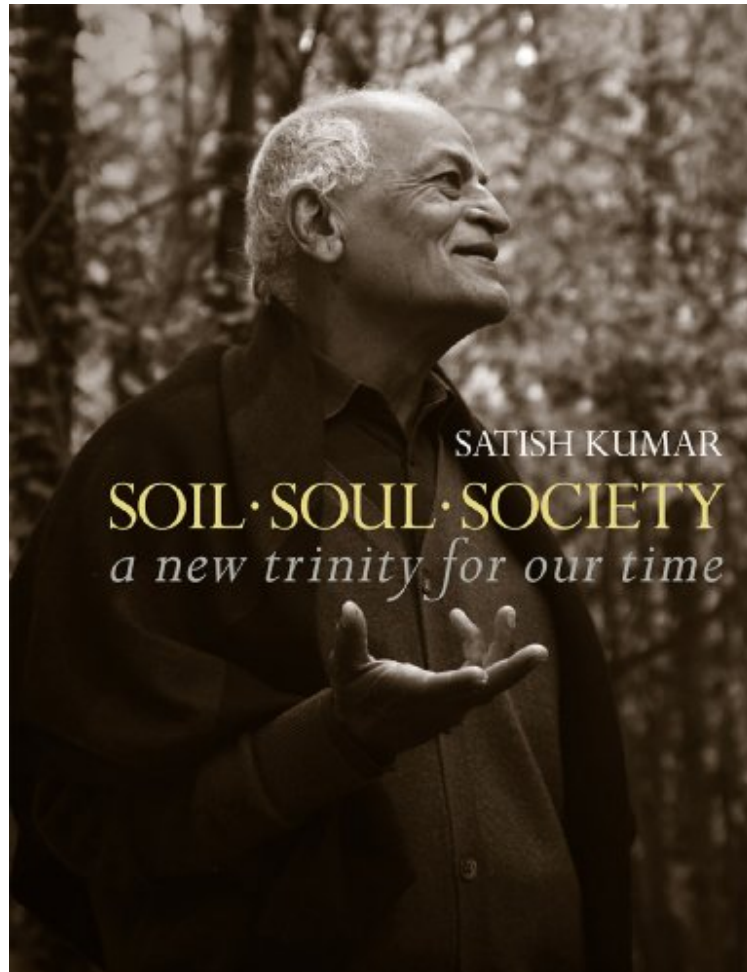


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absolute reverence for life. He stayed for nine years, finally deciding he was called to leave the walls of the monastery. In 1962, Bertrand Russell's call for nuclear disarmament inspired Satish and his friend, E.P. Menon to walk from New Delhi to Moscow, Paris, London and Washington to deliver a packet of peace tea to leaders of the four nuclear powers. Kumar and Menon made this journey without a penny in their pockets! In *Soil*Soul*Society*, Satish notes that movements often summarize their philosophies in triplets or trinities. Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness comes immediately to mind in the United States. The French speak of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity. Even today's New Age movement is fond of speaking to Mind, Body Spirit. What Satish finds troubling about each of these is their anthropomorphic essence--they speak only to what is good and necessary for humanity, the rest of the biosphere left to fend for itself. In this inspired work, he proposes a new triplet for humanity as the world faces challenges never before witnessed. Soil reminds us that everything we are, and everything we hope to become, originates in nature. Without tremendous biodiversity, there will be no future in which to pursue life, liberty and happiness. Soul reminds us we need to deeply nurture our spiritual selves in ways that will enable us to live lives based on necessity rather than want. He quotes Gandhi who said the earth can provide enough for every person's need, but not enough for any person's greed. Finally, society reminds us we are social animals and desperately need one another for survival. After finding a recent essay by Satish, I reached out to him as editor of *Resurgence Ecology* magazine in the U.K. I expressed my deep gratitude for the wisdom he shared with me so many years ago in Oak Park. I told him how those few moments at lunch changed my view of myself and my role in the world. Several days later I received an email reply in which he said, in part, "I am delighted that my words have somehow been helpful to you. The words are like seeds, if they fall in fertile ground, they bear good fruit. So the fertile ground is as important as the seeds..." He continues to be my teacher. I love this man and I cherish his newest work. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This book reveals a man with deep wisdom, and ...By A. Suilen This book reveals a man with deep wisdom, and a down to earth attitude, a gentle nature, and staying modest.

A new trinity for our time. We are members of a one-earth society, and caring for the earth and soul is interrelated! This is the message of Satish Kumar, the internationally-respected peace and environment activist who has been gently setting the agenda for change for over 50 years. In *Soil, Soul Society*, Satish presents the new trinity for our age of sustainability. One that shares the knowledge that we ourselves are very much part of nature; that what we do to nature we in fact do to ourselves; and that the earth is soulful. In this book, he urges readers to create a new consciousness that reveres nature and explores how as a global society we need to embrace diversity and become pilgrims on this earth not tourists. To bring about change in the world we must be the change we wish to see.

About the Author Satish Kumar is an international peace and environment activist and a former Jain monk. He made headlines around the globe when he walked from New Delhi to Moscow, Paris, London and Washington, delivering 'peace tea' to the countries' leaders. Satish is the long-standing editor of the highly respected *Resurgence The Ecologist* magazine, and co-founder of the Schumacher College, which educates its students in eco-consciousness and the means for effective change.