

Catholic Bible Institute – Diocese of Orange – Dec. 5, 2015

led by Fr. Felix Just, SJ & CBI-Orange Leadership Team

- 8:00 Mass in Sacred Heart Chapel (*optional*)
- 8:30 Set-up &
Refreshments
- 8:45 Opening Prayer** (*Felicity Group*)
- 9:00 Inter-personal Conflicts and Conflict Resolution Skills**
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 More Resources for Bible Study & Scripture Sharing**
Ice Breakers; Art of Questioning
Team Project Observation Forms (Peer & Coordinators)
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Discussion of Textbook Readings** (Mestre, chaps. 3 & 4; Regan, chap. 5)
- 1:20 5th Sample Lectio Divina Group** (*led by student 6*): **Readings for Advent, Year C**
Table-group Scripture Sharing, using *Lectio Divina* process (40 min)
Table-group Evaluation & Discussion (15 min)
- 2:15 Break
- 2:30 6th Sample Lectio Divina Group** (*led by student 6*): **Readings for Advent, Year C**
Table-group Scripture Sharing, using *Lectio Divina* process (40 min)
Table-group Evaluation & Discussion (10 min)
- 3:20 Regather for Large-group Evaluation & Discussion
- 3:50 Announcements & Closing Prayer (*Clement Group*)
- 4:00 Departure**
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New and Important Resources:

National Bible Week (Nov. 15-21, 2015):

- <http://www.usccb.org/bible/national-bible-week/>
- <http://www.catholicpublishers.org/?page=NBWK2015>

Jubilee (Holy Year) of Mercy (Dec. 8, 2015 – Nov. 20, 2016):

- <http://im.va>
- <http://www.rcbo.org/year-of-mercy/>



THE ART OF QUESTIONING

One of the most important skills a group facilitator must cultivate is that of asking questions.

PURPOSES AND TYPES:

The purpose for asking a question will determine what kind of question you are asking and will help you evaluate the response.

1. **INFORMATION SEEKING** – An information-seeking question asks for specific data and is usually direct and concise. *What are the names of the Synoptic Gospels?*
2. **INSIGHT**- An insight question asks for a vision or insight into a topic based on the person's experience and ideas. *What do you suppose was Mary of Nazareth's first thought when she knew of the lack of wine at the wedding in Cana?*
3. **OPINION SEEKING** – An opinion-seeking question leads to discussion. *What do you think provoked Jesus to tell the story of the rich man and Lazarus?*
4. **PROBLEM CENTERED** – A problem-centered question asks for an understanding of an existing problem. *More and more Catholics seem to be turning to Fundamentalism in their approach to Scripture study. Is there some practical thing that our Bible Study Group can do about this trend?*
5. **EVALUATING** – An evaluating question asks for an evaluation of an existing situation, program, or problem. *Why is it that our parish seems to have such little interest in our existing adult religious education programs?*
6. **SCOPE WIDENING** – A scope-widening question tells you where the participant stands in understanding a topic or an expressed opinion. *Do you agree with the scholars who propose that the Beloved Disciple might have been someone other than the Apostle John? Why, or why not?*
7. **LEADING** – A leading question leads to an acceptance of a suggestion which might otherwise be rejected. *Don't you think that....?*

TIMING IS IMPORTANT:

1. Allow thinking time before you expect the listener to respond.
2. Be sure not to cut off a response to ask another question.
3. Sometimes it is best not to ask a question but to allow time for reflection. Remember that some things are to be shared, not evaluated.

CHARACTERISTICS OF GOOD QUESTIONS:

1. Concisely stated; clear and unambiguous.
2. Appropriate for the persons addressed. Avoid using overly technical language.
3. Engaging, in that they require some extended response, rather than a simple 'yes' or 'no'.
4. Simple, in that each question asks for only one thing, not several different things.
5. Organized, so that one question flows evenly to the next question.

QUESTIONS TO EVALUATE QUESTIONS:

1. Do your questions increase a person's desire as well as capacity to learn?
2. Do they help to provide a person with confidence in his/her ability to learn?
3. Do they help to give a person a sense of joy in learning?
4. In order to get answers, is the person required to make inquiries?
5. Does each question allow for alternative answers?
6. Does the process of answering the questions tend to stress the uniqueness of each person?
7. Do the questions produce different answers if asked at different stages of a person's development?
8. Do the answers help a person to sense and understand the universals in the human condition and so enhance his/her ability to draw closer to other people?

Catholic Bible Institute – Dec. 5, 2105 – Opening Prayer

Submitted by Felicity Group

Hymn

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL
Arranged by Tom Booth



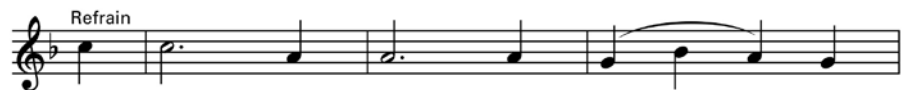
1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And
2. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who
3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who
4. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se's stem, From
5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And
6. O come, Thou Day - spring from on high And
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In



1. ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
2. or - d'rest all things might - i - ly; To us the path of
3. to thy tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient times didst
4. ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them That trust thy might - y
5. o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home; Make safe the way that
6. cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y
7. one the hearts of all hu - man - kind; Bid thou our sad di -



1. ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
3. give the law, In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
4. pow'r to save, And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
5. leads on high, And close the path to mis - er - y.
6. clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
7. vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our Prince of Peace.



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u -



el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: LM with refrain; Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3–6 para. in *Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum*, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. *The Hymnal 1940*, alt.

