

Our Lenten Journey – Week Five

Civil Political Discourse

Joan Chittister, osb ~ From where I stand, our political salvation in times like this may well require that we come together across our separate political filters in groups more concentrated in a recommitment to American values than on our various political agendas or even our political candidates. NCR 3/16/17

Ponder:

Angela ~ Live in harmony united in one heart and one will. 9th Council

John 4: 1-42 – Samaritan woman in conversation with Jesus.

Jane Goodall ~ Change happens by listening and then starting a dialogue with the people who are doing something you don't believe is right.

Before you can lead others to another point of view, you need to have listened well enough to understand their starting point.
(peaceontheinside)

Pope Francis ~ 'Whenever we do something together, something good, something beautiful, everyone changes—all of us change in some way— and this does us good.'

Practice:

Develop questions which could lead to a discussion of underlying values that are competing in our national dialogue.

How can you affirm the values without accepting the practice/policy of those with whom you disagree?