



Two Significant Issues

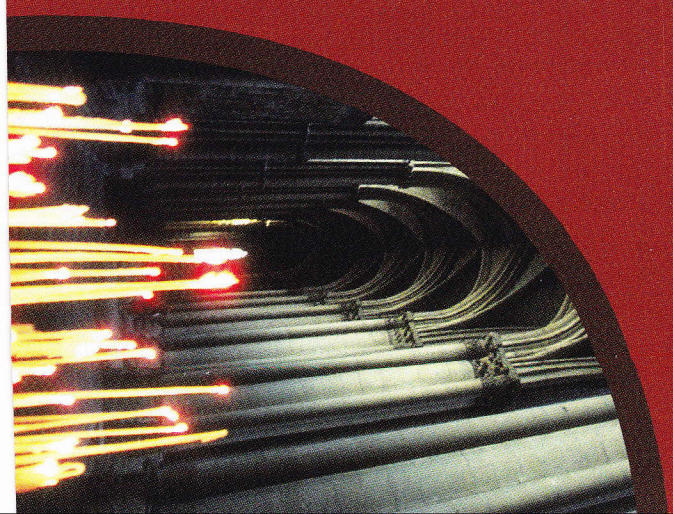
I believe mainline denominational Christianity has two significant problems. There is along standing tradition which emphasizes the intellect and reason to the exclusion of religious experience. Primarily because of excesses in fundamentalist and non-denominational groups, mainliners today are extremely wary of the charismatic gifts of the Holy Spirit. The effect of this is to create a faith which is distant, cold, and ineffective in the real world.

The second problem is that we have lost touch with the contemplative dimension. We're moving so fast today that slowing down to actually spend time developing a deep, mystical awareness of the divine presence around and within us is something we don't even consider.

How I Can Help

I can help congregations to recover and combine these two vital aspects of Christian spirituality. The focus of my work in this area is to teach, model, and impart responsiveness to the Holy Spirit for life and ministry. Congregations who work with me learn how to easily and naturally access the supernatural dimension of the Christian faith. Those congregations who move forward in exploring and developing the gifts of the Holy Spirit often find themselves on the cutting edge of a renewal of parish life and community outreach that can only be explained (and sustained!) by the ongoing power and presence of the divine in their midst. The contemplative workshops on centering prayer, *lectio divina*, and how to hear God's voice are excellent opportunities to introduce these ancient practices to your members, as well as developing a corporate level of deep spiritual growth.

People who attend my conferences and workshops usually arrive with no idea what to expect. The conferences are highly practical, hands on, and experiential. Because I know that most people learn by doing, not simply by receiving a lecture, I try to move people quickly from theory to practice. I do not believe that Christian ministry is a "spectator sport" and my goal is bring as many people into the game as possible. When people leave one of my trainings, they are confident in their relationship with the Lord, able to move in the anointing and power of the Holy Spirit according to His good pleasure, and are generally raised to a new level of spiritual maturity and effectiveness.



Topics available include:

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Workshop

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Outside the Monastery

Welcoming the Holy Spirit Retreat

How to Hear God's Voice

The Healing School

Prophetic Ministry 101

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information, please visit my website.*

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Who is Steve Stutz and Why Should I Listen to Him?

I love being a spiritual director and life coach. I was trained through the Formation in Direction program of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas in 2006. I received my M.Div from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis and my D.Min from Houston Graduate School of Theology. My coaching certification is from the Life Coach Institute of Orange County.

I am an experienced retreat leader and workshop presenter, having worked with groups in the US, Belize, Canada, and Africa. I am trained to facilitate the Ignatian 19th Annotation, have extensive experience in dream work, Enneagram, individual and group discernment process, charismatic gifts of the Holy Spirit. I have taught on contemplative spirituality, meditation, and Christian healing. I am a former parish pastor (14 years) and am currently known for my work as a transformational life coach. My materials are in use by people in nearly 30 countries.

I am a National Speakers Association ProTrack Graduate, and a Marriage and Family Life Counselor and Board Certified Licensed Pastoral Counselor through the Therapon Institute. I am a member of Houston Coaches, the International Order of St. Luke, and my church home is at Peace Lutheran (ELCA), in Pasadena, TX.

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