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Vi - de underlegne

Mennesket har det med at sætte sig selv i centrum og overvurdere sin egen betydning. Oprindeligt placerede fremherskende religioner mennesket uden for naturen. Der var mennesket, og så var der naturen. Mennesket som noget ophøjet. Mange religioner har vist nok fortsat denne opfattelse.

Men desto dybere forskningen graver ned i viden, så erfarer vi, at mennesket er en sart del af naturen, og at ødelæggelse af natur er ødelæggelse af vores egne livsbetingelser. Samtidigt erfarer vi, at andre dele af naturen, både fauna og flora, er langt mere modstandsdygtige og omstillingsparate, end mennesket nok nogensinde bliver.

Jeg er heldig. Mit hus ligger klos op ad skov, og flora og fauna breder sig mere og mere ind i min have – og jeg hjælper den også godt på vej. På mit fuglebræt har jeg dagligt

utallige fugle. Jeg har talt op til tredive forskellige arter i løbet af året.

Når jeg arbejder i mit kontor, sidder jeg tæt på vinduet ved fuglebrættet, og jeg har ofte øjenkontakt med spurvehøgen, dompappen og de andre fugle.

Det har altid undret mig, hvor farverige fuglene er, når jeg kommer tæt på. Langt de fleste farver, vi kender, kan findes i fuglenes fjerdragt. Her viser det sig igen, at mennesket er fuglene underlegne. Ny forskning har påvist, at fuglenes evne til at se farver er langt bedre end synsevnen hos os mennesker.

Fuglene i min have bærer fantastiske farver. Det kan jeg jo se. Men mange fugle kan se mange flere farver, end mennesket kan. Fuglene kan endog se ultraviolette farver. Det kan mennesket ikke.

We - the inferiors

Man tends to put himself at the centre and overestimate his own importance. Initially, prevailing religions placed man outside of nature. There was man, and then there was nature. Man as something exalted. Surely many religions have continued this view.

But the deeper the research digs into knowledge, we learn, that man is a delicate part of nature, and that the destruction of nature is the destruction of our own conditions of life. At the same time, we learn that other parts of nature, both fauna and flora, are far more resilient and adaptable than humans ever will be.

I am lucky. My house is located next to the forest, and flora and fauna are spreading more and more into my garden – and I am also helping it along the way. Daily, I have countless birds on my bird table. Throughout

the year I have observed up to thirty different bird species.

When I work in my office, I sit near the window by the bird table, and I often make eye contact with the sparrowhawk, the bullfinch, and the other birds.

Always, I am astonished, how colourful the birds are, when I get close to them. The vast majority of colours we know can be found in the plumage of the birds. Here again it turns out that man is inferior to the birds. New research has shown that the birds' ability to see colours is far superior to the visual power of humans.

The birds in my garden carry amazing colours. I can observe that. But many birds can see many more colours than humans are able to. The birds can even see ultraviolet colours. Man cannot.



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