

# A Biblical Evaluation of ENCYCLICAL LETTER LAUDATO SI' ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME Prepared by Pope Francis, Cardinal Peter Turkson (of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace), his team and other editors

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The encyclical letter LAUDATO SI' was given at Saint Peters on 24 May, 2015. (1) In English the words LAUDATO SI' are translated "Praise be to you." Concerning this title in the Wikipedia article entitled *Laudato si'* we read, "The title of the social encyclical is from an Umbrian phrase <sup>[4]</sup> from Francis of Assisi's 13th-century "**Canticle of the Sun**" (also called the Canticle of the Creatures), a poem and prayer in which God is praised for the creation of the different creatures and aspects of the Earth." (2) This was the second encyclical given during the papacy of Jesuit Pope Francis.

**LAUDATO SI' is addressed to "every person living on this planet" (3.) The purpose of the encyclical is a global call to: 1) a new "ecological spirituality" (216.); 2) "a global ecological conversion" (5., 216.); 3) "a communitarian salvation" (149.) 4) "repent of the ways we have harmed the planet" [i.e., "Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us"] (1.-2., 8.); 5) "accept the world as a sacrament of communion" (9.); 6) experience "cosmic love" (236.); 7) achieve "universal reconciliation with every creature" or "with creation" (66., 218.); 8) "discover God in all things" (233.); 9) "a new and universal [global] solidarity between all peoples" (14., 172.); 10) "a universal awareness" (207.); 11) "universal communion" (89., 92.); 12) overcome "rampant [capitalist] individualism" and "the culture of [capitalist] consumerism" (162., 184., 208.); 13) "a genuine and profound humanism" (181.); 14) oppose "a tyrannical anthropocentrism unconcerned for other creatures" (68.); 15) "support policies and programmes of [U.N.] sustainable development" (192., 193.); 16) "a new synthesis" (121.); 17) "a global perspective" (164.); 18) "global society" (158.); 19) "move forward in a bold cultural revolution" (114.); 20) support "the subordination of private property to the universal destination [re-distribution] of (the world's) goods" (93., 158.); 21) establish systems of governance for the "global commons" (174.) 22) "bring about integral and timely disarmament" (175.) 23) "ecological citizenship" [or "planetary citizenship"] (211.); 24) support "a true world political authority" (173.-175.) Of course, all of this is for "the global common good" of the new "global society" [or global civilization] (158., 169.).**

This encyclical is rooted in the New Age, esoteric spirituality taught by Jesuit Roman Catholic priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J. (1881-1955). Teilhard's writings include "global civilization," "global evolution," "universal communion" "Omega Point," a "new synthesis," a "cosmic Christ," a "cosmic theology," a "cosmic love," cosmic humanism and religious universalism. Likewise, Teilhard taught that, "...no evolutionary future awaits anyone except in association with everyone else." [i.e., religious and political universalism] (3) This teaching is referred to as forced "solidarity."

**LAUDATO SI'** is a universal synthesis of religious and political beliefs, philosophies, ideas and ideologies. This document includes the following elements: 1) Religious and political universalism propagated by both the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and European Freemasonry; 2) Western Occultism 3) Roman Catholic theology; 4) Roman Catholic ecumenism 5) Anti-Capitalism 6) Global Socialism 7) Anti-America ideology 8) Jesuit–birthed liberation theology 9) Views of climate change scientists and organizations 10) Support of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) of United Nations Agenda 21 and United Nations Agenda 2030 11) Pro-life perspective of neo-conservatives 12) Deep ecology movement (“Gaia hypothesis”)

**LAUDATO SI'** is an appeal to all people of all religions, all political parties (including neo-conservatives) and all nations to unite for the “common” task of “saving” Mother Earth. The letter includes similar points of view found in the 1992 book entitled *Earth in the Balance: Ecology and the Human Spirit* by former Vice-president Al Gore. Gore's book introduced a radical green theology and climate change ideology which included population control, birth control, etc. The central message of Gore's book is that people must “reconnect” with Mother Earth and make the global environmental crisis “the central organizing principle” for creating a new global civilization. See the article entitled *An Evaluation of Earth in the Balance: Ecology and the Human Spirit* (1992 edition). (4) Whereas, **LAUDATO SI'** adds Roman Catholic theology and social teachings including the pro-life perspective of neo-conservatives.

In essence, **LAUDATO SI'** is a call to global environmental activism rooted in “ecological spirituality”, “economic [or “distributive”] justice” and a new, global “green theology” expressed in Roman Catholic religious terms. Moreover, in various texts it is a document which may be regarded as both pro-Global Socialism and anti-Capitalism. Both economic “systems” are presented in different terms. Capitalism is referred to as the system of current “global market economy.” The central elements of **Global Socialism** (including global planned and “controlled” economy, global collectivism, global social justice, global integration, global disarmament, government re-distribution of wealth, diminishing of personal property rights, open borders, etc.) are advocated without referring to them as “**Socialist**” goals. **Note that the authors of LAUDATO SI'** frequently use the word “common” in this document. Is it merely a coincidence that throughout the history of Marxism the word “common” is so commonly used in the writings of Marxist leaders?

Socialism is one step in the “development” of the Marxist State. I describe this ideology as Socialism / Communism because both German “Socialists” Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels used the terms “Communist” and “Socialist” interchangeably in their writings. Leon Trotsky referred to himself as “a revolutionary socialist.” Global Socialism is this same ideology applied on a global scale.

Moreover, Marxism / Socialism / Communism / Progressivism is a false philosophy applied to government and “economy” accurately described in Proverbs 1:10-19. This form of government is comparable to a gang of thieves saying, “*Come with us,...We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil [from the wealthy Capitalist nations]: Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:...*” (Proverbs 1:10-14). But Solomon warned, “*My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot*

***from their path: for their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood. Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird. And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives. So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which taketh away the life of the owners thereof.***” (Proverbs 1:15-19)

In addition, we should be aware that Global Socialists frequently quote the New Testament passages of Acts 2:44-45 and 4:32-35 out of their historical and biblical contexts in order to claim examples of “Communism” or “Socialism” being practiced by *Christians* in the early church. But a closer examination of these Bible texts demonstrates that early *Christians* were practicing voluntary generosity to their brethren who were facing the loss of their work, housing and other basic needs due to severe persecution by unbelievers (Acts 5-9, 1 Corinthians 16:1-3, 2 Corinthians 8-9). In the same biblical context of these passages the right to own private property was recognized by God and early Christians as clearly revealed in Acts 4:34-37; 5:1-4.

