

Where the danger grows... grows also what saves.

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As a retired member of the university academic world of Chiropractic (full professor) since 2020, as the instigator and main manager of the Chiropractic Dialogue Group, GDC, <https://dialoguechiropratique.org/>, as a former chiropractor still Committed and alert to the global strategic challenges of the profession, this book by Hubert Reeves made me think a lot about the challenges that confront us at the environmental and professional level. Several parallels can be drawn between the fact that the richness and beauty of our world are now endangered by humans. The chiropractic profession is also threatened by individuals who are trying by all means to advance their agenda by transforming the profession away from its principles and its fundamental values. We are seeing significant changes, in the very designation of our training programs and institutions, with programs in Chiropractic Medicine, which will award the diplomas of Chiropractic Physicians, and no longer of Doctor of Chiropractic (DC), the intensification of claims aimed at obtaining the right to prescribe opioids, as in Switzerland at present. A bit like Hubert Reeves does in his book, and without masking the seriousness of the ecological crisis, he notes the signs of a reaction that allows us to hope for a greener future. What are the signs or clues that could give us hope for a better future for our chiropractic planet. The question needs to be asked. Your answers will be welcome.

In this vein, here is a reflection by Hubert Reeves that I would like to share with you, taken from his book entitled: “Where peril grows... that which saves also grows. » published in 2013, by Éditions du Seuil, in the « Open Science » collection

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“You have to have the courage to face reality, all of reality, in all its facets, even to anguish,” wrote Martin Heidegger. I invite each reader to participate in this reflection without dogmatism, with the greatest possible freedom of spirit. I propose a “reserved judgement” attitude. We can explain it with this sentence: “I observe the phenomenon and I reserve my judgment. Any observation of a natural phenomenon potentially carries a message about the nature of reality. A hasty and insufficiently considered interpretation can hide access to it. » Remain open to surprise. Do not deny the facts, even if they seem incomprehensible, disturbing or distressing. Only in this respect can their knowledge come to our aid. This is the bet that we jointly accept to make here.