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There is a fascinating story in the *New York Times* summarizing an [extended interview with Pope Francis](#).

Particularly interesting is the emphasis the Pope puts on issues of economic justice. Of course the Catholic Church has a long and proud tradition of championing the poor and dispossessed, going back to Matthew 25, but the Pope seems to be re-emphasizing this part of Catholic teaching.

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