

# ... finite lives on a finite planet ...

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# Inquiry questions

*How might we live meaningful and flourishing lives when confronted with finitude?*

*How can we begin to create spaces, structures, resources, images, language, stories that will help?*

# finite lives



finite planet

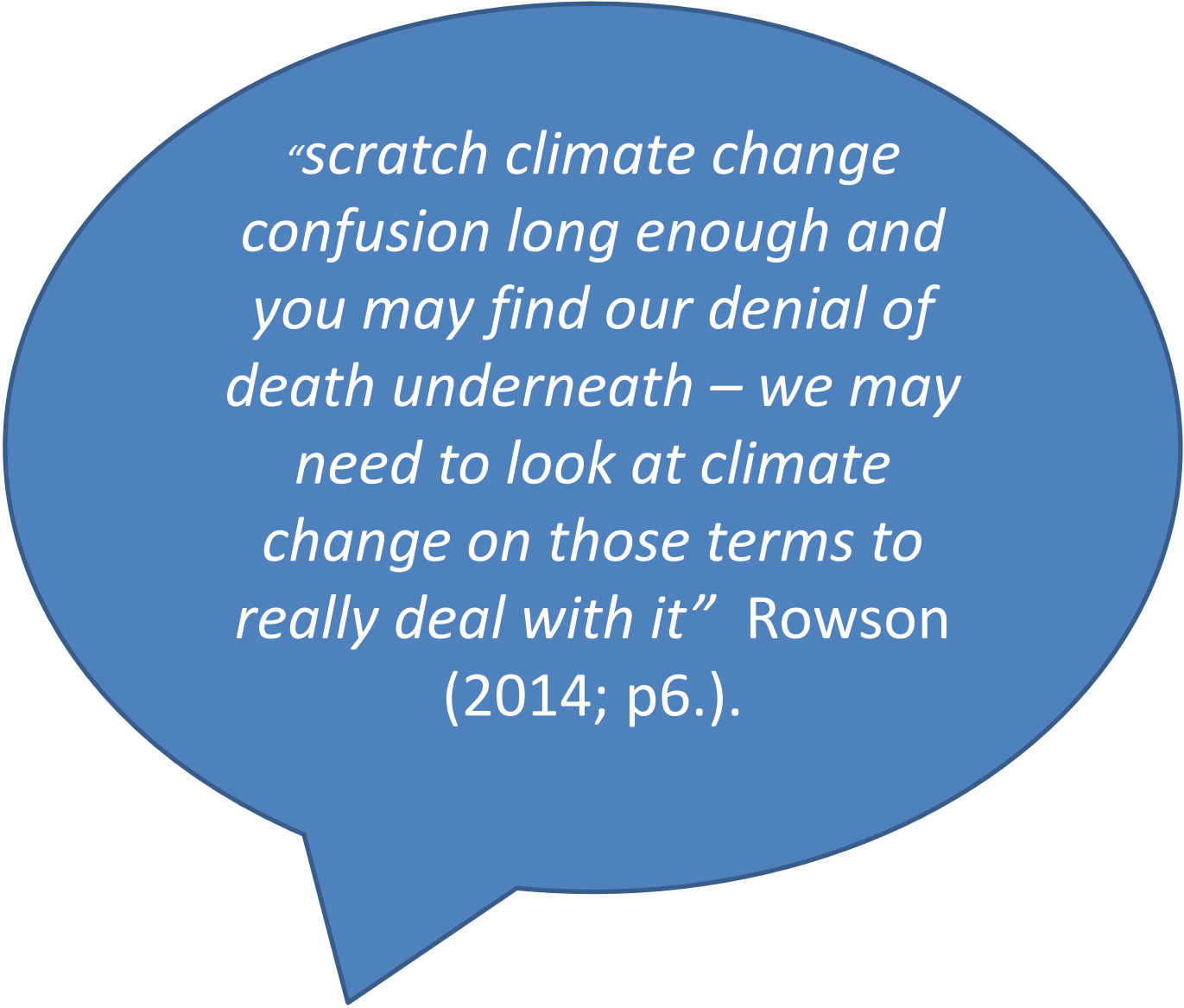




# Parallels

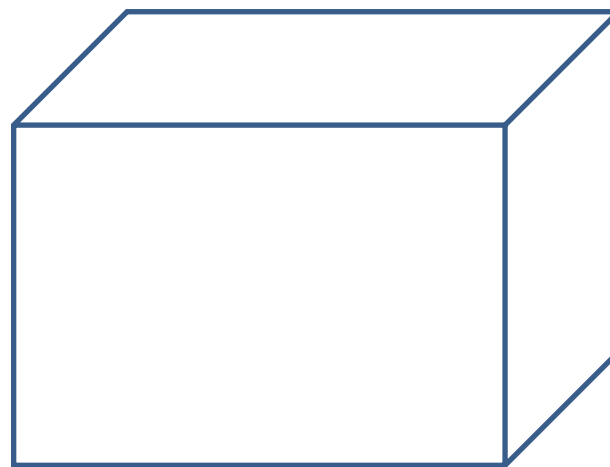
- We live **finite lives**
- We know we will die
- We generally do not know when and how we will die
- We live on a **finite planet**
- We know planetary changes are happening and ahead
