

Practical Next Steps



Take stock of your lifestyle and bible teaching – the environment through the lens of discipleship



Implement individual changes, starting small and getting bigger. It's ok if you do it imperfectly!



Consider taking this further, volunteer time or money to causes and communities and groups

Key components of the theology



We believe in the Biblical call to act on the climate crisis, that climate justice is social justice and that the Church has a unique hope-filled position within the climate movement.

1 God so loved the cosmos

When the bible talks about love for the world and the part we play in reconciling it to him, he means not just humans but creation in its entirety.

John 3:16
2 Corinthians 5:19

2 We are commanded to care

The Earth belongs to God and Genesis demonstrates how humans were placed on earth by God and called 'to work it and take care of it' We too are called to care for the Earth, to preserve and to protect its life and diversity

Psalms 24:1-2
Genesis 2:15

3 His creation is still good

Caring for creation is an act of worship, which gives glory to God. The earth, creation, is still good and therefore should be respected and preserved

Genesis 1:31
Colossians 1:16-17

4 Jesus gives us a model of justice

The climate crisis is affecting people in the poorest countries and communities most acutely, despite them having done the least to cause it. The Gospels remind us of how to act with love and justice towards those who are suffering.

Isaiah 25:4
Proverbs 31:8-9

5 We are hope filled, hopeful and hope fuelled

We have a hope that God can accomplish more than we can consider or imagine – it is not down to humanity alone. We are called to express our faith in action by trusting response to God's love and care

Psalms 112:5
Luke 4:18-19

Do you have a bank account?



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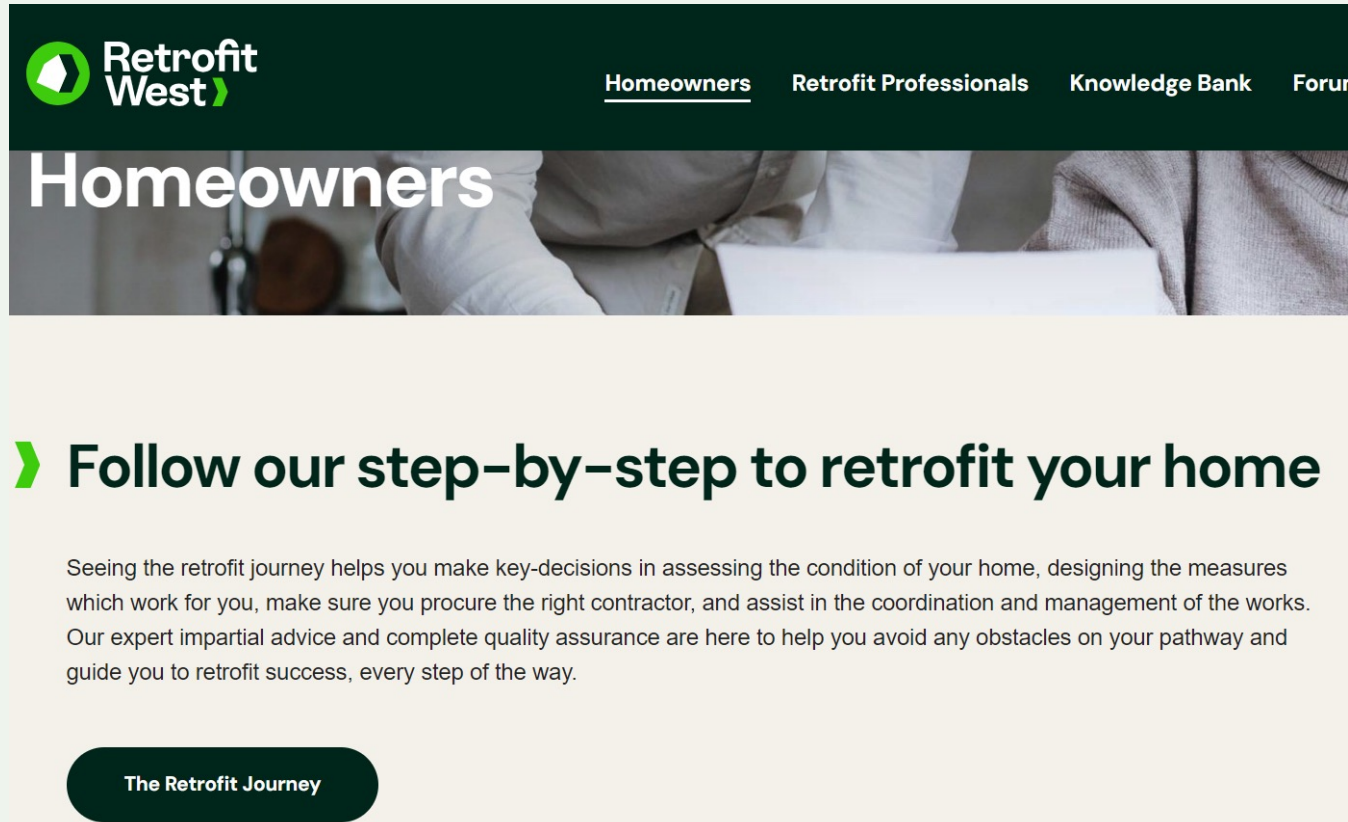
 JUST LOVE



