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"We have only one heart." Pope Francis, thank you for warning us in your encyclical that if we're wretched towards animals — polar bears or other species threatened by extinction — that our hearts will also become wretched, indifferent and cruel to people. Yes, Francis, we only have one heart. Can our one heart love our kids and grandkids fully, and yet be swayed by pundits who dismiss projections of climate disruption?

We have one heart only. Climate change will be enormous during our kids' and grandkids' lives. They'll rack their brains to remember what their loving folks said or did to protect them from the worst. Like they ask — where were you on 9/11 — they'll ask what did Mom or Dad do about climate? Obama's climate legacy and your encyclical will be irrelevant. They'll want to know our climate legacy only. In our heart of hearts, we know you're right. We know what we got to do.

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