

<i>Margaret Wheatley, So Far from Home: Chapter 1 Jo Nelson</i>		
Call to Transcend the Illusion of Hope and Commit to Right Work		
River of Life	Destruction of Naïve Hope Confession of Innocence	Intention: Resolve to Do “Right Work Indestructible Motivation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • River • Streams • Pattern of life – changing, adapting, creating and destroying • Hopi – don’t hold onto shore – will be torn apart – push off and keep head above water • Yeats: The ceremony of innocence is drowned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ceremony of innocence • With sufficient will and passion we would “create a world” • No longer believe we can save the world • Disastrous course • “greed, self-interest, and coercive power are destroying the vey life force of the planet • South Africa story • Exhausted and in despair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intention: do our work with greater resolve, energy, delight, confidence • Our work is essential – hold it differently • Havel: “Hope is..... certainty that something makes sense, regardless of how it turns out” • Questions: How find the confidence that we’re doing the right work? • Hope is dangerous – pre-meditated disappointment • More committed to right work • True warriors – hearts open, aware of challenges, not succumb to anger and aggression
Intro	Thesis	Call to Respond
Role in relation to the rest of the book: Sets out the structure of her thought and raises the question to be answered		

Key points: Doing our work with the illusion that we will change the world will lead to despair
 What is required is to do our “right work”.

Image: Carried down a raging river in massive flood on a melting ice floe, taking care of the others stranded on the same floe

Provocative Grounding Questions:

Where have you experienced that your life work is not going to achieve the wonderful change in society that you thought it was?
 Perhaps simultaneously, where have you had an insight that you are doing the work you are meant to do in history?