

1. The spirit: "If it isn't of the Spirit, it isn't Indian."

What is the meaning of the Great Spirit in your personal life (and in your tribal life) and how does this motivate your concern for taking care of the earth?

2. The Earth:

a. Would you be willing to help us understand your feeling (physical, spiritual, emotional) of connection to the earth and all its creatures?

b. How do you influence and teach your children about Mother Earth, to have a sense of responsibility towards her?

3. Self-esteem (The Estrangement)

a. What do you feel has happened to many of the Native Americans through the years due to the estrangement from the land and from the native traditions?

b. How are self-alienation and mistreatment of the earth related?

4. The Return (Caring for self and the earth)

a. Would you share some of your concerns which you feel are necessary to restore self-esteem, self-determination and meaning of life to you and your people. And address the need for the return of your full and recognized status as a people?

b. What do you feel we can do (natives and others, together and separately) to help raise the self-esteem of both Natives and non-Natives?

c. What can we (the non-Natives) learn from you about the values to be recovered (acknowledged) for caring for the earth and walking in balance together?

d. Regarding Chief Seattle's vision about "the air, the sparkle of the water, and even the land that cannot be sold" -- the gap is wide