

Review of: "Ecotheology: missiological perspective in awareness"

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The article „*Ecotheology: missiological perspective in awareness*“ by F.I. Widjaja and co-workers discusses a faith-based approach to support sustainable development in Indonesia. Taking its extra-science theological anchor point as given, including the limitation to Christian theology, an example is made in the paper about how to develop ‘*public advocacy of environmental crisis*’ in specific national traditions.

The scope of the article is exceptionally narrow, and the faith-based motivation of the authors hinders its appraisal as a scientific contribution. However, altering human practices at the scale needed to mitigate environmental crises requires faith-based communities to embrace consciously sustainable practices. Given the faith-based cultural foundation of many communities, approaches to sustainability must also be found in this context. Hence, developing this line of thought has a meaning.

This article needs substantial improvement, for example, through embedding into research about other faith-based or spiritual-focused thinking (see some references below &[*]). Also, the excursions of the draft into matters like geoengineering would be improved by a much wider use of published works (see some references below &:[**]).

[*] Link in Google Scholar for ‘faith-based climate change education’, https://scholar.google.be/scholar?hl=en&as_sdt=0%2C5&q=fai%20th-based+climate+change+education&oq=fai%20th-based+climate

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