

<b>Biblical Healing of the Land</b>	<b>vs.</b>	<b>Environmentalism as a Religion</b>
Based on personal and corporate repentance II Chronicles 7:14.		Tends to accuse and to blame others
Produces reconciliation and unity within the spheres of communities that do the process		Tends to create alienation and conflict between different interest groups
Looks to God to heal the land where there is humility and acceptance of responsibility		Looks to government to pass laws and to force change that by-passes human freewill
Human mechanism is freewill and personal responsibility at the community level		Human mechanism is coercion and force, with responsibility at the state level
The environment is to be stewarded by human beings wisely. Humans and the environment are <i>connected</i> but <i>distinct</i> .		Human beings <i>are</i> the environment, with <i>no distinction</i> between humans, animals. and non-personal substance.
Animals and plants are the Creator's provision for needed food and sustenance		Animals, plants and Mother Earth are sometimes seen as more sacred and valuable than humans.
Nature is to be managed, stewarded and shared without polluting, exploiting or wasting.		Nature is to be revered as sacred, not managed. Mother Earth gives and takes all life. Gaia controls all things.
Nature is to be redeemed from its present state of bondage to death, futility and decay.		Nature in its fallen state will always be in charge, and will always subject every living thing to death and to decay.
The basic building blocks of the universe are persons, beginning with a personal Creator.		All persons came out of impersonal substance which predates human persons, and is therefore more sacred and valuable than human persons.
The worship of the Creator who is a Person and personally knowable.		The worship of the Creation and of Nature which is impersonal and limited to naturalism.