Early *Christians* were not Marxists / Communists / Socialists / Progressives. They were generous toward other believers because they were filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 4:31). Their hearts were full of God’s love, joy, peace, grace, mercy and kindness. They had the same mindset of the apostle John who taught, *“Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he [Jesus] laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world’s good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.”* (1 John 3:16-18)

In his 18 June 2015 article in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL entitled “Pope Blames Markets for Environment’s Ills” Francis X. Rocca reported, “Pope Francis in his much-awaited encyclical on the environment offered a broad and uncompromising indictment of the global market economy, accusing it of plundering the Earth at the expense of the poor and of future generations. In passionate language, the pontiff attributed global warming to human activity, blamed special interests for holding back policy responses and said the global North owes the South “an ecological debt.” (5)

Rocca added, “The pontiff goes on to argue that there is “an urgent need” for policies to drastically cut the emission of carbon dioxide and other gases and promote the switch to renewable sources of energy. **But the pope goes further by weaving his signature theme of economic justice and his vehement criticism of capitalism throughout the entire encyclical.** The document alternates between passages of almost apocalyptic moralizing and more-technical language, including practical proposals for alleviating environmental problems. Pope Francis opens the encyclical, which includes extensive sections on the theology of creation, with a lament for man’s sins against “Mother Earth”: “We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will. The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life.” (6)

Likewise, in THE NEW YORK TIMES article of 18 June, 2015 entitled “Pope Francis, in Sweeping Encyclical, Calls for Swift Action on Climate Change” we read, “**Pope Francis on Thursday called for a radical transformation of politics, economics and individual lifestyles to confront environmental degradation and climate change, blending a biting**

critique of consumerism and irresponsible development with a plea for swift and unified global action...Metropolitan John Zizioulas of Pergamon says that the environmental crisis is a “spiritual problem,” during a news conference on Thursday about Pope Francis’ encyclical on climate change...The proper relationship between humanity and the earth or its natural environment has been broken with the fall both outwardly and within us and this rapture constitutes what we call sin. **The church must now introduce in its teachings about sin, the sin against the environment, the ecological sin. Repentance must be extended to cover also the damage we do to nature both as individuals and as societies.”** (7)

Also, it should be of no surprise that in LAUDATO SI’ we observe some familiar elements of the Jesuit-birthered liberation theology interwoven with this new global green theology. For those unfamiliar with liberation theology, a brief overview may be helpful. Liberation theology was birthered and developed within the Society of Jesus (Jesuit Order of the Roman Catholic church) in the 1950’s and 1960’s by some Jesuit priests and professors. It is a synthesis of Roman Catholic social teachings with elements of Marxist Socialism and European Masonic Universalism. This new synthesis became known as liberation theology. Liberation theology is referred to as Catholic Socialism or Catholic Marxism. Global Socialism is this same ideology applied on a global scale.

Which elements are similar? For example, we find the call to “cultural revolution (114.),” “a preferential option for the poor” (158.),” a “new synthesis” (121.), “universal solidarity” (14., 172.) and “global society”(158.) in both contemporary political theologies. Likewise, we read of the necessity for social[ist] justice (157.); economic justice (re-titled “distributive justice”) (157.); re-distribution (re-titled “universal destination”) of “the world’s goods” to the poorer nations (93., 158.); “decreased growth” in developed nations while simultaneously re-directing economic investment and “healthy growth” to the poorer, developing nations (193.); and having “solidarity” with the poor (158.).

In both of these new, progressive theologies we see comments reflecting anti-Capitalism, a path toward Global Socialism, Religious Universalism, Political Universalism and global solidarity. The aim is “liberation” from Capitalist (re-titled “the current global system”) consumerism, political and social oppression. The biblical definition of sin is broadened and re-defined in both theologies so as to condemn those who oppose the new ideologies as selfish, unloving and apathetic to the needs of others. We must be “liberated” from Capitalist “anthropocentrism.”

In the 22 December 2016 article entitled “How Pope Francis Became the Leader of the Global Left” in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL Francis Rocca wrote, “When Pope Francis delivers his Christmas message this weekend he will do so not just as the head of the Catholic Church but as the improbable standard-bearer for many progressives around the world. With conservative and nationalist forces on the rise in many places and with figures such as U.S. President Barack Obama and French President Francois Hollande on their way out, many on the left—from **socialists** in Latin America to environmentalists in Europe—are looking to the 80-year-old pontiff for leadership.” (8)

Consequently, in our endeavor of evaluating LAUDATO SI’ the warnings of author and former Jesuit priest Malachi Martin, S.J. come to mind. His writings find new relevance in

our era. In Martin's book entitled *THE JESUITS The Society of Jesus and the Betrayal of the Roman Catholic Church*, he wrote about the "new Jesuit mission" set forth in the Working Paper of the "Jesuit national leadership project" of the 1960's. It includes "their intention to change the fundamental structure of America from that of a capitalist democracy" to a "new kind of society that cannot be "democratic capitalism as we know it." This movement for "transformation of the sociopolitical face of the West" was the outcome of "the strange alliance between Jesuits and Marxists" [i.e., liberation theology] birthed in Latin America. (9)

Liberation Theology has not only had a far reaching impact throughout Latin America, many in the United States have embraced it or been greatly influenced by it as well. Just how dangerous and evil are the teachings of Liberation Theology and the Jesuit propagation of it to government leaders, religious leaders, students and those with wealth? Martin observed, "...Arthur F. McGovern, S. J., is an outstanding and convinced apologist for the new Jesuit anticapitalism. In 1980, he published a book on the subject – *Marxism: an American Christian Perspective*...Quickly, scores of Jesuits began to work with the passion and zeal that has always been so typical of them, for the success of the Sandinocommunists in Nicaragua; and, when the Sandinistas took power, those same Jesuits entered crucial posts in the central government, and attracted others to join at various regional levels. In other Central American countries, meanwhile, Jesuits not only participated in guerrilla training of Marxist cadres, but some became guerrilla fighters themselves..." (10)

