

COLORADO STATE COUNCIL SEPTEMBER SESSION SEMINAR 091020

Topic: “Going Beyond the Nevertheless”

Scripture: Matthew 26:39

Description: Accepting the bitter pill for great gain. What is your bitter pill? Leave a bad relationship/friendship...?

To keep showing love to a family member who is part of the LBGTQ community, gang member, or co-worker (even though you have witnessed to them about Jesus time and time again)?

Change your job/career/position now...at your age...?

Presenter: Suff. Bishop Robert E. Martin Jr.

Discovery: In the discovery of self or self-identity we must view each other through the identical lens that we want to be viewed at or from!

The challenge now that is in front of us that we cannot avoid is how does God view humanity?

- ☐ Does God use the lens of the fallen humanity?
- ☐ Does God use the lens of depraved and lost souls?
- ☐ Does God use the lens of misfits and low life's that deserve death?
- ☐ Does God use the lens of wayward and disjointed pieces of created flesh?
- ☐ Does God use the lens of disconnected beings that are beneath his grace and mercy?
- ☐ Does God use the lens of those who are maladjusted social and who at every opportunity disappoint him?
- ☐ Does God use the lens of Love only minus the lens of Judgement?

Question: How do you view God and his process of evaluation as it relates to humanity?

Discussion: Do you lead with Empathy or Judgement as it relates to those outside of your spiritual identity, real talk – how do you maintain spiritual discipline and human compassion at the same time?