Paul Watson, founder and president of the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society, has proposed world governments should work towards a reduction in the global population, which now stands at some 6 billion souls. It's not the first time Mr Watson has caused controversy, having previously compared human life to an AIDS virus that has infected the planet. Watson believes that in order for earth to be sustainable, the population should be levelled out at around 1 billion. It is not immediately clear if Watson was offering to end his own life to save the rest of the planet's (joke).

Quote: *""No human community should be larger than 20,000 people and separated from other communities by wilderness areas." New York, London, Paris, Moscow are all too big. Then again, so are Moose Jaw, Timbuktu and even Annapolis, Md. "We need vast areas of the planet where humans do not live at all and where other species are free to evolve without human interference." "We need to radically and intelligently reduce human populations to fewer than one billion."*

His views may sound extreme, but in fact they are quite widespread. Paul suggests we reduce world population to around one billion, the UN suggests a more conservative figure of two billion. This is why I was so against campaigns like "Make Poverty History", which actively support the implementation of the UN's Millennium Development Goals. One of the UN's development goals is to reduce world population to what they call a sustainable level, and some of the means they seek to achieve this is by contraception and abortion (read "no-consequence-sex and murder"). Very non-Christian methods, yet some Christian organizations such as Wycliffe Associates chose to support their endeavours. It was even recently admitted that the UN Development Goals are not achievable without legalizing abortion in many countries. This view is not evolutionary in origin, for evolution teaches that man is the most evolved being on the planet, while these people see mankind as refuse, marring what would have otherwise been a perfectly good planet. It's a

form of New Ageism, the belief that Gaia (Earth) is a living, breathing entity, that mankind is destroying. And it seems the UN is rife with it.

Yes, the world's weather is changing. And mankind has a responsibility to look after the planet God has given us, and we have largely failed in that respect. But the reason why these are happening is explained in the Scriptures...

Mankind is destroying the earth because of sin, not because we are some AIDS virus or evolutionary mistake. Adam was given a responsibility to tend the garden of Eden (Genesis 2:15). After his sin, God cursed the ground with weeds and thorns (Genesis 3:18). Today Satan's cohorts are suggesting that we let weeds and thorns retake control of the Earth, through various "re-wilding" schemes. God did not create the Earth just so it could be covered in weeds, he created it to be inhabited (Isaiah 45:18).

The world's weather is changing, not because of pollution (although that has an affect), but because the Scriptures state that in the last days God's judgement would be poured out on this wicked world (Revelation 16:8). Satan does not want mankind to realize that his sin is a major cause of the way things are today. He does not want people to realize the events spoken of in Revelation are soon to come to pass, and that unless they are saved, these things will come upon them.

The Lord commanded Adam and Eve to fill the earth (Genesis 1:28) with their descendants, not to remain in some obscure part and let nature take its course with the rest. This world is capable of sustaining much more people, but our governments and businesses are not generally not interested in sharing their wealth and food, and that is mostly why we have such problems today. Satan and his cohorts want us to murder our children in the belief we are helping the planet, rather than obey God's command to subdue the

earth and take dominion of it.

As you can see, the New Age agenda is in complete contravention of God's Word. Satan's ultimate goal is to get mankind to do the opposite of everything God has commanded us. He thinks that by destroying God's creation, he can ultimately get back at the One He hates the most - the Creator, the Lord Jesus Christ. That is why we need to obey God's Word, first of all, in accepting His Son Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, and secondly, by obeying His will in our lives. Maranatha.

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