Caring for Creation
A Shared Reading Guide

For ecumenical and synodical groups • Updated October 22, 2026

279 books across nine categories

A curated collection for choosing shared reading, exploring faith and ecology, supporting congregational practice, and sustaining care for our common home. Recent publications sit alongside foundational works; theological titles are included.

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Older scientific and practical titles should be read in their historical context.

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Climate Science & Solutions | 21 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
Caring for Creation: The Evangelical's Guide to Climate Change and a Healthy Environment	Mitch Hescox; Paul Douglas	2016	Combines climate evidence, Christian reflection, and practical solutions to encourage evangelical engagement with environmental protection.
A Christian's Guide to Planet Earth: Why It Matters and How to Care for It	Betsy Painter	2022	Introduces ecosystems and environmental challenges through science, Scripture, and realistic actions for individuals and families.
A Climate for Change: Global Warming Facts for Faith-Based Decisions	Katharine Hayhoe; Andrew Farley	2009	Explains climate science, addresses common misconceptions, and considers how Christian commitments can guide climate decisions.
Climate of Hope: How Cities, Businesses, and Citizens Can Save the Planet	Michael Bloomberg; Carl Pope	2017	Explores how cities, businesses, and citizens can advance practical climate solutions without waiting for national leadership.
Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed	Jared Diamond	2005	Examines historical and contemporary societies facing environmental pressures, inviting discussion of decisions that shape resilience or decline.
Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming	Paul Hawken, editor	2017	Presents a broad portfolio of emissions-reduction approaches across energy, food, land use, buildings, transport, and social systems.
Eaarth: Making a Life on a Tough New Planet	Bill McKibben	2010	Examines how climate change has already altered the planet and considers ways communities might live within those changed conditions.
Falter: Has the Human Game Begun to Play Itself Out?	Bill McKibben	2019	Considers climate disruption and emerging technologies as threats to human flourishing and the future of civilization.

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Field Notes from a Catastrophe: Man, Nature, and Climate Change	Elizabeth Kolbert	2006	Reports on climate change through encounters with researchers, landscapes, and communities, translating scientific findings into vivid human-scale stories.
Forecast: The Consequences of Climate Change, from the Amazon to the Arctic, from Darfur to Napa Valley	Stephan Faris	2009	Reports on the varied human consequences of climate change across regions, connecting environmental shifts with livelihoods, conflict, and vulnerability.
Here Comes the Sun: A Last Chance for the Climate and a Fresh Chance for Civilization	Bill McKibben	2025	Reports on the rapid expansion of solar and wind power and the political struggle over a transition away from fossil fuels.
An Inconvenient Truth: The Planetary Emergency of Global Warming and What We Can Do About It	Al Gore	2006	Introduces the evidence and risks of global warming through an illustrated public-facing argument for climate action.
Last Chance: Preserving Life on Earth	Larry J. Schweiger	2009	Makes a conservation-oriented case for protecting Earth's living systems in the face of climate disruption and environmental loss.
Life as We Know It (Can Be): Stories of People, Climate, and Hope in a Changing World	Bill Weir	2024	Shares stories of people and communities responding creatively to climate change and considers what others can learn from them.
Not the End of the World: How We Can Be the First Generation to Build a Sustainable Planet	Hannah Ritchie	2024	Uses environmental data to distinguish genuine crises from misleading impressions and identify opportunities for practical, evidence-based progress.
Plan B 3.0: Mobilizing to Save Civilization	Lester R. Brown	2008	Presents an ambitious environmental and economic transition plan. Its policy proposals and statistics reflect the period of publication.

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Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Improving Air Quality: Two Interrelated Global Challenges	Larry E. Erickson; Gary Brase, editors	2019	Examines linked challenges in greenhouse gas reduction and air quality, including transitions in energy and transport and practical examples of progress.
The Uninhabitable Earth: Life After Warming	David Wallace-Wells	2019	Explores how warming could reshape politics, economics, technology, daily life, and the prospects of future generations.
What If We Get It Right?: Visions of Climate Futures	Ayana Elizabeth Johnson	2024	Imagines achievable climate futures through conversations, science, policy, culture, justice, poetry, and practical possibility.
World on the Edge: How to Prevent Environmental and Economic Collapse	Lester R. Brown	2011	Examines interconnected environmental and economic risks and presents systemic responses to help avert ecological collapse.
Worldchanging: A User's Guide for the 21st Century	Alex Steffen; Carissa Bluestone	2011	Collects projects, tools, and ideas for sustainable living, communities, design, technology, and systems change.

Climate Action & Communication | 23 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
Awhi Mai Awhi Atu: Women in Creation Care	Silvia Purdie, editor	2022	Profiles thirty women leading faith-based environmental action in Aotearoa New Zealand and offers practical action points for churches.
Back to Earth: Tomorrow's Environmentalism	Anthony Weston	1994	Reconsiders the direction of environmentalism and encourages fresh thinking about human relationships with Earth and possibilities for collective change.
Blessed Unrest: How the Largest Social Movement in History Is Restoring Grace, Justice, and Beauty to the World	Paul Hawken	2007	Surveys diverse grassroots movements working for ecological and social well-being and explores their collective significance beyond a single organization or ideology.
Christianity, Climate Change, and Sustainable Living	Nick Spencer; Robert White; Virginia Vroblesky	2009	Connects Christian faith with climate understanding and practical questions about living sustainably as individuals and communities.
Climate Church, Climate World: How People of Faith Must Work for Change	Jim Antal	2018	Calls religious communities to make climate action central to public witness, community leadership, and faithful practice.
Don't Even Think About It: Why Our Brains Are Wired to Ignore Climate Change	George Marshall	2014	Explores why people avoid or deny climate realities and how communication can work with identity, values, and social behavior.
Fight Global Warming Now: The Handbook for Taking Action in Your Community	Bill McKibben	2007	Provides practical direction for organizing local climate action and building community participation.
Following Jesus in a Warming World: A Christian Call to Climate Action	Kyle Meyaard-Schaap	2023	Combines field stories, Scripture, theological reflection, and practical advice to move Christians from paralysis toward joyful collective action.

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The Future We Choose: The Stubborn Optimist's Guide to the Climate Crisis	Christiana Figueres; Tom Rivett-Carnac	2021	Contrasts possible climate futures and offers practical commitments for moving toward a thriving, lower-emissions world.
Green Faith: Mobilizing God's People to Save the Earth	Fletcher Harper	2015	Connects spirituality, stewardship, and justice with practical religious-community participation in environmental protection.
Hospitable Planet: Faith, Action, and Climate Change	Stephen A. Jurovics	2016	Connects biblical environmental responsibilities with practical measures for reducing emissions and protecting a hospitable planet.
An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power	Al Gore	2017	Combines climate science and public advocacy with concrete ways to learn, communicate, organize, and support climate solutions.
The Language of Climate Politics: Fossil-Fuel Propaganda and How to Fight It	Genevieve Guenther	2024	Analyzes language used to delay climate action and offers tools for recognizing misleading frames and communicating more effectively.
Love God, Heal Earth: 21 Leading Religious Voices Speak Out on Our Sacred Duty to Protect the Environment	Sally G. Bingham, editor	2009	Gathers religious voices connecting environmental protection with sacred responsibility, moral leadership, and public action.
Meeting the Enemy: The Fossil Fuel Industry and the Power of Christian Climate Resistance	Kevin J. O'Brien	2025	Names the structural power of the fossil-fuel industry and explores Christian collective resistance beyond individual blame or personal lifestyle changes.
Mobilizing the Green Imagination: An Exuberant Manifesto	Anthony Weston	2012	Encourages inventive environmental thinking and collective imagination beyond familiar incremental approaches to ecological problems.

