Becoming Native to This Place
Wes Jackson

Wes Jackson writes about Rice County, KS, population 10,400. Coronado came to the same part of Kansas looking for gold and found the Quivirans, a community of well over 25,000 people living from the land. Coronado brought a western approach to living from the land that is extractive and mono-cultural. It is the approach we live by today. Coronado was unable to see the gold in the land of the Quivirans and Wes Jackson tells us that unless we are able to see it, our extractive mono-culture will support fewer and fewer people on that same land.

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Donna Schaper

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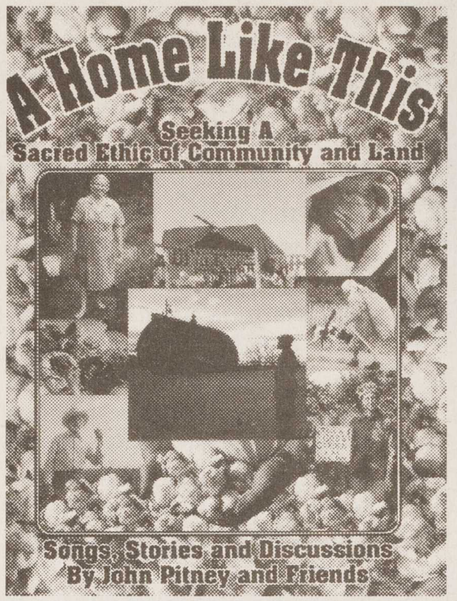
A Home Like This
Seeking a Sacred Ethic of Community and Land
John Pitney



"A silent terror stalks the land, a terror made of notions, notions valuing bigness over community, convenience over justice, competition over cooperation, short-term productivity over sustainability." So begins John Pitney's preface to this book and cassette. This is more than a study guide. A small group would gain immeasurably by singing and discussing its way through these fourteen chapters. It may be less than a "Liberation Movement," but a church that actively incorporates these songs and prayers into its liturgy might start such a movement. John Pitney is a late 20th century Micah. 138 pp. Book $15. HOMEbk; Cassette $10. HOMEcs; Both $24. HOMEset

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Apprenticing a Conscience for North America
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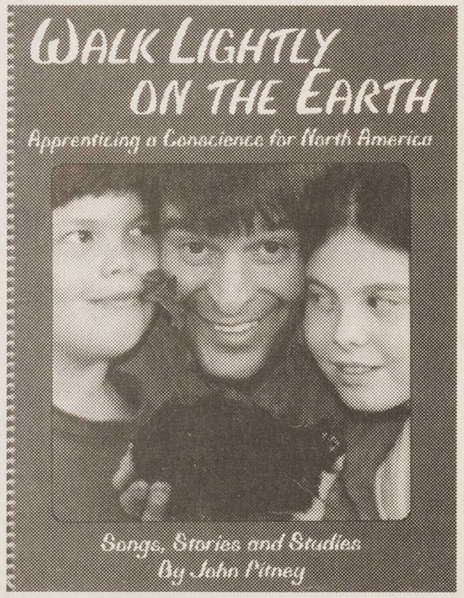

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