

PATSY RODENBURG: WHY I DO THEATER

WELCOME (25 MINUTES)

Highs and Lows: What are yours?

Prayer: Try these words or your own: God of new beginnings, sometimes we plod along feeling confused, worn and tired. Other times we move adventurously forward with a spring in our step. God, speak to and through us and break out of the molds of our expectations. Amen.

VIDEO (10 MINUTES)

DISCUSS (45 MINUTES)

- 1. What do you want to discuss after watching the video?
- 2. What do you think God would want to discuss with you?

IF you are stuck...

Reflections From The Community



You are made to live in community and to support each other. You share similar struggles, hurts, and joys. Sharing them with each other openly gives encouragement. You are not the first to struggle. You are not alone. I am with you. My creation is with you. My people are with you. -Dan



Be present. God is always present with us, but we often are not present with him. Before you can know anything, learn anything, experience anything from God, you must be present. It is an active process. It takes thought and energy. When you are present with God, you can then show God to the world. -Katherine



I think God knows the things we mock, the truths we cannot yet recognize as truths, either because we aren't mature enough to handle it or don't want to. God sees us blow off the pain, the things and truths we're running away from because they cut too deep or are too inconvenient to have to recognize and do something about. I have those things in my own life. He'd want to talk about those. If God didn't, he wouldn't keep telling the truth despite my reactions that mock, or worse yet, ignore. There are hurts and fears and needs in this world and in my life that I can do something about, that I can face- but only if God continues to attest to the truth of them and gives me the courage. -Becca

CLOSE (10 MINUTES)

Housekeeping. Review when and where you'll meet next week and any other logistics.

Prayer: God of restoration, and of hope, we need your excitement for the individual and communal journeys we are living. Help us to be encouraged and show us how to see and hear your direction in our daily lives. We pray for the upcoming sessions together with this group, and the ways that we may encounter truths, challenges, growth, and healing. Amen.