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Natural Saints: How People of Faith Are Working to Save God's Earth	Mallory McDuff	2010	Profiles people and congregations connecting worship, conservation, food, justice, and advocacy with care for Earth and vulnerable neighbors.
The New Climate War: The Fight to Take Back Our Planet	Michael E. Mann	2021	Explains delay tactics that shift attention toward individual behavior while opposing systemic solutions and collective climate action.
Preaching and Social Issues: Tools and Tactics for Empowering Your Prophetic Voice	Leah D. Schade	2024	Offers methods for addressing contentious public issues through biblical grounding, congregational engagement, and deliberative dialogue.
Preaching in the Purple Zone: Ministry in the Red-Blue Divide	Leah D. Schade	2019	Presents a sermon-dialogue-sermon process for engaging social concerns within politically divided congregations.
Sacred Acts: How Churches Are Working to Protect Earth's Climate	Mallory McDuff, editor	2012	Shares examples of churches translating spiritual commitments into climate protection, community action, and environmental responsibility.
Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World	Katharine Hayhoe	2021	Shows how shared values and relationships can open climate conversations and connect scientific understanding with collective action.
What We're Fighting for Now Is Each Other: Dispatches from the Front Lines of Climate Justice	Wen Stephenson	2015	Profiles climate-justice organizers and communities, presenting their work as a struggle for human solidarity and moral responsibility.

Environmental Justice & Community Health | 25 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
As Long as Grass Grows: The Indigenous Fight for Environmental Justice, from Colonization to Standing Rock	Dina Gilio-Whitaker	2019	Examines Indigenous resistance to land incursions and environmental injustice, connecting treaty violations, sacred sites, food and water security, and contemporary activism.
Climate Change Is Racist: Race, Privilege and the Struggle for Climate Justice	Jeremy Williams; Shola Mos-Shogbamimu	2022	Examines how unequal responsibility for emissions and unequal exposure to climate harm reinforce racial and global inequities.
Climate Justice, Climate Hope: Building a Moral Economy	Michael Malcom; abby mohaupt	2025	Connects climate, economic, and racial justice through stories, liturgies, leadership skills, and spiritual courage for collective action.
Climate Justice: A Call to Hope and Action, Second Edition	Pat Watkins, editor	2022	Invites congregations to examine climate injustice, economic assumptions, and relationships among God, people, and Earth.
Climate Justice: Hope, Resilience, and the Fight for a Sustainable Future	Mary Robinson	2018	Profiles people, especially women, whose local ingenuity connects climate resilience with human rights and community well-being.
Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor	Leonardo Boff	1997	Connects ecological destruction with the suffering of marginalized people and develops a liberation-oriented response to both.
Defending Mother Earth: Native American Perspectives on Environmental Justice	Jace Weaver, editor	1996	Gathers Native American perspectives on environmental justice, land, and the defense of communities and sacred relationships.
Earth Ethics: A Case Method Approach	James B. Martin-Schramm; Laura A. Stivers; Daniel T. Spencer	2015	Uses nine environmental case studies to develop moral deliberation about food, water, energy, consumption, biodiversity, and resource extraction.

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Earth Habitat: Eco-Injustice and the Church's Response	Dieter Hessel; Larry L. Rasmussen, editors	2000†	Examines how ecological harm falls disproportionately on marginalized communities and explores responses by churches. Publication year requires edition verification.
Fresh Banana Leaves: Healing Indigenous Landscapes Through Indigenous Science	Jessica Hernandez	2022	Introduces Indigenous environmental knowledge through research, family histories, and land protectors' experiences, proposing stewardship that heals rather than displaces communities.
A Home for All: Building a Moral Economy	Laura Stivers	2026	Explores housing as accessible, affordable, ecological, and life-giving, equipping communities to build secure belonging.
How Neighborhoods Make Us Sick: Restoring Health and Wellness to Our Communities	Veronica Squires; Breanna Lathrop	2019	Examines how housing, pollution, food access, transportation, racism, and neighborhood conditions shape health and community well-being.
The Intersectional Environmentalist: How to Dismantle Systems of Oppression to Protect People + Planet	Leah Thomas	2022	Explains how environmental harm and social marginalization intersect and argues that protecting people and the planet requires addressing both.
The Land Is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery	Sarah Augustine	2021	Examines the Doctrine of Discovery and its continuing consequences, calling Christians to confront dispossession and support Indigenous justice.
Love in the Time of Climate Change: Honoring Creation, Establishing Justice, Revised and Updated Second Edition	Sharon Delgado	2026	Uses Scripture, tradition, reason, and experience to connect personal spirituality with climate science, vulnerable communities, and collective justice.
The Need to Be Whole: Patriotism and the History of Prejudice	Wendell Berry	2022	Explores relationships among racial division, patriotism, community, labor, and exploitation of the land.

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Plastic Inc.: The Secret History and Shocking Future of Big Oil's Biggest Bet	Beth Gardiner	2026	Examines the plastics industry's relationship with fossil-fuel profits and the environmental, health, and justice consequences of expanding production.
The Problem with Plastic: How We Can Save Ourselves and Our Planet Before It's Too Late	Judith Enck	2025	Connects plastic production and pollution with health, climate, and inequality while offering practical tools and examples of activism.
The Quest for Environmental Justice: Human Rights and the Politics of Pollution	Robert D. Bullard, editor	2005	Collects perspectives on unequal pollution burdens, human rights, and movements seeking environmental justice for affected communities.
Resisting Structural Evil: Love as Ecological-Economic Vocation	Cynthia D. Moe-Lobeda	2013	Connects Christian love with ecological and economic justice, examining structural harms and the moral agency needed to resist them.
Silent Spring	Rachel Carson	1962	Documents ecological harm from pesticide use and examines the consequences of chemical contamination for wildlife and human communities.
A Terrible Thing to Waste: Environmental Racism and Its Assault on the American Mind	Harriet A. Washington	2019	Connects unequal toxic exposure with neurological health, learning, behavior, racism, and public policy.
Toxic Communities: Environmental Racism, Industrial Pollution, and Residential Mobility	Dorceta E. Taylor	2014	Examines segregation, zoning, regulation, political power, and residential mobility in unequal exposure to industrial pollution.
Water for All: Building a Moral Economy	Christiana Zenner	2026 (forth.)	Explores water futures through moral, spiritual, political, and ecological relationships and challenges inequitable control and access.

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Women Healing Earth: Third World Women on Ecology, Feminism, and Religion	Rosemary Radford Ruether, editor	1996	Gathers women's perspectives on ecological harm, religion, and feminism, connecting environmental healing with struggles against marginalization.