Do you have a pension?



Do you own a property?



The image is a screenshot of the Retrofit West website. At the top left is the Retrofit West logo, which consists of a green house icon with a white arrow pointing right, followed by the text "Retrofit West" in white. To the right of the logo is a dark green navigation bar with white text links: "Homeowners" (underlined), "Retrofit Professionals", "Knowledge Bank", and "Forum". Below the navigation bar is a large banner image showing a person's hands holding a document. Overlaid on the left side of the banner is the word "Homeowners" in large white font. Below the banner is a light beige background with a green chevron icon followed by the heading "Follow our step-by-step to retrofit your home" in bold dark green text. Underneath this heading is a paragraph of text in a smaller, dark grey font. At the bottom of this section is a dark green rounded rectangular button with the text "The Retrofit Journey" in white.

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Homeowners

› Follow our step-by-step to retrofit your home

Seeing the retrofit journey helps you make key-decisions in assessing the condition of your home, designing the measures which work for you, make sure you procure the right contractor, and assist in the coordination and management of the works. Our expert impartial advice and complete quality assurance are here to help you avoid any obstacles on your pathway and guide you to retrofit success, every step of the way.

[The Retrofit Journey](#)

Do you use energy?



Do you eat?

Seasonal calendar

See what's in season year-round, and plan your shopping to suit. You can switch between food types or show all - just use the filter.

	Food type <input type="text" value="All"/>											
Ingredient	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Apple	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓	✓
Apricot					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Asparagus					◐	✓	✓					

Do you go places?



Bigger Picture



Got some time?

Educate: intersectional & vast! Book recommendations below, but please do revisit scripture referenced too

Community: we are a diverse, wisdom rich congregation. Our skills are vast. Join together, sharing the burden and encouraging action. Community groups to join but also what can you do in your existing small groups

Action: start with you, can we build to see a culture shift, to be more generous and intentional and respectful and loving

Voice: shift from passive to one of stepping out in faith.

Hope: don't be driven by fear, guilt and shame. But open that bible and see, we have creator God on our side! Christians have a unique, necessary and powerful perspective

Got some time?

Reading:

The Justice Calling – Hoang & Johnson

Climate Optimism – Zahra Biabani

The Intersectional Environmentalist – Leah Thomas

It's Not Just You – Tori Tsui

Don't Even Think About it – George Marshall

The Future We Choose –Figueres & Rivett-Carnac

It's Not That Radical – Mikaela Loach

Prayer

Lord God, yours is the earth, and everything in it. You love the world with justice and challenge us to live justly.

Help us to use the resources you have given us wisely and for the good of all your creation.

Help us follow Your commandments, and to live in right relationship with our neighbours and all of creation. Show us where and how to speak out for the common good

May your Spirit fill us with passion for a better future; for a world in which all can thrive and give you praise. In Jesus' name.

Send us out to love You, to serve You and to reflect Your glory. Amen