

Way of the Spirit Module One:

Discernment for Spirit-led Service

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Required Reading:

Abbott, Margery Post. *To be broken and tender: a Quaker theology for today.* Portland, OR: Friends Bulletin Corp., 2010.

- Retreat reading: chapters 3 & 4, pp 16-34 (18 pages)
- Full text available from Quaker books, \$20.00 <http://www.quakerbooks.org>

Bownas, Samuel (1676–1753). *A description of the qualifications necessary to a Gospel minister* Philadelphia, PA: Pendle Hill Publications and Tract Association of Friends, 1989.

- Retreat reading: chapters 2-3 (23 small format pages)
- Read Bownas' writings [online as a Google Book](#), 1853 edition.
- Hardback currently in print includes a wonderful forward by William Taber from Quaker Books <http://www.quakerbooks.org/> \$15.

Daniels, Wess, GatheringinLight Blog, "*Queries and a Life of Discernment*" hosted by WordPress, 12 July 2010. Web. 5 Dec. 2011. <<http://gatheringinlight.com/>>.

- Retreat reading: blog post (5 pages)
- Access online: <http://gatheringinlight.com/2010/07/12/the-queries-and-a-life-of-discernment/>

Drayton, Brian. *On living with a Concern for Gospel ministry.* Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Quaker Press Of Friends General Conference, 2006..

- Retreat reading: chapters 4-5 & 8-10 (24 pages)
- Full text available from Quaker books, \$19.95: <http://www.quakerbooks.org>

Fowler, James and M. Scott Peck. **Understanding Growth in Faith**

- Baker, Matthew. "James Fowlers Stages of Faith." *UsefulCharts.com.* UsefulCharts Publishing, 2011. Web. [12/5/2011]. <http://www.usefulcharts.com/psychology/james-fowler-stages-of-faith.html>

Fox, George. *George Fox on the Light*, Compiled by T. Canby Jones, Henry J. Cadbury, Annual Catalogue of George Fox's Papers, Cambridge University Press, 1940, #23, 51A p. 47.

- Retreat reading: quotations (2 pages) in email attachment

Fox, George. *Letter to Friends in the Ministry* from Launceston Jail, 1656, from the Tract Association of Friends, Philadelphia, PA.

- Retreat reading: letter (2 pages)
- Full text available online: <http://www.tractassociation.org/tracts/friends-ministry/>

Kelly, Thomas. "**Holy Obedience**" William Penn Lecture, 1939. Reprinted in : *A testament of devotion.* 13th ed. New York: Harper, 1996. \$13.95.

- Retreat reading: "Holy Obedience" lecture (22 pages)
- In the book available through Quaker books, \$13.95: <http://www.quakerbooks.org/>
- Introduction and links to full text of the lecture online: <http://quakerpamphlets.blogspot.com/2007/11/holy-obedience.html>

Lacy, Paul. *Leading and Being Led* Pendle Hill Pamphlet 264, Wallingford, Pa.: Pendle Hill Publications, 1985..

- Retreat reading: pamphlet (33 pages)
This classic pamphlet is available online through quaker.org.
<http://www.quaker.org/pamphlets/PendleHill.html>

Palmer Jr., T. Vail. “*Early Friends and the Bible: Some Observations,*” Quaker Religious Thought, 26:2, #80 (1993).

- Available soon. When we have appropriate permissions, organizers will mail this article.

Schenk, Patience. *Answering the Call to Heal the World* Pendle Hill Pamphlet 383, Wallingford, Pa.: Pendle Hill Publications, 2006.

- Retreat reading: pamphlet (32 pages)
 - Available for purchase from Quaker books, \$6.50: <http://www.quakerbooks.org/>
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Suggested Additional Readings:

Abbott, Margery Post. “*Christianity and the Inner Life: Twenty-first Century Reflections On The Words Of Early Friends*”, Pendle Hill Pamphlet 402, Wallingford, Pa.: Pendle Hill Publications, 2009

Daniels, Wess. **Gathering in Light Blog, “A Quaker Approach to Scripture”**

<http://gatheringinlight.com/2011/07/21/the-company-we-keep-empathy-and-reading-the-bible-together-acts-8/>

Quaker Jane Blog on Discernment

<http://quakerjane.com/spirit.friends/spirituality-discernment.html>