Furthermore, an even more chilling fact emerges as we gather additional data about the Jesuits. Martin noted, "Teilhard's thinking [i.e., Omega Point] had become part of the thinking of the intellectual leadership of the Society of Jesus...As Teilhard had filled the gap of scientific underpinnings for the new theology of George Tyrrell, S. J., so Liberation Theology – championed largely by Latin American Jesuits – provided a tangible objective for the new theories of Teilhard de Chardin, S. J.: the liquidation of capitalist and transnational (which is to say, American) economic imperialism. And those same Jesuits provided as well a real space in which to experiment with the installation and nourishment of the "new Humanity": every country in Latin America and the Third World." (11)

An example of this Global Socialist agenda of "the liquidation of capitalist and transnational economic imperialism" is observed on page 122 of LAUDATO SI'. We read, "We know that technology based on the use of highly polluting fossil fuels – especially coal, but also oil and, to a lesser degree, gas – needs to be progressively replaced without delay. Until greater progress is made in developing widely accessible sources of renewable energy, it is legitimate to choose the less harmful alternative or to find short term solutions. But the international community has still not reached adequate agreements about the responsibility for paying the costs of this energy transition..." (165.)

Since the United States of America is currently the world's leading producer of crude oil and natural gas, also #3 in coal production, submission to this Jesuit Roman Catholic

pope's encyclical would help bring the U.S. economy to incredible destruction. Many thousands of people would lose their jobs in the USA. In like manner, the implementation of this radical agenda on a global scale would bring about the loss of hundreds of thousands of more jobs. A multitude of people would be plunged into poverty and despair.

Whereas, it is truly "unethical" and dishonest to destroy people's lives in order to re-distribute the world's wealth and establish a new Socialist world government [i.e., "a true world authority"] under the guise of cleaning up the planet. Jesus said, "*The thief [i.e., Marxist / Socialist / Communist / Progressive] cometh not, but to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*" (John 10:10) Personally, I prefer the New Testament teachings of Jesus over the leftist, New Age "ecological spirituality" of the Vatican. A more sensible approach would be the real commitment and accountability of nation states and local communities to clean up their own lands. We should also continue to support development and implementation of technologies which are creating cleaner production and use of fossil fuels. Since they must live there, residents of local communities with fossil fuel industries can make a better difference by cleaning up their own communities.

Concerning helping those in poverty: We need not rob the rich in order to feed the poor. President Abraham Lincoln taught, "We do not enrich the poor by impoverishing the rich." Yet, this is precisely what Global Socialism would do. Thankfully, we find in the Holy Bible that our God loves the poor and is fully aware of their needs, sorrows and oppressions. Our Lord Jesus gave a promise to all who will seek and follow Him. This promise is just as relevant in the twenty-first century as it was when spoken by our Savior in the first century. Regarding our basic needs of food and clothing, Jesus taught, "*But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*" (Matthew 6:33 KJV) The question is: Do we have faith to believe that our *LORD* is still able to keep His promise to us in the twenty-first century?

In addition, we are following our *LORD's* example when we minister to those in poverty (Luke 6). The Scriptures have much to say about the poor and reveal our *LORD's* compassion toward them. In Psalm 9:18 King David proclaimed, "*For the needy shall not always be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall not perish forever.*" Likewise, David declared, "*Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.*" (Psalm 41:1) In Proverbs 19:17 we read, "*He that hath pity [compassion] upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.*" Thus, we find that it is pleasing to *Jehovah, the LORD God of Israel* to help the poor. We will be blessed of the *LORD* if we minister to those in poverty. We recognize the importance of serving the poor in Christ's name (Matthew 25:40).

**THE CENTRAL QUESTION IS: HOW DO WE BEST HELP THE POOR? 1) IT IS NOT A SIN TO BE POOR. 2) WE NEED NOT SELL OUR SOULS TO GLOBAL SOCIALISM IN ORDER TO FIND HELP FOR THE POOR. 3) GLOBAL SOCIALISM WILL CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS AND WORSE CONDITIONS IN THE LONG-TERM. 4) THERE IS A BETTER WAY. FOLLOWING OUR SAVIOR'S EXAMPLE IS BETTER. JESUS DID NOT SEEK**

**SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF THE PEOPLE BY FOLLOWING THE CONCEPTS OF GLOBAL SOCIALISM. JESUS DID NOT SEEK THE COUNSEL OF SOCIALIST LEADERS BECAUSE HE ALREADY KNEW WHAT WAS IN THEIR HEARTS (JEREMIAH 17:9-11, JOHN 2:23-25; 8:43-44; 10:10, 2 TIMOTHY 3:13).**

**WE CAN FIND NO BETTER EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW THAN THAT OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. HOW DID JESUS MINISTER TO THE POOR IN THE FIRST CENTURY? During His ministry on earth, our Lord Jesus ministered to the poor in five primary ways. They are: 1) Christ Jesus provided salvation to their souls [i.e., *gospel* proclamation]. 2) Jesus prayed for them [i.e., prayer support]. 3) Our Lord taught them [i.e., education]. 4) Christ counseled them [i.e., Biblical Christian counseling]. 5) Our Savior shared food with them [voluntary generosity to those in poverty]. This is how we should minister to people in poverty.**

While we wholeheartedly agree with the need for good, responsible stewardship of God's creation and maintaining clean energy, air, water and soil, as Bible-believing *Christians*, we respectfully disagree with the globalist "plan" presented in LAUDATO SI' for the following valid reasons:

1) Christian spirituality is different than "universal spirituality" or "ecological spirituality." Christian spirituality is based on a personal relationship with God our Father through personal faith in His resurrected, eternal Son - Christ Jesus (John 1:12-13; 3:1-7; 14:1-24; 17:1-3, Acts 4:12, 1 Timothy 2:5-6, Hebrews 7:25). We receive Christian spirituality by means of being spiritually "*born again*" of God's Spirit through personal faith in Jesus and His *gospel* message (Mark 1:14-15, John 1:12-13; 3:1-18, Romans 1:16-17; 10:8-14, 1 Corinthians 15:1-4). Jesus said, "...*repent...and believe the gospel.*" (Mark 1:15) The apostle John explained, "*But as many as received him [Jesus], to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.*" (John 1:12-13)

In addition, the apostle Paul proclaimed to *Christians* at Corinth, "*Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.*" (1 Corinthians 2:12) In this Bible text Paul clearly distinguished between "*the spirit of the world*" and "*the spirit which is of God.*" According to this text, as *Christians*, we are not to receive "*the spirit of the world.*" Rather, we are to receive "*the spirit which is of God.*" This refers to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is called "*the Spirit of truth*" who will guide us into "*all truth*" as revealed in John 16:13. The Holy Spirit indwells every born-again Christian (John 14:17-31, Romans 8:9-11, 1 Corinthians 3:16, 2 Corinthians 13:5, 1 John 2:26-27).

