

This is My Father's World

“The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.”

Psalm 24:1

Today's Simple truth:

Don't take for granted what you cannot live without.

1. The Gospel and our Planet

A. This is our Father's World

Genesis 1

Job 38-41

Psalm 24

Romans 1:20

Isaiah 6:2

B. Paradise Lost

Romans 8:19-21

C. The Environmental Implications of Salvation

2. Some Statistics We Need to Know

A. Consumption

Miles you drive a year _____

Divided by miles per gallon _____

Total Gallons of gasoline used _____

Times 20 pounds of CO₂/gallon _____

B. Solid Waste Production

C. Global Warming

3. Taking Care of Our Father's World

A. Recognize This is Our Father's World

B. What can we do?

Reduce

Recycle

Reuse

*This is My Father's World, and to my listening ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.*

—Maltbie D. Babcock

Prayer: *Help us as a church and as individual Christians to treasure what You have given us in this planet, to be mindful of ways to conserve, reduce, and recycle. Help us to care for your world. Amen.*