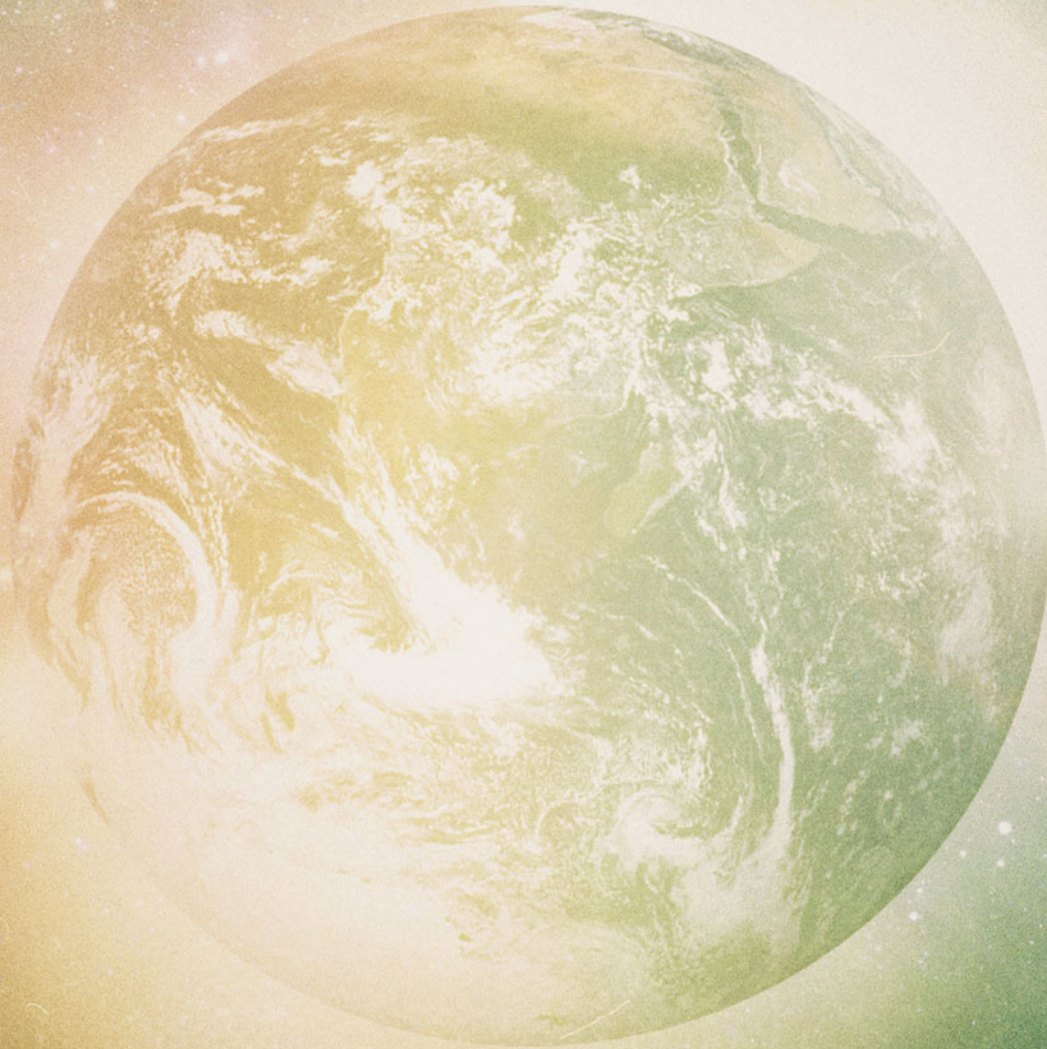


CLIMATE CHANGE



I. A General Consideration.

Hebrews 1:10-12 And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the **earth**; and the **heavens** are the works of thine hands: ¹¹ **They** shall perish; but thou remainest; and **they** all shall wax old as doth a garment; ¹² And as a vesture shalt thou fold **them** up, and **they** shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

A. Creation.

1. Earth and universe created in a moment of time by the Lord. Evolution, the lie.
2. Contrast between the temporary nature of creation and eternal nature of the Creator.

B. Cremation.

2Peter 3:10-12 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the **heavens** shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the **earth also** and the works that are therein shall be burned up.¹¹ Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,¹² Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the **heavens** being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

1. The Earth and the universe are not permanent.
2. Growing old changes behavior.

II. A Detailed Consideration.

Romans 8:18-23 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the earnest expectation of the **creature** waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the **creature** was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, ²¹ Because the **creature** itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole **creation** groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. ²³ And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

Creature / Creation: *ktisis*. Creation i.e. thing created; of individual things, beings, a creature, a creation. Anything created.

A. Groaning Creation.

Personification. (Attribution of personal qualities.)

Isaiah 55:12 For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

1. A waiting creation

Romans 8:19 For the earnest expectation of the creature **waiteth for the manifestation** of the sons of God

1 John 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

2. A made creation:

Romans 8:20 For the **creature** was **made subject to vanity**, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope.

3. A delivered creation:

Romans 8:21 Because the creature itself also **shall be delivered** from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

4. A groaning creation:

Romans 8:22 For we know that the whole creation **groaneth** and travaileth in pain together until now.

Revelation 21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

B. Groaning Creatures.

1. The suffering.

Romans 8: 18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

2. The waiting.

Romans 8: 22 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

Romans 7:18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

Romans 7:24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?