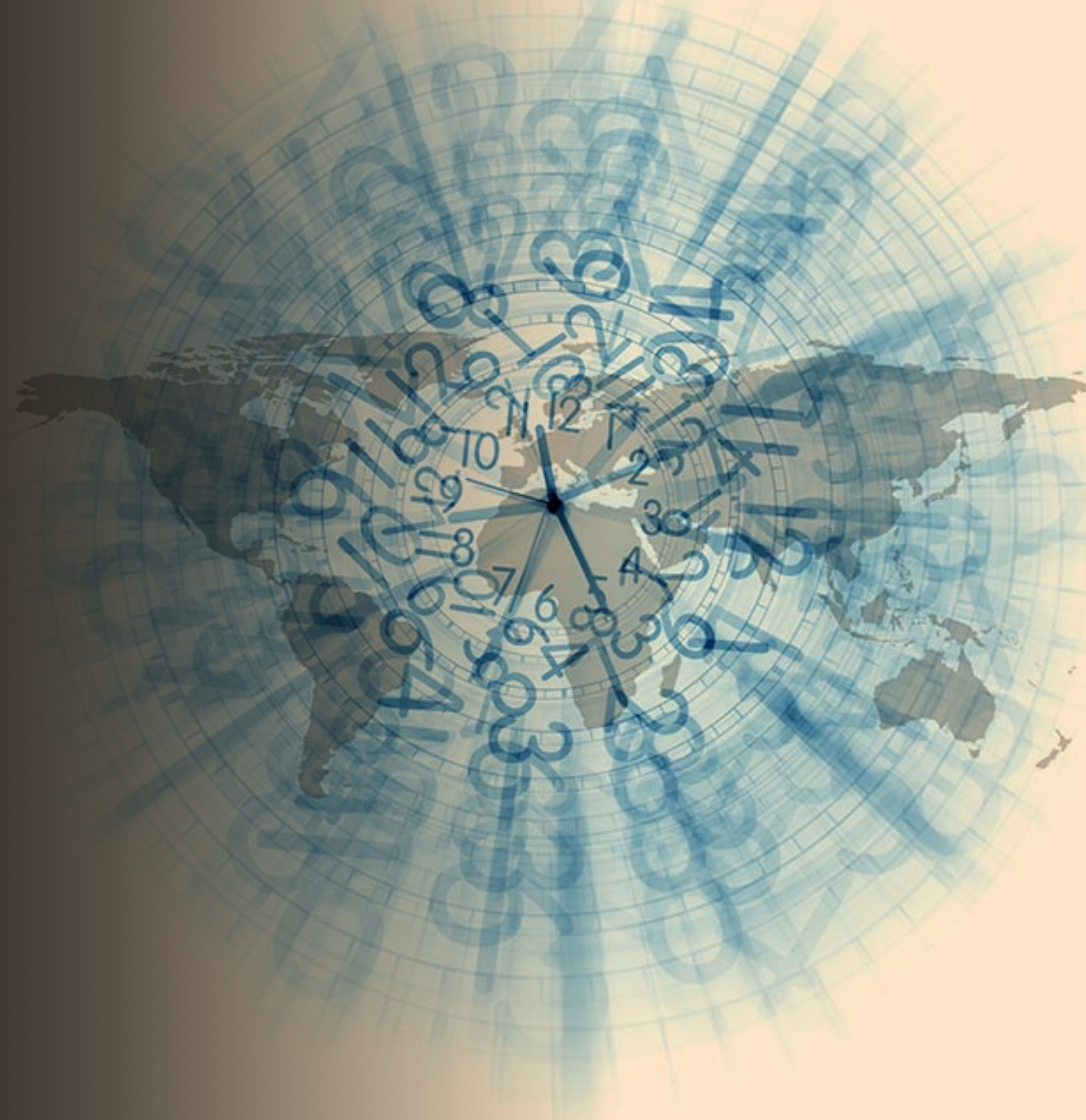




# “All the Way to Heaven is Heaven”

Resisting Social Acceleration,  
Practicing Eternal Life





Artist: Michael Cook

Learn from the way the wildflowers grow. They do not work or spin. But I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them. If God so clothes the grass of the field, which grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will he not much more provide for you, O you of little faith? So do not worry..." (Mt. 6:28-33)

# The 500–Year Project of Western Extractive Colonialism

“Latin America is the region of open veins. Everything, from the discovery until our times, has always been transmuted into European—or later United States—capital, and as such has accumulated in distant centers of power. Everything: the soil, its fruits and its mineral-rich depths, the people and their capacity to work and to consume, natural resources and human resources. Production methods and class structure have been successively determined from outside for each area by meshing it into the universal gearbox of capitalism.”

—Eduardo Galeano, *Open Veins of Latin America*, 2.

# Greed

Bartolomé de Las Casas

“and greed which  
is idolatry”

(Col. 3:5)

Karl Marx

“a barrier to capital’s advance appears [to it] as an accident which has to be conquered...If capital increases from 100 to 1,000, the 1,000 is now the point of departure, from which the increase has to begin; the tenfold multiplication, by 1,000%, counts for nothing.”

See Marx, *Grundrisse: Foundations of the Critique of Political Economy* (New York: Penguin, 1973), 143.

# Jevons Paradox

An increase in efficiency in resource use will generate an increase in resource consumption rather than a decrease.





# Social Acceleration

See Harmut Rosa, *Social Acceleration: A New Theory of Modernity*

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Acceleration of:

- 1) Technological Change
- 2) Social Change
- 3) Pace of Life

# Divorces

Our system is one of detachment:  
to keep silenced people from asking questions,  
to keep the judged from judging,  
to keep solitary people from joining together,  
and the soul from putting together its pieces.

-Eduardo Galeano

“I have come to give you life abundant (life to the fullest).”

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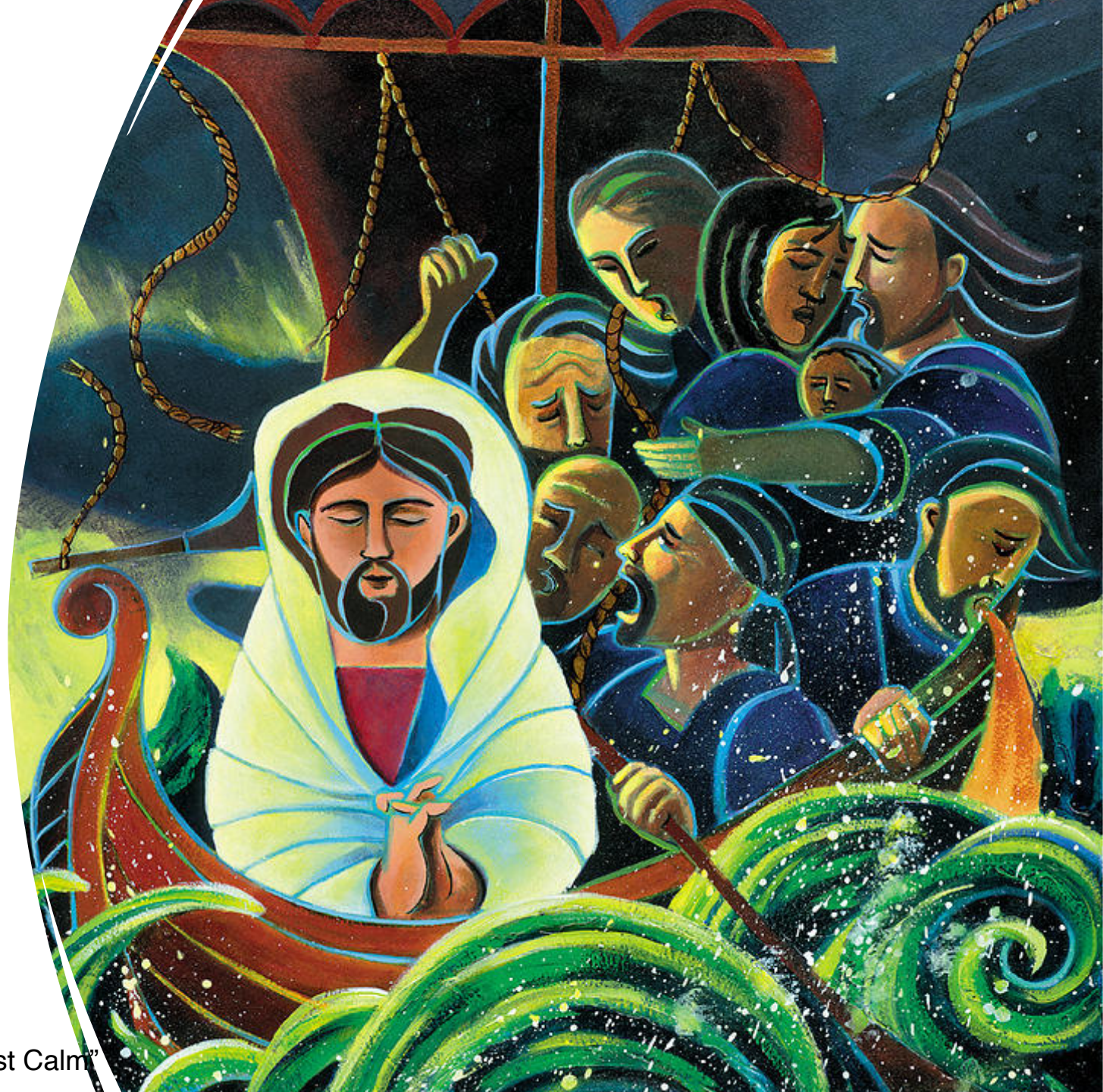




Following Christ  
in an Age of  
Social  
Acceleration

# Habitus

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Br. Mickey Mc Grath, "No Storm Shall Shake My Inmost Calm"

# Resonance

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Br. Mickey McGrath, "Communion of Saints"

For every 10,000 words  
there's a deed  
floating somewhere  
head down, unborn

Words can't make it happen  
They only wave it away  
unwanted

Yet Child, necessary one

Unless you come home to my hands

Why hands at all?

Your season your cries

Are their skill

their reason.

-Daniel Berrigan S.J.



Artist: Rita Corbin

