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The Splendor of Creation A Biblical Ecology Chapter topics: - Day One - Light- Day Two - Air- Day Three - Earth, Water, Plants- Day Four - Planets and Time- Day Five - Water and Wind Creatures- Day Six - Land Creatures- Day Seven - Shabbat Splendor of Creation: A Biblical Ecology The Pilgrim Press This book is divided into original meditations and prayers, each designed to give strength and inspiration to busy health professionals in the various situations they encounter in their daily routines. Additionally, the resource includes a list of suggested hymns on the theme of healing and a list of other liturgical resources. **The Oxford Handbook of the Bible and Ecology Oxford University Press** Does the Bible have anything to contribute to contemporary concerns about the environment? This collection of essays on the Bible and ecology explores biblical texts and their interpretation in the light of ecological issues. The handbook covers a number of political and ethical issues, as well as offering detailed exploration of individual Bible books. It discusses a number of controversial views, including whether the Judeo-Christian tradition has contributed to the environmental crisis, and how the Bible is used by climate change deniers. **Ecotheology in the Humanities An Interdisciplinary Approach to Understanding the Divine and Nature Lexington Books** This book focuses on connections between biblical, literary, film, and music studies, as well as ecotheology and studies of how ecology and theology interact. This collection features chapters about creation care and the Sabbath, the sacramental approaches to earth care in the poetry of Wendell Berry and Sherman Alexie, classical and medieval cosmologies of J. R. R. Tolkien and Boethius, and Judeo-Christian perspectives on nonhuman suffering in the book of Romans, the literary works of C. S. Lewis, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, and Darren Aronofsky's film Noah. **Ecology and the Bible Hendrickson Publishers** This book offers Christian laypeople a brief and accessible perspective on what the Bible teaches about ecology and about Christians responsibility to care for the environment. The book situates these subjects within the framework of the Bibles overarching teachings about creation, fall, redemption, and new creation. The author also explores his theme by examining relevant scientific and historical data, as well as by discussing the history of philosophy and theology. The books chapters and subsections are brief, making the discussion easy to follow, and the volume ends with practical tips for how people of faith can care for the environment in their daily lives. **Key points and features:** • Handy and accessible book on an increasingly vital topic • Includes practical tips for how Christians can care for the environment in their daily lives • Affordable and relevant guidebook for pastors, students, teachers, people in the pews, and more **T&T Clark Handbook of Christian Theology and Climate Change Bloomsbury Publishing** The T&T Clark Handbook of Christian Theology and Climate Change entails a wide-ranging conversation between Christian theology and various other discourses on climate change. Given the far-reaching complicity of "North Atlantic Christianity" in anthropogenic climate change, the question is whether it can still collaborate with and contribute to ongoing mitigation and adaptation efforts. The main essays in this volume are written by leading scholars from within North Atlantic Christianity and addressed primarily to readers in the same context; these essays are critically engaged by respondents situated in other geographic regions, minority communities, non-Christian traditions, or non-theological disciplines. Structured in seven main parts, the handbook explores: 1) the need for collaboration with disciplines outside of Christian theology to address climate change; 2) the need to find common moral ground for such collaboration; 3) the difficulties posed by collaborating with other Christian traditions from within; 4) the questions that emerge from such collaboration for understanding the story of God's work; and 5) God's identity and character; 6) the implications of such collaboration for ecclesial praxis; and 7) concluding reflections examining whether this volume does justice to issues of race, gender, class, other animals, religious diversity, geographical divides and carbon mitigation. This rich ecumenical, cross-cultural conversation provides a comprehensive and in-depth engagement with the theological and moral challenges raised by anthropogenic climate change. **The Routledge Companion to Religion and Science Routledge** The field of religion and science is one of the most exciting and dynamic areas of research today. This Companion brings together an outstanding team of scholars to explore the ways in which science intersects with the major religions of the world and religious naturalism. The collection provides an overview of the field and also indicates ways in which it is developing. Each topic is presented in a clear readable fashion, ideal for scholars but also useful for upper level undergraduates. **Routledge Handbook of Religion and Ecology