Food, Land & Everyday Practice | 27 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
10-Minute Energy-Saving Secrets: 250 Easy Ways to Save Big Bucks Year Round	Jerri Farris	2006	Offers quick household energy-saving ideas. Readers should check older recommendations against current equipment, costs, and efficiency guidance.
50 Ways to Help Save the Earth, Revised Edition: How You and Your Church Can Make a Difference	Rebecca Barnes	2016	Fifty practical actions connect Christian discipleship with energy conservation, food, transportation, water, biodiversity, and community stewardship.
Animal, Vegetable, Miracle: A Year of Food Life	Barbara Kingsolver; Steven L. Hopp; Camille Kingsolver	2007	Follows a family's year of local eating and growing food, weaving personal experience with reflection on agriculture, consumption, and food systems.
Bringing It to the Table: On Farming and Food	Wendell Berry	2009	Connects eating with farming and considers the responsibilities of consumers within local land, food, and community relationships.
Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants	Douglas W. Tallamy	2011	Explains how native plants in home landscapes support insects, birds, and wider food webs, turning everyday gardening into habitat restoration.
Church on Earth: Grounding Your Ministry in a Sense of Place	Jeff Wild; Peter Bakken	2009	Encourages congregations to understand their local ecological and community setting and ground ministry in a stronger sense of place.
Climate Change Begins at Home: Life on the Two-Way Street of Global Warming	Dave Reay	2005	Connects global warming with household and personal choices, exploring how everyday patterns contribute to emissions and can change.
The Climate Diet: 50 Simple Ways to Trim Your Carbon Footprint	Paul Greenberg	2021	Offers fifty manageable changes in food, transportation, consumption, and home life while avoiding an all-or-nothing approach.

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EarthWise: A Guide to Hopeful Creation Care	Calvin B. DeWitt	2011	Blends ecological understanding, biblical reflection, and everyday practices for hopeful creation care by families and congregations.
Ecological Intelligence: How Knowing the Hidden Impacts of What We Buy Can Change Everything	Daniel Goleman	2009	Examines hidden environmental, health, and social costs of consumer products and argues that greater transparency can change purchasing and business practices.
Everyone Must Eat: Food, Sustainability, and Ministry	Mark L. Yackel-Juleen	2021	Connects food production, rural communities, sustainability, economics, and ministry, showing why agricultural life matters to the whole church and society.
Food and Faith: A Theology of Eating	Norman Wirzba	2011	Explores eating as a theological and ecological practice, connecting food, gratitude, dependence, community, and care for land.
Food for All: Building a Moral Economy	Derrick Weston	2027 (forth.)	Planned volume on food sovereignty, community farming, and alternatives to exploitative food systems. Final bibliographic details remain unverified.
Forest Walking: Discovering the Trees and Woodlands of North America	Peter Wohlleben; Jane Billinghurst	2022	Encourages readers to listen, smell, notice, and interpret North American woodland environments through attentive walking.
Garbage Theology: The Unseen World of Waste and What It Means for the Salvation of Every Person, Every Place, and Every Thing	Caleb Cray Haynes	2023	Uses pastoral and waste-industry experience to connect consumption, pollution, hidden waste systems, and the Christian call to restoration.
Green Living: The E Magazine Handbook for Living Lightly on the Earth	Editors of E: The Environmental Magazine	2005	Collects practical guidance for reducing environmental impacts across household choices and everyday life; older advice should be checked against current guidance.

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Greening Spaces for Worship and Ministry: Congregations, Their Buildings, and Creation Care	Mark Torgerson	2012	Considers how church buildings and grounds can embody creation care and support environmentally responsible worship, ministry, and community life.
Honoring Christ in Caring for His Creation, Second Edition of Christ & Creation	Craig Sorley	2016	Calls Christians to transform their relationship with the environment and lead by example in responding to a damaged creation.
The Just Kitchen: Invitations to Sustainability, Cooking, Connection, and Celebration	Derrick Weston; Anna Woofenden	2023	Connects preparing and sharing food with sustainability, hospitality, cultural understanding, community, and resistance to injustice.
Making Peace with the Land: God's Call to Reconcile with Creation	Fred Bahnson; Norman Wirzba	2012	Frames ecological responsibility as reconciliation among people, food systems, communities, damaged landscapes, and the land.
Mini-Forest Revolution: Using the Miyawaki Method to Rapidly Rewild the World	Hannah Lewis	2022	Introduces small-scale native forest creation as a way to restore biodiversity in yards, vacant lots, towns, and cities.
Our Last Best Act: Planning for the End of Our Lives to Protect the People and Places We Love	Mallory McDuff	2021	Explores advance planning, funerals, burial, cremation, estate decisions, and green burial through care for people and places.
Our Only World: Ten Essays	Wendell Berry	2015	Critiques industrial expansion and technological fixes while advocating local responsibility, land rehabilitation, and community care.
Serving God, Saving the Planet: A Call to Care for Creation and Your Soul	J. Matthew Sleeth	2013	Connects simpler living, energy and consumption choices, health, spiritual renewal, and care for vulnerable neighbors.

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Simpler Living, Compassionate Life: A Christian Perspective	Michael Schut, editor	1999 / 2009	Combines essays and study material on voluntary simplicity, considering time, money, food, spirituality, and community as alternatives to consumption-driven living.
Sustainable Agriculture: A Christian Ethic of Gratitude	Mark Graham	2005	Develops gratitude as a Christian framework for agriculture, food production, and responsible relationships with land and living systems.
The World-Ending Fire: The Essential Wendell Berry	Wendell Berry; Paul Kingsnorth, editor	2017	Collects essays defending local landscapes, farming communities, limits, and responsibility against unchecked technological and economic expansion.

Nature Writing & Ecological Understanding | 29 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
The Abundance: Narrative Essays Old and New	Annie Dillard	2016	Collects essays of close observation, landscape, wonder, and philosophical reflection from across Dillard's writing career.
Birding to Change the World: A Memoir	Trish O'Kane	2024	Connects bird observation with personal transformation, youth education, neighborhood relationships, and environmental organizing.
Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants	Robin Wall Kimmerer	2013	Brings botanical science and Indigenous teachings into conversation through stories of plants, reciprocity, gratitude, and ecological belonging.
A Citizen's Guide to Ecology	Lawrence B. Slobodkin	2003	Introduces ecological ideas for general readers, helping citizens understand living systems and evaluate environmental questions more thoughtfully.
The Comfort of Crows: A Backyard Year	Margaret Renkl	2023	Follows a year of birds, insects, plants, and seasonal change, cultivating attentiveness and care for nearby vulnerable life.
The Creation: An Appeal to Save Life on Earth	Edward O. Wilson	2006	Appeals across religious and secular differences for a shared commitment to protecting biodiversity and the living world.
Earth Keeper: Reflections on the American Land	N. Scott Momaday	2020	Reflects on belonging to the land through brief poetic memories, praise, and warnings about human responsibility.
Earth: An Intimate History	Richard Fortey	2004	Explores the geological forces and deep history that shape landscapes, connecting scientific explanation with vivid encounters with place.
Ecological Literacy: Education and the Transition to a Postmodern World	David W. Orr	1992	Argues that education must develop ecological understanding and the capacities needed to live responsibly within environmental limits.