The Holy Spirit, however, is not living in the soul of an unsaved person. God is not the spiritual Father or source of "spirituality" of a human being who rejects Jesus and His biblical message of salvation. See John 3:36; 8:31-47, 1 Corinthians 12:13 and 1 John 3:10; 5:1-21. In Galatians 3:26 the apostle Paul wrote to *Christians* saying, "*For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.*" In the New Testament Jesus and His apostles did not teach that we are all children of God without faith in Christ Jesus. We

must each make the personal decision to put our faith in Jesus and His *gospel* message in order to become a genuine *“child of God”* (John 1:12) Consequently, according to the Holy Bible, there are two different spiritual families. 1) *God’s* spiritual family 2) The *Devil’s* spiritual family This means that there are two different kinds of “spirituality.” Therefore, in reality, “universal spirituality” is impossible in the spiritual realm. You either have *God’s* spirituality or you have the *Devil’s* spirituality.

Moreover, in 2 Corinthians 4:4 the apostle Paul identified *“the spirit of the world”* as *“the god of this world.”* He is a fallen angel (a spirit being) who reveals himself under various names. He is called “spirit of the age (or ages)”, “the god of this age”, “light-bearer”, *“the Devil”* or *“Lucifer”*). He blinds the minds of unbelievers to prevent them from believing the message of *“the gospel of Christ”* and being “saved” (John 3:16-18, Romans 1:16-17; 10:1). See also Isaiah 14:12-17 (KJV), Ezekiel 28:1-26, 1 Corinthians 3:18-23 and Revelation 12:1-17. Universal (or global) spirituality is referring to world spirituality. The spirituality of this world comes from *“the spirit of the world.”* The *“spirit of the world”* is *“the god of this world”* (also known in the Scriptures as *“the Devil”*, *“red dragon”*, *“Satan”* or *“Lucifer”*). Subsequently, according to the Holy Scriptures given by inspiration of God, world spirituality comes from “the god of this world” who is the Devil. Consequently, as authentic *Christians*, we must wholeheartedly reject “universal (or global) spirituality.”

By contrast, as Bible-believing *Christians*, we serve only the (singular) true and living *LORD God* of Israel. In John 17:14-19 our Lord Jesus taught His *disciples* that they were in the world but *“not of the world.”* Jesus prayed to God the Father concerning His followers. He said, *“I have given them thy word [The words of Jesus are recorded in the New Testament Scriptures.]; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.”* (John 17:14) Therefore, as Christ’s twenty-first century followers, we do not seek any form of “universal (or global) spirituality” of this world or age. This certainly includes New Age “ecological spirituality.”

2) Christian solidarity (or unity) is different than “universal solidarity” or “global solidarity.” In LAUDATO SI’ the authors declare, *“We require a new and universal solidarity.”* (14.) This is the same as saying that they require conformity to the leftist, New Age religious and political “universalism” of Jesuit Roman Catholic priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J. and “the plan” of the Jesuit Order. With all due respect, this looks like something we would read coming from the “Court of the Holy Office of the Inquisition” of the Roman Catholic church during the Middle Ages.

Whereas, there is a clear difference in the Holy Scriptures between the world’s false unity and the authentic, biblical *“unity”* which is produced by the Holy Spirit only among true believers *in Christ*. True Christian *unity* is centered in Christ Jesus and obedience to His teachings recorded in the New Testament Scriptures (John 17:1-17, Ephesians 4:1-32, Galatians 3:26-29).

But not all “unity” is from *Jehovah*. The *Devil* also has the ability to “unite” his people for a “common” cause. In the Scriptures we see examples of people being united in rebellion against God to disobey His commands and do evil works as in Genesis 11:1-4,

Matthew 27:1-2 and Mark 3:6. As *Christians*, we are warned and commanded by our Lord Jesus to, *“Take heed that no man deceive you.”* (Matthew 24:4-5) Therefore, we affirm that a unity with false spirituality, false teachings and false teachers is, and always will be, **A FALSE UNITY.**

3) *Christians* can be good stewards of our *LORD*'s creation without seeking to “reconcile (or re-connect) with Mother Earth” or “creation.” The earth is not a person or divinity. Moreover, true *Christians* do not embrace the pagan doctrine of Monism. The *Creator* and His *creation* are not the same (Romans 1:20-32). Consequently, we do not seek a spiritual “union” with Mother Earth.

Another important observation comes to mind. It is not “Mother Earth” “who sustains and governs us.” (1.) Rather, it is our omnipotent living *LORD God of Israel* who daily sustains and governs us (Psalm 103, 145-150, Acts 17:25-26, Colossians 1:13-18, Revelation 1:8). Mother Earth is not God. As a result, nowhere in the Bible are we taught that we have sinned against “Mother Earth” and therefore must be reconciled to it.

This fact leads us to one more question. How are human beings different than animals? Man was created “in the image of God (Genesis 1:26-27). Animals were not created “in the image of God.” This makes human beings different than animals. God created us with two additional parts: 1. A conscience (John 8:9, 2 Corinthians 4:2, 1 Peter 3:16-21). 2. An eternal soul that will live forever in Heaven or in the Lake of Fire (Eccl. 12:7, Matthew 10:28; 25:41-46, John 14:1-3, 1 Peter 1:4, Revelation 14:11; 20:10-15; 21:8).

As a result of being created with a conscience and an eternal soul, two additional facts emerge: 1. We are accountable to our *Creator* for all of our actions and attitudes (Acts 17:30-31, John 12:48, Hebrews 9:27, Revelation 20:10-15). 2. God has created us with a spiritual dimension that only He can fill (John 4:13-14, 1 Thessalonians 5:23). Thus, we correctly conclude that we need God in our lives. We need His salvation. We need His mercy, forgiveness, free gift of eternal life, grace, strength, peace, hope, comfort, wisdom, discernment, presence, provision and protection. We believe our God is wise enough and powerful enough to help those who diligently seek Him (Heb. 11:6).

