
LECTIO DIVINA

Opening Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit! Lead us, guide us, teach us through these words of life.

Text

Choose one of the day's lectionary readings, or choose another reading appropriate to the setting or audience.

1) Listening to the Word

- One person reads the passage aloud *twice*. Others listen attentively and notice a word or phrase that is especially meaningful.
- Silence (about two minutes): Each person silently repeats this word or phrase.
- *Brief* sharing around the circle: Each person speaking *only* his/her chosen word or phrase.

2) Listening to the Meaning

- A different person reads the passage aloud *once*.
- Silence (about two minutes): Each listens interiorly for how this reading touches his/her life.
- *Brief* sharing around the circle: "I see/hear..."

3) Listening for the Invitation

- A different person reads the passage aloud *once*.
- Silence (about two minutes): Each reflects on what God seems to be saying to him/her through this passage.
- *Brief* sharing around the circle: "I sense God's invitation to..."

Note: Anyone may "pass" at any time.

Closing Prayer

Holy Spirit, thank you for speaking to us through this Sacred Word. Please guide each of us to respond to the invitation we have heard.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.