

Environment Matters

A series of talks from Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry

C.S. Lewis and the Book of Nature

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This talk explores the fruitfulness of taking an aesthetic approach to the environment, using the Book of Nature metaphor as a guiding framework. This ancient metaphor invites us to see the natural world as a sacred text that points beyond itself to a divine source or author. While this pre-modern understanding of the natural world might seem outdated, we suggest that it has much to contribute to contemporary discussions of environmental theology, supporting theologians in their quest to 're-enchant' the natural world and encourage a response of 'ecological conversion' (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si*). To illustrate a more contemporary approach to the Book of Nature of this kind, we turn to the Christian author, apologist, and parishioner of Headington Quarry, C.S. Lewis.

The photo overleaf shows Cave Hill and Belfast, C.S. Lewis' home city.