



FOR PEACE+EDUCATION

dinner dialogues
some questions,
themes + quotes

SYSTEMS CHANGE / SCALING UP OUR IMPACT

What does it take to structure our initiatives in order to bring them to scale?
How do we create a sense of urgency about our common challenges?
Are our governance institutions capable of meeting the challenges ahead?
How can we form institutions that effectively engage in these challenges? How can we catalyze new structures through our work together? What are the models?
How do we bring about a connection amongst pockets of success so that they can ripple out?
How do we break out of vicious cycles to create virtuous cycles?

CHILDREN

How do we learn to be worthy of our children?
Children are our teachers

EDUCATION

How do we rethink education and learning to transform the education system away from one which is being imposed on children? (Particularly given the fact that we don't know how to live sustainably on this planet)
How do we educate parents? (We need the courage to teach parents)

WOMEN

What is the unique contribution of women? How do we best engage them?

FIRST PEOPLES

How do we support and partner with first peoples to bring justice and wholeness to their communities? How can we address the deeper roots of oppression?

ENDING VIOLENCE

How do we deal with children whose experience is violence?
How do we break the cycle of violence by seeing every conflict as an opportunity for coming together in loving unity?
We can't destroy dark with dark, but we can destroy dark with light

CLIMATE CHANGE

How do we create a sense of urgency with climate change? How do we engage those most affected?
What kind of persuasive argument do I need to use change the world – from business models, to consumption patterns, to how we treat the planet?

SHIFTING MINDSETS / IMPORTANCE OF LANGUAGE

How do you change an ingrained / set mind?
How do we shift to a **long-term perspective** rather than focusing on a short-term fix?
In what ways do we need to transform **language**? (we don't want a 'fight' against violence or a 'war on terror')
How do we create a climate of **trust** between decision-makers and with the public?

ROLE OF BUSINESS

Why is success evaluated by economic profit? How can we incorporate both profit and empathy?
How do you build compassion and mindfulness in corporations or highly competitive environments when the significant focus is placed on defeating / annihilating the competition?

ENGAGEMENT

What can we do to invite people to be more engaged?
How do you instill a sense of mission and the will to persevere?
How do we bridge the gap between the thought leaders and the masses?
Are more people awake and if so – how do you know this?
How do we shift to inquiry and ask people what they want rather than advocating?
What if we created conversations across boundaries / spaces in between and across generations, specialties and cultures?
How do we create a voice for those who do not have a voice within their own nation?

PERSONAL JOURNEY

What am I ready to claim responsibility for? (*Issues choose us*)
How can we become what we're capable of becoming - our untapped potential?
What stunts our creativity? What prevents us from reaching our full potential?
How do I deal with destructive emotions? How do we move beyond our fears?
How do we remain peaceful in the face of conflict?
How can we organize society so that we don't have to make a choice between making a difference and nurturing a family?
How do we mesh our spiritual lives with our career paths?
How do we keep replenishing ourselves / filling up our tank?

LEADERSHIP

How do we expand the conversation of leadership to include consciousness and awareness?
What is the profit impact of compassionate leadership?
How can we break out of our silos and move outside the normal realm of leadership to have a greater impact?

COLLABORATION

How do we create conversations across nonprofits and change makers to avoid duplication and overlap while recognizing valid, diverse approaches to issues?
How do we create hubs for bringing together diverse sectors, disciplines and differences?

CONNECTING FOR CHANGE

What are we capable of becoming as a C4C group?
How do we bring our aspirations together to truly make a difference in the world?
How do we stay in touch with one another and not lose the conference glow?
How do we actively commit to something that is tangible, meaningful, transformative as a group?
What kinds of partnerships are really needed to advance the ideas and initiatives people have?
How do we help fill the gaps? How do we understand the mechanisms that can provide the most help?

C4C helps participants see the people behind institutions and allows them to connect and support each other.

*C4C creates the space in which we can be **vulnerable** and share our stories.*