

Creation Care Resources Biblical reasons for creation care and a Christian response

There is a wealth of material available online relating to caring for creation – ranging from explaining the theological basis for creation care, to exploring creation care as integral to personal discipleship and growth, and its role in mission; and even practical eco-tips that followers of Jesus can adopt.

There is much to be inspired by: films, poetry, prayers, books, songs, articles, activities, Bible study guides, and children's resources are all available to suit the myriad ways of learning, growing and worshipping.

Not wanting to duplicate these, our simple aim here is to point you to these, and hope you find what you're looking for.

In the meanwhile we are looking to fill a gap and produce some resources with an Australian flavour and relevance. If this excites you and you have something to contribute to this – please get in contact with us at julia.jardine@arocha.org.

A Rocha International resources:

"At your service" https://atyourservice.arocha.org/en/

Marine plastics toolbox https://arocha.org/en/conservation/marine/plastics-toolbox/

A Rocha UK resources:

Ecochurch https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/resources/

Climate stewards <u>https://www.climatestewards.org/resources/useful-links/</u>

Short Films

Four 15-minute talks given by A Rocha international's Director of Theology, Rev.Dave Bookless, at the New Wine Netherlands Conference, 2020.

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https://atyourservice.arocha.org/en/all-of-life/

12 short films on Creation Care by the Lausanne Global Classroom (6 minutes each) Click on first one and it will take you to the other videos <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KqZ_4vZ1Lww&list=PLYGxDL2dvuo6myoWfGs-quOs-JXuc6IUO&index=1</u>

Creativenergie: Unlocking sustainable energy for abundant life. <u>https://creativenergie.co.uk/resources/</u>

Dr Katharine Hayhoe, a worldclass climatologist and an evangelical Christian has a series called Global Weirding that covers lots of issues related to Climate Change <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SpjL_otLq6Y</u>

Dr Katharine Hayhoe, Let Science Speak - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EV-loFFIwAA

Tearfund https://www.tearfund.org/campaigns/christianity-and-climate-change-film-series

Short films by Christian and mechanical engineer, Tom Bray, on different aspects of low-carbon lifestyle

https://www.lowcarbonlifestyle.online/

https://www.youtube.com/c/TomBray-LowCarbonLifestyle/videos

Books

Douglas J. Moo and Jonathan A. Moo *Creation Care: A Biblical Theology of the Natural World* (Zondervan, 2018)

Colin Bell, Robert S. White (eds.) *Creation Care and the Gospel: Reconsidering the Mission of the Church* (Hendrickson Publishers 2016)

Dave Bookless, Planetwise: Dare to Care for God's World (IVP, 2008)

Steven Bouma-Prediger, For the Beauty of the Earth: A Christian Vision for Creation Care (Baker Academic, 2001)

Claire Dawson & Dr Mike Pope A Climate of Hope: Church and Mission in a Warming World (UNOH Publishing, 2014)



Debbie, David and Jamie Hawker, *Change the Climate: A Resource for families and churches*, (Abington, UK: The Bible Reading Fellowship, 2021)

Ruth Valerio, *L is for Lifestyle: Christian Living that Doesn't Cost the Earth* (IVP, 2019)

Science and climate impact stories

ABC Climate Change and Torres Strait islands (10mins) <u>https://www.abc.net.au/7.30/climate-change-part-1:-how-climate-change-is/13309038</u>

Climate Council: What is Climate change & things we can do to reduce <u>https://www.climatecouncil.org.au/resources/what-is-climate-change-what-can-we-do/</u>

Worship songs relating to God as creator and creation

Songs worshipping God as creator and marvelling at the awesomeness of creation can be found at sites such as Resound Worship, Worship Together, SongSelect (CCLI), and Getty Music. Christian Concern for One World (CCOW) has also compiled a list of songs relating to creation. https://www.ccow.org.uk/suggestions-for-creation-care-hymns/

Doxecology is a new album of worship songs celebrating the wonder of creation. There is also a study guide and service plans. <u>https://www.resoundworship.org/projects/doxecology</u>