Moreover, in the Holy Bible we discover the importance of being reconciled to God the Father through personal faith in His Son – Christ Jesus and His “*once for all*” sacrifice for our sins “*forever*” (Hebrews 10:10-14). We learn that Jesus came to the earth on a mission of love in order to reconcile people to God the Father (Romans 5:8-11, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Ephesians 2:11-22, Colossians 1:12-29). In Romans 5:8-11 the apostle Paul explained, *“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.”*

Therefore, there is no valid need to seek reconciliation with “Mother Earth.” “Mother Earth” is not our *God*. We have already reconciled to our one, true and living God “*forever*” through personal faith in our Lord Jesus and His one time death for our sins

(Romans 3:20-26, Hebrews 10:10-14, 1 John 2:1-2).

4) Nowhere in the Holy Bible are we instructed to seek a “union” or “solidarity” with creation or creatures. Whereas, this is a practice found in pagan New Age spirituality, Western Occultism, Spiritism and Animism. But our one, true living *LORD God* and *Creator* commands us not to worship, venerate, serve or seek a spiritual “union” with creation in place of Him. By contrast, the ancient ungodly pagans of the Babylonian Mystery Religion practiced a distorted, false “spirituality” and sought a mystical “union” with “Mother Earth,” the Sun, Moon and stars (Romans 1:20-32). Over the centuries, the essential elements of the religion of Babylon (worship of the sun god, priesthood, rites, symbols, customs, teachings) were preserved in the ancient *MYSTERY RELIGIONS* of Egypt, Persia, India, Greece and Rome. As a result, significant elements of the Roman Mysteries had their origin in this ancient, pagan Babylonian religious system.

Beginning in the fourth century during the reign of Emperor Constantine, many of the rites, symbols, teachings and customs of the *ROMAN MYSTERIES* were added to Christian teachings in a compromised mixture (creating “a new synthesis”) in the Roman Catholic church. **EMPEROR CONSTANTINE PRACTICED RELIGIOUS SYNCRETISM**. While professing to believe in the Christian God, he also venerated “the Unconquered Sun” (*Sol Invictus*). At the dedication of his “triumphal arch” in 315 A.D., Constantine honored the pagan goddess Victoria and had sacrifices given to the pagan Roman gods Apollo, Diana and Hercules. (12) Consequently, it is essential to remember that Romanism includes sun worship and pagan spirituality.

Whereas, according to the Holy Scriptures, sun worship is an act of idolatry. Likewise, earth worship is an act of idolatry. See Deuteronomy 4:19; 17:2-3; 18:9-14, 2 Kings 23:5, Jeremiah 8:2 and Ezekiel 8:15-18. The *LORD* our God commands, *“I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods before me. Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above [such as an image of Mary, a saint or an angel], or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.”* (Deuteronomy 5:6-10 KJV)

In addition to the previous commandment, which includes the prohibition of bowing down to an image of the sun or any other false god or serving and worshiping them, the *LORD (Jehovah)* God warns His people (Israel) of the consequences of practicing idolatry: *“If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his covenant, and hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded;...”* (Deuteronomy 17:2-3 KJV)

5) In the Scriptures we are taught to responsibly care for and protect our animals and our land (responsible stewardship). However, nowhere in the Holy Bible do we find “environmental degradation” regarded as a sin against God of which we must repent. In fact, to claim that this is sin is to create a new twenty-first century category of “sins” with no credible basis in God’s Word – the Holy Bible (2 Timothy 2:14-17). It is, in reality, to create a new religion – a New Age false religion.

6) Nowhere in the teachings of Jesus or His true, first-century apostles do we see a command to repent of “pollution” or a sin against the air, plants, birds or animals. In the Scriptures of truth *“sin is the transgression of the law”* (1 John 3:4). This refers to the eternal, moral law of God. God’s laws are His commands recorded in the Holy Bible (John 14:15-24, Romans 13:8-10, 1 John 2:3-5; 5:1-5). Sin is an action against God and against other human beings (Psalm 32:1-6; 51:1-11, Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15-18).

Whereas, pollution is an issue of practicing cleanliness. It is a matter of respecting God’s creation and being a good steward of His creation. We are right to oppose pollution because it is harmful to human beings, animals and plants. But pollution is not regarded as a sin in the Holy Bible. It is not right for us to re-define sin as it has already been clearly revealed to the *church* by special revelation from God in the God-inspired Holy Scriptures (1 Thessalonians 2:13, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:19-21). Furthermore, it is God, not a man, who determines what is sin and what is not sin. No pope, cardinal, bishop, pastor, church, angel or human being has a valid God-given right or authority to re-define “sin” or add a new category of “sin” to *the church* contrary to that biblical definition and teaching which God has already given to *“the saints”* in the first century recorded in the New Testament Scriptures (*“the faith which was once delivered unto the saints”* – Jude 3).

Along with the biblical teaching regarding sin, in the New Testament we receive *“the gospel of Christ”* (Mark 1:14-15, Romans 1:15-17, 1 Corinthians 15:1-4). *The* [singular] *gospel* is defined in 1 Corinthians 15:3-4. The apostle Paul proclaimed, *“For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:...”* (1 Corinthians 15:3-4) This is *the* [singular] *gospel* message which came to us not by a pope, but *“...by the revelation of Jesus Christ”* (Galatians 1:11-12). This is the same biblical message revealed from God by which we are *“saved”* (Romans 1:16). But nowhere in the teachings of Jesus or His first century apostles do we find *“the gospel of environmentalism.”* Those who are advocating the New Age *“ecological spirituality”* and *“green theology”* in LAUDATO SI’ are, in effect, claiming that they have a *“new revelation”* for *the church* and for all humanity.

Whereas, true *Christians* are not seeking a *“new revelation”* from God. God has already given us His supreme and complete *“revelation”* through His Son – Jesus Christ (Hebrews 1:1-3). Paul taught that *“Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners...”* (1 Timothy 1:15). The apostle did not teach that *“Christ came into the world to save Mother Earth.”* Subsequently, those who are advocating the new revelation of *“ecological spirituality”* and *“green theology”* presented in LAUDATO SI’ must avoid becoming the

source of a new “gospel of environmentalism” for many people. This new gospel may easily divert people away from the true, biblical message of “*the gospel of Christ*” which can eternally save their souls from sin. See 2 Corinthians 11:3-4 and Galatians 1:6-10.