- We do not know exactly what, how and when these will happen

**This uncertainty makes it harder to face and engage with**



*“scratch climate change  
confusion long enough and  
you may find our denial of  
death underneath – we may  
need to look at climate  
change on those terms to  
really deal with it” Rowson  
(2014; p6.).*

# Flourishing in face of finitude





# A TOUR OF BONES



*facing fear  
and looking for life*

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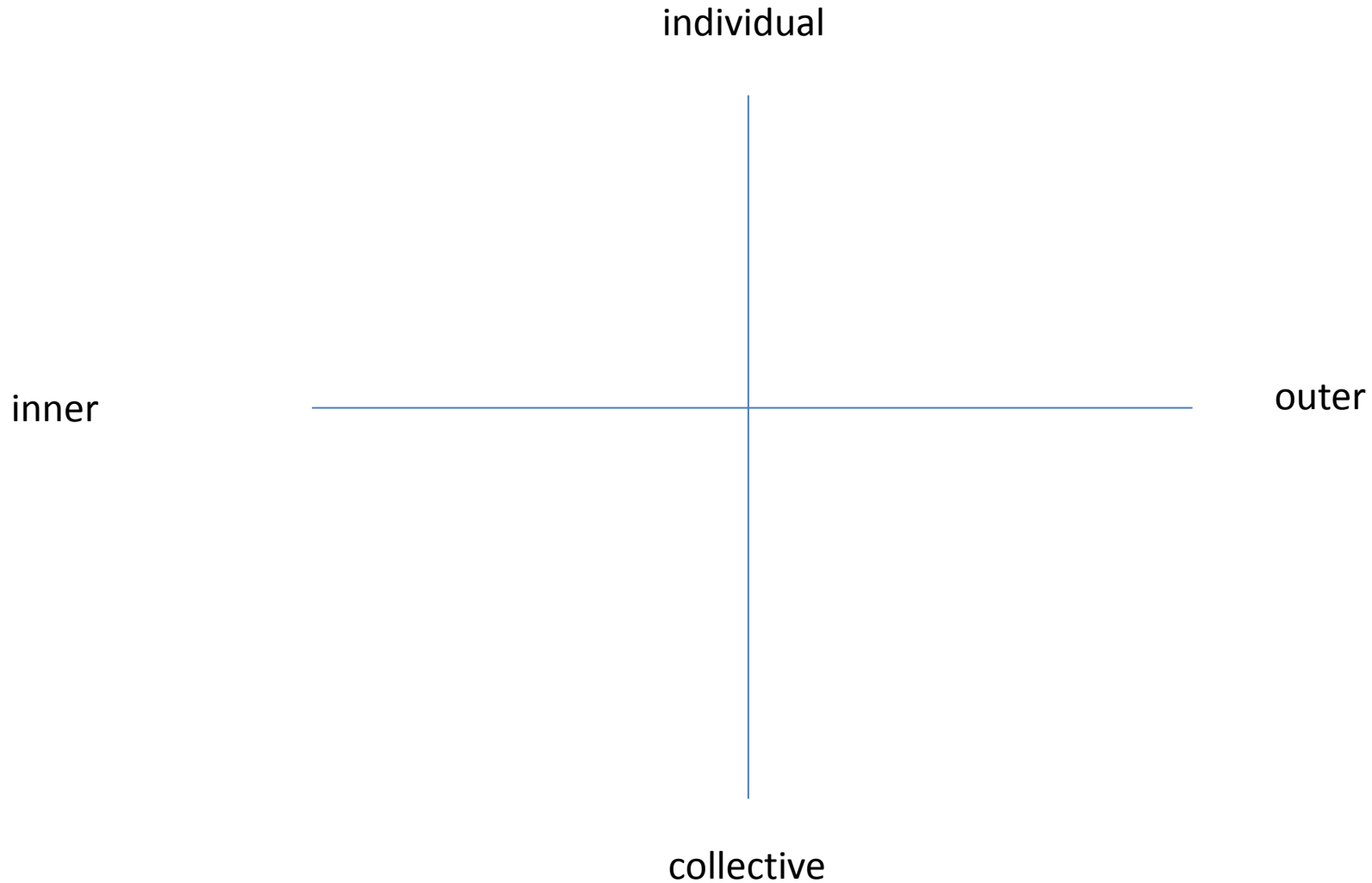
Look at the flower: the flower also looks