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Enchantments of the Mississippi: A Contemplative Journey of Time and Place	Thomas Becknell	2022	Follows a contemplative relationship with the Mississippi River, attending to place, time, grief, and the restorative possibilities of close observation.
Environmental Literacy: Everything You Need to Know about Saving Our Planet, The A-to-Z Guide	H. Steven Dashefsky	1993	Provides an alphabetical introduction to environmental concepts and concerns. Best read as a historical reference rather than a source of current scientific figures.
Finding the Mother Tree: Discovering the Wisdom of the Forest	Suzanne Simard	2021	Combines personal history with research into relationships among trees and fungi and the implications for understanding forests.
The Heartbeat of Trees: Embracing Our Ancient Bond with Forests and Nature	Peter Wohlleben	2021	Explores human sensory experience and the continuing importance of a close relationship with forests and the natural world.
The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate	Peter Wohlleben	2016	Introduces tree interdependence and forest communication through vivid, accessible storytelling. Scientific interpretations should be discussed critically.
The Inner Life of Animals: Love, Grief, and Compassion	Peter Wohlleben	2017	Explores animal emotions, cognition, and relationships through stories from forests, farms, and fields.
Is a River Alive?	Robert Macfarlane	2025	Explores rivers as living presences through travel, natural history, Indigenous perspectives, law, and language.
Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder	Richard Louv	2005	Examines children's growing separation from nature and encourages families, educators, and communities to restore everyday outdoor experience.
Life on a Little-Known Planet: Dispatches from a Changing World	Elizabeth Kolbert	2025	Collects reporting on climate change, biodiversity, conservation, and the scientists and citizens trying to preserve the living world.

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The Light Eaters: How the Unseen World of Plant Intelligence Offers a New Understanding of Life on Earth	Zoë Schlanger	2024	Investigates research on plant sensing, communication, adaptation, and intelligence while challenging assumptions about passive plant life.
Nature's Echo: Harnessing Ancient Feedback Loops to Heal a Changing Planet	Thomas Crowther	2026	Explains how feedback loops shape ecosystems and societies, arguing that restoration can cultivate self-reinforcing cycles of ecological recovery.
The Power of Trees: How Ancient Forests Can Save Us If We Let Them	Peter Wohlleben	2023	Argues for protecting diverse, mature forests and reconsidering forestry practices in response to ecological and climate pressures.
A Primer for Environmental Literacy	Frank B. Golley	1998	Introduces environmental understanding and ecological relationships as foundations for more informed, responsible participation in the living world.
The Quickening: Creation and Community at the Ends of the Earth	Elizabeth Rush	2023	Chronicles an expedition to Antarctica and reflects on glaciers, collaboration, motherhood, uncertainty, and hope in a warming world.
The Sacred Balance: Rediscovering Our Place in Nature	David Suzuki	2007	Explores humanity's dependence on Earth's living systems and invites a renewed sense of belonging within the natural world.
A Sand County Almanac: And Sketches Here and There	Aldo Leopold	1949	Combines observations of Wisconsin landscapes and seasonal life with a land ethic that expands moral concern to the biotic community.
The Secret Wisdom of Nature: Trees, Animals, and the Extraordinary Balance of All Living Things	Peter Wohlleben	2019	Explores relationships among plants, insects, animals, and the ecological systems that sustain them.

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The Sense of Wonder	Rachel Carson	1965	Encourages adults to nurture children's curiosity, joy, and lasting emotional connection with the natural world.
Unwilded: Finding Our Way Back to Nature	Alastair Humphreys	2026	Examines nature disconnection and shifting baselines, arguing that short, attentive encounters outdoors can rebuild understanding and care.
When the Forest Breathes: Renewal and Resilience in the Natural World	Suzanne Simard	2026	Explores forest cycles of renewal, resilience, and interdependence while considering ecological research, Indigenous wisdom, and forestry practices.

Spiritual Renewal & Resilience | 27 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
The Book of Nature: The Astonishing Beauty of God's First Sacred Text	Barbara Mahany	2023	Treats the natural world as a sacred text, inviting attentive encounters with seasons, birds, weather, and everyday wonder.
Church of the Wild: How Nature Invites Us into the Sacred	Victoria Loorz	2021	Explores the wild roots of faith and invites readers to encounter sacred community beyond human-centered indoor worship.
Climate Wayfinding: Healing Ourselves and the Planet We Call Home	Katharine K. Wilkinson	2026	Combines personal essays, climate leadership, poetry, art, and practical prompts to help readers move from grief and uncertainty toward sustained, meaningful action.
Earth and Soul: Reconnecting amid Climate Chaos	Leah Rampy	2024	Guides readers through climate-related grief toward deeper relationship with Earth, beauty, community, and grounded possibility.
EcoActivist Testament: Explorations of Faith and Nature for Fellow Travelers	H. Paul Santmire	2022	Offers a plain-spoken personal narrative for faith-based ecological activists who feel exhausted, isolated, or uncertain about their calling.
Ecotherapy: Healing Ourselves, Healing the Earth	Howard Clinebell	1996	Explores relationships between personal healing and ecological healing, encouraging deeper connections with nature as part of care and growth.
A Field Guide to Climate Anxiety: How to Keep Your Cool on a Warming Planet	Sara Jaquette Ray	2020	Offers an existential toolkit for people facing climate anxiety, powerlessness, and the emotional demands of environmental action.
Finding God in the Singing River: Christianity, Spirit, Nature	Mark I. Wallace	2005	Explores encounters with divine presence within nature and the possibilities of an embodied Christian ecological spirituality.

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The Great Work: Our Way into the Future	Thomas Berry	1999	Calls for a cultural and spiritual shift from human domination toward participation in a flourishing Earth community.
The Green Boat: Reviving Ourselves in Our Capsized Culture	Mary Pipher	2013	Explores how people can move through environmental fear and denial toward healing relationships, community engagement, and meaningful action.
Green Sisters: A Spiritual Ecology	Sarah McFarland Taylor	2007	Explores environmental spirituality and ecological practices among Catholic religious women, connecting community life with care for Earth.
The Hidden Heart of the Cosmos: Humanity and the New Story	Brian Swimme	2004	Explores the spiritual implications of modern cosmology and invites readers to locate human life within the unfolding universe.
Holy Ground: A Gathering of Voices on Caring for Creation	Lyndsay Moseley, editor	2008	Gathers diverse voices on the spiritual and moral dimensions of caring for creation and belonging to the living world.
I Eat the Stars: How to Live Fully and Beautifully in a Collapsing World	Sarah Wilson	2026	Explores how to live meaningfully amid systemic crisis, drawing on conversations with thinkers and spiritual leaders to reconnect with humanity and what matters.
Life After Doom: Wisdom and Courage for a World Falling Apart	Brian D. McLaren	2024	Addresses ecological overshoot, economic injustice, fear, and possible societal collapse while exploring courage and meaningful response.
Of Earth and Sky: Spiritual Lessons from Nature	Thomas Becknell	2001	Uses attentive encounters with nature as invitations to spiritual reflection, wonder, and a deeper relationship with the living world.
Our Angry Eden: Faith and Hope on a Hotter, Harsher Planet	David Williams	2021	Combines climate realities and Christian reflection while making room for grief, fear, resilient community, and moral courage.