Routledge** The moral values and interpretive systems of religions are crucially involved in how people imagine the challenges of sustainability and how societies mobilize to enhance ecosystem resilience and human well-being. The Routledge Handbook of Religion and Ecology provides the most comprehensive and authoritative overview of the field. It encourages both appreciative and critical angles regarding religious traditions, communities, attitude, and practices. It presents contrasting ways of thinking about "religion" and about "ecology" and about ways of connecting the two terms. Written by a team of leading international experts, the Handbook discusses dynamics of change within religious traditions as well as their roles in responding to global challenges such as climate change, water, conservation, food and population. It explores the interpretations of indigenous traditions regarding modern environmental problems drawing on such concepts as lifeway and indigenous knowledge. This volume uniquely intersects the field of religion and ecology with new directions within the humanities and the sciences. This interdisciplinary volume is an essential reference for scholars and students across the social sciences and humanities and for all those looking to understand the significance of religion in environmental studies and policy. **Creation and Ecology The Political Economy of Ancient Israel and the Environmental Crisis Wipf and Stock Publishers** In this book Ronald A. Simkins addresses the current environmental crisis and what the Bible might contribute in response to it. The environmental crisis includes loss of biodiversity, degradation of the soil, and especially climate change. If left unchecked, these trends will bring about the collapse of human civilization. These environmental problems are interrelated and share a similar cause: the exploitation of the natural world through an economy structured by capitalist relations of production and powered by the burning of fossil fuels. Through our economic relations, we have depleted natural resources, polluted natural environments, and altered natural processes. These problems are a product of our political economy, which entails not only our politics, ideology, and religion, but primarily our economic system. Because the crisis is economic at its core, Simkins first sets the Bible within its own economic context, exploring how the biblical ideas of creation—an understanding of the human relationship to the natural world—were the product of the ancient Israelite political economy. Then Simkins places the biblical tradition in conversation with the current environmental crisis. The result is a far richer view of creation in the biblical tradition and a better understanding of what is at stake in the current environmental crisis. **Education and Climate Change Living and Learning in Interesting Times Routledge** There is widespread consensus in the international scientific community that climate change is happening and that abrupt and irreversible impacts are already set in motion. What part does education have to play in helping alleviate rampant climate change and in mitigating its worst effects? In this volume, contributors review and reflect upon social learning from and within their fields of educational expertise in response to the concerns over climate change. They address the contributions the field is currently making to help preempt and mitigate the environmental and social impacts of climate change, as well as how it will continue to respond to the ever changing climate situation. With a special foreword by Desmond Tutu, Archbishop Emeritus of Cape Town. **NRSV, Green Bible Harper Collins** Understand the Bible's powerful message for the earth The NRSV Green Bible will equip and encourage you to see God's vision for creation and help you engage in the work of healing and sustaining it. This first Bible of its kind includes inspirational essays from key leaders such as Pope John Paul II, N. T. Wright, Barbara Brown Taylor, Brian McLaren, Matthew Sleeth, and Wendell Berry. As you read the scriptures anew, the NRSV Green Bible will help you see that caring for the earth is not only a calling, but a lifestyle. Renowned for its beautiful balance of scholarship and readability, the NRSV faithfully serves the church in personal spiritual formation, in the liturgy, and in the academy. The foremost Bible translation vetted by Protestant, Catholic, Orthodox, Evangelical, and Jewish scholars invites readers to deeply explore Scripture. **Features:** The text of the New Revised Standard Version (Protestant Canon), vetted by an ecumenical pool of Christian academics and renowned for its beautiful balance of scholarship and readability Green-letter edition—over 1,000 verses highlighted Green topical index and "The Green Bible Trail Guide" for further study **Inspirational essays by scholars and leaders such as Pope John Paul II, N. T. Wright, Barbara Brown Taylor, and Brian McLaren The Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish Religion Oxford University Press, USA** The Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish Religion has been the go-to resource for students, scholars, and researchers in Judaic Studies since its 1997 publication. The