

# The Rev. Jay Lawlor, Episcopal priest and economist, writes what Jesus would likely say to the World Economic Forum

*The Rev. Jay Lawlor writes about Jesus' central message of economic justice in "If Jesus Attended the World Economic Forum" recently posted to his blog.*

INDIANAPOLIS, IN, US, February 13, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [The Rev. Jay Lawlor](#), in a recent [blog article](#), states as an economist that he has long been concerned about the growing income and wealth gaps. He writes about the concentration of income and wealth held by a small percentage of the population and his belief that such concentration undermines economic stability and democracy. The Rev. Lawlor also addresses how he is equally concerned as a Christian because the disparity in wealth and income is unjust, immoral, and tears at the fabric of human decency.



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"If Jesus attended the World Economic Forum I believe he would demand change to the systemic structures which reward the massive accumulation of wealth by the few at the expense of the many," writes the Rev. Jay Lawlor. "The best evidence for this is that he challenged just such a system during his own day," added the Rev. Lawlor.

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As an example of global inequality, the Rev. Jay Lawlor references the recent Oxfam study which reports 82% of the wealth generated last year went to the richest 1% of the global population. The Rev. Jay Lawlor concluded in his article:

"If Jesus attended the World Economic Forum he would have a lot to say about 82% of the world's wealth going to the

richest 1% of the world's population. Given his teachings within the context of his own day it is clear he would not be on the side of the global rich and political elites. If Jesus attended the World Economic Forum he would be advocating for changes to structural injustices of our global economic system. Jesus would demand an end the vast disparities of income and wealth."

The Rev. Jay Lawlor's "If Jesus Attended the World Economic Forum" can be read at <https://www.therevjaylawlor.com/ifjesusattendedtheworlddeconomicforum/>

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