

Seven Foundations of a Just, Sustainable World

The Seven Foundations are from the Better World Handbook.



1. **Economic Fairness**—would strive to meet every person's basic needs.
2. **Comprehensive Peace**— would shift its creative energies toward cooperating rather than competing, resolving rather than escalating conflict, seeking justice.
3. **Ecological Sustainability**—would create a new vision of progress that recognizes the future depends upon the ability to live in harmony and balance with our natural world.
4. **Deep Democracy**— would empower citizens to participate every day and provide quality access to information.
5. **Social Justice**—where everyone receives respect and equal access
6. **Simple Living**—would encourage every person to find meaning and fulfillment in their true passion, relationships and authentic living rather than material possessions.
7. **Revitalized Community**—would create healthy and caring environments to celebrate, share values, value diversity and support each person's physical, emotional, and spiritual needs.

Choosing Creation: Exploring the Roots of Liberation & Empire- with Rusa Jeremic. Five Oaks, Paris ON Nov. 19-20, 2010



Explore your relationship to creation, and the obstacles to that relationship

<http://www.fiveoaks.on.ca/>

The John English Symposium: Reflections on Ecological Christianity and the New Cosmology- Where is Jesus in this?

with Maureen Wild, S.C. and Jim Profit S.J.
Nov. 12 to 16, 2010 at Loyola House, Guelph
<http://www.ignatiusguelph.ca/>



" The new cosmology calls us to re-examine what it means to be Christian in relationship to all creation. The story of Jesus is an integral part of the story of the cosmos and Earth ... Attuned to the signs of our particular time of planetary awareness, and conscious we live within a sacred universe, what might be our experience of 'Christ presence' in the world today?"



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Green Work



*Our Creator invites us to
celebrate creation...
...which means to care about and
for the earth & all that lives...*

*This work is vital!
This work is now!
This work belongs to all of us!*

The Tao of Liberation: Exploring the Ecology of Transformation

Mark Hathaway and Leonardo Boff

(Maryknoll: Orbis, 2009)



“As we reach a crossroads in the history of humanity, readers will find in this book a wealth of ideas and deep insights about the fundamental shift in human consciousness and the radical transformations in our world that are now required.” (Fritjof Capra xix)

“There was an unquestioning assumption that future generations would live to walk on Earth... That certainty no longer exists. Its loss is “the pivotal psychological reality of our time.” This pain evokes a fear so great that it is more properly called terror, or even dread. Yet most of us never speak of this reality. It is too painful. We retreat instead into denial.” (92) ... Humans in industrialized cultures ...are now in some sense homeless...we have lost an all-encompassing story that gives us a sense of place in the world. The universe has become a cold and hostile place... this has profound implications for the human spirit... (136) But what if ...?...How might a shift in our perceptions and beliefs create new possibilities that we have never before been able to conceive?” (138)

Podcasts & downloads from Speaking of Faith with Krista Tippett

American Public Media



<http://speakingoffaith.publicradio.org/programs/>

Land, Life and the Poetry of Creation

with Ellen Davis and Wendell Berry. “Biblical scholar Ellen Davis is helping to shape a new approach to thinking about human domination of the Earth and its creatures. With her friend, the farmer and poet Wendell Berry, they speak to our collective grief at destruction of the natural world and nourish a “chastened” yet “tenacious” hope.” (see archives 06/10)



The Art of Peace with John Paul Lederach.

“John Paul Lederach describes what really happens when people transcend violence while living in it, and so find the moral imagination to live beyond it. Also, stories you've never heard in the news – from Colombia, Nepal, Tajikistan, Sierra Leone, Northern Ireland, and Burma.” (see archives 07/10)



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with Joanna Macy

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The Great Turning

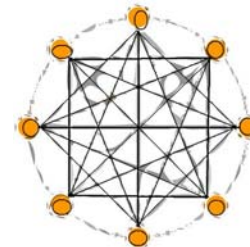
The Ecological Self

Systems View of Life

The Gifts of the Ancestors

The Seventh Generation

Goals and Resources for the Great Turning



Joanna Macy

is an eco-philosopher, teacher, mother, writer, Buddhist scholar and respected voice in the peace, justice and ecology community. This workshop series offered free online is connected to her book [Coming back to Life: Practices to reconnect our lives, our world.](#)