Moreover, Jesus commanded His *disciples* to go and “*preach the gospel to every creature* [meaning to every human being]...” and to make *disciples* of Christ by “*Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you...*” (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16). But nowhere among the commands of Christ in the New Testament do we find a command to go and make environmental activists in all nations. We do find a command of Jesus given to His *disciples* to “*beware...of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees*” which includes “*teaching for doctrines the commandments [or opinions] of men*” in place of “*the commandment of God.*” (Matthew 16:6-12, Mark 7:7-9).

Also, Pope Francis is not God in human flesh as was our Lord Jesus Christ (Isaiah 9:6, Matthew 1:23, John 1:1; 8:58-59; 10:30; 20:28, Titus 2:13, Hebrews 1:1-14, Revelation 1:8). Subsequently, we believe that the teachings or views of a denomination, Roman Catholic pope, cardinal or bishop are not equal in authority with the teachings of the one, true “*head [singular] of the church*” - Christ Jesus (Ephesians 5:23-24, Colossians 1:17-19). Christ’s true teachings are already recorded in the New Testament. As a result, we conclude that our Lord Jesus is not the true spiritual source of the New Age, esoteric spirituality presented in LAUDATO SI’. This encyclical is, in reality, a new, man-made theology / ideology.

7) Nowhere in the Holy Bible are we taught to love “Mother Earth,” “plants,” “birds” or “animals.” In the Scriptures we are taught to love God and love people (Matthew 22:34-40). In addition, we are taught to care for our animals. In Proverbs 12:10 we read, “*A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast [animal]: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.*” In like manner, the apostle Paul exhorted, “*For it is written in the law of Moses, Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?*” (1 Corinthians 9:9). Also, according to Exodus 23:12 our animals should be given rest on the Sabbath day. But this is as far as the Holy Scriptures address this issue. We may respect creation without engaging in the love and worship of nature.

8) In LAUDATO SI’ several of the Scriptures cited are twisted out of their historical, biblical contexts by the authors in order to fit the new twenty-first century environmental ideology. Whereas, in 2 Timothy 2:15 *Christians* are instructed to rightly use and correctly interpret the Holy Scriptures. We are warned against careless misinterpretation or twisting the Scriptures out of their contexts in order to support the false philosophies and erroneous opinions or theories of people (2 Peter 3:16). In LAUDATO SI’ several Scriptures are misinterpreted and twisted out of their contexts in order to support New Age “ecological spirituality” and the new “green theology.”

For example, in LAUDATO SI’ Revelation 12:1 is misinterpreted as referring to Mary in place of Israel or *the church*. In like manner, Mary is portrayed as “the Mother and Queen of all creation.” (241.) This is clearly Mariolatry. These words exalt Mary to the status of

being a female goddess to be worshipped and to whom we pray. But, as true, Bible-believing Christians, we do not pray to Mary. Mary is not our God or our Mediator in the presence of God the Father. In fact, nowhere in the Holy Scriptures do we find instructions to pray to God our Father or to our Lord Jesus in the name of Mary.

Whereas, according to the Scriptures of truth, our Lord Jesus is *the* [singular] *mediator* between God the Father and mankind (John 14:6, Acts 4:12, 1 Timothy 2:5-6, Hebrews 7:25). The apostle Paul proclaimed, *“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.”* (1 Timothy 2:5-6) Moreover, our Lord Jesus taught His true disciples to pray to God the Father *“in my name”* no less than six times in John chapters 14-16 (John 14:13-14; 15:16; 16:23-26). Therefore, in obedience to the very clear instructions of our Lord Jesus to His first century followers, it is to God our Father that we must present our prayers in the name of His eternal Son - Jesus.

Additionally, according to the Scriptures, there is only one LORD of all creation – Jehovah God. The worship of *“the queen of heaven,”* “perpetual virgin” or “Mother goddess” was the idolatrous practice of ancient paganism not genuine Christianity. See Jeremiah chapters 7-8 and 44. Whereas, in Psalm 96:5 Jehovah declares, *“For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the LORD [YHVH] made the heavens.”* Subsequently, in 1 Corinthians 10:14 Christians are clearly commanded to *“flee from idolatry.”*

Similarly, in LAUDATO SI’ on pages 51-52 Genesis 4:9-11 is portrayed as meaning that Cain “ruptured” his relationship with “the earth” by killing his brother. In like manner, Genesis 6:5-6 is viewed as Noah “recovering and respecting the rhythms inscribed by nature”. This Bible text says nothing about “rhythms inscribed by nature”. The authors forced their own opinion on the text. Additionally, on page 53 Leviticus 25:10 is said to mean that “the gift of the earth with its fruits belong to everyone”. Of course, this interpretation supports the “collective ownership of the earth” by “everyone” [i.e., Global Socialism]. Similarly, Leviticus 25:23 is taken out of its biblical context to support the claim in the previous sentence against “absolute ownership” or the right to control the use of private property by owners.

9) To teach a new “green theology” and “ecological spirituality” to *Christians* is to add a new theology (a new doctrine) to *“the faith which was [only] once delivered unto the saints”* in the first-century (Jude 3). It is to change the Christian faith to conform to the social[ist] views of sinful humanity. Whereas, *“the faith”* (the body of teachings of Jesus and His true apostles recorded in the New Testament Scriptures) was only once delivered to *the saints* in the first century. *“The faith”* is not an evolving theology to which we may add new theologies or blend it with the false philosophies of this world to create *“a new synthesis”* (such as a new green theology) when so desired. The true Christian *faith* does not “change” in order to conform to man’s “social development” or erroneous, new philosophical views.

Now this biblical truth is absolutely essential to our having an accurate understanding of Christian doctrine. Was *“the faith”* truly only once delivered to *“the saints”* in the first century, or is *“the faith”* an evolving theology (“progressive theology”) to which we may

add new theologies? We choose to side with Jude 3. *Church* leaders in the twenty-first century have no God-given right to change or add to “*the faith*” which was only once delivered to *the saints* by Christ Jesus in the first century.

10) The apostle Paul proclaimed, “...*where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*” (2 Corinthians 3:17). By contrast, the forming of a “global society” and “a true world political authority” will help prepare the way for the rise of the prophetically foretold *antichrist* and his totalitarian global regime (Revelation 13). In effect, this is precisely what the global “plan” of LAUDATO SI’ does. On page 122 the authors proclaim, “Interdependence obliges us to think of one world with a common plan”. (164.) Of course, they fail to mention that leftists in the Vatican have worked for many years to help create the “interdependence.”