Dictionary covers more than three millennia of Jewish religious thought, custom, law, and practice, from traditional approaches to Reform, Conservative, Reconstructionist, and post-denominational Judaism. The new edition includes recent and changing rituals in the Jewish community, such as the growing trend of baby-naming ceremonies and the founding of gay/lesbian synagogues. **Greening Spaces for Worship and Ministry Congregations, Their Buildings, and Creation Care Rowman & Littlefield** Greening Spaces for Worship and Ministry is a comprehensive guide. The book provides a rationale, strategies, and resources for fulfilling environmental stewardship through the land and buildings of Christian and Jewish congregations. New construction, renovation, and historic preservation projects are addressed. Site development, material choices, energy generation and consumption, water use, interior air quality, green cleaning programs, and beauty are discussed. Ten congregations from across the United States and Canada are featured as examples of excellence in creation care in and through their built environments. **Reading the Two Books of God Sacred Time and Place in Nature and History Wipf and Stock Publishers** Thomas W. Mann is a biblical scholar and retired parish minister and the author of numerous books and articles. He is particularly interested in how experiences in nature prompt theological reflection based in the Bible, shaping our sense of sacred time and place, and how the lectionary readings of the church year also provide a spiritual calendar for the seasons of our lives. The result is a conversation inspired by poets and writers like Mary Oliver, Wendell Berry, and John Muir, but also by philosophers and theologians ranging from Abraham Joshua Heschel to David Kelsey. Along the way, we enter "beach time" and take backpacking trips in the Sierras, but also join the "triumphal entry" parade on Palm Sunday and listen to the stable animals on Christmas Eve. We perceive the beauty of creation through the eyes of science as well as religion, sensually as well as intellectually. We celebrate our communion with all creatures, from fungus to forests, inspired with awe and reverence, and with a responsibility to care for the earth, so threatened by climate change. **Rooted and Rising Voices of Courage in a Time of Climate Crisis Rowman & Littlefield Publishers** Rooted and Rising is for everyone who worries about the climate crisis and seeks spiritual practices and perspectives to renew their capacity for compassionate, purposeful, and joyful action. Leah Schade and Margaret Bullitt-Jonas gather twenty-one faith leaders, scientists, community organizers, theologians, and grassroots climate activists to offer wisdom for fellow pilgrims grappling with the weight of climate change. Acknowledging the unprecedented nature of our predicament—the fact that climate disruption is unraveling the web of life and threatening the end of human civilization—the authors share their stories of grief and hope, fear and faith. Together, the essays, introductory sections, and discussion questions reveal that our present crisis can elicit a depth of wisdom, insight, and motivation with power to guide us toward a more peaceful, just, and Earth-honoring future. With a foreword by Mary Evelyn Tucker and a special introduction by Bill McKibben, the book presents an interfaith perspective that welcomes and challenges readers of all backgrounds. **Ecospirituality An Introduction Augsburg Fortress Publishers** Ecospirituality comprehensively introduces and lays the foundation for further individual growth in the burgeoning field of ecospirituality. This book is not only a foundation-laying tool for educators, but also a concise, thorough way for students and other individuals to gain a comprehensive understanding of ecospirituality and why it matters. **Countdown Our Last, Best Hope for a Future on Earth? Little, Brown** A powerful investigation into the chances for humanity's future from the author of the bestseller *The World Without Us*. In his bestselling book *The World Without Us*, Alan Weisman considered how the Earth could heal and even refill

empty niches if relieved of humanity's constant pressures. Behind that groundbreaking thought experiment was his hope that we would be inspired to find a way to add humans back to this vision of a restored, healthy planet-only in harmony, not mortal combat, with the rest of nature. But with a million more of us every 4 1/2 days on a planet that's not getting any bigger, and with our exhaust overheating the atmosphere and altering the chemistry of the oceans, prospects for a sustainable human future seem ever more in doubt. For this long awaited follow-up book, Weisman traveled to more than 20 countries to ask what experts agreed were probably the most important questions on Earth--and also the hardest: How many humans can the planet hold without capsizing? How robust must the Earth's ecosystem be to assure our continued existence? Can we know which other species are essential to our survival? And, how might we actually arrive at a stable, optimum population, and design an economy to allow genuine prosperity without endless growth? Weisman visits an extraordinary range of the world's