

FREE
PARENT-EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY FOR
HOMESCHOOLERS

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“Conversation is the context of truth.”

Josef Pieper

PROPOSAL

If you will gather a group to meet (5-15 people, no kids except nursing babies), I'll come and we'll have a great conversation (Over dinner? Over brunch? Over coffee?).

We need at least 2 hours for a half-hour presentation on the topic of your choice, plus the kind of free-wheeling conversation we all love.

I will come free of charge.

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WHY AM I MAKING THIS OFFER?

- I want to talk with parents seeking to improve their own education, conversational skills, and intellectual life *as* they educate their kids.
- I want to encourage Catholics who want to serve the Church and rock the world *through* family life and education.
- I want opportunities to present and discuss pivotal and stimulating ideas with bright, interested, faithful, Catholic home educators.
- I want to follow Christ, who calls me *through* the call of His people. He leads me through the discovery of your needs and longings, through our living presence to one another, through conversation. I need such conversations because they help me to discern where He is leading, help me to offer better formal presentations, and help me to keep saying things from my writing projects in fresh ways.

TOPICS FROM A PROJECT IN PROGRESS

I'm currently writing some seminars about renewing the culture for a Catholic college. Let's talk about **Post-Enlightenment Reduction Syndrome, Approaching Contemporary Art, Secular Innovations in Education, Hybrid Economic Organizations, Catholic Media Guidelines, or Post-Modern Augustinian Thomism!**

TOPICS TO CONSIDER

The Poetic Reader – be a better reader
Hope in a Word – weaving the context of hope
The Glory of Form – art & personhood
Seeing Through Words – teaching poetry
Joy in Three Persons – Chesterton + virtue
3-D Transcendentals – why art education
Aristotle's *Rhetoric* – teaching rhetoric
Holy Geometry – this is so neat!
Building with Bricks – cultivating conversation
Beauty Becomes You – aesthetic education
Poetic Education – the overlooked stage
3 Databases of Education – classical + twists
Building the Bridge – getting over the abyss
Communicating Christ – being a Catholic writer
The Joy Foundation – why small is better
Bright City – a Catholic idea playground
3 Dares to Change Your Life – fun with courage
What's a Salon? – conversation + art + faith
Finding Your Voice – why we need vocal work
Ways to Help Artists – low cost patronage
Life in Motion – philosophy + drivers education
50 Million Names – a creative pro-life project
What's a Creative? – why I use it as a noun
The Poet as Troublemaker – be not afraid!

BOOKS AS TOPICS

Souls at Rest (Eucharistic Sabbath)
Souls at Work (Educating for Freedom)
The Intellectual Life (Catholic + self-education)
Mystery and Manners (Catholic Literature)
An Experiment in Criticism (excellent readers)
The Mind of the Maker (God is an Artist)
Beauty for Truth's Sake (Re-enchancing Education)
In Tune With the World (Festivity + Personhood)
Till We Have Faces (C.S. Lewis + my favorites)
Rhetoric (Why argue?)