Whereas, no authentic *Christian* should have a part in helping the global *antichrist* rise to power. In Revelation chapter 13 God warns us through the apostle John of a time to come when a global leader known as “*the beast*” (called “*antichrist*” in 1 John 2:18) will be in “control” of a global, totalitarian government system of banking and economy in which all “global citizens” will be required by law to take a global, economic “*mark*” in order to “*buy or sell.*” Those who receive this global, economic “*mark,*” whether in the form of a seal, microchip, QR code or other method, will be sealing the eternal perdition of their souls. See Daniel 7:23-28; 9:27; 11:30-39 and Revelation 14:9-12; 18:1-6.

Genuine believers in Christ Jesus will reject the *antichrist*’s global “*mark,*” rule and global, totalitarian system of government, banking and economy. How close are we to the rise of this prophetically foretold global government system of banking, economic “control” and rule of the *antichrist*? Read Revelation chapters 13-19 in order to fully understand what is coming. See the 2019 article entitled “*Just say NO! to Lucifer’s totalitarian plan of a global “cashless” society*” at: [instituteofbiblicaldiscipleship.com](http://instituteofbiblicaldiscipleship.com)

Each person has a choice. It is a decision to serve our *Lord Jesus* or to serve *the Devil* and his coming *antichrist*. You may choose to be a citizen of Heaven by faith in *Christ Jesus* or a “world citizen” of the coming world government of *the antichrist*. Choose Heaven or Hell. Choose freedom or global slavery and tyranny. As for me and my house, we choose *Jesus, Heaven and freedom.* We choose to praise, follow and serve our Lord Jesus Christ in God-given *freedom.* We will not serve or worship the global *antichrist* of Revelation 13-19. Furthermore, we refuse to be made deceived slaves living in blind social conformity to the *antichrist*, a satanic world government or a totalitarian globalist system of “control” of finances and economic development.

11) On page 46 of LAUDATO SI’ the author(s) write, “The Catholic Church is open to dialogue with philosophical thought; this has enabled her to produce various syntheses between faith and reason.” The development of the Church’s social teaching represents such a synthesis with regard to social issues; this teaching is called to be enriched in taking up new challenges.” (63.) Jesuit-trained Professor Adam Johann Weishaupt, who was professor of civil law at the Jesuit University of Ingolstadt and founder of the Illuminatenorden, could not have possibly stated it any better.

In clear contrast, the apostle Paul warned authentic *Christians*, “Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him [Jesus], which is the head [singular] of all principality and power:...” (Colossians 2:8-10 KJV)

From her origin in the fourth century during the reign of Emperor Constantine, the “Roman” Catholic church has practiced the “Hegelian dialectic” of “change” concerning the teachings and practices of Christianity and paganism. The Hegelian dialectic, as stated by Heinrich Moritz Chalybaus, includes three stages of evolution:

1) There is a thesis (a teaching, concept, or theory). 2) There is a reaction to the thesis called an antithesis. 3) The tension created by the clash of the thesis and antithesis results in an effort to reconcile the differences. This compromise or solution is known as a synthesis. (13) It is very important to observe that THE NEW SYNTHESIS INVOLVES A CHANGE FROM THE THESIS. But our *LORD* declares, “For I am the LORD, I change not;...” (Malachi 3:6) In Hebrews 13:8 we read, “Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.” This Bible text clearly indicates that our Lord Jesus does not change.

When applied to Christian morality, doctrinal beliefs and practices in the church, the Hegelian principle is disastrous. Why? Because this is a satanic, evolutionary, false philosophy of the world that results in blending and compromise. It presupposes no thesis such as an eternal doctrinal truth or moral absolute (via special revelation from God) which cannot be changed. Thus, the Hegelian dialectic applied to Christianity undermines belief in “*sound doctrine*” and obedience to the Scriptures (John 14:15-24).

For example, in the teachings of the Scriptures we have God-breathed, eternal truth by means of special revelation (John 17:6-17, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:19-21). We are instructed by Jesus to continue in His Word – the teachings of Christ recorded in the New Testament (John 8:31-32; 17:6-17). We do not need to reconcile biblical truth with the false teachings and philosophies of the world in order to win people to Christ Jesus. This blend creates theological relativism (2 Timothy 4:1-4).

Likewise, in the Scriptures we find moral absolutes - God’s commands. If we attempt to reconcile the *LORD*’s moral instructions with the disobedient theories, practices and lifestyles of unbelievers, we create moral relativism. For genuine *Christians*, there is no compromise between obedience to God and disobedience to God. We have no desire to blend obedience with disobedience. The two concepts cannot be reconciled.

In contrast to the Roman Catholic model, our Lord Jesus and His first century apostles strongly refuted attempts to SYNTHESIZE OR ASSIMILATE pagan philosophies, priesthood, rituals, teachings, symbols and customs with Christianity. This is made clear in the teachings of Christ and the apostles recorded in the New Testament Scriptures (Acts 15:27-29; 21:25, Rom. 16:17-19, 2 Cor. 6:14-18; 11:1-15, Col. 2:8-10, Eph. 4:14-24; 5:11, 2 Pet. 2:1-22, 1 Jn. 4:1-6, 2 Jn. 1-9, Rev. 2:6; 2:14-16).

Therefore, following the example of our Lord Jesus Christ and His first-century apostles, we choose not to compromise or synthesize our biblical beliefs and Christian

morality with man's false philosophies in order to please those living in disobedience to God and His instructions recorded in the Holy Scriptures (2 Peter 3:17-18).

Moreover, the message of "universal solidarity" is not limited to the writings of the Vatican and the Jesuits. The influence of the teachings of religious and political universalism found in Freemasonry is far reaching. For example, consider the writings of H. G. Wells. Inspired by Darwinism, Fabian Socialism and the Theosophy of Freemason, Fabian Socialist, Theosophist Annie Besant and Freemason, Theosophist Helena Blavatsky, H. G. Wells wrote the book entitled *THE NEW WORLD ORDER* which was originally published in 1940. This esoteric doctrine of the creation of a "New World Order" had a tremendous impact on key leaders in the West, throughout the twentieth century. These include U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt, Vice-President Henry Wallace, President Richard Nixon, President George Bush and many other leaders. In fact, during the past eight decades, Well's book has been used as a practical blueprint for the incremental global establishment of the "New World Order."

