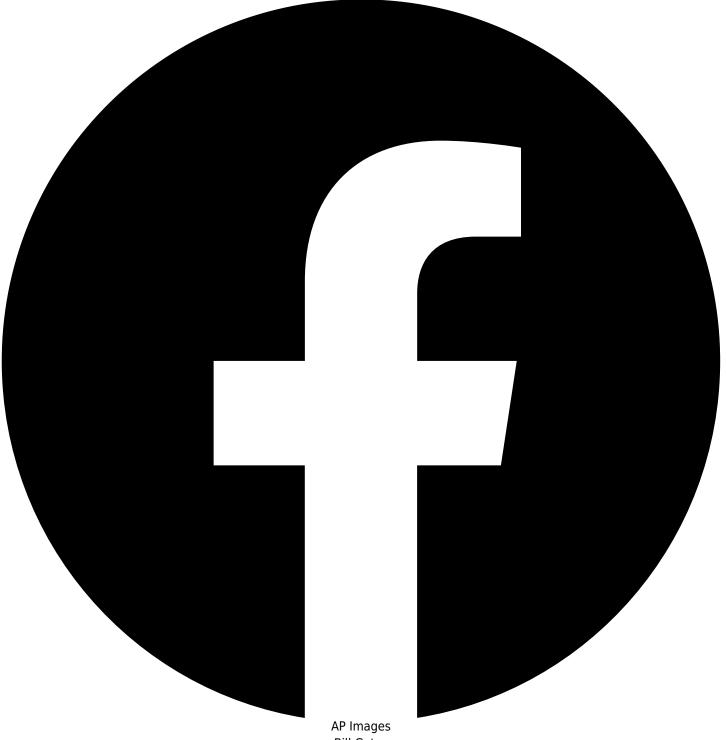
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Bill Gates Admits Eating Less Meat Won't Solve "Climate Crisis"

Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates shared last week in an interview that the so-called problem of climate change will not be solved by keeping people from wanting nice things or eating meat. This is in direct contradiction to his February 2021 statement that "America and other wealthy countries should move to 100% synthetic beef" to assist lowering green house gas (GHG) emissions.

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"Anyone who says telling people to stop eating meat or wanting to have a nice house will basically change human desires, I think, that is too difficult," Gates told Bloomberg. "You can make a case for it, but I don't think it's realistic for that to play a central role." Gates said in Bloomberg's *Zero* podcast.

Gates sharing this realization is a huge step back from his thinking when he was pitching his book *How to Avoid a Climate Disaster* in early 2021. He proclaimed then during an *MIT Technology Review* <u>interview</u>, "I do think all rich countries should move to 100% synthetic beef," Gates said when asked how to cut back on methane emissions. "You can get used to the taste difference, and the claim is they're going to make it taste even better over time. Eventually, that green premium is modest enough that you can sort of change the [behavior of] people or use regulation to totally shift the demand."

The book's premise was that reducing methane emissions when it comes to livestock by producing and eating 100-percent synthetic beef would lower green-house gases (GHG) worldwide. But even then, Gates acknowledged it would be a difficult task. One solution was to change feed for cows: "There's this one compound that gives you a 20% reduction [in methane emissions], but sadly, those bacteria [in their digestive system that produce methane] are a necessary part of breaking down the grass. And so, I don't know if there'll be some natural approach there. I'm afraid the synthetic [protein alternatives like plant-based burgers] will be required for at least the beef thing."

Gates added that a faux meat plan for "the poorest 80 countries" wouldn't be viable, noting that "we'll have to use animal genetics to dramatically raise the amount of beef per emissions for them."

Many climate-change groupies such as Gates believe that moving toward more plant-based eating would put a dent in GHG emissions. However, their hypocrisy has been exposed, at least according to organizations such as the Global Food Justice Alliance (GFJA), which says it advocates for "nutrient dense diets that support a healthy population and ecosystem."

The *Daily Mail* <u>reported</u>, "A 2017 analysis listed on GFJA's website shows that removing all livestock from the U.S. would only lower the country's greenhouse gas emissions by 2.6%. A separate examination of studies shows that meat substitutes have higher carbon footprints that beef from cattle."

Part of the reason Gates is pulling back from having rich countries go all-in on synthetic meats is that his heavy investments in companies such as Beyond Meat, Hampton Creek Foods, and Nature's Fynd are losing money. Just this year, Beyond Meat lost \$100 million in revenue and has seen its stock price drop 74 percent. It seems the public interest in the company's products are lacking. After all, if you're going to eat meat, why not eat real meat versus plant-based mystery meat?

Like any good Marxist, Gates is changing his tactics and is working with the federal government to force Americans to change their ways in winning the battle with climate change. Gates admitted in the podcast of his involvement with pushing for the Inflation Reduction Act, which allocated almost \$370 billion to help cut carbon emissions.

"I am getting governments involved, and this latest bill, I was personally involved in a lot of what got written into it and working with key senators in the last month to get it passed," he said.

In the Bloomberg interview, Gates reiterated that he believes reducing GHG emissions will be a bigger achievement than winning the Second World War. "We're asking society to stop using stuff that, other than for climate things, would last longer. That coal plant, and those jobs, and that natural gas plant, and that way of making cement. We're asking society to walk away from those."

Gates added, "After all, if the rich countries completely disappeared, that's only less than a third of emissions, if we all completely just weren't in the picture at all. And those [remaining] two thirds of emissions are pretty basic in terms of the calories and shelter and transport and goods being used. So, the excesses of the rich countries ... even curbing those completely out of existence is not a solution to this problem."

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The good news here is that Bill Gates and his green madness cronies are beginning to give credence to the fact that their pie-in-the-sky goals of reducing GHG emissions are based on a lie. They're like 21st-century snake-oil salesmen, and people aren't buying.