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Parable of the Sower	Octavia E. Butler	1993	A speculative novel about survival, community, and emerging belief amid social and environmental breakdown; offers a fictional route into ethical discussion.
Refugia Faith: Seeking Hidden Shelters, Ordinary Wonders, and the Healing of the Earth	Debra Rienstra	2022	Uses refugia—shelters where life survives crisis—to explore how faith communities can nurture ecological and cultural renewal.
Replenishing the Earth: Spiritual Values for Healing Ourselves and the World	Wangari Maathai	2010	Explores spiritual and ethical values that can sustain environmental restoration, community well-being, and responsible care for Earth.
Restoring Earth, Community, and Soul: Creating the Social, Economic, and Religious Transformations Required by Global Warming	Andrea Orcutt	2011	Connects climate response with changes in community, economics, religious life, and the relationships that sustain people and Earth.
Rooted and Rising: Voices of Courage in a Time of Climate Crisis	Leah D. Schade; Margaret Bullitt-Jonas, editors	2019	Pairs accounts from scientists, religious leaders, and activists with reflective practices for sustaining compassionate climate engagement.
The Sacred Depths of Nature	Ursula Goodenough	1998	Brings scientific understanding of life into conversation with wonder, meaning, and a religious-naturalist response to the living world.
Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul: Celtic Wisdom for Reawakening to What Our Souls Know and Healing the World	John Philip Newell	2021	Introduces Celtic Christian wisdom about sacred presence, Earth, inner life, and the healing of relationships and the world.

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The Sacred Universe: Earth, Spirituality, and Religion in the Twenty-First Century	Thomas Berry	2009	Explores relationships among religion, spirituality, the unfolding universe, and humanity's responsibilities within Earth community.
The Spell of the Sensuous	David Abram	1996	Explores perception, language, and embodied experience to reconsider human relationships with the more-than-human world.
The Universe Story: From the Primordial Flaring Forth to the Ecozoic Era—A Celebration of the Unfolding of the Cosmos	Brian Swimme; Thomas Berry	1992	Presents an unfolding cosmic story that places human life within Earth's history and invites reflection on ecological belonging and responsibility.

Worship, Devotion & Congregational Life | 25 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
All Creation Waits: The Advent Mystery of New Beginnings	Gayle Boss; David G. Klein, illustrator	2016	Uses twenty-five winter animal stories and woodcut illustrations to explore waiting, resilience, hope, and new beginnings.
Becoming Rooted: One Hundred Days of Reconnecting with Sacred Earth	Randy Woodley	2022	One hundred short reflections and practices invite a more reciprocal relationship with land, the community of creation, and Creator.
Behold the Lilies: Jesus and the Contemplation of Nature—A Primer	H. Paul Santmire	2017	Invites followers of Jesus to contemplate creation's beauty through personal, first-person reflections that can be read separately.
Celebrating Earth Holy Days: A Resource Guide for Faith Communities	Susan J. Clark	1997	Offers prayers, rituals, educational ideas, and activities that connect seasonal observances with care for the Earth.
Considering Sparrows: What Birds Teach Us About Who We Are, Where We're Going, and the Joy of Following Jesus	Kevin Burrell	2026	Uses bird behavior and the book of Philippians to explore Christian life, wonder, and attentiveness.
Creation-Crisis Preaching: Ecology, Theology, and the Pulpit	Leah D. Schade	2015	Equips preachers to address ecological crisis through biblical interpretation, theological reflection, and practical guidance for courageous environmental sermons.
Did God Create the Universe?: A Bilingual Devotional for Kids Who Like to Ask Big Questions	Carmelo Santos	2019	Offers forty science-and-faith reflections for children roughly ages eight to twelve, supporting wonder and conversations about life's difficult questions.
Earth and Word: Classic Sermons on Saving the Planet	David Rhoads, editor	2007	Collects sermons that bring biblical proclamation into conversation with environmental concern and the church's responsibility toward creation.

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Earth Gospel: A Guide to Prayer for God's Creation	Sam Hamilton-Poore	2008	Provides morning, midday, and evening prayers with Scripture, hymns, reflections, and readings that connect spiritual practice with creation care.
Earth Prayers from Around the World	Elizabeth Roberts; Elias Amidon, editors	1991	Collects prayers and spiritual readings from diverse traditions for celebrating Earth and deepening ecological attentiveness.
For the Beauty of the Earth: A Lenten Devotional	Leah D. Schade	2019	Follows the hymn's themes through landscapes and daily reflection to connect Lenten spiritual practice with earthkeeping.
The Green Bible Devotional: A Book of Daily Readings	Carla Barnhill	2009	Offers daily readings and reflections that connect biblical faith, devotional practice, and care for the natural world.
The Green Bible: Words of Love for a Suffering Planet	Stephen Bede Scharper; Simon Appolloni	2019	Offers reflections and excerpts loosely organized around the seven days of creation, inviting love, hope, and responsibility for a suffering planet. Distinct from the NRSV Green Bible.
The Green Devotional: Active Prayers for a Healthy Planet	Karen Speerstra	2010	Pairs prayer and environmental concern, inviting spiritual engagement that supports practical care for a healthier planet.
The Green Psalter: Resources for an Ecological Spirituality	Arthur Walker-Jones	2009	Explores the Psalms as resources for ecological spirituality, prayer, and a more attentive relationship with the natural world.
A Grounded Faith: Reconnecting with Creator and Creation in the Season of Lent	Janet Parker and contributors; EcoFaith Recovery	2022	Offers forty days of Scripture, reflection, and practices inspired by Randy Woodley's Becoming Rooted, connecting Lent with land, repentance, and ecological relationship.
Holy Ground: A Liturgical Cosmology	Gordon W. Lathrop	2003	Explores how Christian worship locates people within a wider cosmos and shapes relationships among liturgy, place, community, and the world.

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Poems of Earth and Spirit: 70 Poems and 40 Practices to Deepen Your Connection with Nature	Kai Siedenburg	2017	Pairs nature-centered poems with practices for attentiveness, wonder, reflection, retreats, and outdoor spiritual connection.
Preaching Creation: The Environment and the Pulpit	John C. Holbert	2011	Explores how preaching can attend to environmental concerns and bring creation into the heart of congregational biblical reflection.
Ritualizing Nature: Renewing Christian Liturgy in a Time of Crisis	H. Paul Santmire	2008	Explores how Christian ritual and worship can renew ecological awareness and express deeper relationships with the natural world.
The Season of Creation: A Preaching Commentary	Norman C. Habel; David Rhoads; H. Paul Santmire, editors	2011	Provides preaching and worship reflection for the Season of Creation, helping congregations attend to Earth within biblical proclamation.
Stewardship of Creation: 30 Days with Nature	Students at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago	n.d.†	Provides a month of nature-focused reflection prepared by theology students, supporting daily attentiveness to creation.
A Time for Creation: Liturgical Resources for Creation and the Environment	The Church of England	2020	Provides worship resources for the Season of Creation, harvest, outdoor services, ecological lament, gratitude, and commitment.
A Watered Garden: Christian Worship and Earth's Ecology	Benjamin M. Stewart	2011	Explores ecological wisdom within shared patterns of Christian worship, connecting sacramental practice with healing relationships with Earth.
Wild Hope: Stories for Lent from the Vanishing	Gayle Boss	2020	Pairs stories of threatened creatures with ecological grief, compassion, and accounts of people working to protect biodiversity.

