

**Saturday April 17, 2021**

## **Handout**

### **Opening Prayer**

*Serene light shining in the ground of my being, draw me to yourself.*

*Draw me past the snares of the senses, out of the mazes of the mind.*

*Free me from symbols, from words that I may discover the signified:*

*The word unspoken in the darkness that veils the ground of my being*

- Byzantine Hymn cited in: Cynthia Bourgeault, 'The Wisdom Jesus', p.141. Written by Australian mystic Phyllis V Cambell

### **Final Reading**

*To believe that Jesus was raised from the dead is actually not a leap of faith. Resurrection and renewal are, in fact, the universal and observable pattern of everything. We might just as well use non-religious terms like "springtime," "regeneration," "healing," "forgiveness," "life cycles," "darkness," and "light." If incarnation is real, if material creation is inspirited, then resurrection in multitudinous forms is to be fully expected. Or to paraphrase a statement attributed to Albert Einstein, it is not that one thing is a miracle, but that the whole thing is a miracle!*

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### **Unity Prayer**

May God heal all divisions -- those within my own mind, heart, soul and body, and those between all people and groups -- that we may be one Body in Christ, unified in every way and on every level, and thus manifest the Living Christ by our very lives. Amen.

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