

Provocative Word Method of TR

SELECT THE WORD

Choose a word remarkable for its ability to call up vibrant emotion (scorned, ecstatic, lost, astonished, etc.), and post it on the board for all to reflect on in silence. Then share any revelations on the meaning of the word, anything it denotes or connotes.

ASK THE QUESTIONS

Next, ask the six "journalist's questions" about the feeling the word conveys:

WHO was involved when you were feeling _____ ?
(Action ... tell the stories from our life)

WHAT image comes to mind about feeling _____ ?
(Image ... pick one of the metaphors and explore it with the usual questions)

WHERE does this come from and **WHERE** is it found in society?
(Source/Culture) (If you want, pick a culture item and explore it)

WHEN does this come up in the Bible, lives of saints, hymns, etc.?
(Tradition ... pick one and explore the world it with the usual questions)

WHY is this manifest in our lives (Position)

HOW might God redeem any negatives in this (Hope in Christ)

CONSIDER INSIGHTS AND IMPLICATIONS

What have we learned for the next time we feel _____ ?

WRITE A COLLECT

Use the outline:

Dear God...	(naming of God's aspects)
You ...	(connect situation of the image to that aspect)
We pray that. ..	(petition of our hearts)
So that.....	(result we desire)
Amen.	