

# "LIVING IN THE SACRED STREAM"

LEARNING TO LIVE IN  
THE WORLD WITH MORE  
FAITH, HOPE, JOY,  
PATIENCE AND  
HUMILITY

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*No matter who you are,  
no matter where you are on  
your spiritual journey,  
you are celebrated here.*

**ORDINARY "LIFE TALKS" ARE DESIGNED  
TO HELP US GROW IN -**

WISDOM

UNDERSTANDING

PEACE, LOVE, JOY,

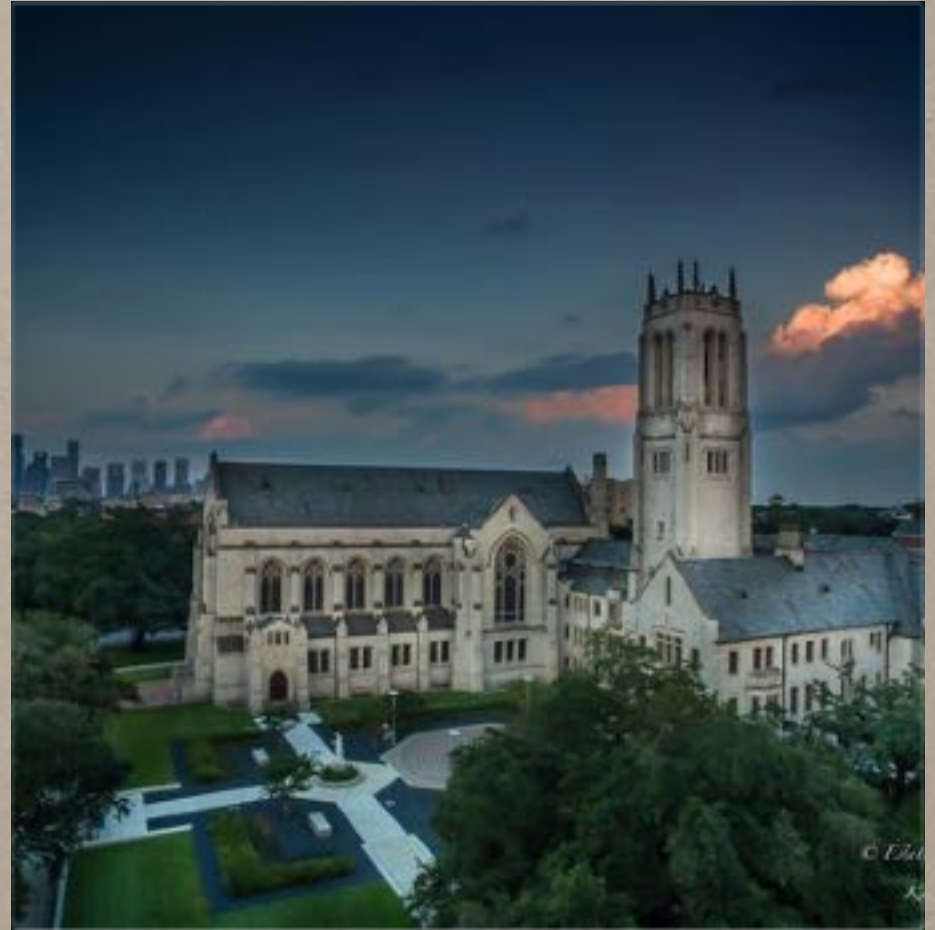
PATIENCE AND HUMILITY

# TODAY'S TALK

WHAT TO HOLD ON TO WHEN  
THERE IS NOTHING TO HOLD  
ON TO

# ORDINARY LIFE IS AN EDUCATIONAL OFFERING

OF ST. PAUL'S  
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*“St Paul’s is a cathedral for Houston that embodies the city’s diversity, inspires faith, and leads to change for the common good of all peoples and communities.”*

**ORDINARY LIFE IS  
PART OF  
THE RECONCILING  
MINISTRIES  
NETWORK**

ALL ARE CELEBRATED HERE!



**ORDINARY LIFE CREATES A CRUCIBLE  
IN WHICH PEOPLE CAN  
DEEPEN AN AWARENESS OF WHO  
THEY ARE,  
DEVELOP RELATIONSHIP WITH  
OTHERS,  
GROW IN SPIRITUAL INTELLIGENCE,  
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD**



**“Ordinary Life seeks to provide an intellectually credible approach to religion and spirituality . . .**

**... and is open to the most current truths  
and insights of contemporary religious and  
biblical scholarship."**

**THE CURRENT THEME IN  
ORDINARY LIFE IS**

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*LIVING IN THE SACRED  
STREAM*



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Rare photo of a remote control  
from the 70's





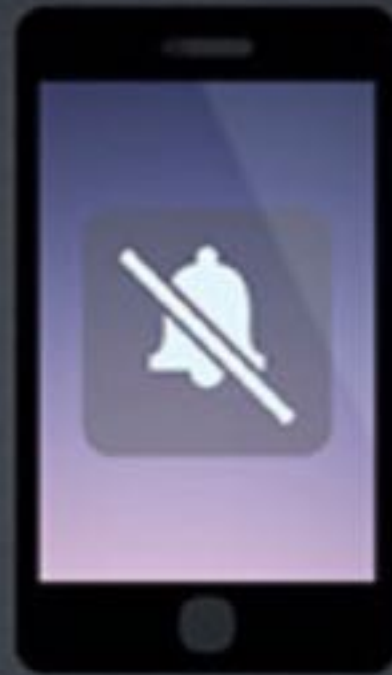








**PLEASE SILENCE  
YOUR PHONE  
THANK YOU**



**EVERYONE IS  
CELEBRATED**  
IN ORDINARY LIFE



# COMING ATTRactions

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# NEXT WEEK'S TOPIC

*“I Never Said or Intended That!”  
- Jesus*



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 | 9:45 AM | FONDREN HALL

# WONDROUS WORLD OF RELIGION

## DOCUMENTARY FILM & TALK

"Wondrous World of Religion" is a documentary created by Asia Society Documentary Filmmakers teen campers from summer 2023 & filmmaker Dan Gordon. Join Ordinary Life & St. Paul's Youth for this interfaith, multicultural & intergenerational learning event! Free to participate, just show up!

Scan to  
learn more



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*Please be aware that Ordinary Life  
begins live-streaming at 9:45 a.m.  
if you need to leave the room,  
please do so by moving to the sides and  
AVOID  
using the center aisle.  
THANK YOU*

**WE HAVE A MORAL OBLIGATION  
TO BE HAPPY**





ILL SPOUT SIMPLISTIC OPINIONS FOR HOURS ON END, RIDICULE ANYONE WHO DISAGREES WITH ME, AND GENERALLY FOSTER DIVISIVENESS, CYNICISM, AND A LOWER LEVEL OF PUBLIC DIALOG!



**Avoidable: What a matador tries to do.**



THANKS TO A TYPO IN THE CONTRACT, THE PROFESSOR  
GAINED COMPLETE MASTERY OF ALL THE KNOWLEDGE IN  
THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH, IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS SOUP.

TOM GAULD for NEW SCIENTIST

Me: (sobbing my heart out, eyes swollen, nose red)...I can't see you anymore...I am not going to let you hurt me like this again!

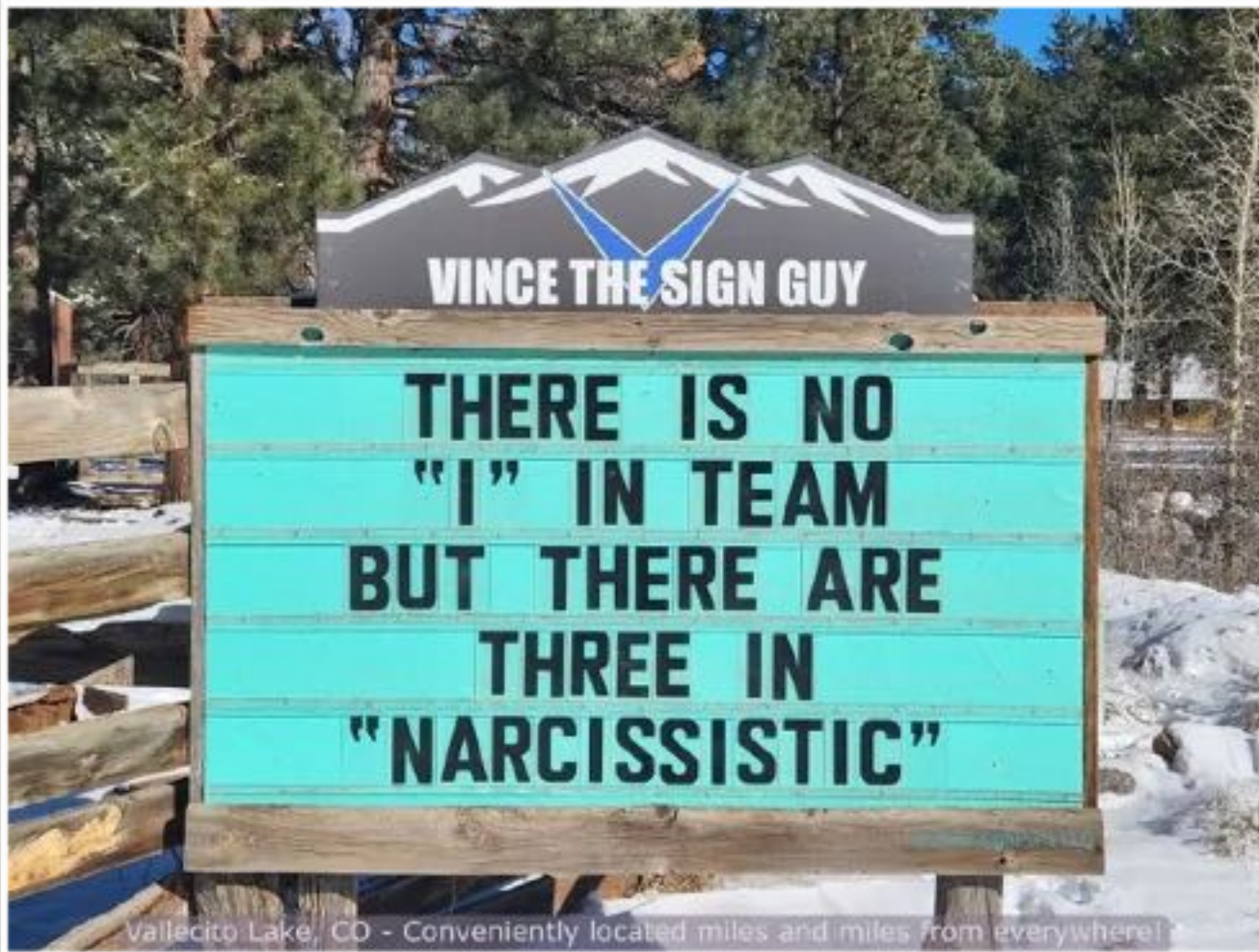
Trainer: It was a sit up. You did one sit up.

