



**Series A: “Planetary Culture and the New Image of Humanity” (Summer Conference 1974)**  
Much of the material for **Earth’s Answer** was taken from this conference.

**Tape A-5:**

[Brother David Steindl-Rast \(Planetary Culture and New Image of Humanity, Summer Conference 1974\)](#)

This talk by a Benedictine Brother on the realization of the monk in each of us redresses the balance between purpose and meaning in life and seeks to reveal how “every human being is a special kind of mystic.”

**Series II.B: “Art and the Sacred” (Summer 1977 / Fellows Meeting, Southampton, New York)**

**Tape II.B-1:**

[Brother David Steindl-Rast \(Art and the Sacred, Summer 1977/Fellows Meeting, New York\)](#)

Brother David offers an existential account of the relationship between art and the sacred. A lively discussion follows, exploring the dark or chaotic dimension of art and God, including contributions from poets Robert Bly and Wendell Berry.

**Series II.C: “The Cultural Contradictions of Power” (Summer 1978 / Fellows Meeting, New York City)**

**Tape II.C-6:**

[Brother David Steindl-Rast \(Fellows’ Lectures, New York City\)](#)

Focusing on “Contemplative Values in a Technological Society,” Brother David gives new insights on the meaning of “praxis” and “theoria,” erudition and knowledge, and the sphere of the heart in our everyday lives.