

Laity Engaging Laity (LEL) Reflection

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LEL Mission

“To help laity impact the culture by developing their faith more deeply and living it as strong witnesses in every area of their lives”

October 18, 2014

Arise My Beloved: A Call To Relationship With Jesus

“Arise in Jesus’ Teaching on Serving”

- Spiritual Reflection: 2014 Review, Growth In Relationship With Jesus (see handout)
 - January: Arise in Friendship - Jesus desires relationship with you, the soil of your heart is made from your desire for this relationship
 - February: Arise in Deeping Friendship - hearing your soul through listening to your body and identifying your projections
 - March: Arise in Forgiveness - seeking forgiveness of yourself and others where projections and distortions were uncovered
 - April: Arise in Jesus’ Healing Power of Surrender - surrendering your attachments in order to grow in spiritual wholeness
 - May: Arise in Jesus’ Healing Power of Touch - healing grace can be received through the power of healing touch
 - June: Arise in Jesus’ Healing Power of Thought - recognizing the Mind of Christ in the Beatitudes and how well you live them in your life
 - July: Arise in the Mind of Christ - examining how we live the Mind of Christ through our spiritual distortions
 - August: Arise in Jesus’ Teaching on Listening - knowing the four steps of spiritual listening; Know yourself; Self-examination; Prayer; Listening and responding - importance of listening highlighted in the Shema, “Listen, O Israel, the Lord is our god; the Lord in One” (Dt 6:4)
 - September: Arise in Jesus’ Teaching on Suffering - connecting with your inner child to experience the place within that carries your innocence and faith; your perception of the meaning of suffering and how you react and respond to it as formed in your childhood
 - October: Arise in Jesus’ Teaching on Serving - serving out of your personal desire for relationship with Jesus
- Servant Leadership (see handout)
 - Ten characteristics of a Servant Leader (e.g., Willingness and commitment to serving others)
 - Cultural values of leadership differ from Jesus’ view (e.g., self-sufficiency vs allowing others to wash my feet per Jn 13:8)
 - A commitment to serving benefits relationships in at least six ways (e.g., sense of belonging)
- Small Group
 - Discerning a gift from God to us and how we can give that gift away to others
- Additional Reading/Handouts:
 - LEL Reflection - Serving, Oct 14
 - LEL Agenda - Oct 14
 - Journaling Questions - Oct 14
 - Traits and Spiritual Examens, Jan-Oct 14
 - Servant Leadership
 - 2014 Summary
 - Feedback Sheet - Oct 14