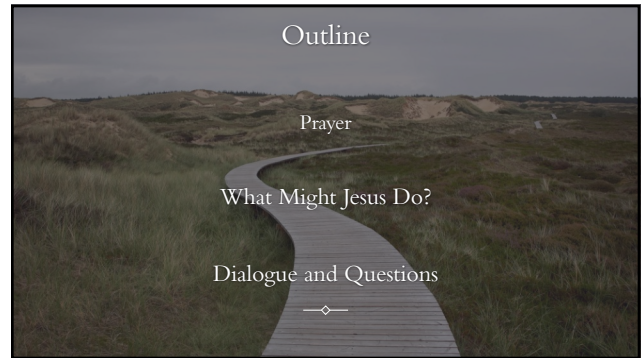
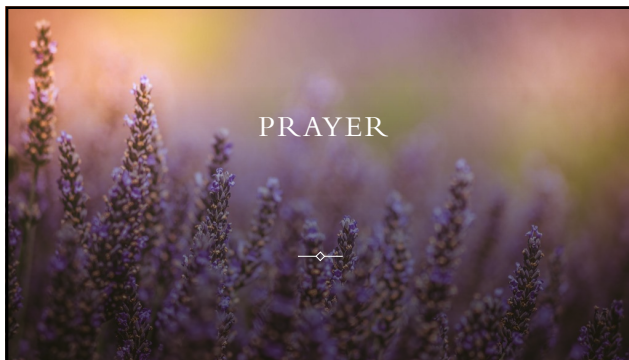




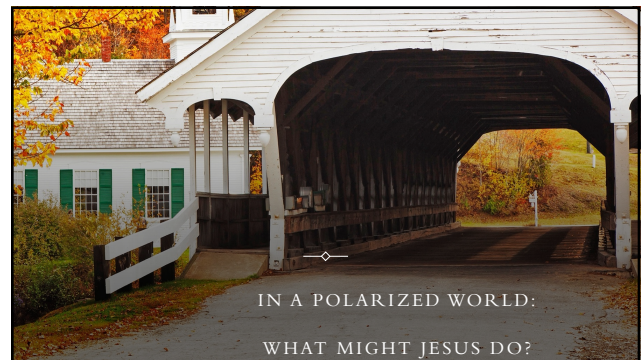
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Jesus Would Invite Us to Examine our Conscience

Worth Repeating: A strong, unhelpful tendency -- Blame What is my contribution? What is my group's contribution? Wisdom?	• What are my biases/leanings/preferences? • Do I have any meaningful interactions with folks who see the world differently? • When do I commit the genetic fallacy? • Have my political party or preferred media become an idol? • How do I need healing or reconciliation?
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A Practical Item for Folks:

Form a Study Group and Go through My Book –
 “This has brought me and my brother back together.”

“Fr. Aaron, please share this with others.”

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Jesus would invite us to **Cross Over**



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**CROSSING OVER IS NOT AN
ADDENDUM TO DISCIPLESHIP**



Family
Parish
Diocese/Presbyterate
City/Town/Politics
Table
Online/Media

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Jesus would Invite us to **See the Other**

Jesus Seeing the Other



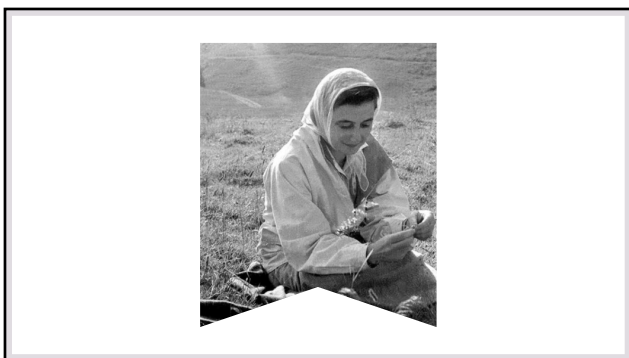
“At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them...” Matt. 9:36

“When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her...” Luke 7:13

David Brooks – How to Know a Person: The Art of Seeing Others

“There is one skill at the center of any healthy family, company, classroom, community, university, [religious community,] or nation: the ability to see someone else deeply, to know another person profoundly, to make them feel heard and understood.”

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Practical Application

Let's talk about the Liturgy

Panel on Immigration

Revisit your media – do they wrestle with complexity

Faith and Voting

Do our homilies help people see the other?

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Jesus would Invite us to be **Curious**

We live pluralism/diversity.

“Get Curious!”



What do you want?

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DEVELOP A LIFESTYLE OF CURIOSITY:

CAN YOU HELP ME UNDERSTAND?

HOW DID YOU COME TO YOUR BELIEFS?

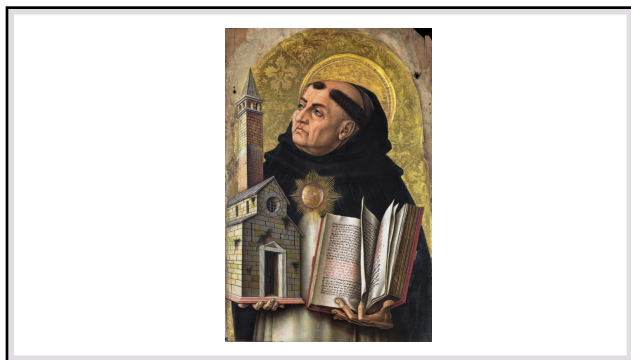
WHAT AM I MISSING?

Am I a person who can listen? Can learn?

WE CAN ALWAYS SAY: “I SEE THINGS DIFFERENTLY, BUT I AM WILLING TO THINK ABOUT THIS MORE.”



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Jesus would invite us to be **merciful** with each other.

Polarization tempts us to be impatient, arrogant, and even violent.

“We have to learn to live with each other.”



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A VERY HELPFUL, PRACTICAL EXERCISE:

How have my mentors been merciful to me?

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Jesus Would Offer an Invitation

We do have something to offer.

In prudence, we must find our way to invite others.

We must be open to the invitation as well.

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QUESTIONS?

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What part of this presentation was most meaningful to you?

What challenged you from this presentation?

What questions do you have for me?

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