

YOUTH PASTORS RETREAT 2020: RELOADED

Focus Group Questions

Session 1 – Taken & Blessed

- Nouwen writes “To become the Beloved we, first of all, have to claim that we are taken.” What is your opinion about this statement?
- How did you feel about the idea that you are taken/chosen by God?
- How do you feel about Nouwen’s idea that you are blessed by God?
- How do you feel about the idea that you can be a blessing to others?
- Does his idea help you in your own spiritual identity? Why or why not?
- Do you feel that this idea can be helpful for your youth in their spiritual identity? Why or why not?
- Do you think this idea is valuable to your youth ministry? Why or why not?
- Do you think this idea can be incorporated in youth ministry? Why or why not?

Session 2 – Broken & Given

- What do you think about Nouwen’s idea of being broken?
- How do you feel about Nouwen’s two suggestions to facing brokenness? To befriend it and to put in under a blessing.
- What do you think about the idea that your chosenness, blessedness, and brokenness is for others?
- Does his idea help you in your own spiritual identity? Why or why not?
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