

SACRED ORDINARY DAYS

Sacred Ordinary Days offers a fresh approach, holistic tools, and time-honored resources to help people grow in Christ-likeness—and help the church come together—through intentional Christian spiritual formation.

We create tools rooted in ancient practices and rhythms but translated with a clean aesthetic, and accessible language. We create courses to help you learn, practice, and connect with kindred spirits. We curate resources that help you fill out your toolkit. Ultimately, we believe that helping people grow in Christ-likeness will build the church and, in turn, the kingdom. The building blocks are sacred, ordinary days.

Common House is the ecumenical online community we've created for Christians to walk alongside and encourage one another in intentional spiritual formation. We also use it to house all of our courses, including the one you've joined.

community values

We know that the transformation of individuals and the world happens through shared practices, cultivation of relationships, and ongoing learning in supportive community. Anyone who values spiritual formation and is open to learning and growing with others is welcome here.

We seek to abide in community here with these common commitments guiding us:

- ◆ We love one another well.
- ◆ We value conversation that is intentionally encouraging, compassionate, and confidential. To that end, we commit to upholding our Common House conversation covenant.
- ◆ We honor the reality of freedom in Christ and foster unitive community among diverse members, respecting others' theological opinions with an intention toward learning from one another.
- ◆ We gather in the Common House to make relationships and find real community in addition to our family, friends, and local churches.

Alongside you,



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Please contact us at hello@sacredordinarydays.com with any questions or concerns about these community values, which are based on nonviolent communication practices.

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community conversation guide

- ◆ We seek to encourage one another in our conversations in a spirit of curiosity, humility, and generosity. Before commenting, we first ask ourselves:
 - Have I really listened carefully and thoughtfully before forming my response?
 - Have I earned the right to speak into this conversation by virtue of our relationship?
 - Have I earned trust with this person?
 - Does my response reflect and uphold our community values and rule of life?
- ◆ We communicate with one another with intention and compassion, which means:
 - We notice our own feelings and needs as they arise and hold them gently before commenting.
 - We seek to make observations rather than value judgments.
 - We make thoughtful requests rather than demands when asking something of one another.
 - We honor our unfiltered human moments by choosing to post potentially sensitive content as a link in the first comment below the post so that others have the choice to view it or not.
- ◆ We maintain confidentiality in our community as a healthy boundary that protects safe space for genuine conversation among our fellow members. Before sharing the words or work of someone else, we respectfully ask their permission and honor their decision without judgment or critique.
- ◆ We celebrate our differences and choose to engage in respectful conversation and loving relationship that helps foster a spirit of unity among a community that appreciates and values members of diverse backgrounds, experiences, and beliefs.
- ◆ We value creativity and benefit from learning from each other, so we enthusiastically share our own work and the work of others we have benefited from in respectful ways.
- ◆ We care for our community space by helping to hold each other accountable to communicating in a spirit of loving hospitality and radical kindness.
 - We report any content that infringes upon the community conversation guide or values to the [Sacred Ordinary Days Team](#) account in a personal message that includes a direct link to the post or comment.
 - We allow the Common House leadership time and space to handle reported concerns in keeping with posted values.
 - We extend grace to one another both during and following a reported issue.
- ◆ We choose to be a part of this community. By joining a Sacred Ordinary Days course, you commit to upholding this community's values and conversation guide.