

Course description

As the students have spent the majority of their time growing and cultivating their ministry gifts and skill sets, they need to understand the necessity of cultivating a greater and mature prayer life and become convinced that all fruitful ministry flows from intimacy with God. Jesus ultimately died for us not just so we could get to heaven, but that we could have the same kind of relationship that He enjoyed with the Father. Jesus modeled for us what intimacy looks like and this intimacy with the Father flows through Jesus in the Holy Spirit. From the richness of our vast spiritual tradition and the teaching of the spiritual doctors of the Church, students will be able to enter into a more intimate and dynamic spiritual life that can support their ministry and mission.

Course Overview

- Engage in greater intimacy with God through Scripture, meditative prayer, and contemplative prayer
- Experience worship and seek after God’s own heart through the Song of Songs and the witness of David
- Grow in intercession and learn the practice of the discernment of spirits
- Confidently cultivate a lifestyle of practicing the presence of God through abiding in Jesus

Suggested Reading

- (PP) “Personal Prayer: A Guide for Receiving the Father’s Love” by Fr Thomas Acklin and Fr Boniface Hicks

| Year Two: Q7 - Intimacy With God | | | | | | | | |
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| Class | Topic | Wednesday Dashboard Content Available | Monday Worship Live Stream | Suggested Reading Complete before Zoom Session | Tuesday Zoom Session | Wednesday Zoom Session | Thursday Zoom Session | Friday Zoom Session |
| Q7. Class 1 | Intro & Overview | Feb 1 | Feb 6 | PP Ch. 1 | Feb 7 | Feb 8 | Feb 9 | Feb 10 |
| Q7. Class 2 | Letter and Spirit | Feb 8 | Feb 13 | PP Ch. 2 | Feb 14 | Feb 15 | Feb 16 | Feb 17 |
| Q7. Class 3 | Holiness and the Path of the Saints | Feb 15 | Feb 20 | PP Ch. 3-4 | Feb 21 | Feb 22 | Feb 23 | Feb 24 |
| Q7. Class 4 | David | Feb 22 | Feb 27 | PP Ch. 5-6 | Feb 28 | March 1 | March 2 | March 3 |
| Q7. Class 5 | Song of Songs | March 1 | March 6 | PP Ch. 7-8 | March 7 | March 8 | March 9 | March 10 |
| Q7. Class 6 | Prophetic Intercession & Discernment | March 8 | March 13 | PP Ch. 9-10 | March 14 | March 15 | March 16 | March 17 |
| Q7. Class 7 | Joy & Abiding | March 15 | No Live Stream | PP Ch. 11 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |