

RETREAT: *The Lazarus Life—Spiritual Transformation for Ordinary People*

Date: April 4, 2009, Saturday

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$35 includes “Living the Lazarus Life” guidebook for The Lazarus Life and lunch.

Available Space: 50 people

Venue: First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs, CO (www.first-pres.com)

Leader: Stephen and Gwen Smith

Description: Spiritual transformation is the goal of the Christian life. Change! No one wants to remain as we are now. How does a person change from the inside out? What are the steps and what is involved? We will use the story of Lazarus to become our guide and mentor in the transformation process. This is a 1-day retreat using The Lazarus Life and ideal for small group leaders and teachers of this book and concept. Understand the story of Lazarus and your own! The Eastern Orthodox church celebrates the resurrection of Lazarus on this very day. Join us as we explore living a resurrected life—a truly transformed life that Easter offers us!

Text: *The Lazarus Life* and *Living the Lazarus Life Guidebook* by Stephen Smith.

RETREAT: *Soul Care—Seven Commitments for the Healthy Soul*

Date: May 2, 2009

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$35 and includes lunch and materials.

Available Space: 12 people.

Venue: Potter's Inn at Aspen Ridge, Divide, CO

Leader: Stephen and Gwen Smith

Description: Explore seven commitments needed for a healthy life. Understand the war within—the violence in your own soul; Soul Longings, Soul Turn-arounds, Losing to Gain, Finding your True Voice, Living with Rhythm, Simplify Your Soul,

Soul Serenity and Honoring the Whole Person, and Soul Integration—how do we get it all together and not live such fragmented lives? This retreat will help!

Text: Participants will receive a PDF copy of *Soul Care: Seven Commitments for a Healthy Soul* by Stephen W. Smith (published by David C Cook in 2010 to use for this retreat.)

RETREAT: *The Pilgrimage of Your Vocation*

Date: September 10, 2009, Thursday (take a day off this week to explore your own journey!)

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$50 and includes lunch and materials.

Available Space: 25 people

Venue: First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs (www.first-pres.com for directions)

Leader: Stephen W. Smith

Description: Learning about our true vocation in life is a pilgrimage. It's a journey for us to understand our gifts, passion, gain experience and have the doors of opportunity to open for us. How does fulfillment come for us in work? How do we navigate options and choices in our desires for work? How do we move towards convergence where all the rivers flow together of our calling, desire, passion and gifting? What do we have to do to “unmake” a living in order to really live?

Text: *Let Your Life Speak* by Parker Palmer and *Crossing the Unknown Sea* by David Whyte.

RETREAT: *Soul Shaping*

Date: October 10, 2009, Saturday

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$35 and includes lunch and materials.

Available Space: 50 people

Venue: First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs (www.first-pres.com for directions)

Leader: Stephen and Gwen Smith

Description: Soul Shaping is exploring the powerful image of our souls as clay and the hands of God to be the Potter shaping us through people, places, experiences and encounters along the way.. This retreat focuses on spiritual formation: what is it and how does God shape us. What do we do about marriages in our past and present? Can we trust each distinctive hand of the Potter to do the work in us? What are tools that the Potter uses to shape us and what is the purpose of all of this soul shaping? The timeless image of the clay and potter is the most frequently used image in the Bible to “see beyond our minds” and understand what is happening in us and through us. This hands-on and clay molding retreat is a great day of fun and insight providing powerful “aha moments” to enhance your understanding of your past, present and future.

Text: *Soul Shaping: A Practical Guide for Your Spiritual Transformation* by Stephen W. Smith

RETREAT: *Return of the Prodigal*

Date: November 14, 2009. Saturday

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$50 and includes lunch and materials.

Venue: Glen Eyrie Conference Center, Colorado Springs

Description: Explore the painting by Rembrandt, the book by Nouwen and the story of Jesus. We will move from character to character exploring our prodigal hearts; our attitudes similar to those of the elder brother and the journey of becoming like the father—the father who blesses. This will be a journey of the heart integrating film, music, art and our own journey “home.” Come and join us for an unforgettable day of soul care and inspiration as well as returning home—the place of our true belonging.

Text: *The Return of the Prodigal* by Henri Nouwen

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Retreat venues will vary so make sure you check the venue as well as the date before your register. To promote learning and intimacy, space is limited. Lunch is provided in each retreat listed. The text to be studied is also included.

Consider spending one day with Jesus in 2009 and come to a retreat which can inspire, encourage, challenge and care for your soul!

Your payment is your reservation. Non-refundable but transferable to another person. Register for yourself and consider gifting someone a day of caring for their soul along with yours!

The cost includes the retreat, lunch, books and materials! A limited number of scholarships are available. Please inquire.