Music: Chant, Mode I; *Processionale*, French, 15th cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811–1890; arr. © 2013, Spirit & Song, a division of OCP. All rights reserved.

Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

The days are coming, says the LORD,
when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and Judah.
In those days, in that time, I will raise up for David a just shoot;
he shall do what is right and just in the land.
In those days Judah shall be safe and Jerusalem shall dwell secure;
this is what they shall call her: "The LORD our justice."

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial: Psalm 147

All: Blessed are all who wait for the Lord.

Men: Praise the LORD, for he is good;
sing praise to our God, for he is gracious;
it is fitting to praise him.
The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem;
the dispersed of Israel he gathers.

All: Blessed are all who wait for the Lord.

Women: He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
He tells the number of the stars;
he calls each by name.

All: Blessed are all who wait for the Lord.

All: Great is our LORD and mighty in power:
to his wisdom there is no limit.
The LORD sustains the lowly;
the wicked he casts to the ground.



Intercessions

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Church throughout the world may faithfully and joyfully call upon all nations to prepare the way of the Lord, we pray to the Lord... *(Response)*

That governments may be inspired by the words of the prophets to promote justice, mercy, and peace, we pray to the Lord... *(Response)*

That the Church may bring about effective repentance from the sin of abortion, and the gift healing to those wounded by it, we pray to the Lord... *(Response)*

That the sick and the lonely may enjoy the consolation of the presence and love of family, friends, and the wider Christian community, we pray to the Lord... *(Response)*

That those who have died may be filled with the joy of seeing Jesus face to face, we pray to the Lord... *(Response)*

Concluding Prayer

All: Gentle Mary laid her Child
Lonely in a manger.
He is still the Undeiled,
But no more a stranger.
Son of God of humble birth,
Beautiful the story.
Praise His name in all the earth.
Hail! The King of Glory!
Amen.



CATHOLIC BIBLE INSTITUTE – December 5, 2015 – Closing Prayer

Submitted by Clement Group

Opening Song: “Maranatha” by G. Westphal (*verse 1, see back page*)

Scripture Reading: 1 Thess 3:12—4:2

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

Brothers and sisters:

May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we have for you, so as to strengthen your hearts, to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen.

Finally, brothers and sisters,

we earnestly ask and exhort you in the Lord Jesus that, as you received from us how you should conduct yourselves to please God and as you are conducting yourselves you do so even more. For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Responsorial Psalm

TO YOU, O GOD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL

Psalm 25

Bob Hurd

Refrain

To you, O God, I lift up my soul; lift up my spir-it
to my Lord. To you I lift up my soul. 1 2-4 to Vss. Final

To you I lift up my soul. To you I lift up my soul.

Verses

1. Make me to know your ways, O God; teach me your
2. Good and up-right our gra - cious God, show-ing the
3. Stead-fast and kind your ways, O God; all who re-

1. paths, guide me. † You are my Sav - ior.
2. way, guid-ing the hum-ble to jus - tice.
3. vere your cov - e - nant † know your friend-ship.

to Refrain 2

Text: Based on Psalm 25:1, 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14.

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Intercessions

Response: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

During the first, Advent, John proclaimed a baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

Grant us the grace to turn our hearts to you in sincere repentance during this season of Advent. (**Response**)

Lord, you gathered your children from the East and West at the word of your Holy One.

Grant us the grace to discern your word at work in the world around us. (**Response**)

Lord, you have blessed us with these months of scripture study and sharing.

Grant us the grace to put this knowledge to effective use in the coming months, serving your will. (**Response**)

Lord you lead by the light of your glory. May the light of your grace and wisdom

fill the world's leaders of all faiths and persuasions to turn toward the ways of peace and unity. (**Response**)

The Lord's Prayer

Concluding Prayer

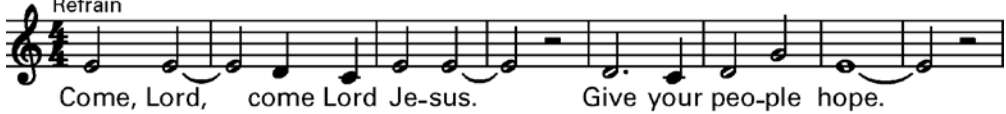
ALL: God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy, so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Song (verse 2)

MARANATHA I

G. Westphal


Refrain



Come, Lord, come Lord Je-sus. Give your peo-ple hope.

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Last time to Coda ⊕




Come, Lord, come Lord Je-sus, and lead your peo-ple home.

Fine

Verses

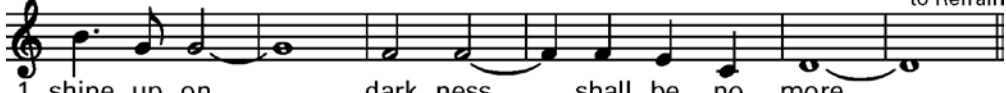


1. O Lord of Light, fill the night. _____ Man - y _____
2. O King of Kings, love you bring. _____ The world _____
3. O Com-fort - er, res - cue us. _____ De - stroy _____
4. Em-man - u - el, Em-man - u - el, _____ prom-ised _____



1. _____ have lost their way. O Ris - ing Dawn, _____
2. _____ is made a - new. O Prince of Peace, _____
3. _____ our sin - ful - ness. O Coun - sel - lor, _____
4. _____ so long a - go. Em - man - u - el, _____ Em -

to Refrain



1. shine up - on, dark - ness shall be no more.
2. make us free, jus - tice for hu - man - kind.
3. might - y Lord, teach us what we must know.
4. man - u - el, God is with us at last.