

# SESSION SIX

# JESUS DECONSTRUCTED

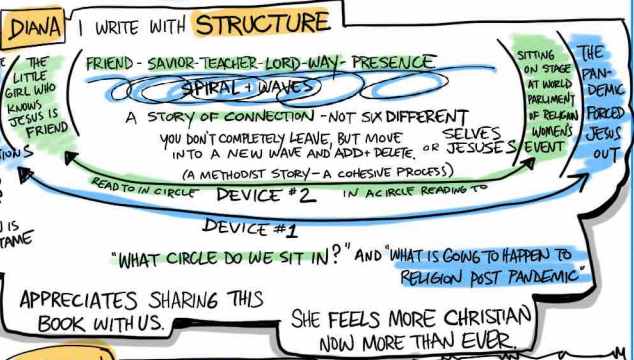
POEM BY DEMISE LEVERTAL  
DOUBT + BELIEF



DIANA FOUND A POEM...  
"Oh, Evangelical God..."  
DENISE O. BIRDSONG

DISCUSSION ABOUT THE NY TIMES PIECE ON EVANGELICALISM  
THIS IS NOT NEW. IT HAS BEEN BUILDING SINCE THE 1970s.  
IT MISSED THAT THERE ARE DISSENTERS.  
↳ MANY OF THOSE ARE SPIRITUALLY HOMELESS. (THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE).

TRIPP - WHAT I LIKED ABOUT FREEING JESUS  
YOU SEE THE CYCLES AS WAVES  
THIS IS PART OF THE STORY  
EXCITED ABOUT IT



QUESTION #1  
WHICH TRANSFORMATIONS DO YOU HOPE YOUR GRANDCHILDREN  
- DON'T HAVE TO HAVE.  
- GET TO HAVE.

WHEN RELIGIOUS STRUCTURE DOES VIOLENCE.  
- NOT SUFFER IT, OR NOT PARTICIPATE.

TRIPP  
SPIRITUAL MEMOIR RECLAIMS THE STORY WITHOUT CUTTING OFF.  
BUT HAVE YOU LISTENED TO THE WHOLE ALBUM?  
MEMOIRS ALLOW A RETELLING OF YOUR STORY WHERE YOU ARE THE AUTHOR OF THE MEANING.

DEEPLY FEMINIST BOOK (BODIES IT ROBUSTLY)  
"WHAT DOES A MALE SAVIOR HAVE TO OFFER WOMEN?"  
SHE DIVES INTO THAT



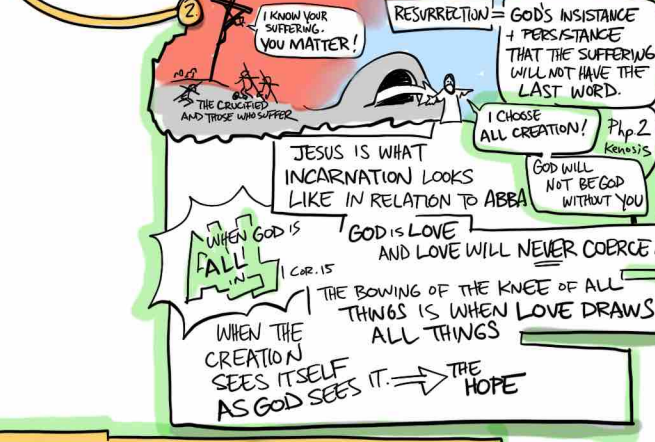
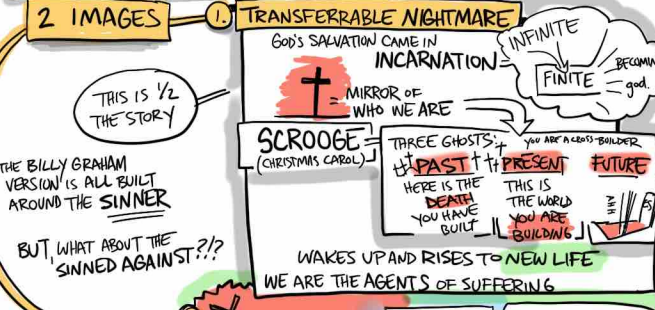
QUESTION #2  
FRIENDSHIP? (D) I HAVEN'T BEEN VERY GOOD AT FRIENDSHIPS.  
- THE BROKENNESS OF HUMAN FRIENDSHIP MAKES ME RUN TO FRIENDSHIP W/ GOD.

