

## Notes from Open Space Topic Convenors

What was your topic or practice?

**Parker Palmer's work of formation used in a two-year relationship-centered care group—Dallas, Texas.**

What were major discussion points?

- Invitation to join
- Dialogue process used
- Process of meetings using Parker's work:
  - Creating a safe space for the soul to appear
  - Silence
  - Inner work in community
  - Shared stories
  - Use of poetry, story, myth
  - Paradox of individual and community

What did you learn?

- We teach/lead who we are
- Inner work is an ongoing process
- Story telling invites connection
- Relationships emerge from this experience

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