Faith Foundations, Theology & Biblical Study | 86 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
(Re)considering Christianity: An Expedition of Faith Joining Science, Ancient Wisdom, and Sustainability	Ron Rude	2012	Brings science and ancient wisdom into dialogue with Christianity to challenge human exceptionalism and support more sustainable living.
Abel Emerging: A Reconsideration of the Christian Story for a Sustainable World	Ron Rude	2010	Reconsiders the Christian story in light of ecological crisis and asks how faith can support a more sustainable understanding of humanity's place on Earth.
About Earth's Child: An Ecological Listening to the Gospel of Luke	Michael Trainor	2012	Explores Luke through local landscapes, agriculture, nonhuman creatures, and the ecological relationships surrounding Jesus.
Amending the Christian Story: The Natural Sciences as a Window into Grounded Faith and Sustainable Living	Ron Rude	2021	Uses astronomy, geology, evolution, and human origins to challenge human-centered Christian narratives and envision a more ecologically grounded faith.
Beyond Stewardship: New Approaches to Creation Care	David Paul Warners; Matthew Kuperus Heun, editors	2019	Explores kinship, humility, gratitude, place-keeping, and ecological interdependence as alternatives or complements to stewardship language.
The Bible and Ecology: Rediscovering the Community of Creation	Richard Bauckham	2010	Challenges narrow readings of human dominion and explores a biblical community of creation in which humans belong alongside God's other creatures.
The Bible and the Environment: Towards a Critical Ecological Biblical Theology	David G. Horrell	2010	Develops a critical approach to ecological biblical interpretation, examining Scripture's possibilities and tensions for contemporary environmental theology.

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The Biblical Mandate for Caring for Creation	Dick Tripp	2017	Surveys biblical teachings about creation and argues that environmental responsibility belongs within faithful Christian living.
Biblical Prophets and Contemporary Environmental Ethics	Hilary Marlow	2009	Examines prophetic biblical texts as resources for contemporary environmental ethics, attending to relationships among people, land, and responsibility.
The Birth, the Curse and the Greening of Earth: An Ecological Reading of Genesis 1–11	Norman Habel	2011	Reads Earth as a central subject in Genesis, attending to creation, human corruption, suffering, and the promise of renewal.
Breath of Life: A Theology of the Creator Spirit	Denis Edwards	2004	Explores the Holy Spirit as the life-giving presence within an evolving universe, connecting Christian theology with ecological responsibility.
The Care of Creation: Focusing Concern and Action	R. J. Berry	2000	Connects Christian responsibility with ecological knowledge and encourages movement from general concern toward sustained environmental action.
Celebrating Nature by Faith: Studies in Reformation Theology in an Era of Global Emergency	H. Paul Santmire	2020	Explores resources in Reformation theology for responding to ecological emergency and recovering a faithful relationship with nature.
Christian Environmental Ethics: A Case Method Approach	James B. Martin-Schramm; Robert L. Stivers	2003	Uses environmental cases to develop Christian ethical reasoning about contested practical questions and responsibilities.
Christianity and Ecology: Seeking the Well-Being of Earth and Humans	Dieter T. Hessel; Rosemary Radford Ruether, editors	2000	Brings together Christian perspectives on ecology, exploring theological, ethical, and practical responsibilities for Earth and human flourishing.

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Colossians: An Earth Bible Commentary	Victoria S. Balabanski	2020	Explores cosmic Christology and the reconciliation of the physical creation rather than a solely human-centered redemption.
Coming Home to Earth	Mark S. Brocker	2016	Challenges faith that looks away from Earth toward an elsewhere salvation and presents earth care as central to Christian identity and mission.
Concern for Creation: Voices on the Theology of Creation	Viggo Mortensen, editor	1995	Brings together theological voices addressing creation and the responsibilities that follow from understanding the world as God's creation.
Cosmic Grace, Humble Prayer: The Ecological Vision of the Green Patriarch Bartholomew I	Patriarch Bartholomew I; John Chryssavgis, editor	2003	Collects Orthodox ecological addresses and church statements linking spiritual life, prayer, and responsibility for the natural world.
Creation and Doxology: The Beginning and End of God's Good World	Gerald Hiestand; Todd Wilson	2019	Explores the relationship between God's good creation, human vocation, praise, and the promised renewal of the world.
Creation and Reality	Michael Welker	1999	Reexamines Christian understandings of creation in relation to the realities of the world and human responsibility within it.
Creation Care Discipleship: Why Earthkeeping Is an Essential Christian Practice	Steven Bouma-Prediger	2023	Moves from biblical vision and Christian tradition to practical advice, presenting earthkeeping as an essential part of discipleship rather than an optional interest.
Creation Care: A Biblical Theology of the Natural World	Douglas J. Moo; Jonathan A. Moo	2018	Traces creation, fall, redemption, and new creation through Scripture to explain responsibilities toward land, creatures, and ecosystems.

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Creator and Creation: Nature in the Worldview of Ancient Israel	Ronald A. Simkins	1994	Examines how ancient Israel understood nature, creation, and divine-human relationships, offering historical grounding for ecological biblical reflection.
The Cross in the Midst of Creation: Following Jesus, Engaging the Powers, Transforming the World	Sharon Delgado	2022	Connects the cross, resurrection, institutional power, ecological destruction, and nonviolent resistance.
Deuteronomy and Environmental Amnesia	Raymond Person	2014	Examines how Deuteronomy can address social forgetfulness about human dependence on land and environmental relationships.
The Earth and the Fullness Thereof: A Down-Home Reader in Ecological Theology	H. Paul Santmire	2024	Discusses ecojustice, spiritual challenges, and ecological living through art, personal engagement, and a cosmic vision of faith.
Earth Community, Earth Ethics	Larry L. Rasmussen	1996	Develops a religious environmental ethic grounded in ecological interdependence and the responsibilities of human communities within Earth's life systems.
Earth-Honoring Faith: Religious Ethics in a New Key	Larry L. Rasmussen	2013	Examines how religious ethics must respond to climate disruption, extinction, ecosystem loss, and the need for a more just social order.
Earthbound Christian: Flourishing Within Limits in the Age of Infinite Growth	Caleb Cray Haynes	2026	Explores Christian life within ecological limits and challenges assumptions that endless growth is necessary for human flourishing.
Earthkeeping and Character: Exploring a Christian Ecological Virtue Ethic	Steven Bouma-Prediger	2019	Asks what kind of people earthkeeping requires, developing humility, gratitude, wisdom, courage, justice, and hope as ecological virtues.

