

Leading Little Saints

“People are not physical creatures having a spiritual experience, we are spiritual creatures having a physical experience.” Anonymous

I. Human beings are spiritual creatures— first, last, and always!

A. Definition of “spiritual” - what are “spiritual things”?

B. Human beings are spiritual creatures who are also physical creatures (as opposed to angels)

C. Gender is a grammar term, not a biological one

D. Being and doing are related but not the same thing

E. Spirituality is about relationality before it is about rationality

II. Spirituality is about right and wrong, good and bad, not about nice and mean

III. Communicating on a spiritual level with kids

IV. Spiritual growth is asynchronous

V. Forgiveness, Reconciliation, and Restoration—rebuilding trust in relationships

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