

Wisdom Circles

Revisiting Wisdom at the Crossroads

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Proverbs 8:1-4 (New Jerusalem Bible):

Is not Wisdom calling? Is not Understanding raising her voice? On the heights overlooking the road, at the [Crossroads], she takes her stand; by the gates, at the entrance to the city, on the access-roads, she cries out, 'I am calling to you, all people, my words are addressed to all humanity.'

February Focus: Wrestling with Wisdom at the Crossroads

Setting: a candle, a cloth, an image, or symbol on the theme or monthly focus.

Music, Song, or Chant: of your choice

Reading: The Road Not Taken – by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black,
Oh, I kept the first for another day!

Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I –
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.

Focus Question: Are you or have you ever struggled or wrestled with Wisdom God? If so, what was the outcome of that experience ... or is it still a “work in progress” and you’re still wrestling with Wisdom at the Crossroads?

Sharing: All have the opportunity to share on the readings and reflection for this month.

Wisdom Word: After all have shared, allow a word or phrase to capture the heart of the group’s experience.

Circle Prayer/Prayer Intentions: Bring to your circle the people, places, and circumstances for which you wish to pray.

Closing Prayer: Let dawn bring news of your faithful love,
for I place my trust in you;
show me the road I must travel
for you to relieve my heart. (Psalm 143:8 NJB)

Whether you turn to the right or to the left,
Your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying,
‘This is the way; walk in it.’ (Isaiah 30:21 NIV)