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Christianity does not confine itself to

the reign of God in the soul;

it seeks to establish

the reign of God upon the earth.

Fr. Isaac Hecker, founder of the Paulist Fathers, a community of Catholic priests who recognize "the multicultural reality of our society, the diversity of North American religious experience, and the value of Paulists and laity working together."

i thank You God for most this amazing

day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees

and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything

which is natural which is infinite which is yes

(i who have died am alive again today,

and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth

day of life and love and wings and of the gay

great happening illimitably earth)

how should tasting touching hearing seeing

breathing any-lifted from the no

of all nothing-human merely being

doubt unimaginable You?

(now the ears of my ears awake and

now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

â?? e.e. cummings

How would you rate yourself on these R's â?? refuse, reduce, reuse/repair, replace/rebuy, recycle?

Refuse, make the choice not to generate waste in the first place

Reduce, make decisions that decrease the amount of waste produced

Reuse/repair, expand the shelf-lives of products; join the growing movement to RE-USE

Replace, next time consider the recycled and green option

Recycle, reclaim the raw materials

(Note that recycling is LAST on the list; it is critically important but isnâ??t as effective as preventing waste in the first place.)

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