

March 18, 2024 – The Theology of God’s Mystery Today



Christian mystical theology is rooted in the surprising news that the hidden God of mystery is present among us. This presentation will introduce the basics of mystical theology with a focus on the many ways we can experience the presence of God today. You will examine a variety of concepts and practices from the Christian theological tradition in order to reflect on the questions: How can I experience the presence of God, especially if God is a mystery? Do I even have to believe in God to experience God? What transformative impact does experiencing God’s mystery have on myself and my society?

Participants will reflect on these questions and evaluate the best ways to practice the presence of the God of mystery today.

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