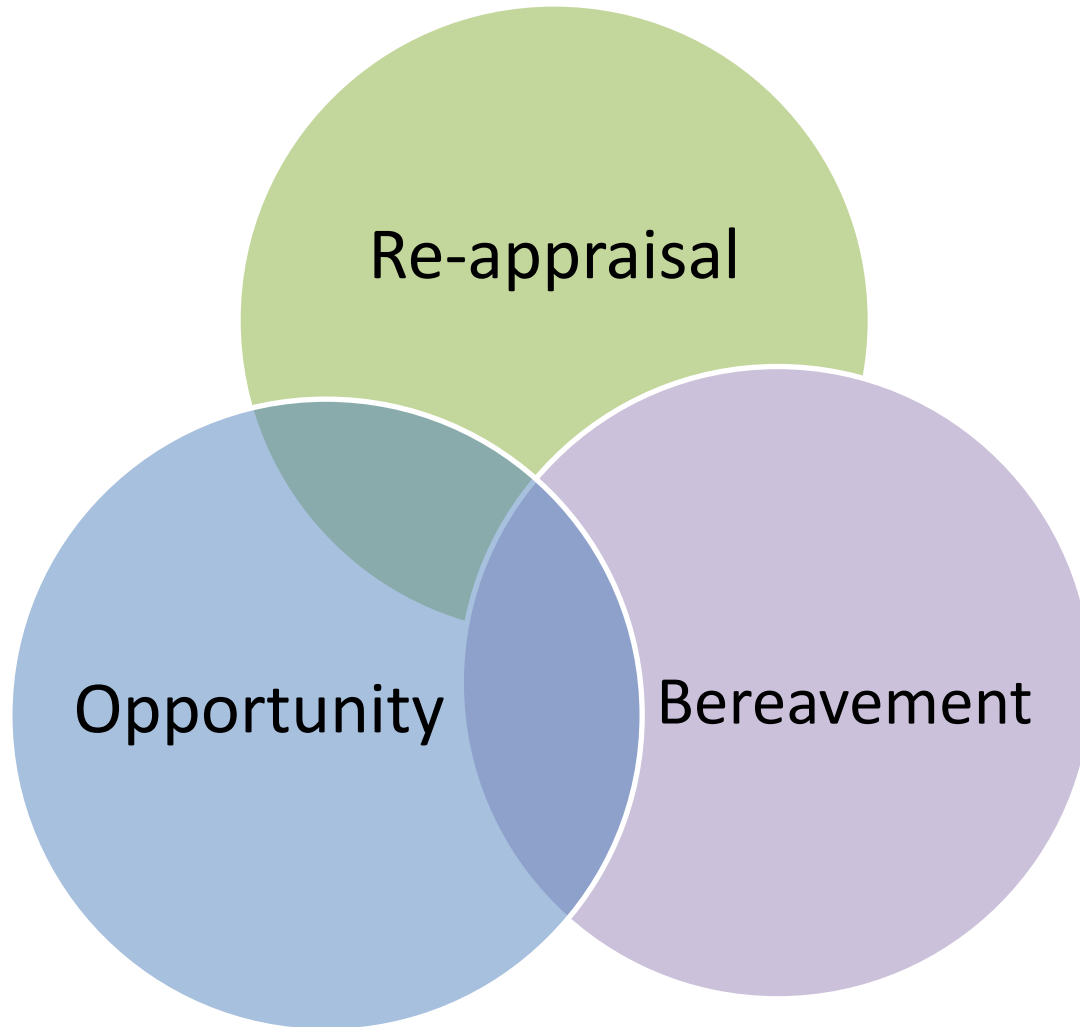


**L** Et me not to the marriage of true mindes  
 Admit impediments, loue is not lotie  
 Which alters when it alteration findes,  
 Or bends with the remouer to remoue.  
 O no, it is an euer fixed marke  
 That lookes on tempests and is neuer shaken;  
 It is the star to euery wandring barke,  
 Whose worths vnknowne, although his high be taken.  
 Lou's not Times foole, though rosie lips and cheeks  
