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WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE

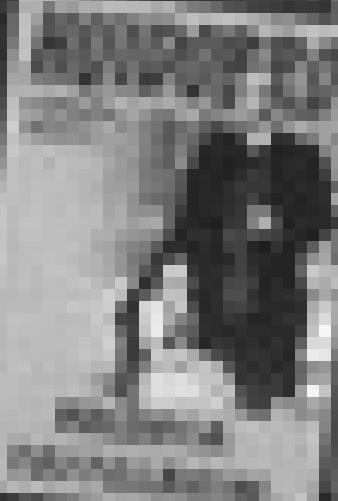
In recent years, when it comes to climate change, religious groups have tended to fall into two camps: either they ignore climate change entirely or they support the fossil fuel industry's position that climate change is a hoax. The 2009 report from the World Council of Churches, *Climate Change and Christian Responsibility*, however, is an outlier. It argues that climate change is a moral issue, a matter of justice.

Climate experts, if you will, are divided on "the threat" of climate change. On one side are environmentalists who believe climate change is very real and that humans are causing it. On the other side, economists argue that climate change is not real.

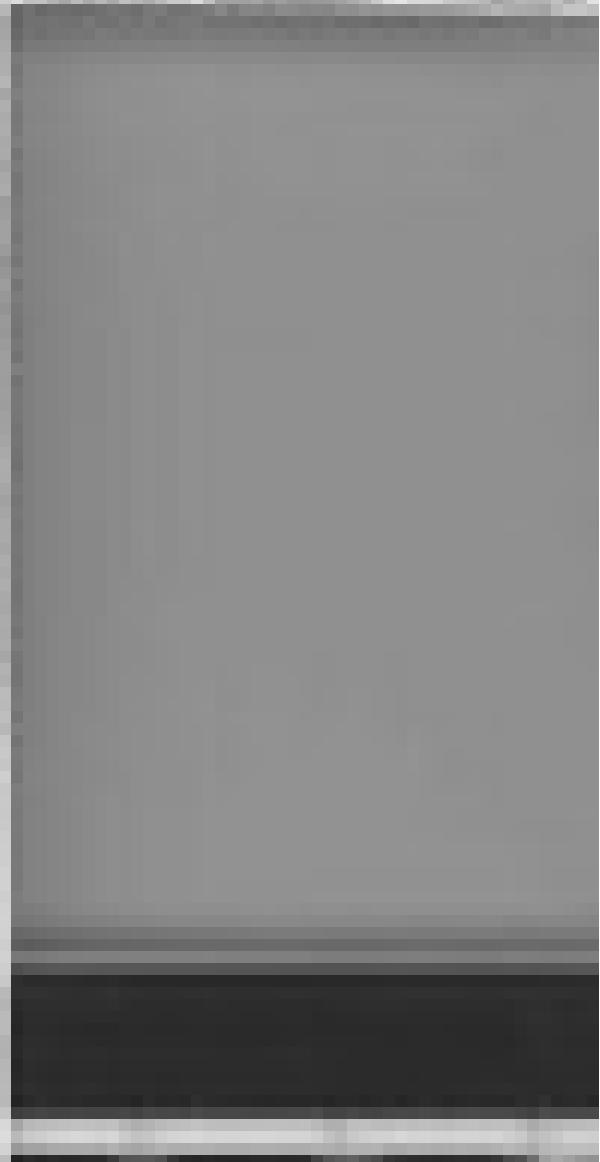
Religious organizations fall on both sides. Groups like Baptists for Climate Justice support the findings of climate scientists. They would partly blame us people for climate change, but they also believe that it was God who created the earth and gave us dominion over it. They argue that God expects us to take care of the environment and that we should not only protect the environment but also help those who are suffering from climate change.

Baptists for Climate Justice

CLIMATE CHANGE IS A MORAL ISSUE. It is a matter of justice.



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