

The Ground from which Miracles Spring

by Anna Fritz

What aspects of hybrid worship especially disturb the author?

How do Friends typically describe worship that is “gathered”?

What dangers should we watch for in our experiments with hybrid worship?

Foundations for Choices

by Sarah Tarver-Wahlquist

How do you react to the author’s description of abortion as joyful?

Of the many types of help described here, which ones seem most “spiritual” to you?

How common do you think it is for Friends to take their “Quaker ways” into their work lives?

Healing with Native Peoples through Truth

by Paula Palmer

Describe the main phases of the author’s history as she tells it.

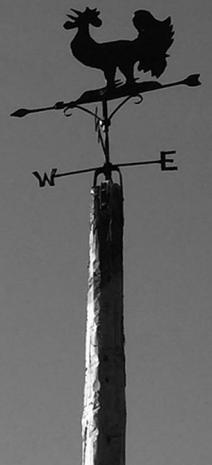
What difference would it make for Friends to know about the wrongs done by our ancestors?

How might Friends’ history with Indigenous Peoples be put right?

Discussion Guide

for select articles in

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Some general approaches to group discussions:

- Choose a text no longer than three pages.
- Begin and end with a moment of worship.
- Perhaps simply conduct worship-sharing about the text, or ask people to begin by discussing the text in pairs or triads.
- End by asking everyone: Which ideas raised earlier were especially surprising or meaningful?

Freedom, Fraternity, and Friends

by Hubert Morel-Seytoux

How does the author describe the relationship between God and human freedom?

How does the concept of “no excuses” affect the author’s lifestyle?

What does it mean to say that “fraternity” is situated between “equality” and “freedom”?

Two Articles about Membership

by Sharon-Drew Morgen and Jay Thatcher

What is the main point each author is making?

Drawing from both of these articles, what are some pros and cons of the Quaker practice of membership?

Is membership worth the amount of trouble it causes for some people?