

# Tco-warriors, Tree Worship and Creation Care

People are anxious about the state of Planet Earth. Whales are choking on plastic waste. Forests are burning and insect species vanishing at an alarming rate. How does the Bible make sense of this groaning, broken world?

All kinds of wild and wacky things are said. Some say that creation care is foolish because this world will be destroyed when Jesus returns. Others believe that humans are vermin and should stop breeding and feeding. There are those who believe that mystical mindsets will solve all of our problems and those who are just confused.

This course will help you to be discerning, biblical and wise about the current ecological crisis and help you to apply your understanding to everyday living. It will be interactive and include talks, discussion, activities and refreshments.

Places are limited so early booking is advised.

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£25 £15 students

Thursdays 19:30-21:00 **Mark Roques** is a Christian philosopher who tells stories.

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Book at

www.thinkfaith.net/trees

### **Course outline**

### 20th October

How does consumerism lead to ecological destruction?

### 27th October

Why do some people blame the Bible for the current crisis?

# 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Why do some people worship trees?

### 10th November

How do mystics view trees and whales?

# 17th November

Why do deep ecologists believe that humans are vermin?

# 24th November

How does the book of Colossians give us wisdom and hope?