cultures, religions, nationalities, tribes, and political systems to learn what in their beliefs, histories, liturgies, or current circumstances might suggest that sometimes it's in their own best interest to limit their growth. The result is a landmark work of reporting: devastating, urgent, and, ultimately, deeply hopeful. By vividly detailing the burgeoning effects of our cumulative presence, *Countdown* reveals what may be the fastest, most acceptable, practical, and affordable way of returning our planet and our presence on it to balance. Weisman again shows that he is one of the most provocative journalists at work today, with a book whose message is so compelling that it will change how we see our lives and our destiny. *Kapporos Then and Now: Toward a More Compassionate Tradition* Lulu.com Every year, right before Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, there is a cultural war in certain Jewish neighborhoods over a ceremony called Kapporos, in which a chicken is slaughtered just before the holy day. The animal rights people show up claiming, "Meat is murder!" while the Orthodox and Hasidic Jews who practice this ceremony accuse the activists of antisemitism and violating their freedom of religion. Epithets fly and confrontations occur across the barricades, but nobody is really listening to each other. Rabbi Gershom seeks to build a bridge of understanding between these two warring camps. On the one hand, he opposes using live chickens as Kapporos, and, like many other religious Jews before him, advocates giving money to charity instead. But on the other hand, he is himself a Hasid who understands and believes in the kabbalistic principle of "raising holy sparks" so central to the ceremony. In fact, he says, it is that very mysticism that has led him not to use chickens for the ritual. *Green Christianity Five Ways to a Sustainable Future* Fortress Press The central message of this book is that religion has a special role to play in saving the planet. Religion has the unique power to fire the imagination and empower the will to break the cycle of addiction to nonrenewable energy. The environmental crisis is a crisis not of the head but of the heart. The problem is not that we do not know how to stop climate change but rather that we lack the inner strength to redirect our culture and economy toward a sustainable future. Only a bold and courageous faith can undergird a long-term commitment to change. This book is a call to hope, not despair--a survey of promising directions and a call for readers to discover meaning and purpose in their lives through a spiritually charged commitment to saving the Earth. *Hebrews: An Earth Bible Commentary A City That Cannot Be Shaken* Bloomsbury Publishing In this new ecological commentary on the letter to the Hebrews, Jeffrey S. Lamp makes use of approaches developed in the relatively new field of Ecological Hermeneutics to shed light upon the connection of Hebrews with Earth. Hebrews is frequently characterized as portraying a dualistic cosmology that diminishes the material world, muting the voice of Earth. Conversely, Lamp argues that though Hebrews cannot be construed as an ecological treatise, the contours of the letter's presentation may be subverted by reading from an ecological perspective, such that cues provided by the author of Hebrews serve as opportunities to hear Earth's voice in the letter. Three movements, corresponding to thematic interests of the author of Hebrews, form the framework of this ecological reading: the Son as the agent of creation, the Son depicted as the Second Adam, and the New Jerusalem as the eschatological dwelling place of God. This ecological reading of Hebrews aims to shape its readers into those who fulfill the soteriological aims of God in and for the world. *A Cultural History of Peace in the Modern Age* Bloomsbury Publishing *A Cultural History of Peace* presents an authoritative survey from ancient times to the present. The set of six volumes covers over 2500 years of history, charting the evolving nature and role of peace throughout history. This volume, *A Cultural History of Peace in the Modern Age*, explores peace in the period from 1920 to the present. As with all the volumes in the illustrated *Cultural History of Peace* set, this volume presents essays on the meaning of peace, peace movements, maintaining peace, peace in relation to gender, religion and war and representations of peace. *A Cultural History of Peace in the Modern Age* is the most authoritative and comprehensive survey available on peace in the twentieth and twenty-first century. *The Oxford Handbook of Jewish Ethics and Morality* Oxford University Press For thousands of years the Jewish tradition has been a source of moral guidance, for Jews and non-Jews alike. As the essays in this volume show, the theologians and practitioners of Judaism have a long history of wrestling with moral questions, responding to them in an open, argumentative mode that reveals the strengths and weaknesses of all sides of a question. The Jewish tradition also offers guidance for moral conduct by individuals, communities, and countries and shows how to motivate people to do the good and right thing. *The Oxford Handbook of Jewish Ethics and Morality* is a