

Morsels of Excellence

Monthly tidbits to enhance your ministry in 5 minutes or less



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Rules of the Road

1. Be fully present, extending and presuming welcome to/from others.
2. Listen generously and suspend judgment about another's story. Hold stories with care and respect.
3. Author your own story and share your own gifts.
4. Wonder. Welcome discomfort. Love the questions.
5. Be mindful and respectful of time.
6. Practice hospitality and inclusion, especially when diverse cultures meet. There are many excellent methods for discernment but not all of them model intercultural awareness, therefore be discerning about discernment itself: appreciate many ways of hearing God together.
7. Believe that it is possible to emerge from our time together refreshed, surprised, and less burdened than when we came.

-from A Discernment Travelogue (a resource from the UCC)