**Zwischenruf**

**Justice is for all creation**

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We are faced with an ecological crisis.

It challenges me to move beyond what I have been doing for many years and to act and behave as an integral part of the environment where I live and thrive.

A more earth-centered and less anthropocentric perspective of justice is needed.

Justice must be an everyday experience of all people.

But sadly, by all indications despite series of negotiation during COPs, our world leaders are slow and stalling in actions.

We can’t just stop and wallow in fear or frustration, despite the odds. We need to act with more passion, compassion, and hope.

We need to recover our harmonious relationship with nature and to change the deep-seated belief that nature is just an inanimate object, with value only if used for the benefit of human beings.

There is a need to temper our multiple wants and to recognize that these wants feed on a system that massively extracts nature, make it into a product that we consume and then throws away the wastes in landfills, oceans, and rivers.

If we stop patronizing the system, we can effect change.

We must recover our lost sense of awe, reverence, respect, and connection to all creation.

“To hear the cry of the poor and the cry of mother earth” (LS 49).

God sees the beauty of all his creation and their inherent wisdom and goodness, including humans. I believe that all creation has the capacity to offer care and generosity to each other so that all may live and thrive in one common home.

This is my conviction.

This is my faith.

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