My book is often mistitled "unflattering" but I cringe at "unflattened."

This implies something finished.

I mean a continual process of asking...

I think of my best teachers as constantly curious,

Understanding that they can learn from everyone.

These conversations are a gift for me, an opportunity to see through fresh eyes, to challenge my thinking.

Whatever our intentions, when we think we’ve got it all figured out, we end up stuck. Stagnating.

And here we are.

"I alone can..."

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For it wasn’t handed down to us, rather, dreamed up, and, like those who wrote it into existence, we author its future.

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At its most basic, this means ensuring we all show up and are counted.

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Togetherness we keep moving forward,

Although a perfect union may always lie beyond the horizon.

An ongoing journey of becoming...

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