

# On Giants, Mounds, Monsters, Myth, Man, or Why We Want to be Small

We are fascinated by giants, mounds, monsters, and myths. We can't help but be drawn to stories about these things, and we often find ourselves wondering what they mean. Why are we so fascinated by these things? What do they tell us about ourselves and our place in the world?



## On Giants - Mounds, Monsters, Myth & Man, or, why we want to be small by Karen Tei Yamashita

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In his book, *On Giants, Mounds, Monsters, Myth, Man, or Why We Want to be Small*, author explores the reasons why we are fascinated by these things. He argues that these things are all connected to our desire to be small. We want to be small because we feel powerless and insignificant in the face of the vastness of the universe. We want to be small because we are afraid of death. We want to be small because we want to be loved and accepted.

The author's argument is supported by a wealth of evidence from history, literature, and psychology. He shows how our fascination with giants, mounds, monsters, and myths has changed over time, but that it has always been connected to our desire to be small. He also shows how this desire can be both positive and negative. On the one hand, it can lead us to seek out experiences that make us feel small and insignificant. On the other hand, it can also lead us to seek out experiences that make us feel powerful and important.

Ultimately, the author argues that our fascination with giants, mounds, monsters, and myths is a reflection of our human condition. We are all born into a world that is too big and too complex for us to fully understand. We all feel powerless and insignificant at times. We all want to be loved and accepted. And we all want to be small.

### **Why We Want to be Small**

There are many reasons why we want to be small. Some of these reasons are conscious, while others are unconscious. Some of these reasons are positive, while others are negative.

One of the most common reasons why we want to be small is because we feel powerless and insignificant in the face of the vastness of the universe. We are surrounded by things that are much bigger than us, and we often feel like we are just a tiny speck in the grand scheme of things. This can make us feel powerless and insignificant, and we may wish that we were smaller so that we could feel more in control of our lives.

Another reason why we want to be small is because we are afraid of death. Death is a natural part of life, but it is also something that we fear. We are

afraid of the unknown, and we are afraid of what will happen to us after we die. We may wish that we were smaller so that we could avoid death altogether.

We may also want to be small because we want to be loved and accepted. We may feel like we are not good enough or that we do not measure up to the expectations of others. We may wish that we were smaller so that we could be more easily loved and accepted.

Finally, we may want to be small because we simply want to be safe. We may feel like the world is a dangerous place, and we may wish that we were smaller so that we could be less vulnerable to harm.

### **The Positive and Negative Effects of Wanting to be Small**

Our desire to be small can have both positive and negative effects on our lives. On the one hand, it can lead us to seek out experiences that make us feel small and insignificant. This can be a good thing, as it can help us to appreciate the beauty and wonder of the world around us. It can also help us to develop a sense of humility and compassion.

On the other hand, our desire to be small can also lead us to seek out experiences that make us feel powerless and insignificant. This can be a bad thing, as it can lead to feelings of depression and anxiety. It can also make us more likely to give up on our dreams and goals.

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There is nothing wrong with wanting to be small. It is a natural human desire. However, it is important to be aware of the potential negative effects of this desire. We should not let our desire to be small prevent us from living our lives to the fullest.



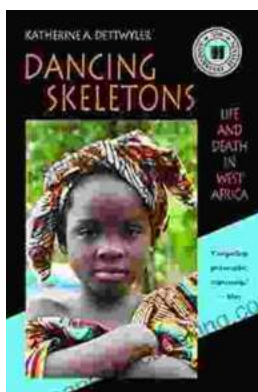
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