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Second Coming of 2 Peter Christ Is Certain, part 1 2 Peter 1:16-18





Today in chapel, we confessed to plants. Together, we held our grief, joy, regret, hope, guilt and sorrow in prayer; offering them to the beings who sustain us but whose gift we too often fail to honor.

What do you confess to the plants in your life?

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Worshipping Plants

Union Theological Seminary Holds 'Confession to Plants' in Chapel Ceremony

"When Robin Wall Kimmerer spoke at Union last year, she concluded her lecture by tasking us—and all faith communities—to develop new liturgies by which to mourn, grieve, heal and change in response to our climate emergency," one UTS tweet said. "We couldn't be prouder to participate in this work."

"So, if you're poking fun, we'd ask only that you also spend a couple moments asking: Do I treat plants and animals as divinely created beings?" another tweet proposed in its ecological examination of conscience. "What harm do I cause without thinking? How can I enter into new relationship with the natural world?"

Tuesday's ritual seemed in consonance with the seminary's approach to the Christian faith.

"Progressive theology has long taken shape at Union, where faith and scholarship walk together to be a moral force in the world," declares the seminary website in its mission statement. "Grounded in the Christian tradition and responsive to the needs of God's creation, a Union education prepares its students for committed lives of service to the church, academy, and society."

Who Do People Worship?

•	When people reject God, what do they believe about themselves (Romans
	1:20-23; 1 Corinthians 3:18-19)?

• What do most people not realize (1 John 5:19; Ephesians 2:2; 2 Corinthians 4:4)?

Deuteronomy 32:17 teaches that we worship either _____ or ____

Be On Guard Against What?

- What do demons cause people to think what (1 Corinthians 1:18-21))
- Who does Satan place in churches (Matthew 13:36-39)?
- False doctrines are the product of ______ according to 1
 Timothy 4:1-5.
- What is the primary purpose of 2 Peter?

Peter's First Defense - v. 16

- What did apostle not follow?
- What is the meaning of "power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ?"

Peter's first defense is that the apostles were what?

Peter's First Defense – v. 17

- What is the meaning of "honor and glory"?
- Where does the statement "This is My beloved Son with whom I am wellpleased" occur in Jesus' life?

Why does Peter say the apostles saw Christ's Majestic Glory?

Peter's First Defense - v. 18

On which mountain did the apostles most likely have this experience?

What is the conclusion?