

May 21, 2023/ Reflective Questions- John 17:1-11

As spiritual leaders what story about yourselves do you both need for us to hear today?

1. What phrase from the scripture reading / and or poem holds meaning for you?

What phrase from the readings did you dislike or find confusing?

How do you? and how don't you experience Jesus as an Indigenous Man in this passage?

Did anything from the illustration "Ascension" capture your attention?

The artist Father John Giuliani grew up, was educated and churched within the framework of the Western Worldview. How might an Indigenous theologian artist illustrate the Ascension?

2. I'm wondering what you were taught about the meaning of this story in church?

Has any of this changed for you? If so, how?

More specifically how do you understand Jesus' farewell prayer through the lens of Indigenous theology?

3. "Knowing" is an important element in John's gospel. Jesus came to give us this knowing. How do you understand and experience this from an Indigenous perspective? Especially in light of reading in your book *Indigenous Theology and the Western Worldview*; "Theology begins with Earth then we go from there."

4. This passage emphasizes "unity that is big enough." How is Eloheh community and the work you both do a part of imaging unity that is big enough?

What are the medicinal implications for church?

5. For me, the poem raises the challenge of decolonizing Christian doctrine and modern superiority. Facebook friends how does the poem give you hope for our world today? Please post your thoughts, we value them.