

# My views of the video 'MAN' by Steve Cutts.

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Let's consider the video where we saw 'MAN' wreaking havoc while looking at carnage along his path, but still feeding his ego, wants, and needs by taking everything for himself without looking at how it affects others.

What I wish to achieve through this summary is a juxtaposition of what looks like an exaggeration of a single man but in reality, he is 'MAN' he is the culmination of the human population where different people do his activities which lead to the degradation of the environment.

Let's review a few actions he took

1. He stepped on a bug for his eerie satisfaction.
2. He Bloated a chicken and processed it to eat.
3. He converted snakes, an elephant, lamb, a seal for his accessories.
4. He turned all the trees to the paper.
5. He set up a factory to process food.
6. He released industrial waste into the waters.

Let's review the altercations these actions did:

1. The death of game animals overtook their reproduction rate and their numbers started dwindling.
2. The rabbits malformed and suffered.
3. The water got polluted and killed all the marine life.
4. The air grew foul because of factory pollution with no trees to clear the air.
5. Animals that turned.
6. The land accumulated waste and was converted into a concrete jungle spewing pollution is the biosphere.
7. The world as a whole became a desolate land with the only man being happy about it and termed himself the ruler of the world after destroying it...only to be beaten up by aliens later.

Let's talk about 'Man' in the video.

Through these activities, we can see how Man wishes to see himself as the dominant species and believes he is the apex predator whom no one should be able to hurt.

For him, it's his benefit that matters and nothing else, he doesn't care about the future as long as he feels satisfied. He cares only about himself and his species without being concerned

about the adverse effects his actions could have on the world. Due to this, the world is now getting polluted and unlivable for feeding his ego, pride, and satisfaction.

But let's roll back a little. Does this look and sound very familiar? This looks like the actions of man in the current timeline.

From this, we can infer that the video not only talks about the current actions that are taking place over the world but also the extreme adverse effects it will have over time.

Can we save it? Or have we crossed the threshold and now the world will topple in over itself?

The man in the video didn't care about the environment, the future effects, and such but **WE** do, the new millennial generation who are aware of their privilege and understand that if they don't act now, the world will very well cease to exist. There is the generation of the boomers who wished to capitalize and industrialize the world for their benefit, it's not sure if they were aware of their adverse actions or they seized to care in the name of money and other materialistic goals of a human being.

It's ingrained in every organism the 'need' and 'want' to live and exist, it's genealogically ingrained in us to sustain our population through reproductive means. There have been instances where this didn't matter because of the evolution of thought that transcended the primitive genealogy of ourselves.

The need to grow was based on the population of the human species which is a topic talked lesser than it should, the world's resources are limited and can only feed a certain number of individuals, no matter how much we try to grow and industrialize to meet the population, it will just skew the balance even more so and destroying the earth faster than it should.

Living should be synonymous with population and population density, the food chain has been skewed which is having tremendous adverse effects on other species and the environment as well. Man needs to understand the altercations to his actions and should consequently drive towards controlling the resources they need and that they are using to sustain and heal the world to allow future generations to continue living.

There is a solution possible as long as the correct steps are taken, there is a balance between morality and growth that we wish to achieve where we try our best to not hurt the environment around us to exist. If we choose to bend the world in our favor, to continue eating meat, making energy, using perishable resources, etc; we will have to also control and relax the altercations around us to maintain the balance. This can be brought forth by substitutes. The earth does have sufficient resources for a certain number of individuals on the planet, as long as the numbers and the resource utilization is controlled, we will have a sustainable environment which we can continue for centuries over with the help of science and technology.