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A Pilgrim's Retreat: On Discernment

14 October 2023

West Hills Covenant Church

The *Oxford English Dictionary* at "**discernment**" –

"The ability to make sound judgements in spiritual matters; the exercise of this ability; spiritual understanding or insight."

SATURDAY, 9:00 AM TO 3:30 PM

Director: Rick Ganz

Host: Mary Edmonds

WHAT TO HAVE WITH YOU

You will need to bring your Bible (Old & New Testaments). It is recommended that you bring a Journal in which to keep track of your thoughts and feelings. You may bring lunch food with you (there is a refrigerator and microwave on site), or there will be time to go out for lunch at a nearby spot.

MASTER SCHEDULE

8 to 9 AM – Retreatants are welcome to arrive at West Hills Covenant Church any time after 8 AM to walk the grounds or settle in. Mary will provide light breakfast fare, coffee and tea for you to enjoy and to visit with fellow retreatants.

9 to 9:45 AM – **Talk #1** – *A Heart of Flesh, Not Stone*

9:45 to 10:15 AM – Quiet Time: to pray about what you noticed in the Talk #1

10:15 to 10:30 AM – Session #1: "What happened?"

10:30 to 11:15 AM – **Talk #2** – *The Divine Conditions for Discernment*

11:15 to 11:45 AM – Quiet Time

11:45 AM to Noon – Session #2: “What happened?”

Noon to 1 PM – Lunch Hour

1 PM to 1:45 PM – **Talk #3** – *The Human Conditions for Discernment*

1:45 PM to 2:15 PM – Quiet Time

2:15 PM to 3 PM – **Talk #4** – *An Experiment in Discernment*

3 PM to 3:15 PM – Quiet time

3:15 PM to 3:30 PM – Re-collecting the Graces of the Day and Departure

NOTE: Just because the clock indicates that our day together has finished does not mean that the Retreat has finished with you! It is important for each of us not to get bewitched in this way by the clock, causing us to assume that what God is doing with us in the Retreat has finished happening. Sometimes a Retreat will continue to happen in a Retreatant (and in the Directors too!) for some weeks after the Retreat has “concluded.”