 Within his bending sickles compasse come,  
 Loue alters not with his breefe houres and weekes,  
 But beares it out euen to the edge of doome:  
     If this be error and vpon me proued,  
     I neuer writ, nor no man euer loued.

# Challenges of finitude



# Routes into inquiry







Re-appraisal

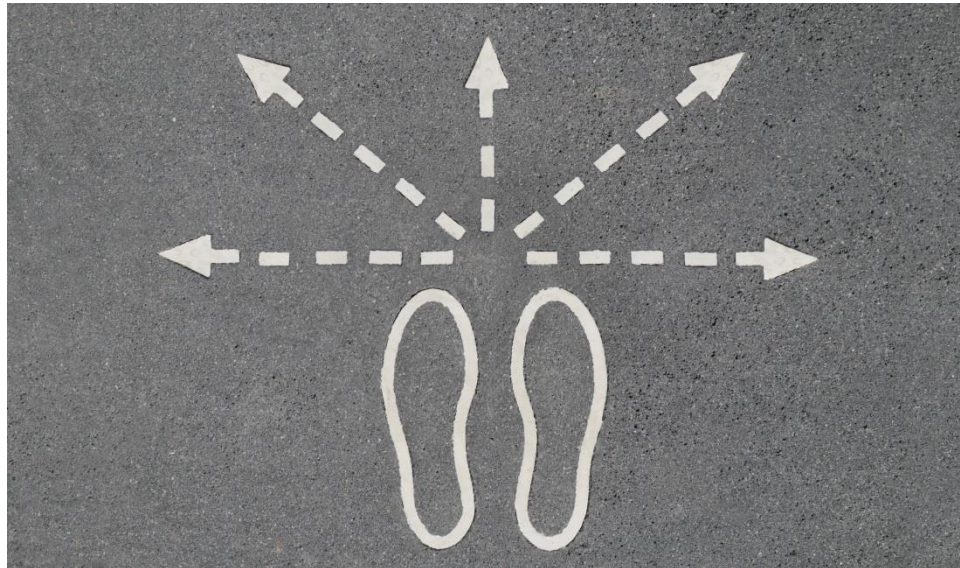




# Bereavement



Opportunity



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