

Where we are rather than where we'd like to be

Australia has unveiled tough new plans to bar any asylum seekers who try to reach the country by boat from ever being able to enter. The lifetime ban on visas would apply even to those travelling as tourists, for business, or who married an Australian.

I think more countries will adopt similar programs as they realize they have to do in order to control their borders and who enters their country. It would be nice if there were no borders and everyone had a good standard of living and no poverty. At the same time I think it would be nice if I could fly like a bird but I don't see any of these happening.

It is time for people to think that they are in space ship, which we really are. Now any space ship can only carry so many passengers depending on the available supplies. It can carry more if the passengers will consume less but it will always be limited by the available resources. The ship and passengers are in trouble if the passengers can't get along with each other and fight. That unfortunate is where we find ourselves today. Because of greed, power, lack of resources in many areas to support the population, religious and cultural difference and other factors the world's population is in trouble. Until we recognize that there aren't any real differences in most of us if we eliminate the extraneous factors that affect our beliefs and action there isn't going to be any real change. We have developed the knowledge and know how to make life better for all if we would do it. Maybe someday people will learn to work and live together in a harmonious relationship. I must say that I'm a dreamer but an optimist.