

### **BEFRIENDING THE SHADOW**

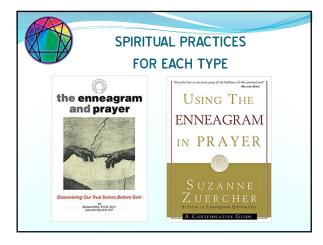


Bringing the shadow into your consciousness drains its dark power...
The Shadow wants to be

he shadow wants to be heard and when it is received, can be a source of emotional richness, healing and vitality.

Carl Jung, 1958





### GUT SPACE SPIRITUAL PRACTICES "Quiet Prayer"

- > Simplicity: A state of bare attention
- Silence: Removing thoughts & feelings
- Surrender: To the experience itself
- Receptivity: Receiving from the Other
- Connection: Between Inner & Outer worlds

### **GUT SPACE SPIRITUAL OBSTACLES**

- Restless mind and body
- > Falling asleep when going deep
- Impatience with lack of progress
- > Hard to trust spiritual authority
- > Stubborness and willfulness
- Unwillingness to surrender

# HEART SPACE SPIRITUAL PRACTICES "Expressive Prayer"

- > Daily listening for the 'still, small voice within'
- ➤ Gratitude Journaling
- > Trusting self expression in spiritual practice
- Allowing images to arise spontaneously
- Allow and explore doubts
- Explore dream content prayerfully

### HEART SPACE SPIRITUAL OBSTACLES

- > The outer world draws them away from True Self
- > A struggle to be with themselves
- An obsession with the opinions/practices of others
- Anxiety about being alone
- Unconscious fear of Self Intimacy

## HEAD SPACE SPIRITUAL PRACTICES "Focused Prayer"

- Meditate with eyes open... where the mind can quiet
- > Movement from the universal to the particular
- Speaking a mantra/using the senses
- > Creating mandalas as a focus
- > Finding and trusting a spiritual 'road map'
- > Childlike surrender to a spiritual director

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### **HEAD SPACE SPIRITUAL OBSTACLES**

- > Tend to be guarded & struggle to be in the world
- Live in their own inner world
- Have difficult accepting/giving affection
- Need time to adjust to new realities
- > Fear of the unknown and unexpected
- Making sense of challenges and mystery



#### **JOURNAL TIME**

Journal on how the Rainmaker story might evoke something different from your *feeling* (heart), *thinking* (head) and *doing* (gut) centers of intelligence?

What does the story say to you about listening to and trusting your deepest self?

What wisdom might this story offer during a time of personal or global crisis?

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