

Review of: "Ecotheology: missiological perspective in awareness"

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This is a well-informed and spirited article, calling for the current ecological crisis to be given centre stage in theological thinking and even in the week-to-week life of the church. I would suggest that the article could benefit from considering the insights of recent major church documents on this topic – Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'* and the World Council of Churches' *Together towards Life*. Especially §19-23 of the latter document contain a compressed statement of how Christian theology and missiology can be reformed in light of the ecological crisis. Another dimension that might be relevant to the Indonesian context is the injustice that is exposed by the climate crisis. Those who have done most to cause the crisis are the most sheltered from its impact, while those who have done least to cause the problem are the most heavily affected by it. This is where the climate crisis needs to be considered in relation to the way the global economy is running, which connects with another vital agenda for theology and missiology. These might be ways to deepen and broaden the analysis, but the central thrust of the article is already compelling and deserves widespread attention.

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