

Second Conversation

'Dear Lord, let me spend time with you in the Garden of Gethsamene. There you endured the agony of the world, and you also came to accept what you must do to save us all. Help me to look with a loving eye at the agony today of the garden of Nature, which you entrust to our care.

Pope Francis says: **"The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth"** (21). **Who turned the wonder-world of the seas into underwater cemeteries bereft of colour and life?"** (41)

Lord, forgive me for my part in this disfiguring of your creation. Let me do whatever I can to restore at least a little piece of earth to its intended beauty. Amen.'

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