



Stewardship of Creation: Reflection Questions

1. What are some choices we make (as a church/church leaders/individuals-congregation members) that affect creation, human and non-human?
2. How do our choices we make (as a church/church leaders/individuals-congregation members) affect creation, human and non-human?
3. Do we live at the expense of others or in consideration of others?
4. Do we consume at the expense of others, or do we take others into consideration?
5. Eating: are these merciful, humane, and sustainable choices? Do the choices we make in relation to the food we eat that reflect good stewardship of the land and the animals?
6. Material consumption: sustainable? Excessive? Need-based? Want-based? Do the choices we make in relation to the things we buy help embody the higher principles of stewardship of creation and reflect concern for those who produce these goods (fair wages, good work environment, etc).
7. Are you, as a person of faith, a member of the corporate body of Christ, willing to pay more so that others are justly rewarded for an honest day's work?
8. Are you, as a person of faith, a member of the corporate body of Christ, willing to pay more so that others can be better stewards of the land they work; the land that sustains them and us?
9. Are you, as a person of faith, a member of the corporate body of Christ, willing to do with less so that our neighbors' and future generations' lives will not be compromised, in some cases severely, by global climate change?
10. What structures/systems do our choices support?
11. What impacts (social/environmental: land, air, ecosystems, animals) do these structures have?
12. Everything we say and do, every choice we make provides ourselves and others insight about our relationship with God – the depth and vitality of that relationship; and how deeply infused with love that relationship is with God and God's handiwork. What do our lives and choices say/reveal about ourselves and what we understand our relationship to God to be?
13. Does the evidence of our lives testify/bear witness that we are being good stewards of creation?
14. How have we lived as good stewards?
15. How have we failed or been blind?
16. Where can we expand our roles, consciously choosing to overcome our inertia and reluctance to change?
17. What could you do? What will you do? What won't you do and why not?
18. Do you spend time with nature?
19. Do you sense the sacredness of creation when you are out in nature?