collection of original essays addressing these topics--historical and contemporary, as well as philosophical and practical--by leading scholars from around the world. The first section of the volume describes the history of the Jewish tradition's moral thought, from the Bible to contemporary Jewish approaches. The second part includes chapters on specific fields in ethics, including the ethics of medicine, business, sex, speech, politics, war, and the environment. *Global Dictionary of Theology A Resource for the Worldwide Church* InterVarsity Press Theological dictionaries are foundational to any theological library. But until now there has been no *Global Dictionary of Theology*, a theological dictionary that presumes the contribution of the Western tradition but moves beyond it to embrace and explore a full range of global expressions of theology. The *Global Dictionary of Theology* is inspired by the shift of the center of Christianity from the West to the Global South. But it also reflects the increase in two-way traffic between these two sectors as well as the global awareness that has permeated popular culture to an unprecedented degree. The editorial perspective of the *Global Dictionary of Theology* is an ecumenical evangelicalism that is receptive to discovering new facets of truth through listening and conversation on a global scale. Thus a distinctive feature of the *Global Dictionary of Theology* is its conversational approach. Contributors have been called on to write in the spirit of engaging in a larger theological conversation in which alternative views are expected and invited. William A. Dyrness, Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, Juan F. Martinez and Simon Chan edit approximately 250 articles written by over 100 contributors representing the global spectrum of theological perspectives. Pastors, theological teachers, theological students and lay Christian leaders will all find the *Global Dictionary of Theology* to be a resource that unfolds new dimensions and reveals new panoramas of theological perspective and inquiry. Here is a new launching point for doing theology in today's global context. *Feminist Theologies Legacy and Prospect* Fortress Press * A brief and informed survey of women's studies in religion * Highlights the emergence of contextual feminist theologies * Contributors are the leading theologians in their field *Landscapes of the Song of Songs Poetry and Place* Oxford University Press In this masterful new study of the ancient poetry of the Song of Songs, Elaine T. James explores the Song's underlying interest in the natural world. Engaging with the fields of geography, landscape architecture, and literature, James critiques the tendency of scholars to reify a perceived dichotomy between "nature" and "culture" and instead argues that the poetic attention to landscape indicates an awareness of a viewer. Nature is here a poetic device that informs James's close-readings of agrarianism, gardens, cities, social control, and feminism and the gaze in the Song. With this two-fold emphasis on landscape and lyric, *Landscape of the Song of Songs* shows how the Song persistently envisions a world in which human lovers are embedded in the natural world, complexly enfolded in relationships of fragility and care. *Let There Be Light Modern Cosmology and Kabbalah: A New Conversation Between Science and Religion* New World Library In *Let There Be Light*, Howard Smith, a research astrophysicist and traditionally observant Jew, explores how modern scientific understandings of the cosmos complement Judaism's ancient mystical theology, the Kabbalah. He argues that science and religion are not only compatible, but that a healthy, productive dialogue between the two sheds light on ethics, free will, and the nature of life, while at the same time rejecting fundamentalist misinterpretation and the pseudoscience of creationism. Written for a general audience, yet supported by the most current and accurate scientific research, the book discusses topics such as modern quantum mechanics and mystical notions of awareness; how Kabbalah's ten sefirot mirror the developing phases of an inflationary universe; and the surprising parallels that exist between the Big Bang theory and Kabbalah's origin theory. Smith delves into complex ideas without resorting to jargon or mathematical equations, creating an intelligent, authoritative work accessible to all readers. *Laudato Si' On the care of the common home* Le vie della Cristianità *Laudato Si' is Pope Francis' second encyclical which focuses on the theme of the environment. In fact, the Holy Father in his encyclical urges all men and women of good will, the rulers and all the powerful on earth to reflect deeply on the theme of the environment and the care of our planet. This is our common home, we must take care of it and love it - the Holy Father tells us - because its end is also ours. Who Stole My Religion?: Revitalizing Judaism and Applying Jewish Values to Help Heal Our Imperiled Planet* Lulu.com In the five decades since Richard Schwartz first became a religious Jew, he has watched the mainstream Jewish community shift more and more to the Right, often abandoning the very values that originally attracted him to Orthodox Judaism. In