

Christian Discernment

WHAT IS IT?

- Reflect with wisdom
- Live with insight
- Share aspirations with others
- Take on the "mind of the Lord"



How?

"Track down the whereabouts of Christ."*

Listening to God
and to
each other,
as we are
rooted in God's
living Word.



Spiritual discernment understands that God, through the **Holy Spirit**, has a specific **vision**, at a specific point in **time**, in a specific **place** for God's congregation.



Questions
to use in
conversation

- 1 Who is God** in this situation?
- 2 What** is God **up to** now?
- 3 What** is God, and the **Scriptures**, **telling** us?
- 4 Who** does this worshipping community **belong** to?
- 5 What** is God's **dream** for this congregation?

This may not be understood or committed to first time round. It's not always easy. But in our failures, temptation and self-preservation we can find a deeper understanding of our calling.



*For more reading on Christian discernment, have a look at *Meeting with God's Voice: A Guide for Leaders Seeking God's Agenda for their Congregation* by Frederick Marais