RE-RELATIONSHIP  
THERE IS WARMTH + ACCOUNTABILITY

FRIENDS HOLD THE RIGHT SECRETS IN THE RIGHT WAY.

THIS IS THE LOGOS - RESURRECTION POWER FOR NEW LIFE W/ FRIENDSHIP. A TRUST ON THE GOD MOVING FORWARD.

## ATONEMENT, PAIN, TRAUMA? HOW TO DEAL IF NOT ON TEAM 'PENAL-SUBSTITUTION THEORY'



## 5 RULES TO ASSESS A THEORY OF ATONEMENT

1. IF DISTINCTION BETWEEN JUSTIFICATION vs. SANCTIFICATION THEN NOT GOOD.
  2. NO CONTRADICTION BETWEEN THE CHARACTER OF GOD SHOULD AT LEAST BE AS NICE AS JESUS." (SHOULD BE THE SAME)
  3. ATONEMENT THAT IS NOT FOR ALL CREATION IS NOT BIG ENOUGH (NOT JUST HUMANS)
  4. IT SHOULD BE FOR THE SINNER AND THE SINNED AGAINST OTHERWISE YOU KEEP RECREATING THE CYCLE (THE RESURRECTION COMES AFTER THE CROSS)
  5. RELATION INCLUDES THE WHOLE WEB OF RELATIONAL SYSTEMS NOT JUST INDIVIDUALS.
- PS. Neither is God.

DIANA WANTS A T.V.L.I.P. A FLOWER THAT HELPS US REMEMBER THE 5 RULES

SO OFTEN WE CHANGE PLACES WITHIN OURSELVES  
SINNER + SINNED AGAINST  
WE CAN HAVE A FULL LIFE WHEN WE ACKNOWLEDGE BOTH.

TRIPP HE RECOGNIZES HIS PRIVILEGE AND HE HAS BEEN PICKED ON HIS WHOLE LIFE  
- FOR WEIGHT  
- FOR DYSLEXIA... AND... HE WAS VIOLATED BY A FRIEND WHO LEARNED IT FROM A PARENT.  
THESE THINGS SHAPED HIM  
FITTING IT HERE FEELS GROSS VICTIM



THE RESURRECTED JESUS HAS WOUNDS

D: HELPS UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE OF JESUS  
IF ORIGINAL SIN (FROM ADAM) THEN ONE THING PEARL-SUB THEORY  
BUT IF GOD CREATED ALL THINGS GOOD AND WE LIVE IN THE CONSEQUENCES OF GENERATIONS OF BAD CHOICES.  
TELLS STORY OF DISCOVERING SYSTEMS OF ABUSE IN HER FAMILY. SYSTEMIC EVIL  
SHE HAD ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WAS HER FAULT. POLUTION

A NEED FOR HEALING

QUESTIONS  
1. WHAT PARTS OF YOUR BOOKS STOOD OUT IN A NEW WAY?  
2. HOW DO YOU INTRODUCE CHILDREN TO JESUS TODAY?  
3. WHAT GOSPEL STORY WOULD YOU PREACH?

HE HAD EXPERIENTIAL CONFIDENCE IN THE GOSPEL BY PRACTICING TRUTH. GOD LOVES YOU!  
THE STORIES HE FORGOT CONFIRMATION QUESTIONS. EXPERIMENTS. DURING LOCK-DOWN HE HADN'T HAD COMMUNITY.  
THE WORST THING IN MY LIFE LED TO THE BEST THING.  
DID GO TO EPISCOPAL CHURCH GAVE HER STORIES OF JESUS MARCUS BORG  
WHAT IS MY "JESUS PLAYLIST"  
WOMAN AT THE WELL. MARY/MAGDALENE + JOHN 20 - EASTER.  
ZACCHAEUS HOW DOES JESUS TAKE JERICHO?