this soul-searching book, Schwartz examines the ways in which he believes his religion has been "stolen" by partisan politics, and offers practical suggestions for how to get Judaism back on track as a faith based on peace and compassion. Tackling such diverse issues as U.S. politics, Israeli peace issues, the misuse of the Holocaust, antisemitism, U.S. foreign policy, Islamophobia, socialism, vegetarianism, environmentalism, Schwartz goes where many Jews fear to go -- and challenges us to re-think current issues in the light of positive Jewish values. (With photos, notes, action ideas, resource lists, and annotated bibliography. Also includes appendix materials with Rabbi Yonassan Gershom.) *Abundant Earth Toward an Ecological Civilization* In *Abundant Earth*, Eileen Crist not only documents the rising tide of biodiversity loss, but also lays out the drivers of this wholesale destruction and how we can push past them. Looking beyond the familiar litany of causes--a large and growing human population, rising livestock numbers, expanding economies and international trade, and spreading infrastructures and incursions upon wildlands--she asks the key question: if we know human expansionism is to blame for this ecological crisis, why are we not taking the needed steps to halt our expansionism? Crist argues that to do so would require a two-pronged approach. Scaling down calls upon us to lower the global human population while working within a human-rights framework, to deindustrialize food production, and to localize economies and contract global trade. Pulling back calls upon us to free, restore, reconnect, and rewild vast terrestrial and marine ecosystems. However, the pervasive worldview of human supremacy--the conviction that humans are superior to all other life-forms and entitled to use these life-forms and their habitats--normalizes and promotes humanity's ongoing expansion, undermining our ability to enact these linked strategies and preempt the mounting suffering and dislocation of both humans and nonhumans. *Abundant Earth* urges us to confront the reality that humanity will not advance by entrenching its domination over the biosphere. On the contrary, we will stagnate in the identity of nature-colonizer and decline into conflict as we vie for natural resources. Instead, we must chart another course, choosing to live in fellowship within the vibrant ecologies of our wild and domestic cohorts, and enfolding human habitation within the rich expanse of a biodiverse, living planet. *A Wild Faith Jewish Ways Into Wilderness, Wilderness Ways Into Judaism* Jewish Lights Publishing A spiritual primer on the organic partnership between wilderness and Judaism unravels the mystery of Judaism's connection to the natural world and offers ways for believers to enliven and deepen their spiritual life through wilderness experience. Original. *Biodiversity Conservation Ethics in Major Religions* AuthorHouse Covering three broader issues - biodiversity conservation, religious doctrine and environment - the book *Biodiversity Conservation Ethics in Major Religions* is the result of a unique approach. It attempts to initiate scientific discourse through the fabric of religions. Spread across 15 chapters, the book covers the essence of 10 religions on biodiversity, encompassing a wide range of issues related to conservation. The book promises to be a useful resource for biodiversity students, researchers and protected area managers and also for religious scholars who are invited to look at the broader themes of religions beyond theology. *The Environment and Christian Ethics* Cambridge University Press This book is about the extent, origins and causes of the environmental crisis. Dr. Northcott argues that Christianity has lost the biblical awareness of the interconnectedness of all life. He shows how Christian theologians and believers might recover a more ecologically-friendly belief system and life style. The author provides an important corrective to secular approaches to environmental ethics, including utilitarian individualism, animal rights theories and deep ecology. *The Gift of Creation Images from Scripture and Earth* Emerging Voices in Global Christian Theology Wipf and Stock Publishers There are some new voices emerging in Christian theological conversation these days. They do not speak with American or Western European accents, but reflect their settings in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Since they come from many places, the theological questions they ask are not ones we are used to in the West. They are as likely to speak of ancestor worship or political oppression as they are of church growth or evangelism. One thing is clear: we cannot listen to their cries of

hope (or despair) without being deeply moved. This book gives an opportunity to listen in to important conversations going on in different parts of the world. These Christian theologians do not respond to a common set of questions, but are setting their own agendas of theological discussion. With some general introductory comments, these pieces are meant to stimulate an appetite for further exploration. There seems little doubt that the major voices in theology in the next generation will share these non-western accents.