Several years prior to the founding of the "United Nations", Mr. Wells, who was a British Socialist and very influential author of the twentieth century, advocated in this book: 1) "the World State" in Chapter 12; 2) a "United States of the World" in Chapter 7; 3) a "great synthesis of nations" in Chapter 11; 4) "a secular movement toward a single world order" in Chapter 11; 5) "world community" in Chapter 10; 6) "a new world order" in Chapters 8, 10, 11, 12; 7) "world socialism" in Chapters 8, 10; 8) "world citizenship" in Chapter 12; 9) "new world money" in Chapter 12; 10) "world collectivization" in Chapters 4, 7, 10, 11; 11) "internationalism" in Chapter 12; 12) "socialization" in Chapter 12; 13) "collective unity" in Chapters 11, 14; ) self-realization" in Chapters 7, 12; 15) "international policeman" term used three times in Chapter 7; 16) "disarmament police" found twice in Chapter 12; etc. (14)

Keep in mind that Mr. Wells and other Fabian Socialists were influenced by the teachings of Freemason, Fabian Socialist, Theosophist Annie Besant who aided Helena Blavatsky in writing the *The Secret Doctrine*. This work advocates the esoteric theory of seven "spiritual races" – a "*doctrine of devils*" embraced by Adolf Hitler and other deceived students of esotericism. (15)

Also, in the 1992 book entitled *Earth in the Balance - Ecology and the Human Spirit* by former Vice-President Al Gore we find the same destructive philosophy of Jean-Jacques Rousseau revived with elements of Monism, Universalism and the global Omega Point vision of Jesuit Roman Catholic priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin. (16) Author Dennis Cuddy has prepared a chronology of quotes which identify proponents of the New World Order and show its development. For the complete list log on to <http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-rlc/1145562/posts>

12) Thousands of credible scientists have rejected the current "Progressive" climate change ideology. For example, see the enlightening video presentation entitled "The Global Warming Myth" by Dr. Noah Robinson of the Oregon Institute of Science and Medicine at <http://www.oism.org/> Also, see the e-book entitled *Confessions of a Climate*

***Scientist: The Global Warming Hypothesis is an Unproven Hypothesis* by Mototaka Nakamura (17)**

In the 12 December, 2019 article entitled “100 scientific papers: CO2 has miniscule effect on climate” we read, “Increasing evidence destroys primary claim of alarmists. Within the past few years, more than 50 papers have been added to a compilation of scientific studies that refute the primary claim of climate-change activists that CO2 causes global warming. The papers compiled by the NoTricksZone website, now numbering 106, find that CO2 has a miniscule effect on climate. Words such as “negligible” are used to describe CO2's effect on the climate...

...A 2019 paper, for example, noted that the “enhancement of the atmospheric greenhouse effect due to the increase in the atmospheric greenhouse gases is often considered as responsible for global warming.” But the analysis by Costas Varotsos and M.N. Efstathiou of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens “did not show a consistent warming with gradual increase (in CO2) in low to high latitudes in both hemispheres, as it should be from the global warming theory.” “Based on these results and bearing in mind that the climate system is complicated and complex with the existing uncertainties in the climate predictions, it is not possible to reliably support the view of the presence of global warming in the sense of an enhanced greenhouse effect due to human activities,” the researchers write.” (18)

Likewise, in the 20 September 2006 article entitled “Human- Caused Global Warming Slight So Far” by Meteorologist Michael J. Oard we read, “...There are also a number of scientists who believe global warming, so far, has been slight. They believe the doomsayers have not proven their case for the expected huge temperature increase for a doubling of carbon dioxide, and that increased carbon dioxide may have a net beneficial effect.” Read this excellent article at: <http://www.answersingenesis.org/environmental-science/climate-change/human-caused-global-warming-slight-so-far/>

In fact, so far, more than 31,000 scientists have signed the Oregon Petition Project which affirms: “There is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other green house gases is causing or will, in the foreseeable future, cause catastrophic heating of the Earth’s atmosphere and disruption of the Earth’s climate.” See petition at: <http://www.oism.org/pproject/s33p37.htm>.

Thankfully, there is hope on planet Earth. Our hope is in the *LORD*. We are reminded of God’s promise in Genesis 8:22. Our *LORD* said, “*While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.*”

Furthermore, we find it difficult to believe in the credibility of a religious institution, the Roman Catholic church, which has helped incite, plan, counsel and decree the murder of more 50 million Protestants, Ana-Baptists, Baptists and Jews in her [un]holy inquisitions, [un]holy wars, massacres and assassinations over the centuries. (19) (20) (21) (22) (23) (24) (25) (26) (27) (28) (29) (30) (31) (32) (33) (34) See Revelation 19:1-3.

We find it impossible to embrace the claim of “moral authority” of a religion guilty of centuries of mass murder, sexual abuse of many thousands of children by her clergy,

systematic cover up of these crimes, aiding Nazi war criminals escape to other countries at the end of WW2, financial scandals [Banco Ambrosiano] and numerous other crimes against humanity, etc. For additional information concerning this subject see the book entitled *Vatican Influence: The Other Side of the Roman Catholic Church Unveiled*. (35)

In conclusion, miniscule climate change or not, nobody in their right mind would want to help establish a totalitarian, global government of Globalist elites (an oligarchy of the arrogant) in “control” of all human activity, bodies of land and water, wildlife, industries, etc. in his or her nation [i.e., U.N. Agenda 21 and U.N. Agenda 2030]. (36) (37) (38) (39) (40)

If “Progressives” and “Global Socialists” sincerely desire to live under the kind of despotic “control” proposed in U.N. Agenda 21 and U.N. Agenda 2030, let them move to North Korea or Vatican City. But, as for us, we choose to live in *freedom*. Let us clean up our own communities. We do not need your New Age, esoteric “ecological spirituality,” new “green theology” or your invalid and unwanted totalitarian, global rule. God’s Word – the Holy Bible is still our standard of truth in the twenty-first century. We choose King Jesus and obedience to His eternal Word. The apostle Paul warned true *Christians*, “*If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be A-nath-e-ma Mar-an-a-tha.*” (1 Corinthians 16:22 KJV) Respectfully, Nolan McFadden

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