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Ecclesiastes: An Earth Bible Commentary—Qoheleth's Eternal Earth	Marie Turner	2017	Examines the tension between human ambition, economic striving, generations, and Earth's enduring ecological relationships.
Eco Bible: An Ecological Commentary on Genesis and Exodus	Yonatan Neril; Leo Dee	2020	Offers a Jewish ecological commentary on Genesis and Exodus, connecting biblical passages with environmental responsibility and contemporary concerns.
Eco-Reformation: Grace and Hope for a Planet in Peril	Lisa E. Dahill; James B. Martin-Schramm, editors	2016	Calls for ecological transformation within Christian traditions, linking Reformation theology, justice, spirituality, and embodied worship.
Ecologies of Grace: Environmental Ethics and Christian Theology	Willis Jenkins	2008	Examines Christian theological approaches to environmental ethics and explores how grace can shape responses to ecological challenges.
Ecology and Liberation: A New Paradigm	Leonardo Boff	1995	Connects ecological crisis with liberation theology, placing care for Earth alongside the struggle against poverty and oppression.
The Ecology of the New Testament: Creation, Re-creation, and the Environment	Mark Bredin	2010	Reads New Testament teachings about Jesus, justice, discipleship, reconciliation, and new creation through an ecological lens.

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Ecotheology: A Christian Conversation	Kiara A. Jorgenson; Alan G. Padgett, editors; Richard Bauckham, Steven Bouma-Prediger, John F. Haught, and Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, contributors	2020	Presents contrasting Christian approaches to ecological crisis in a dialogue format.
Embracing Creation: God's Forgotten Mission	John Mark Hicks; Bobby Valentine; Mark Wilson	2016	Frames the healing of Earth as an essential part of God's mission, tracing creation, human brokenness, redemption, and restoration.
The Environment and Christian Ethics	Michael S. Northcott	1996	Develops a Christian ethical response to environmental degradation, examining moral responsibilities within ecological and social relationships.
Environmental Stewardship: Critical Perspectives—Past and Present	R. J. Berry, editor	2006	Collects historical and contemporary assessments of stewardship, exploring its usefulness and limitations as a framework for environmental responsibility.
An Ethics of Biodiversity: Christianity, Ecology, and the Variety of Life	Kevin J. O'Brien	2010	Brings Christian ethics into conversation with ecology to examine why biodiversity matters and how people should respond to its loss.
Ethnography as Christian Theology and Ethics, Second Edition	Aana Marie Vigen; Christian Scharen, editors	2024	Explores how listening to lived experience and using qualitative research can reshape Christian theology, ethics, and work for social change.

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Evocations of Grace: Writings on Ecology, Theology, and Ethics	Joseph Sittler; Steven Bouma-Prediger and Peter Bakken, editors	2000	Collects major writings connecting Christian theology, ethics, grace, and the natural world, including influential ecological addresses.
Exploring Ecological Hermeneutics	Norman C. Habel; Peter Trudinger, editors	2008	Explores methods for reading biblical texts with attention to Earth, ecological relationships, and the assumptions readers bring to Scripture.
Finding Wisdom in Nature: An Eco-Wisdom Reading of the Book of Job	Norman Habel	2014	Explores Job's wilderness imagery and divine speeches as challenges to human-centered assumptions about wisdom and creation.
For the Beauty of the Earth: A Christian Vision for Creation Care	Steven Bouma-Prediger	2001	Connects biblical foundations, ecological realities, environmental justice, and moral responsibility in a sustained vision of creation care.
Gaia and God: An Ecofeminist Theology of Earth Healing	Rosemary Radford Ruether	1992	Examines religious narratives and systems of domination through ecofeminist theology, seeking resources for ecological and social healing.
God and World in the Old Testament: A Relational Theology of Creation	Terence E. Fretheim	2005	Develops an Old Testament theology of creation centered on relationships among God, humans, and the wider world.
God in Creation: An Ecological Doctrine of Creation	Jürgen Moltmann	1985 / 1993	Develops a theology of God's life-giving Spirit within creation and connects worship with reverence and service for the living world.
God, Creation and Climate Change: Spiritual and Ethical Perspectives	Karen L. Bloomquist, editor	2009	Treats climate change as a spiritual and ethical crisis, gathering biblical, theological, justice, and global-context perspectives. Distinct from the shorter LWF discussion booklet.

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The Green Bible, New Revised Standard Version	NRSV translation; multiple contributors	2008	Highlights biblical passages relating to nature in green and includes introductory essays supporting ecological reading, devotion, and study.
Green Christianity: Five Ways to a Sustainable Future	Mark I. Wallace	2010	Explores Christian spiritual and ethical resources for a sustainable future, connecting religious imagination with ecological responsibility.
The Greening of Theology: The Ecological Models of Rosemary Radford Ruether, Joseph Sittler, and Jürgen Moltmann	Steven Bouma-Prediger	1995	Compares three influential theological approaches to ecological responsibility and considers their resources for Christian environmental thought.
Greening Paul: Rereading the Apostle in a Time of Ecological Crisis	David G. Horrell; Cherryl Hunt; Christopher Southgate	2010	Reexamines Pauline texts for their implications for creation, redemption, and ecological responsibility amid contemporary environmental crisis.
The Groaning of Creation: God, Evolution, and the Problem of Evil	Christopher Southgate	2008	Examines suffering within evolutionary creation and considers theological responses to predation, extinction, and the costs of life's development.
Introducing Evangelical Ecotheology: Foundations in Scripture, Theology, History, and Praxis	Daniel L. Brunner; Jennifer L. Butler; A. J. Swoboda	2014	Examines Scripture, doctrine, evangelical history, and practical creation care to connect ecological responsibility with Christian faith.
Jesus in the New Universe Story	Cletus Wessels	2006	Reconsiders the meaning of Jesus within an evolving universe and explores connections among cosmology, Christian faith, and ecological belonging.
John: An Earth Bible Commentary—Supposing Him to Be the Gardener	Margaret Daly-Denton	2017	Uses the risen Jesus as gardener to explore ecological responsibility, restoration, and creation-centered readings of John.

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Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home	Pope Francis	2015	Links ecological degradation with poverty, inequality, consumerism, human dignity, and responsibility to future generations.
Let Creation Rejoice: Biblical Hope and Ecological Crisis	Jonathan A. Moo; Robert S. White	2014	Argues that Christian hope in the renewal of creation calls for faithful environmental action rather than indifference.
The Letter to the Romans: Paul among the Ecologists	Sigve K. Tonstad	2017	Reads Romans with attention to creation's groaning, human responsibility, and the restoration of the wider created world.
Living with Other Creatures: Green Exegesis and Theology	Richard Bauckham	2011	Explores biblical interpretation and theology attentive to animals and other creatures as fellow participants in God's creation.
Loving Nature: Ecological Integrity and Christian Responsibility	James A. Nash	1991	Develops Christian responsibilities toward ecological integrity and considers how love of nature can inform environmental ethics.
A Moral Climate: The Ethics of Global Warming	Michael S. Northcott	2007	Examines global warming as a moral challenge and considers religious ethics, responsibility, and the choices needed for a just response.
A Native American Theology	Clara Sue Kidwell; Homer Noley; George E. Tinker	2002	Brings Native American perspectives into Christian theological reflection, inviting readers to reconsider land, community, spirituality, and inherited assumptions.
The Nature of Things: Rediscovering the Spiritual in God's Creation	Graham Buxton; Norman C. Habel, editors	2016	Collects essays exploring spiritual meaning within the natural world and connections among science, theology, and ecological awareness.
Nature Reborn: The Ecological and Cosmological Promise of Christian Theology	H. Paul Santmire	2009	Explores theological resources for engaging ecology and cosmology, reconsidering Christian hope and humanity's place within nature.