Getting to Know God An Introduction to Christian Theology Wipf and Stock Publishers This book is a journey of discovery into the fascinating world of Christian theology. Elisheva Mechanic begins an exploration into the question of what theology is and how we do theology. She introduces some of the early church fathers and tells their stories and what contribution they made to the development of theology and the "great tradition." This book gives a wide-ranging survey of Christian theology and encourages us all to get to know God better.

Plundering Eden A Subversive Christian Theology of Creation and Ecology Wipf and Stock Publishers Christian ecotheology runs the risk of making God himself a resource for human exploitation as a means to species survival. The world of climate change, soil depletion, and mass species extinction reveals a frightening conclusion—humans act as cosmic parasites. The problem is not with the world—talk of climate change blames the symptoms displayed by the victim—but with human epistemology. Humans are systematically incapable of rightly perceiving reality, and so must socially construct reality. The end of this epistemological problem is necessary ecological devastation by the development of civilization. In *Plundering Eden*, Wagenfuhr traces ecological problems to their root cause in the broken imagination, and argues that reconciliation with God the Creator through Jesus Christ is the only means to ecological healing through a renewed, kenotic imagination expressed in the creation of an alternate environment that reveals the kingdom of God—the ekklesia.

Ecological Footprints An Essential Franciscan Guide for Faith and Sustainable Living Liturgical Press The Franciscan Vision offers a powerful antidote to the moral malaise that prevents ordinary Christians from making the necessary choices to live more simply and share the world's goods more equitably. This is the driving conviction behind *Ecological Footprints*. Dawn M. Nothwehr unfolds the theological, spiritual, and ethical treasure trove of Christianity—especially as it has been developed and lived in Franciscan theology and tradition—as it relates to our efforts to achieve sustainable living. She succeeds admirably in presenting it all in a style that makes this book both accessible and compelling to no specialist readers.

Asian Christian Theology Evangelical Perspectives Langham Publishing Asian Christian Theology provides a survey of contextually reflective, robustly evangelical theology for students to engage with the core doctrines of Christianity and their outworking in different cultures across Asia. The contributors of the chapters come from all corners of Asia to systematically examine traditional doctrinal themes and contemporary concerns for the Asian church. Ideal for use as a companion textbook in Asian seminaries and institutions, this book will also provide excellent further reading for those outside of Asia seeking global theological perspectives, and for those in contexts of significant Asian diaspora. Many excellent books surveying theology exist, but this book is a major step forward for students and scholars seeking to understand the dynamic environment of evangelical theology in Asia.

The Ecology of the New Testament Creation, Re-Creation, and the Environment InterVarsity Press Mark Bredin opens contemporary ecological concerns to the teachings of Jesus. He shows how the New Testament gives us the moral bearings we need to respond to disturbing global trends such as the loss of biodiversity, deforestation, and the shortage of food and clean water.

Women and Judaism Praeger Contributors to *Women and Judaism* describe the many ways in which women are claiming a place in and changing the face of this ancient religion. • An introduction by Rabbi Malka Drucker • Suggestions for further reading