

Bible Study: WHY ARE WE HERE?

To learn something – to gain some context

For fellowship

To wrestle with the text – to reflect for ourselves on the meaning
– like Jacob at the river

To dig deeper – give more depth to scripture

Because we see the WORD as relevant

For Spirituality – to be ‘elevated’ when we leave

To join in the WORD as active participants (Sundays as well)

For a discipline – to make our lives richer

For insight into the Sunday sermon/reflection

Accidental addiction – a need to be here!

To Discern and Examine (our lives, the scriptures, our decisions, etc.)

To work on BEING comfortable with the question(s)

NORMS: How do we interact with one another?

Through voices and tenor of voice – awareness of how we are speaking

Being welcoming – considering where we sit, how we treat newcomers, etc.

Start on time and end on time

Drapes drawn for comfort

Heat comfortable in the room

Allow all people the space and time to speak

Have fun

We look for leadership

Invite (each other, new comers, the Spirit...)

Respect – we all have responsibilities and rights as to our expectations

We will generally follow the lectionary, sometimes following themes and discussing other options