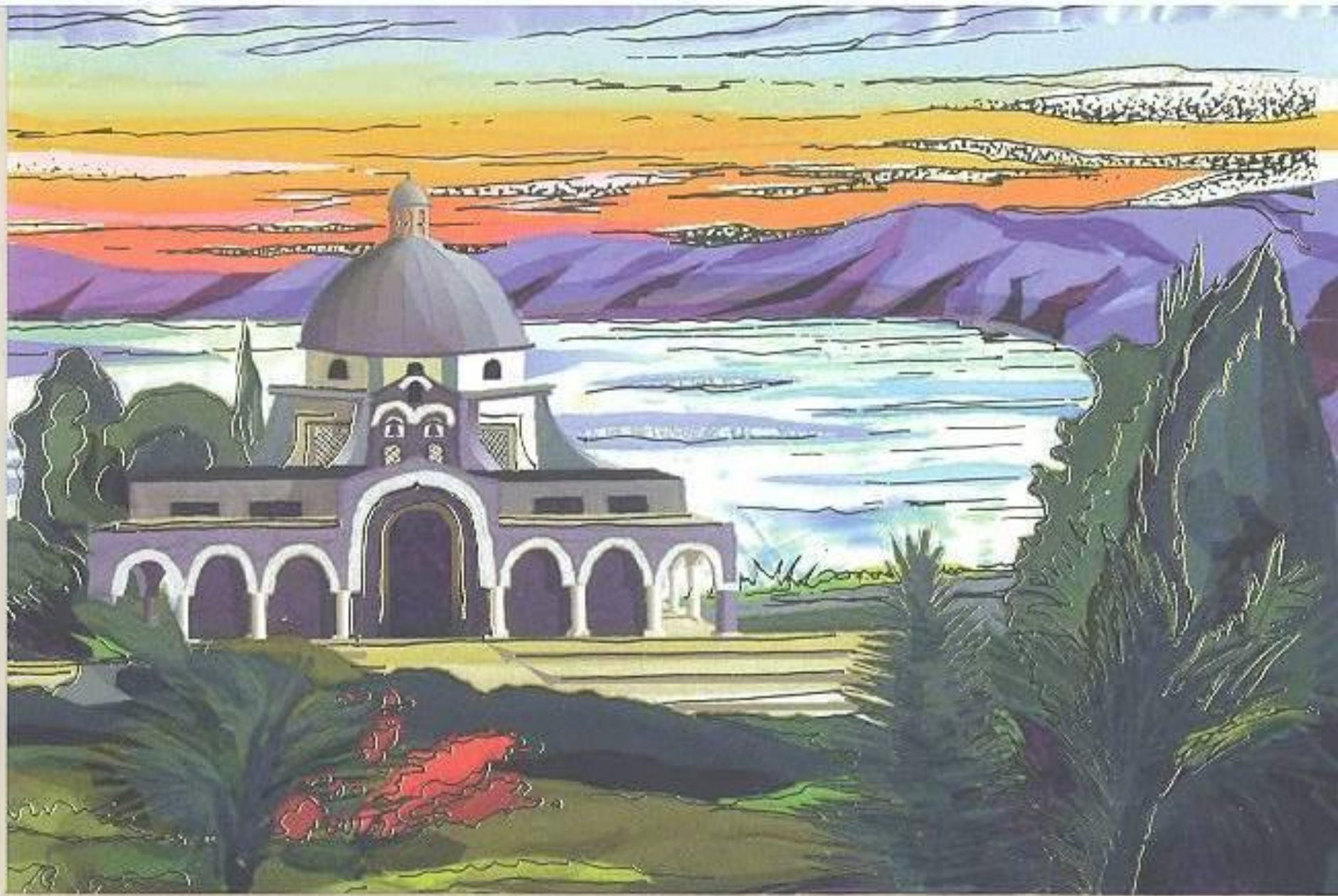


Beatitude Living:

Contemplating a Way of Being
Human in a Digital Civilization





Black Swan

The Beatitudes



21st Century Beatitude Living

- **Encounter** with Jesus
- Nurturing **Living** Faith
- Sense of **Wonder & Mystery**
- Radical **Discipleship**
- Forming **Community**
- Signs of **Hope**
- Catholic Theological **Anthropology**



Surfing life without an awareness



of depth experiences



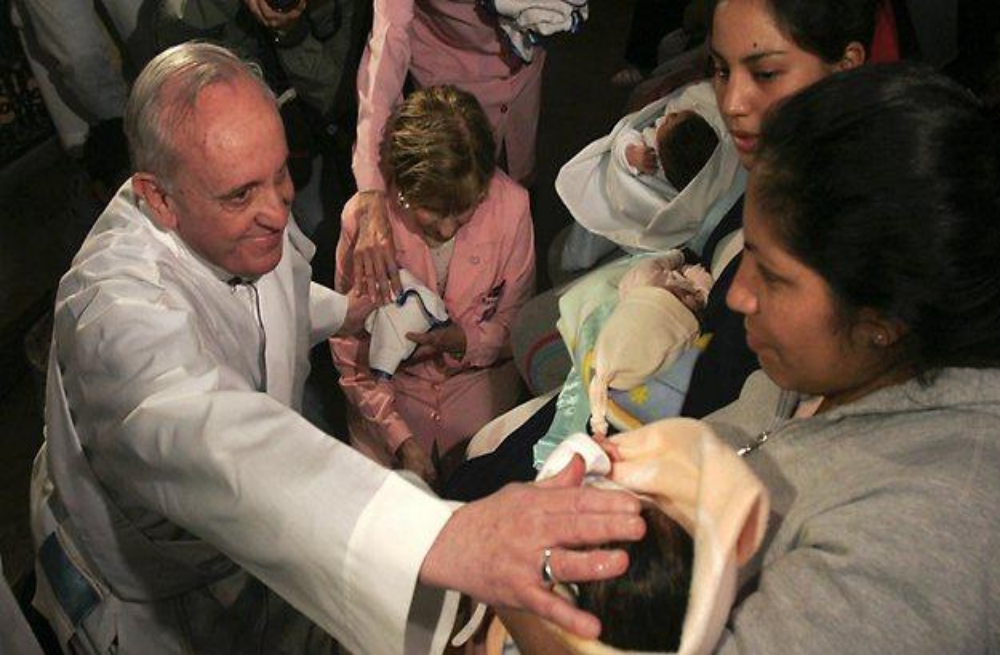
The Inspiration for Cultivating Beatitude Way of Life

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 9-10



**“I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God...
For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but
rather of power and love and self-control.
So do not be ashamed of your testimony of our
Lord...bear your share of hardship for the gospel
with the strength that comes from God.”**





Eclipse of Mystery





Immersed

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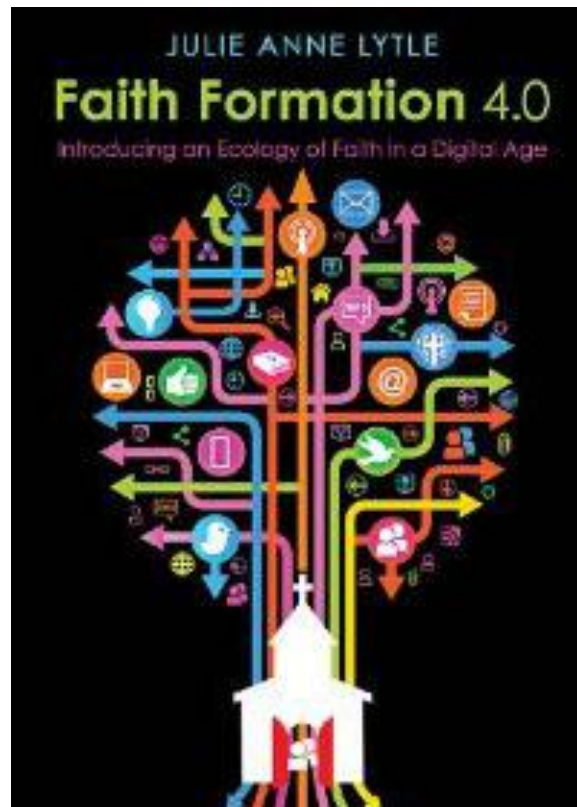
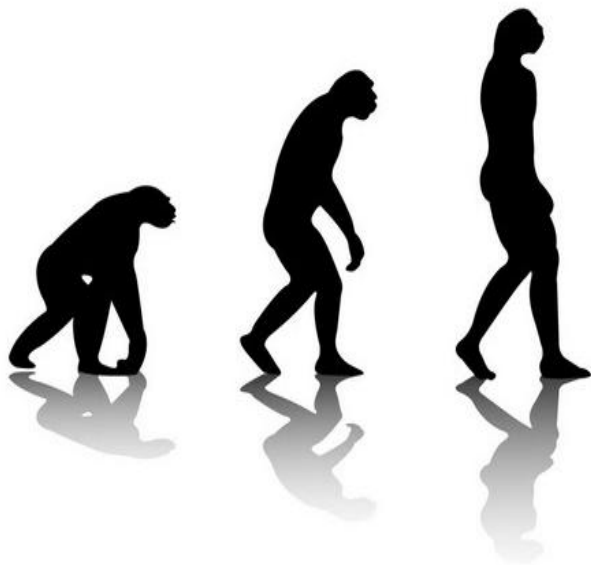
Culture of Distraction



Vibration Reflex Syndrome



What does it mean to 'be human' within an accelerating digital civilization?

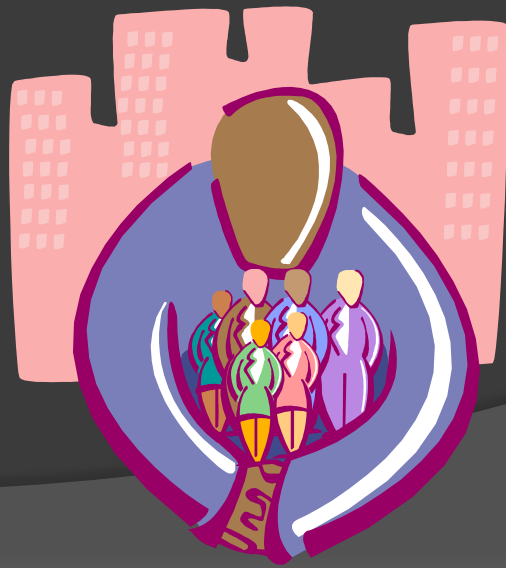


Moral and Spiritual Compass



The virtuous person tends toward the good with all his sensory and spiritual powers (CCC 1803)

The moral virtues are acquired by human effort. They are the fruit and seed of morally good acts; they dispose all the powers of the human being for communion with divine love. (CCC 1804)



BAPTIZO

(Greek)



Repeatedly dipping into the dye!



SIN

is a failure in genuine love for God and neighbor caused by a perverse attachment to certain goods. It wounds the nature of man and injures human solidarity.



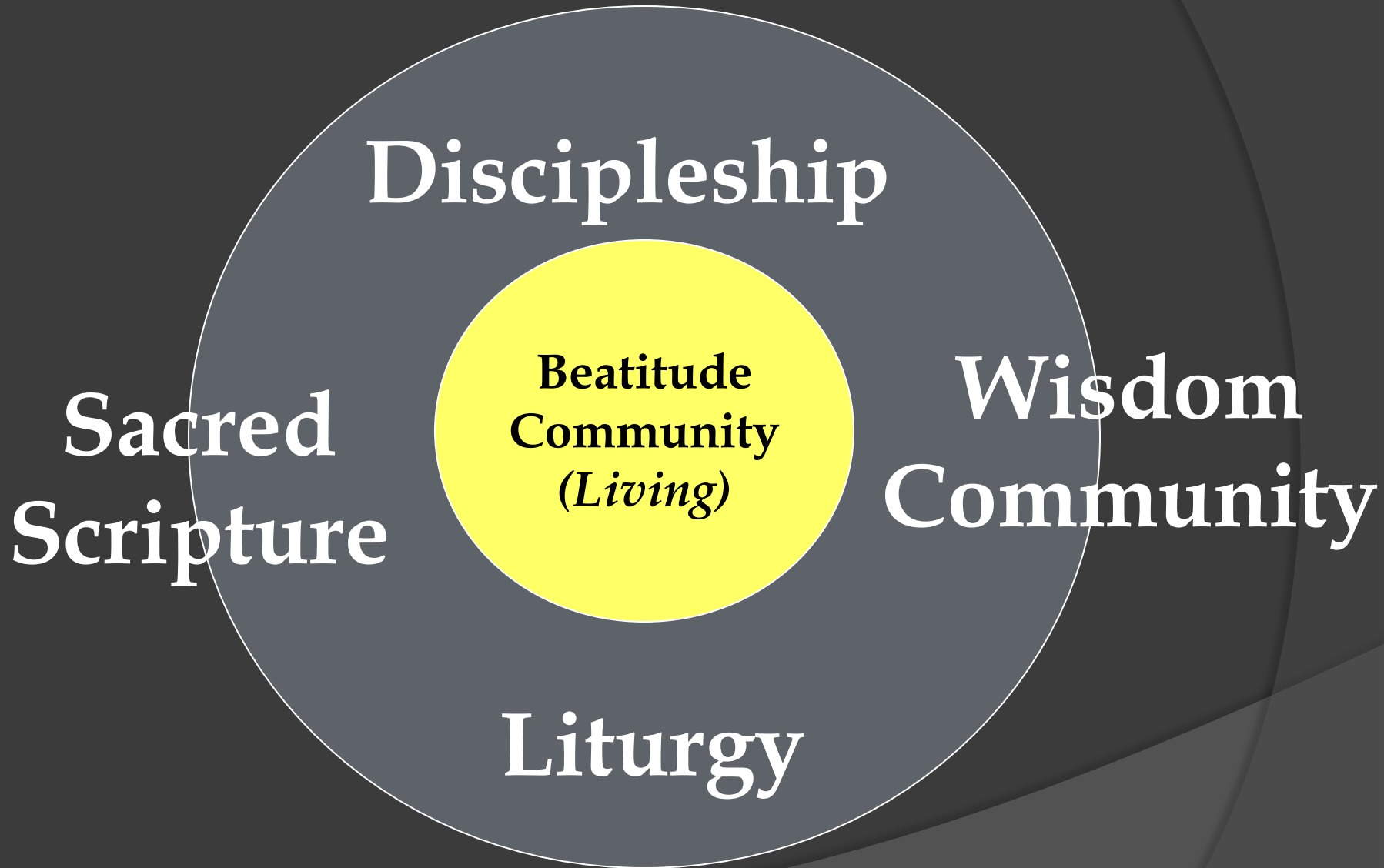
Conscience
Formation



Discernment

Beatitude Living

A Moral Life Flows From a Sense of



Beatitude Heroes



8 SPIRITUAL HEROES

MOHANDAS GANDHI

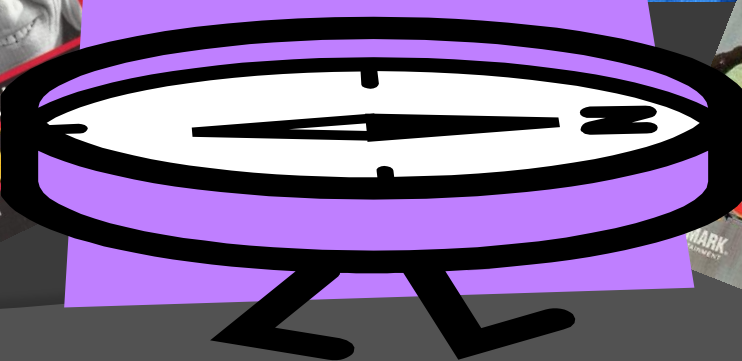
THORNTON

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta



The Making of a Saint

THEIR SEARCH
GO
BRENNAN



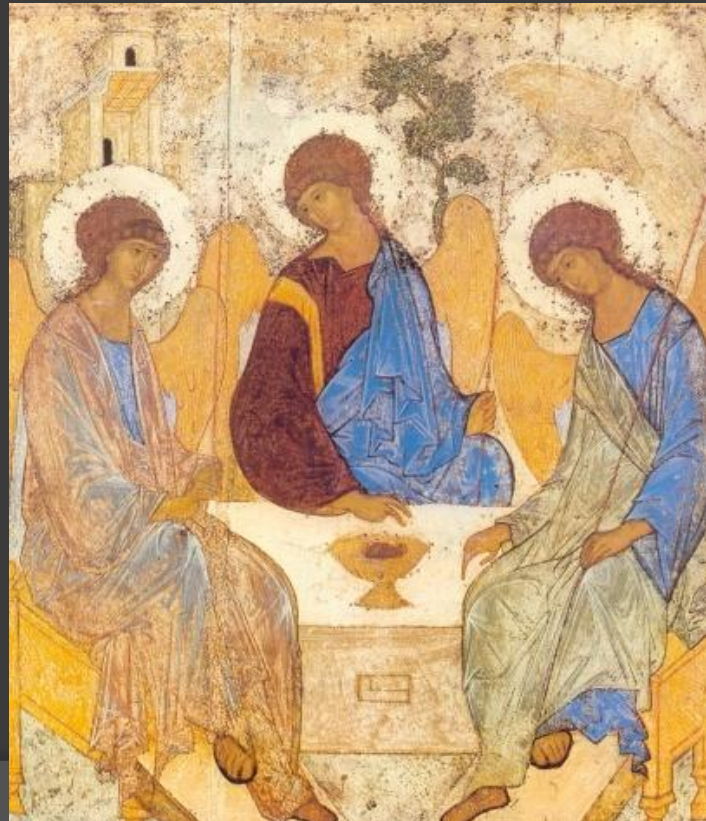
RAUL JULIA

He started a revolution without an army. Because fear can be the most powerful weapon of all.



"The Most Meaningful Movie So Far This Year."
Bruce Williamson, Playboy
"10 - A devastating experience. I wept when I saw it!"
Gary Franklin, KABC-TV

Integrated education is more than the acquisition of intellectual values. It is **learning a lifestyle** according to the Catholic School.



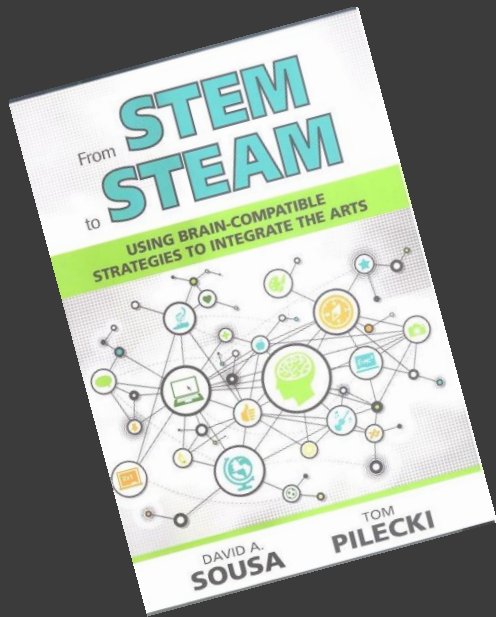
From **STEM**
to **STEAM**

**USING BRAIN-COMPATIBLE
STRATEGIES TO INTEGRATE THE ARTS**



DAVID A.
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To STREAM

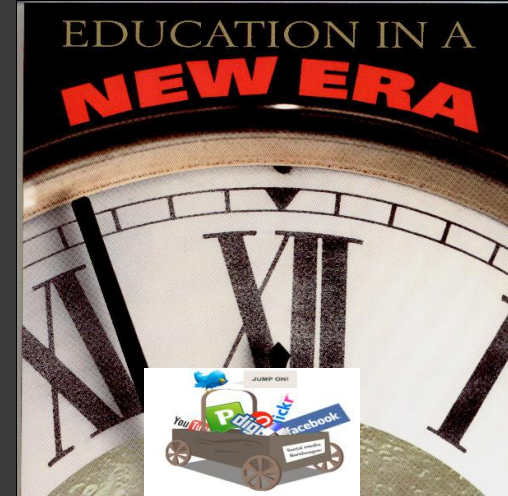


What to Look For?



- Emerging Digital Milieu
- New Brain Research
- Recognizing New Learning Styles
- Re-thinking Sense of Learning Place
- Living Faith in a Digital World
- Thinking Outside the Box

EDUCATION IN A
NEW ERA



Digital Civilization

- Informs us
- Forms us
- Transforms us

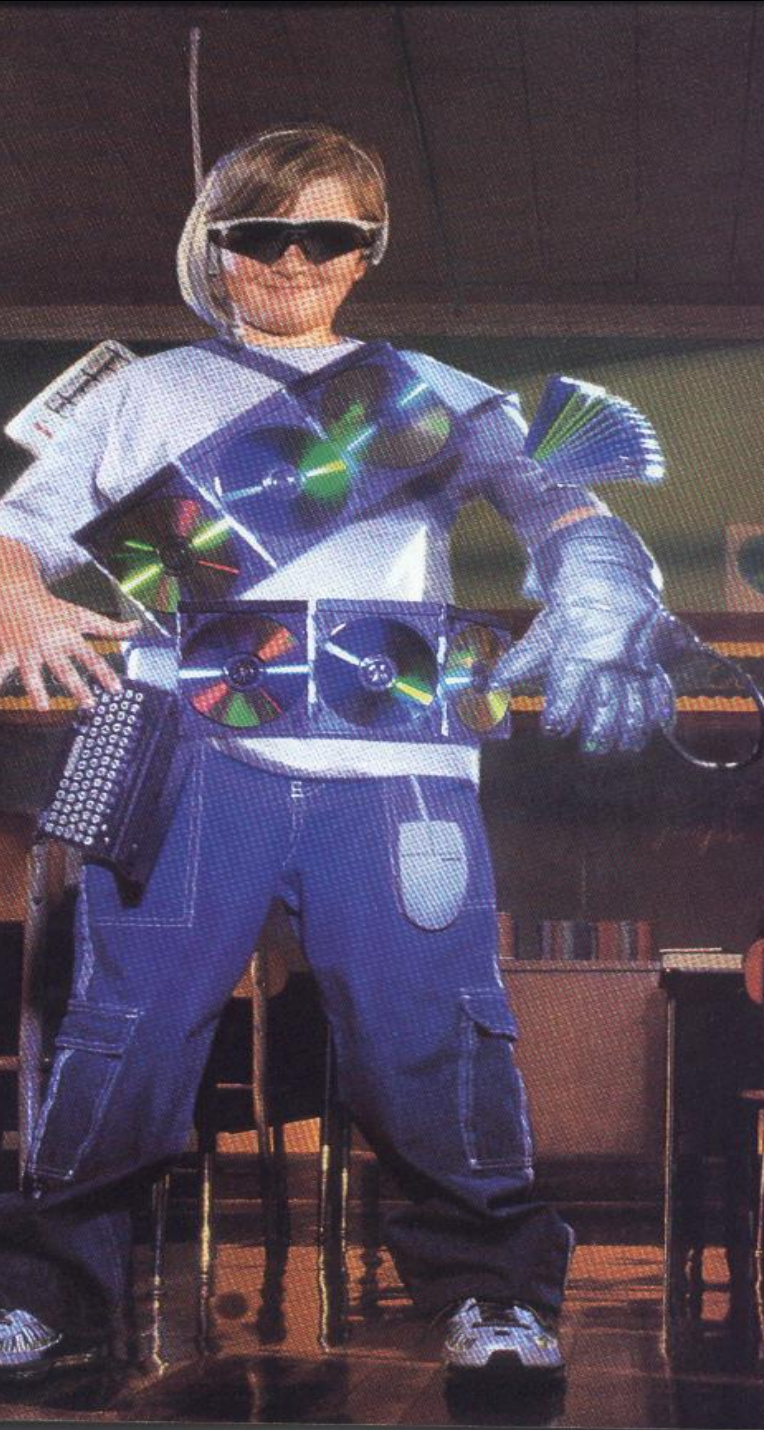
With Alarming Speed!





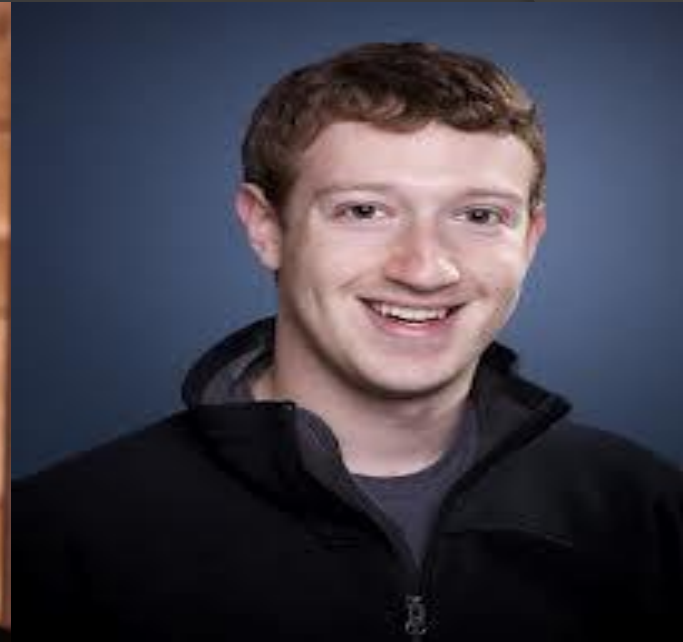
We shape our technologies
and our technologies shape us!

iGeneration





Nick D'Aloisio (17)
Sumaly App



Mark Zuckerberg (19)
Facebook

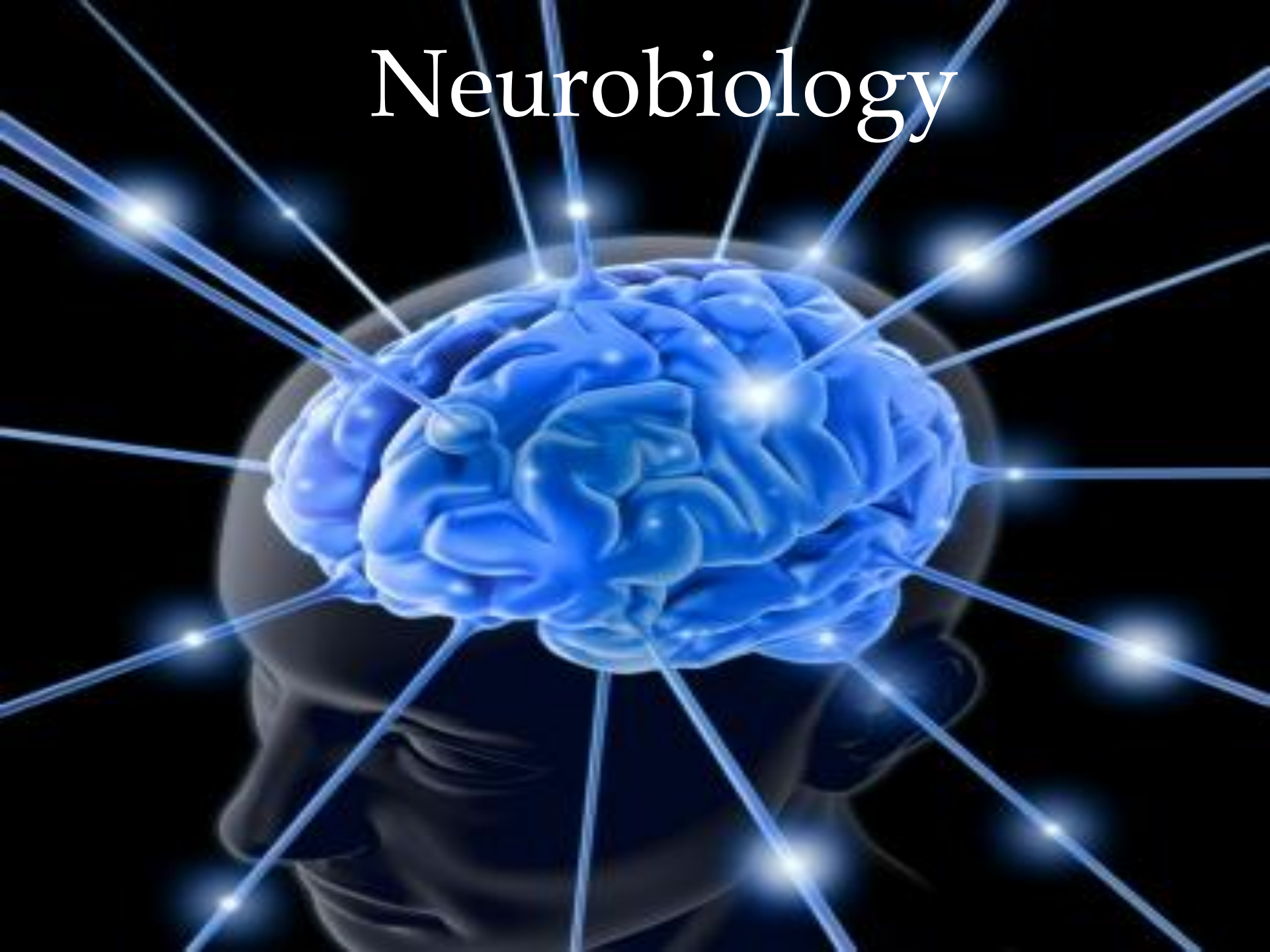
Millennial iGeneration: Designers of the Digital Civilization

New Human Consciousness



Catholic Theological Anthropology

Neurobiology



Change Requires...

- Several Hours a Day
- 5 Days a Week
- Sharply Focused Attention



Medici Effect and Disruptive Innovation



Highlights of Best Practices

- ◎ Flipped Classroom
- ◎ Digital Story Telling
- ◎ Virtual Tours
- ◎ Borderless Classroom
- ◎ Digital Libraries (iPad)
- ◎ Distance Learning



Thinking Skills are Enhanced by Repeated Exposure



- Computer Games
- Digital Media
- Visual Images
- Multidimensional
- Inductive Discovery
- Attention Deployment
- Responding Faster to Stimuli

As the Brain Evolves....

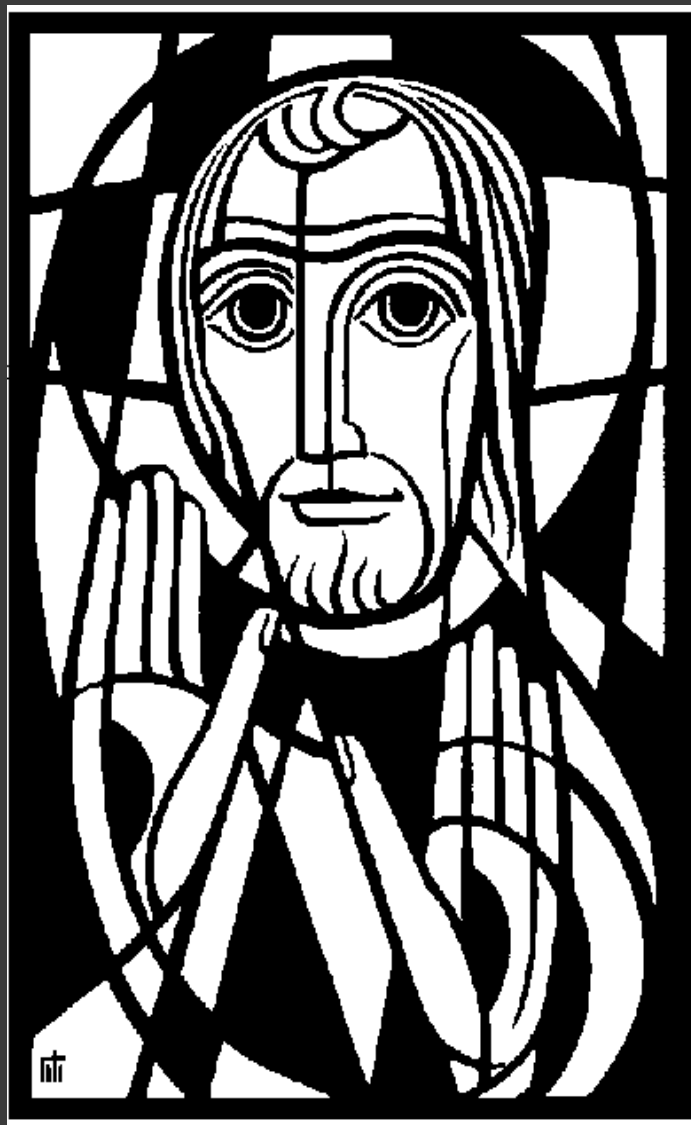


Alert to the alteration of social skills and emotional
Context of Gestures

What could be lost?

Reflection and Critical Thinking





Kingdom of God

Reign of God

Beatitude Festival
of the
Arts

Beatitude Moments

- Parents
- Faculty
- Orientation
- Urban Child
Development
Resource Center

Struggling
Readers Program
(UD)

Creating
a
Beatitude
Culture

Professional Development
(UD)

- St. Remy Initiative
- Curriculum Mapping
(integrating the Beatitudes)
- Study of Terra Nova Scores

Impacting Catholic Education

- NCEA
- Beatitude Book*
- Piqua Convocation*
- Today's Catholic Teacher*
- Momentum*

Parish
Community Outreach

Beatitude Moments

- liturgical
- Groups
- Sacramental
- Other...

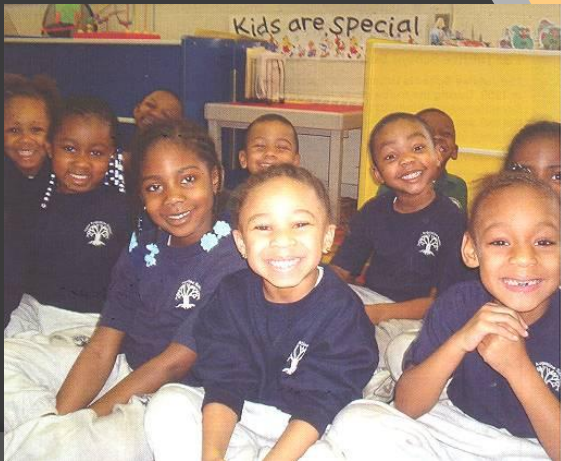
Catechetical
Environment

Creating
a
Beatitude
Culture

Ongoing Professional
Beatitude Formation
for
Catechists
and
Parish Ministers

*Nurturing
Beatitude Families
&
Neighborhoods*

*The Kingdom of God
is yours!
You will see God!*



You will see God!

A wooden ladder with two main rails and several rungs, leaning diagonally from the top left towards the bottom right. The ladder is set against a dark grey background with a bright yellow, jagged-edged light flare behind it. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Blessed are those who
hunger and thirst
for justice...

Blessed are the
Meek

Blessed are those who
Mourn

Blessed are the Poor in Spirit



Blessed...people revile you and persecute
you

Blessed are those who are
persecuted for justice sake

Blessed are the peacemakers

Blessed are the
pure of heart

Blessed are the
merciful

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Beatitude Living

Theological
Virtues

Faith
Hope
Love

Gifts
of the
Holy Spirit

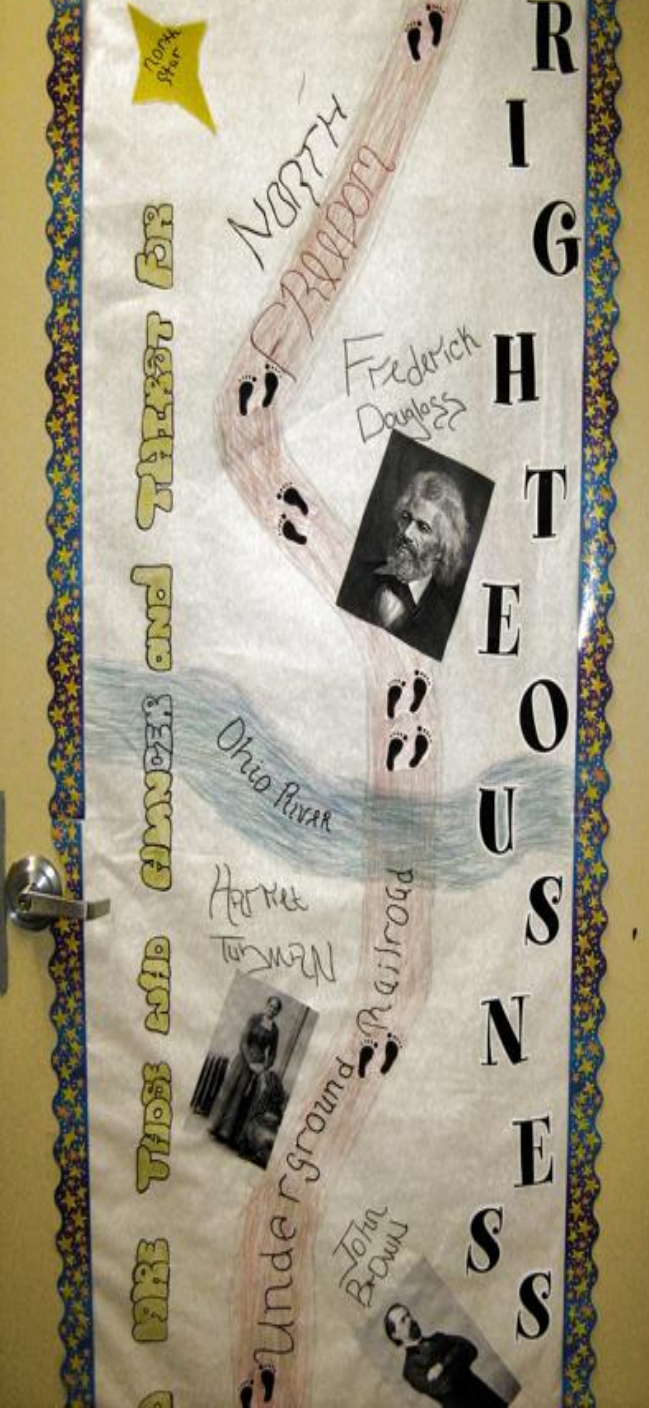
Corporal
&
Spiritual
Works
of
Mercy

Fruits
of the
Holy
Spirit





With only a little effort, all the beatitudes can be memorized.



The call to holiness requires effort and commitment to live the beatitudes.

We have seen this active spirituality in the lives of countless lay persons and have listened to their stories.

(Called and Gifted for the Third Millennium – USCCB)

Moral Compass

Curriculum

Community
(intra-extra)

Beatitude
Culture

Environment
(Ethos)

Faith Formation

Academic Excellence

Moral Integrity

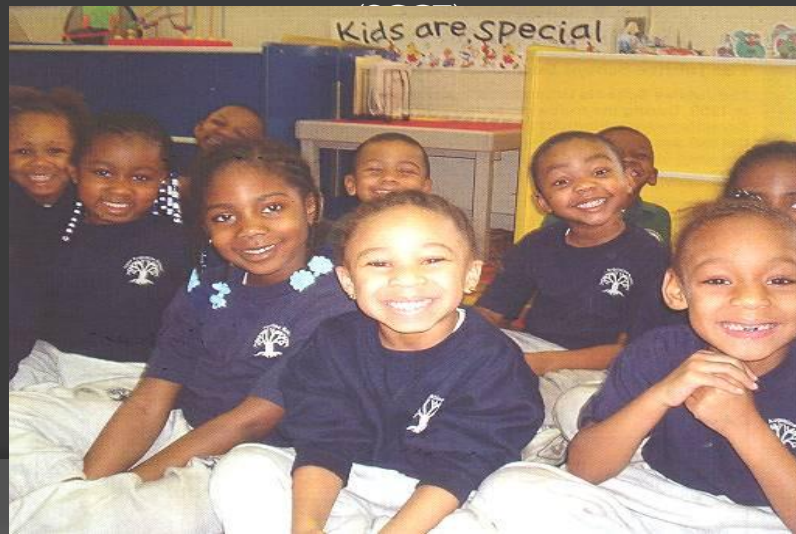
Gospel Values



Culture of Non-Violence

The real difference is that **Catholic Schools** use **beliefs and values of the Catholic religion** as determining factors of their **worldview**.

They communicate that basic and unifying view of life and knowledge to the students.



Therefore,
essentially Catholic Schools are
commitment to Social Justice.



An Example of a Beatitude School



Beatitude Grades

- ◎ Pre-K and Kindergarten – Introduction to a Beatitude Lifestyle
- ◎ Grade 1 - Blessed are the Meek
- ◎ Grade 2 - Blessed are the Pure in Heart
- ◎ Grade 3 - Blessed are the Poor in Spirit
- ◎ Grade 4 - Blessed are the Merciful
- ◎ Grade 5 - Blessed are those who Mourn
- ◎ Grade 6 - Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for Righteousness
- ◎ Grade 7 - Blessed are those who are persecuted
- ◎ Grade 8 - Blessed are the Peacemakers



Service-Learning



Annual Beatitude Festival of the Arts

- Engage the gifts, talents and community resources for advancing our Beatitude Journey
- Stimulate the Religious Imagination – students, faculty, parents, parishes and community for embracing a Beatitude Worldview
- Deepen the total community’s understanding and appreciation of ‘the meaning and direction for becoming a Beatitude learning environment and community!’





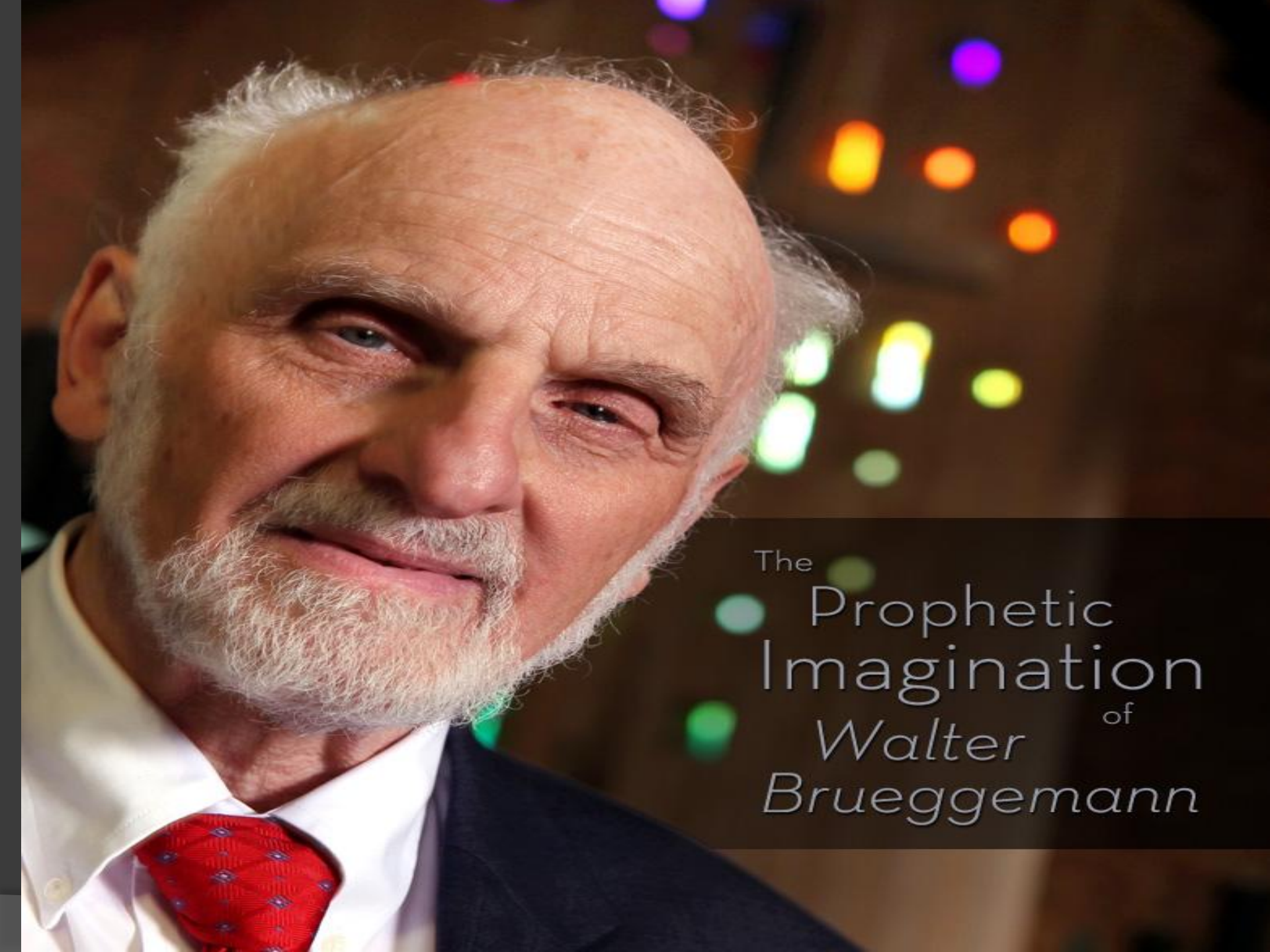
Logic will get you from

A to B

imagination will take you

everywhere

- Albert Einstein



The
Prophetic
Imagination
of
Walter
Brueggemann

Prophetic ministry....

is to nurture,

nourish,

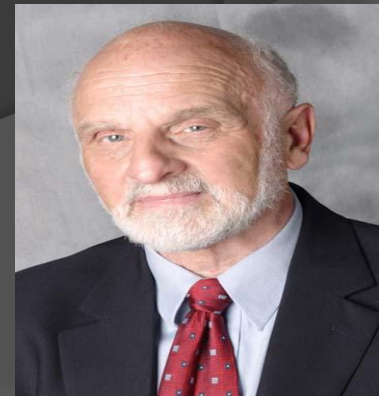
and evoke a consciousness and

perception alternative

to the consciousness

and perception of the dominant

culture around us!

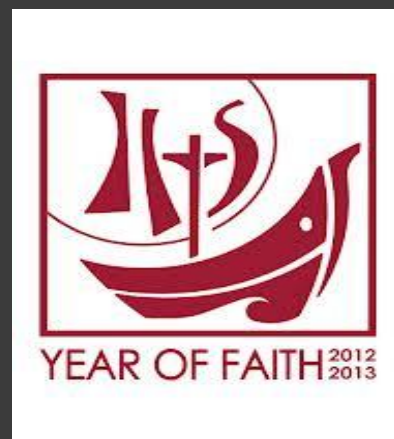


Religious Imagination





Awaken a renewed capacity to wonder,
imagine
and
stir into flame!



...to arouse in every believer
the aspiration to profess faith in
fullness
and
with renewed conviction
with
confidence and hope!



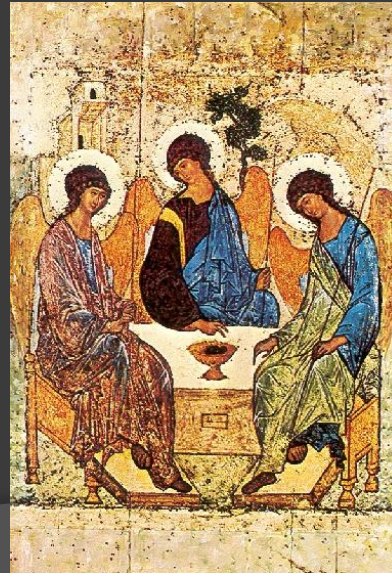
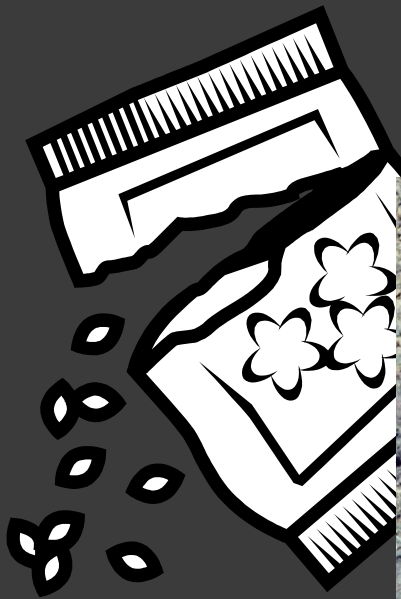


Jesus' Use of Parables

- Kingdom of God
- Discipleship
- Moral Compass
- Embracing Jesus



If you want to express the
Gospel today, we need to
use
Symbolic Language!



We Never Did It That Way Before!



Online Adult Faith Formation

The Hidden Energy of The Good News!



Stir into Flame – Radiate Hope