possibility of engaging Collapse with a spirit of grieving joy)
