

May 2017 Preparation Sheet

Theme for the year: Revisiting Wisdom at the Crossroads



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.'

Month's Focus: Encountering Community with Wisdom at the Crossroads

Community embraces relationships, friendships, a common purpose, mutuality, love, caring, compassion, mutual respect, honesty, and so much more.

Although She is one, She can do all things, and She renews all things, Herself never changing. From generation to generation, She enters the souls of holy people, and makes them God's friends and prophets. For there is nothing that God loves more than people who are at home with Wisdom.

- Wisdom 7:27-28

First Reading:

Not For Myself Alone

At first I was like a narrow stream from a river,
and as a shallow brook into a garden.

I said, I will water my best garden,
I will moisten my finest beds.

Then my brook became a river,
and my river became a sea.

In this way

I make instruction glisten in the morning,
its shimmering seen from afar.

I pour out teaching as prophecy,
And leave it for future generations.

Know this:

I do not labor for myself alone,
but for all who seek Wisdom.

- Sirach 24:30-34

- from The Divine Feminine, pg 149

