



## VALUES BASED SPIRITUAL LIVING      APRIL-JUNE MEETINGS 2017

Please read or begin to read *Love and Law* by Ernest Holmes before coming to this meeting.

Opening – Someone say an opening prayer or read this one.

*We open our hearts and minds to the absolute Truth, that God as all there is. This holy life of the Infinite lives in and through all of creation and is supportive of its creation.*

*God lives in and as each one of us now; It always has and always will. We are One with our Source right now. We are One with all good right now.*

*We accept the love of God and the activity of God's Law of Creation. All, indeed all, is for our blessing.*

*We give thanks that simply this awareness insures the blessings of the Infinite to be delivered unto us.*

*We release this prayer with faith, love, and trust. And so it is.*

The host gives any important information about their home, such as parking suggestions, whether tea is available, where the bathrooms are, and so forth.

Since there are a number of books for the book study this year, this curriculum spans at least a couple of months. I am sure there will be plenty to discuss as your group delves into this classic by Ernest Holmes, *Love and Law*.

Trust and Intentions – Revisit your commitment to confidentiality and well wishes for all in your group. Look at the intentions you originally stated and see if any revisions are needed at this time.

Process Chapter by Chapter – Decide at the beginning of the meeting how many and which chapters you will be examining during your time together. Then use the following process for each chapter, with anyone in your group who wants to comment or share about each point, to do so:

1. Share a brand new idea that you received from the material in this chapter. How does this serve your life?
2. What is the most inspiring passage for you in this chapter and why? How can you keep it near in consciousness, so that you can draw power from it?
3. Share any challenging passages with your group and ask for their wisdom.
4. Choose an idea from the chapter and reword it so that anyone, with any spiritual background, could appreciate it.

5. Choose a wise or nourishing concept from the chapter and share a story from your life that illuminates the concept.
6. How will you commit to living your life differently because of the material in this chapter?

Beyond this sharing, anything in the reading material is up for discussion. If the sharing lags (I cannot imagine it, but if it does...) read some paragraphs aloud and get the discussion jump-started that way.

Closing – Each person completes this statement, “I am glad I came to this book study today because\_\_\_\_\_.”

Someone close with a prayer or all people read the following together: “May the life of God live through each of us in ever richer ways. May we all be more and more grateful for the life we are living, the love that surrounds us, and the law that works for us.”