

Care for Creation – a work of the cross

“...learn to **know the Maker by those things that are made** in him and by him...”

“...when we hear, then, that God makes all things, we should simply understand that **God is in all things...**”

John Scotus Eriugena

Celtic Pagans believed in Pantheism - Everything is god

Celtic Christians believed in Pan~~E~~Ntheism -

God is in everything

*“Christ was preached [by the Celtic missionaries] as the fulfilment of everything that was true, including the wisdom of the tradition that preceded Christianity in Celtic Britain...It was typical of the Celtic Church to see its worship of Christ as building on the truths and symbols of the mysticism that had preceded Christianity in Britain. Aspects of its ancient mythology and nature religion were the equivalent of an Old Testament for the Celtic mission. **Christ was the fulfilment of all that was true**, whether that was of the priestly and prophetic traditions of Judaism or of its own Celtic druidic past.”*

J. Philip Newell. *The Book of Creation – The Practice of Celtic Spirituality*

Read the following verses in light of what was said in the talk. What more do you now get out of them?

Mark 16v15; John 3v16; Romans 1v20; Romans 8v19-22

In what ways do you, or could you, care for creation?

How might your care for creation become a part of your relationship with God?