

Welcome to our Meeting for Learning

Part 1 of 3

The Silent Meeting for Worship

Today's source material

- Video from “Jewels of Quakerism” series
(Callid and Kristina Keefe-Perry,
course taught originally at Pendle Hill)
- Video lasts 30 minutes; we'll listen to three 10-minute segments, and pause for questions between each one
- Time for discussion before we close

Writings cited in Segment 1

- Ben Pink Dandelion, “The Liturgies of Quakerism” (2005)
- L. Violet Hodgkins, “The Swarthmore Lecture, 1919; Silent Worship: The Way of Wonder” (2017 reprint available)

Biblical references in Section 2

- *Pursue love and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts:* 1 Corinthians 14:1-5
- *Seventh Seal:* Revelation 8:1
- *When two or three are gathered together in My name:* Matthew 18:20

The George Fox citation (“There is one, even Christ Jesus) ... “) is from his Journal, 1647

Keefe-Perrys' suggested definition: What Meeting for Worship Is

- Draws us into a radical relationship with the Divine and with one another
- Gives us the opportunity to see the world differently and to be changed
- Propels us out into the world

Further reading (from easier to more sophisticated)

- Pink Dandelion, Ben. *The Quakers: A Very Short Introduction*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008.
- Pink Dandelion, Ben. *An Introduction to Quakerism*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007.
- Angell, Stephen W. and Ben Pink Dandelion. *The Cambridge Companion to Quakerism*: Cambridge University Press, 2018.
- Wilson, Lloyd Lee. *Essays on the Quaker Vision of Gospel Order*. Philadelphia: QuakerBooks of FGC, 2002