Item #101 (Concern for What Needs Concern)

On the present day (August 26, 2022) the author of the present website is making a part of his annual "retreat" according to rules of the Society of Jesus. (See Item #72.) Since August 8th the following countries have contained persons who registered one or more hits: Argentina, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Philippines, Canada, Australia, Germany, France, Paraguay, Argentina, Serbia, England, Poland, Norway. In the United States hits were registered in Missouri, Kansas, Florida, California, Oregon, Washington (State), Illinois. These "hits", of course, mean probably that only one or two persons read some "items". How this reading affected their subsequent conduct is a matter of concern to them and Almighty God--and to all mankind. The present Item wishes only to emphasize that there is MUCH to be concerned about today. As author of the items on the websites he wishes not to be taken as providing "proof" that he can furnish corrections for such concern but only that concern is obviously needed on a world scale. For him it is obvious that a basic need in the world is concern for the respect of the dignity of each human being, even in the context of disagreement. (James Swetnam, S.J., 26 August 26, 2022)