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Message From Reclaiming Earth Committee

Integral Ecology: Brought to our attention by Pope Francis in *Laudato Si'*, we are able to find implications and applications in many different areas if we are paying attention. His encyclical defines it as Environmental, Economic and Social ecology (Par. 137). Social systems include culture, government structure and laws.

“Integral ecology is now a commonly used phrase to describe what we know as interrelationship of all creation but with the addition of morality and ethics.” (*Wednesday Earth Wisdom*, 12/27/2017).

Integral Ecology: “A coming together of science, ethics, spirituality and action. Where have you heard that before? God is love and it is God’s love that created and called us to recognize and receive God’s love, then to love as God loves.” (*Wednesday Earth Wisdom*, 02/14/2018)

Integral Ecology: “It is only in a comparatively recent time that faith-filled folks have begun to make the connection to integral ecology/science, ethics, morality, and spirituality as an interconnected part of our faith.” (*Wednesday Earth Wisdom*, 03/28/2018).

Can you see a progression of definition and incorporation? Another progression of possibility: *Sustainable Responsible Impact Investing* (SRI) is becoming known as ESG (Economic/environment, Social, Government) investing with the addition of morality and ethics in the decision making process for the common good.

Sound familiar? Would you call this action to be integral ecology? Think about it.