

When Truth Becomes Hazardous: Navigating Information Through the Metacrisis

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- 16:18 – [Hazard 9: Despair, Agency \(Self-leadership\)](#), [Self-trust is key to agency](#), [Frankly's on Agency](#) and [Dread \(A Guide to Staying Human Series\)](#)
- 16:41 – [Dark period after encountering the predicament \(Reality Roundtable #17\)](#)
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- 18:29 – [James Stockdale](#), [Stockdale Paradox](#)
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