[womenafter50.com](http://womenafter50.com)



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One big difference  
between men and women  
is that if a woman  
says “Smell this”,  
it usually smells nice.



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**"Cornelius! I've been watching him! ...  
Beware of the jawbone!"**



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"Jesus was not killed by atheism and anarchy.  
He was brought down by law and order  
allied with religion - which is always  
a deadly mix.

Beware those who  
claim to know the  
will of God and are  
prepared to use  
force, if necessary,  
to make others  
conform.

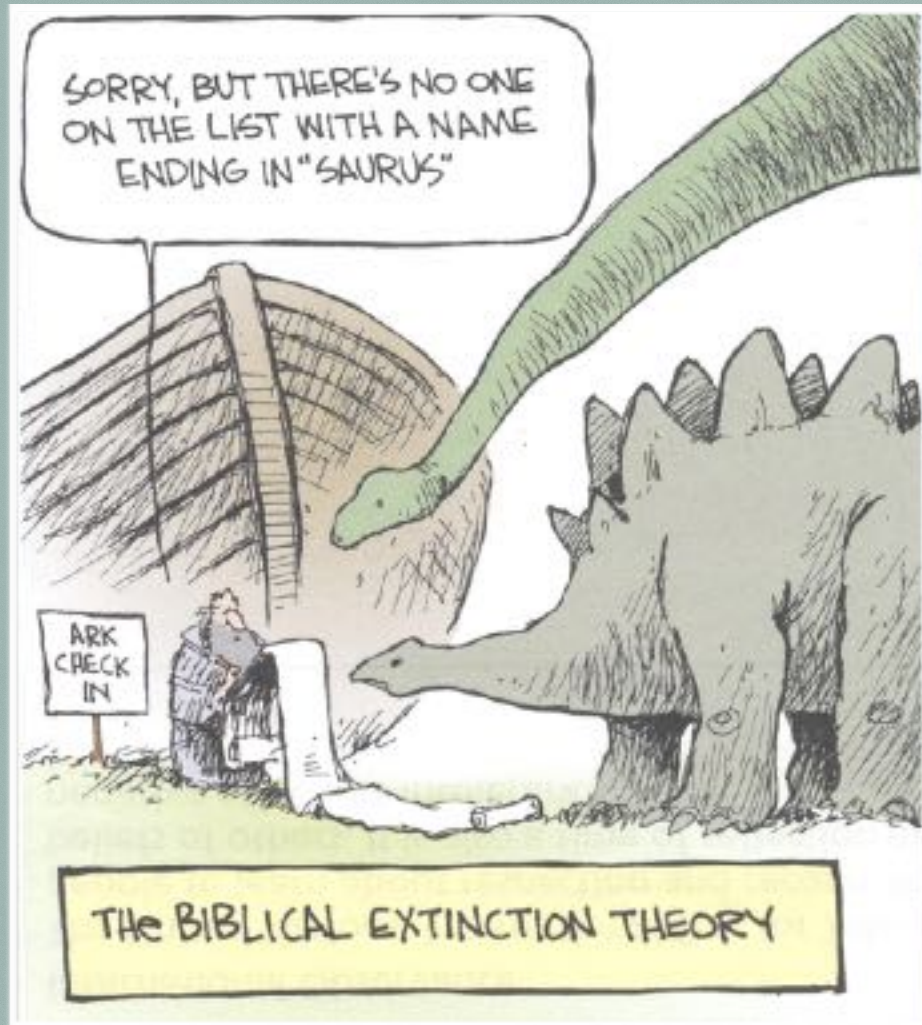
Beware those who  
cannot tell God's  
will from their own."



**The Rev. Dr. Barbara Brown Taylor**

Butman Professor of Religion, Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga

No More Make Believe





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*"We need either bigger needles or smaller camels."*



*"Sorry for the racket.. there are billions of dogs up here, and they get a little excited when someone's at the gate."*

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Lars

*"It's just a shame we can't come together and find a bipartisan solution in which our party comes out ahead."*





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*We seek not merely change*

*but to be*

***TRANSFORMED***



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