Newsletter

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Climate Change: How Should We Respond as Disciples?

For many young people, and many older people too, the threat of climate change is certainly concerning. For young people especially, the prospect of environmental destruction is most alarming when it threatens our prospects of enjoying long and stable lives. Some have even questioned whether it is appropriate to raise children, knowing the dire state of the climate. Australia's Bureau of Meteorology reports that warming of up to 1.75 degrees Celsius over the last century has caused significant heat events over land and sea. NASA estimates that sea levels along the United States coastline could rise by 12 inches (30 centimetres) by 2050, posing challenges for coastal communities, anxious about the risk of increased flooding. These are just some examples of the consequences of man-made environmental change.

Despite these worrying statistics, there appears to be little effort to change from those with real decision-making power. Business CEOs and politicians alike continue to endorse unsustainable and damaging practices and policies; such people do not care about the planet, but instead care about lining their own pockets. Worse still, the capitalist system itself can be seen to preference methods which damage the environment. It is the most efficient who are rewarded, not necessarily the most conscientious.

I have often been stunned by the carelessness with which people act. How many people can so

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flippantly, and knowingly, damage the environment, in the name of profit. I find it saddening that the world which God designed has been discarded so readily.

How are we to respond?...

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Water in His Hands – Carl Bundesen

Nature nourishes my soul and within it I see God's handiwork. Such beauty, such intricate detail, such immense power, such grandeur. Imagine yourself standing on a boat, windswept hair, small droplets of spray flicking up from the bow as it moves through the water. Behind you, the water looks marbled, the wake of the boat slowly dissipating in the distance. A pod of dolphins dart by, playing in the waves which mound up like rolling hills. In the distance you spot one of the most majestic animals, a humpback whale. You are overcome with a sense of awe. An entirely different world exists below your boat, where some of the strangest creatures live in a substance which would drown us in moments. Where the largest of animals are weightless, moving with such grace and ease. The ocean is an incredible place, a place which I love wandering on a quiet Sunday in the early morning, a place where I find indescribable beauty which I try to capture with a camera, and a place where I can just take a breath and contemplate God's incredible love for me. That is where I would like to begin my thoughts. ...

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https://www.adelphicare.org/documents/069-ecare.pdf

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