



## June 8th, 2024 Second Saturday Chat Transcript

[Participant] : Greetings from the traditional lands of the Musqueam (Coast Salish) People in what is now called Vancouver, Canada.

[Participant] : Hello from San Diego

[Participant] : With the Exodus story in mind, I'm looking at a lot of fellow "Egyptians." How can we make these conversations relevant and attractive to the "slaves" who live among us?

[Participant] : Greetings from San Diego CA!

[Participant] : Greetings from Greensburg, PA

[Participant] : Greetings from London, Ontario, Canada

[Participant] : Greetings from Cape May, NJ

[Participant] : Greetings from Glasgow Scotland

[Participant] : Greetings from Rotherham, England.

[Participant] : Hello from the Abenaki land of New Hampshire.

[Participant] : Greetings from Lawton, OK via Colorado Springs. After my granddaughter's wedding shower, instead of driving back to Lawton, I had a hip replacement, and have been recuperating at my daughter's home in Colorado Springs,, and will go home after the wedding! Other than a bit of discomfort, I couldn't have planned a better way to spend the time between shower and wedding!

[Participant] : Good Morning from Napa, California.

[Participant] : music is too loud as it interferes with my use of an accessibility tool in which i have to listen

[Participant] : Greetings from Maine

[Participant] : Hello from Ames, Iowa

[Participant] : Greetings from Lyn in Franklin, Massachusetts.

[Participant] : Greetings from Laurens, SC

[Participant] : Thank you for all you do!

[Participant] : Jesus' "dangerous memory" strikes me as analogous to John Lewis' "good trouble."

[Participant] : Is the notion of human reality, anthropomorphic?

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[Participant] : I LOVE seeing God as Creativity! I know what I'll be doing this week-end.  
Listening to this Second Saturday!

[Participant] : Doesn't metaphysics move us out of anthropomorphic? Of course if we stay in metaphysics we move away incarnation.

[Participant] : Amen. God in the sky is troublesome.

[Participant] : Who is the author of "The worst thing we did is put God in the sky!" That's great!

[Participant] : Don't we think of God as both immanent and transcendent? The beyond as well as the within -

[Participant] : I am so grateful for Marianne's running thru these gems to contemplate at length.

[Participant] : this is a miracle unfolding. Thank you so much

[Participant] : VOTE

[Participant] : Ran across a Greek Orthodox blessing of close friendship: Adelphopoiesis. Translates in to "brother making." This group falls into that category. Thank you, ALL.

[Participant] : Yes Peter, we MUST VOTE!

[Participant] : I remind myself the notion that we are in the no longer and the not yet. There is nothing to hold on to anymore. Free fall. Things at not working. Now what?

[Participant] : It seems part of reimagining Christianity involves plumbing the depths of dangerous meaning includes letting go of the tribalism of doctrine and ideology and open to the possibilities of partnering with God as creativity.

[Participant] : I just spent 2 1/2 days with Jewish Voice for Peace Action (JVPA) in conference and in Congress. We kept asking for the same: ceasefire....arms embargo....now. Very little response, but we kept trying. So Jewish and Christian values here, both struggling.

[Participant] : This may seem random — but I shared my 12 year old granddaughters' favorite movie with her last night "Knives Out" ( a classic "who done it") in which I saw caring and honesty outwitting selfishness and terror. Not dissimilar to Marianne's reflections this morning.  
Beth Davidson

[Participant] : Thank you, Lynne — I cold have spoken the same words! Thanks to Marianne and all — what a precious space!

[Participant] : Second Saturday is an anchor for me in my month. I hugely appreciate today's

[Participant] : Thank you Marianne for today's summary. Something to think about all summer.  
Eager for more in September. Til then, I'll revisit the 2023-24 sessions we have shared.

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[Participant] : Lament holds out for hope. Despair has lost hope. Quote from Cole Arthur Riley.

[Participant] : What if to be human is to be Divine?

[Participant] : Singing song in a strange land is what I feel so often in my “Progressive” Sunday School class. “Linda, you’re just ahead of your time.” And the eye rolls making it very clear that...they don’t get it...certainly don’t want to encourage me in my thoughts. With this incredibly wonderful group, it’s not going to matter the response I get, because I now know that I have Second Saturday to support and accept and encourage me. Deep thanks, all y’all!

[Participant] : I think you have something there

[Participant] : Second Saturday is a wonderful safe place for those who search and long for a spiritual home. Thank you!

[Participant] : 🙏 Thank you, Marianne, Jeff, and All!

[Participant] : Thanks, everyone for another great year of Second Saturdays! i look forward to our continuing journey together.

[Participant] : Thank You!

[Participant] : Thanks to Marianne and all who gather,

[Participant] : a garden of burning roses...and here we are.

[Participant] : Thank you all!

[Participant] : 🎵 No love, you are not alone! Love this!

[Participant] : Love that song!

[Participant] : For We are Church” It’s and international group so try googling it. Or try messaging my friend Colm Holmes, +353 86 6063636, who is high up in the world organisation as well as in Ireland.

[Participant] : Thank you Marianne and Geoff. Also to say I’ve been re-reading Marcus’ Heart of Christianity. Still great stuff

[Participant] : Consider selected discussion with Native American Spirituality - Randy Woodley lives in Oregon. I am reading and enjoying his writings. He interfaces well with Christianity and brings the strengths of both.

[Participant] : I would to hear more women. Maybe Elizabeth Johnson,, Cynthia Bourgeault , even Joan Chittister to name a few. I know you had Barbara Brown Taylor or any of the women faculty at the Center for Action and Contemplation. Love these sessions! Thank you Marianne and Jeff!.

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[Participant] : I can't find the red-letter edition of THE HEART OF CHRISTIANITY online. What is the actual name of the book?

[Participant] : The False White Gospel by Jim Wallis brings about considerable thought

[Participant] : I was captured by the word "lamenting." I would like to ponder what effective lamenting looks like. Similar to grieving well, is my guess.

[Participant] : What does it mean or look like to follow a man that needed yo on a cross ?

[Participant] : Ended up on a cross.

[Participant] : Randy Woodley website - <https://www.randywoodley.com/>

[Participant] : Most of us are of "wisdom" age. How we do share our widom with yournger persons who don't know, yet have growing interest in changing the "culture" of negativity, devisiveness, etc. Thank you.

[Participant] : Kate Gibbs Is that a long fur trade canoe behind you.

[Participant] : Steven Charleston "WE SURVIVED THE END OF THE WORLD" Lessons from native America on Apocalypse and H0pe

[Participant] : Dr. Christena Cleveland's book "God Is A Black Woman,"

[Participant] : Sister Joan is a voice of reason for me about today's world and the importance of women in it! Dr. Barbara Holmes

[Participant] : I am thrilled to hear ideas as processed through your own thinking, Marianne. I am inspired by the way you listen and communicate and bring together ideas from the people you know and find stimulating. Enormous thanks.

[Participant] : On Native American spirituality - the Wind River Reservation by Dubois is part fo a National reintroduction (rescue) of Buffalo - and there is a wonderful man, last name Baldes, who has been an incredible speaker in Dubois about what the Buffalo and other species mean in their lives.

[Participant] : "It is such a beautiful story that it must be true...even if it never happened."

[Participant] : I'm off to a Vestry Retreat at Ring Lake Ranch next Thursday - will think of you!  
Mary Ellen