DPLS 709 Leadership & Spirituality

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Class Logistics: Tuesday Evenings 6 – 10 pm
Place: Tilford TBA
Dates: 6/22, 6/29, 7/6, 7/9, 7/13, 7/20, 7/27

Course Assignments
No textbook is required for this course. Students will be provided with one or more relevant articles for the key theme of each session. The following articles indicate the topic for each class. Students are to submit for the following class a written reflection of no more than 1000 words on the material covered in the previous session. There is no pre-course work required for this course. Please just bring yourselves and your curious minds.

Course Schedule

2. J. Navone, “Divine and Human Hospitality,” New Blackfriars (May 2004). The Christian anthropology about human beings created in the image and likeness of the Generous One, called to growth and maturation as individuals who have a self and generously share it with others. God, the Host of the world, calls and empowers (grace and call) all of us to participate in his Spirit of self-giving hospitality (communion, community and communication). The hospitality theme, extending from the beginning to the end of the Bible, from Abraham to the Last Judgment, is the biblical infrastructure for the Christian theology (doctrinal suprastructure) of grace.


5. Presentation and discussion of the BBC TV documentary (“The Monastery”) about the quest for meaning within the tension of desire and limits. Also, BBC’s “The Private Life of an Easter Masterpiece: Piero della Francesca’s ‘Resurrection.’”

6. Donald DeMarco, “The Virtue of Leadership.” Richard Bolles, motivational speaker Hall of Fame, author of “What Color is Your Parachute?” The art and science of looking for a