

IMPORTANCE OF NATURE



Adopt the peace of nature: her secret is patience – Ralph Waldo Emerson

Michael Jackson's song,

“Earth Song” portrays most of the major tenets of transcendentalism. The whole song is about the importance of nature. Michael Jackson sings about how humans have destroyed the peace of the natural world because of war and bloodshed. In the song, Michael Jackson sings that the earth has been hurt by humans and that nature is important. The song says that nature must be preserved and people must live in peace with nature, which is a huge part of transcendentalism. The song also accuses man and society for being the main source of corruption and destruction in the world. According to songfacts, he later explained how bad he felt for earth and he also said that it inspired him to write Earth Song. Chris McCandless appreciates nature for what it provides and its importance to humans. His appreciation for nature is shown through his concern for killing animals and his act of venturing into the wild. “I’ve decided I’m going to live this life for some time to come. The freedom and simple beauty is just too good to pass up” (Krakauer 92).

Transcendentalists believe that society leads humans and the world to destruction. Artificial things that man and society makes can also kill nature.

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