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A New Climate for Christology: Kenosis, Climate Change, and Befriending Nature	Sallie McFague	2021	Uses kenosis, or self-emptying, to argue for reducing ecological domination and making room for other beings to flourish.
A New Climate for Theology: God, the World, and Global Warming	Sallie McFague	2008	Reconsiders God, humanity, community, and the world in light of climate change and calls for transformed thinking and practice.
The Paradise of God: Renewing Religion in an Ecological Age	Norman Wirzba	2003	Reconsiders religious life in light of ecology and explores how faith can cultivate more responsible ways of belonging to Earth.
Plundering Eden: A Subversive Christian Theology of Creation and Ecology	G. P. Wagenfuhr	2018	Challenges human efforts to control and exploit nature and proposes a more humble, receptive understanding of creaturely life.
Redeeming Creation: The Biblical Basis for Environmental Stewardship	Fred H. Van Dyke; David C. Mahan; Joseph K. Sheldon; Raymond H. Brand	1996	Brings environmental science into conversation with Scripture and offers theological foundations and practical direction for stewardship.
Ruth: An Earth Bible Commentary	Alice M. Sinnott	2020	Reads Ruth through land, agriculture, famine, harvesting, and human dependence on ecological and social relationships.
Scripture, Culture, and Agriculture: An Agrarian Reading of the Bible	Ellen F. Davis	2009	Reads biblical texts through agrarian concerns, exploring land, work, food, community, and faithful relationships with the soil.
Shalom Church: The Body of Christ as Ministering Community	Craig L. Nessan	2010	Explores the church as a community of ministry and peace, offering a broader framework for congregational responsibility and public engagement.

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Speak with the Earth and It Will Teach You: A Field Guide to the Bible	Daniel Cooperrider	2023	Invites readers to let land, water, creatures, and ecological relationships illuminate Scripture and faithful action.
The Spirit of Hope: Theology for a World in Peril	Jürgen Moltmann	2019	Explores Christian hope amid climate change, inequality, violence, and despair, drawing on theological history and contemporary challenges.
Stewards of Eden: What Scripture Says about the Environment and Why It Matters	Sandra L. Richter	2020	Examines land, creatures, agriculture, Sabbath, justice, and human responsibility as foundations for biblical environmental ethics.
Theology for Earth Community: A Field Guide	Dieter T. Hessel, editor	1996	Gathers theological perspectives for understanding and participating in Earth community, connecting religious reflection with ecological concern.
Thomas Berry: Selected Writings on the Earth Community	Thomas Berry; editorial credits not verified	2014	Collects core ideas about humanity's place within Earth community and the cultural and spiritual transformations ecological responsibility requires.
Toward a Better Worldliness: Ecology, Economy, and the Protestant Tradition	Terra Schwerin Rowe	2017	Examines Protestant theology's relationship with economic and ecological assumptions, seeking a less exploitative way of inhabiting the world.
The Travail of Nature: The Ambiguous Ecological Promise of Christian Theology	H. Paul Santmire	1985	Traces ecological possibilities and tensions within Christian theological history, identifying resources and obstacles for a theology attentive to nature.
Voices of the Wilderness: An Ecological Reading of the Book of Numbers	Anthony Rees	2015	Treats wilderness in Numbers as an active ecological subject rather than an empty backdrop for human journeys.

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The Wonders of Creation: Learning Stewardship from Narnia and Middle-Earth	Kristen Page	2024	Uses the worlds of C. S. Lewis and J. R. R. Tolkien to explore beauty, belonging, responsibility, corruption, and restoration.
The Yahwist's Landscape: Nature and Religion in Early Israel	Theodore Hiebert	2009	Examines relationships among land, human life, and religion in early Israel through close attention to the landscape of biblical narratives.

Economics, Energy & Public Policy | 16 books

TITLE	AUTHOR / EDITOR	YEAR	BRIEF SUMMARY
About Power: How to Democratize Electricity Now	George W. Crocker	2024	Explains how utility incentives can undermine conservation and how organized citizens can pursue a more democratic electricity system.
Abundance	Ezra Klein; Derek Thompson	2025	Argues that housing, infrastructure, clean energy, and scientific progress require institutions that can build and deliver needed public goods.
Building a Moral Economy: Pathways for People of Courage	Cynthia Moe-Lobeda	2024	Uses real stories to envision equitable, ecological, democratic economies and the role religious networks can play in transforming economic life.
Climate Justice: Ethics, Energy, and Public Policy	James B. Martin-Schramm	2010	Applies an ecojustice framework to energy choices and public policy, connecting Christian ethical reflection with the practical climate debate.
Deep Economy: The Wealth of Communities and the Durable Future	Bill McKibben	2007	Questions growth-centered economic assumptions and explores community-based approaches to prosperity, resilience, and a durable future.
Ecocivilization: Making a World that Works for All	Jeremy Lent	2026	Envisions social and economic systems grounded in ecosystem principles, justice, mutuality, and dignity rather than extractive assumptions.
End Times Fascism: And the Fight for the Living World	Naomi Klein; Astra Taylor	2026	Examines apocalyptic thinking across technology, politics, and religion and argues for collective resistance in defense of the living world.
The Green Collar Economy: How One Solution Can Fix Our Two Biggest Problems	Van Jones	2008	Connects environmental transition with jobs and economic opportunity, arguing that ecological repair and social equity can advance together.

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Healing a Broken World: Globalization and God	Cynthia D. Moe-Lobeda	2002	Explores how Christian contemplative traditions can nurture moral agency, critical awareness, and creative resistance within a globalized economy.
Liberating People, Planet, and Religion: Intersections of Ecology, Economics, and Christianity	Joerg Rieger; Terra Rowe	2024	Challenges divisions among religion, labor, economy, culture, and ecology while examining capitalism and ecological crisis.
On Fire: The Burning Case for a Green New Deal	Naomi Klein	2019	Collects climate reporting and arguments for linking clean-energy transformation with economic and social equity.
Religious Roots of a Moral Economy: Ancient Wisdoms Re-Formed	Keisha E. McKenzie	2027 (forth.)	Planned concluding volume on religious wisdom and the spiritual foundations needed to sustain economic transformation and activism.
The Serviceberry: Abundance and Economy of the Gift	Robin Wall Kimmerer	2024	Uses the serviceberry to explore gratitude, reciprocity, abundance, and economic relationships modeled on ecological generosity.
Shaking the Gates of Hell: Faith-Led Resistance to Corporate Globalization	Sharon Delgado	2013	Examines corporate globalization and institutional domination through Christian theology, ecological responsibility, and nonviolent resistance.
Short Circuiting Policy: Interest Groups and the Battle over Clean Energy and Climate Policy in the American States	Leah Cardamore Stokes	2020	Investigates how utilities and fossil-fuel interests shape state policy and why clean-energy progress can stall or reverse.
This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. the Climate	Naomi Klein	2014	Examines the relationship between economic systems and climate change, arguing for systemic transformation rather than treating ecological crisis as an isolated technical problem.