

OPENING RITUAL PRAYER QUADRANTS



Expectation: Pray silently in the spirit of your assigned quadrant while the Attendees are entering the room during the Opening Ritual.

Purpose: To intentionally seek God's power for the Attendees and to invite the Holy Spirit

Energy: still, silent, Sovereign

Preparation: Before the Weekend become familiar with the quadrant for which you are assigned. During the Opening Ritual run-through after the Friday Staff Meeting, you will be assigned a corner of the meeting room to stand or sit while you pray.

QUADRANT DESCRIPTIONS

Sovereign (Soul)

The soul is represented by what we call the Sovereign and is the part of us that establishes order and gives blessing. The Sovereign is rooted in the Image of Christ within each of us. The question the Sovereign asks is, "What needs to happen in order for _____ to thrive?" The gateway emotion, for the Sovereign is joy.

The Mature Sovereign:

- Blesses
- Holds the big picture
- Sets direction
- Senses self worth
- Supports others
- Honors lineage
- Connects with God
- Inspires and motivates

Lover (Heart)

Often the heart is used to refer to the emotions. In the Scriptures, though, the heart is more than that. It is very close to what we call the soul. It is our center, created in God's Image. It is the center of our will. It is where we experience connection with God and others. The heart is represented by the Lover and is the part of us that feels and connects to others. This is the first of the quadrants to develop as it

starts with the bond between an infant and parents. The gateway emotion for the Lover is sadness, as sadness leads to compassion and connection.

The Mature Lover:

- Feels and connects
- Empathizes
- Appreciates beauty
- Accesses emotional intelligence
- Plays and acts spontaneously
- Builds relationships

Warrior (Strength)

Our strength is represented by the Warrior. This is the part of us that takes action and sets and protects boundaries. The Warrior recognizes rank and authority, and will act in line with that hierarchy. It is the Warrior who often carries out the plan of the Sovereign. The gateway emotion of the Warrior is anger.

The Mature Warrior:

- Acts and gets things done
- Serves and protects
- Assesses risks
- Sets and enforces boundaries
- Honors authority

Sage (Mind)

The final quadrant is the Sage, which represents our mind. This is the part of us that utilizes wisdom and perceives, thinks, and judges. The Sage helps to inform the decisions of the Sovereign. Fear is the gateway emotion of the Sage.

The Mature Sage:

- Uses analysis, logic, and intuition
- Sees possibilities
- Collects and evaluates information
- Creates options
- Appreciates abstraction and paradox
- Envisions and strategizes