



continuing the journey of

transforming grace:

transforming practice

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Opening Song

O Lord Hear My Prayer | Taizé

Scripture

World Council of Churches

Give me a heart of poverty, able to love
and open up and give myself to others.
Give me a heart of patience,
able to love and live in hope.
Give me a heart of peacefulness able to love
and sow peace in the world.
Give me a heart of justice, able to love and
measure myself by the standard of justice.
Give me a heart of mercifulness, able to love and
understand and forgive others.
Give me a heart of sensitivity, able to love
and weep without being discouraged.
Give me a heart of purity, able to love and
see God in everyone.
Give me a heart of strength, able to love and
be faithful unto death.
Give me a heart touched by the Gospel, able to love.

Scripture

John 17: 17b, 17a

"Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth."

A Pause in the Midst of Elections

11 Minute Election 2024 Loving Kindness
Guided Meditation

Practice

How to Have Conversations with People
who Disagree with You

Use these questions to guide your cross-partisan
conversations:

"Which life experiences have shaped your views?"

"Imagine for a moment that you got what you
wanted in regard to this issue. How would your life
change?"

"For those who disagree with you, what would you
like them to understand about you?"

"What do you want to understand about those with
whom you disagree?"

"Why is this personally important to you?"

(Source: Solutions Journalism)

Suggested practice:

Take a few moments to reflect on these questions.

Choose a conversation partner or small group and
share your responses.

Now, find a colleague, neighbor or someone that you
do not know as well and invite them to share their
responses to these questions, remembering not to
persuade, but to listen.

Closing Prayer

Let us know peace.

For as long as the moon shall rise,

For as long as the rivers shall flow,

For as long as the sun shall shine,

For as long as the grass shall grow,

Let us know peace.

- Cheyenne Prayer

Closing Song

Song of St. Francis | Simon DeVail