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Return Registration to: Potter's Inn, 6660 Delmonico Drive, Suite D180, Colorado Springs, CO 80919, Tel. 719-264-8827

REGISTRATION: *(Registration is due 2 weeks prior to the date of the retreat to ensure admission).*

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Please register me for the following retreat. If registering for more than one person, list all names here and include payment:

LIST HERE:

Retreat	Date	Cost
1. _____		
2. _____		
3. _____		

Total Amount included: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Please charge my credit card. My account number is: # _____

Expiration Date is: _____

Please email me my receipt. My email is: _____

2009 One Day Retreats to Care for the Soul:

RETREAT: *Soul Care—Spending one day with Jesus*

Date: January 17, 2009—Saturday

Time: 9am–4pm

Cost: \$35, includes lunch and materials

Available space: 35 people

Venue: First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs, CO

Leaders: Stephen and Gwen Smith

Description: The Soul Care retreat allows you to spend one day with Jesus. You'll explore the following topics which will be taught and experienced: Reading the Bible with heart and soul—the practice of Lectio Divina; Exploring the Rhythms of the Soul—how work, rest and rhythm are modeled by Jesus and our need to live in His way and not our own; Experiencing two spiritual disciplines most needed in our busy and loud world—Silence and Solitude; develop a personal soul care plan that will be life giving to face the times ahead; Sabbath keeping and learning to listen for the Voice of Love. This is a “hands-on, high experiential retreat meaning teaching times are balanced with participants doing these spiritual exercises to grow their soul and deepen their faith in Jesus Christ.

Text: *Embracing Soul Care* by Stephen W. Smith and *Invitation to Silence and Solitude* by Ruth Haley Barton.

RETREAT: *Be Men of Courage!*

Date: February 7, 2009

Time: 8:00am-3:00pm

Available space: 100 men

Venue: The Gathering, Black Forest—Monument, CO

Cost: \$50 and for men only! Lunch included

Leaders: Stephen Smith and Craig Glass

Description: Turbulent times calls for men to find courage in their souls! Craig Glass founder of Peregrine Ministries and Stephen Smith will tag-team lead this one day retreat. Through plenary sessions, small groups and solitude, we'll explore the charge and mandate to Be Men of Courage. Worship led by Leif Horrel of The Gathering. Join us with your small group or friends; sons and brothers and fathers! A great day is in store for us and how we need a time of rallying together in times such as these.

RETREAT: *The Pilgrimage of Your Vocation*

Date: February 19, 2009, Thursday (take a day off this week to explore your own vocational journey!)

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$50

Available Space: 20 people

Venue: First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs (www.first-pres.com for directions)

Leader: Stephen W. Smith

Description: Learning about our true vocation in life is a pilgrimage. It's a journey for us to understand our gifts, passion, gain experience and have the doors of opportunity to open for us. How does fulfillment come for us in work? How do we navigate options and choices in our desires for work? How do we move towards convergence where all the rivers flow together of our calling, desire, passion and gifting? What do we have to do to “unmake” a living in order to really live? If the new year might be bringing you “new work” then this retreat is for you!

Text: *Let Your Life Speak* by Parker Palmer and *Crossing the Unknown Sea* by David Whyte.

RETREAT: *Soul Care—Spending one day with Jesus*

Date: February 21, 2009- Saturday

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$50, includes lunch and materials.

Available space: 50 people

Venue: Carmel Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

Leaders: Stephen Smith and Dr. Clay Barnes

Description: The Soul Care retreat allows you to spend one day with Jesus. You'll explore the following topics which will be taught and experienced: Reading the Bible with heart and soul—the practice of Lectio Divina; Exploring the Rhythms of the Soul—how work, rest and rhythm are modeled by Jesus and our need to live in His way and not our own; Experiencing two spiritual disciplines most needed in our busy and loud world—Silence and Solitude; develop a personal soul care plan that will be life giving to face the times ahead; Sabbath keeping and learning to listen for the Voice of Love. This is a “hands-on, high experiential retreat meaning teaching times are balanced with participants doing these spiritual exercises to grow their soul and deepen their faith in Jesus Christ.

Text: *Embracing Soul Care* by Stephen W. Smith and suggested reading is *Invitation to Silence and Solitude* by Ruth Haley Barton.

RETREAT: *Sabbath Keeping*

Date: March 21, 2009

Time: 9am-4pm

Cost: \$35 and includes lunch and materials

Available Space: 12 people

Venue: Potter's Inn at Aspen Ridge, Divide, CO

Leader: Stephen and Gwen Smith

Description: Learn the art of “ceasing” and practice the ancient spiritual discipline of Sabbath keeping. Explore the rituals and meaning of how Sabbath was practiced and how we can implement the life-giving methods offered to us today. Sabbath keeping is directly related to our joy in God. Learn why this is so and how to practice a Sabbath rest and how this might look in your own life now. Sabbath keeping cultivates spiritual and physical resilience. Come learn how and why this happens.

Text: *Sabbath Keeping* by Lynn Babb.