

Session 2 - Chart & Lesson Plan: The Enigma of Myth

What is Demythologizing?			Illustrations of Demythologizing		What Has Bultmann's Demythologizing Done for Us?
Psalm 23 Poetry	Beyond Myth of Heaven & Earth	Existential Thought	The Lord is my Shepherd Ps 23	Resurrection of the Dead	
1. Psalm translation	2. Demythologizing does not mean no metaphors 3. Humans killed the old myth	4. How different from scientific thought 5. How present in all complete thinking	1. "Heavenly Lord" means today? 2. How "Reality" renews life within us? 3. Guides us on the right path? 4. Protects us? 5. Honors us? 6. Enriches our living and dying?	7. How Almighty Reality really works 8. The flesh and blood upwelling	1. Goes too far? 2. Not far enough? 3. A meaningful middle course
page 1	2	3	4	5	6
<p>Go Round: Name a metaphor in this text that is a lively metaphor for you?</p> <p>1. Read the rewording of Ps 23. How do you respond to such poetry?</p> <p>2. What would your life be like without metaphors?</p> <p>3. How have you participated in killing the Heaven and Earth myth?</p> <p>4. Read aloud para on Science, page 2. Why is science not complete thinking?</p> <p>5. Read aloud next para on Existential thought. How is existential thought present among you and your friends?</p>			<p>1. Why is it important to keep metaphors like "shepherd?"</p> <p>2. Have read aloud the first para on page 4. When did you first realize that "Heavenly Lord" was poetry, not literal?</p> <p>3. Have read aloud the 2nd and 3rd para on page 4. How has Almighty Reality renewed life within you?</p> <p>3. How has Almighty Reality guided you in the right path?</p> <p>4. Protected you from illusions?</p> <p>5. Honored you with gifts?</p> <p>6. Enriched your living and dying?</p> <p>7. Have read aloud the last para on page 5 and para 1 & 2 on page 6. Describe your empathy with these disciples who thought that the righteous should prosper rather than being tortured to death.</p> <p>8. Have read aloud para 3 & 4 on page 6. How were these disciples a flesh and blood uprising? What does this tell you about your participation in resurrection?</p> <p>What have you learned about demythologizing from these two illustrations: (Psalm 23 and Resurrection)?</p>		<p>7</p> <p>1. How have you worried about demythologizing going too far?</p> <p>2. How have you wanted biblical interpretation to go even farther?</p> <p>3. Have read aloud the last 2 para on page 7. How has this whole study been beneficial to you?</p>