



Where is God
in creation and
in our lives?

Holy Week

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One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

-Mark 12:28-31

Throughout this series we have reflected on our call to care for all of creation out of love for our Creator God. Jesus calls our attention to this work again in his answer to the scribe - there are no greater commandments, he says, than the commandment to love God with all your heart and strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself. When we think of "the Greatest Commandment," and consider how to follow it, we often think of our human neighbors - how can we more fully understand the call to love our neighbors as ourselves in relation to the work of earthkeeping?

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