

## LEYM Query for 2022-2023 plus Suggested Readings

*In what ways has our Meeting been affected by the turmoil of the world around us?*

*How might I use my own gifts from Spirit in responding to these new realities?*

*From British Yearly Meeting, Faith and Practice (1995), 26.69*

*There is no easy optimism in the Quaker view of life. (George) Fox had no illusions about sin; but he asks us deal with it in a new way. . . . We are to use the little we have to make it more. We are to attend the small Seed and to help it grow.” Edgar B. Castle, 1961.*

*“Give over thine own willing, give over thy own running, give over thy desiring to know or be anything, and sink down to the seed which God sows in thee . . . .” Isaac Pennington*

*John 14:1            “Do not let your heart be troubled. Trust in God, trust in me.”*

*John 14:27        “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”*

*John 16:33        “I have told you these things, as that, in me, you may have peace. In this world, you will have troubles. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”*

From Faith and Practice, advices and queries 28, The book of Christian discipline of the Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Britain

*Responding to divine guidance, try to discern the right time to undertake or relinquish responsibilities without undue pride or guilt. Attend to what love requires of you, which may not be great busyness.*

Friends may also share Chapter 23 of Britain Faith & Practice for meetings /members to explore and ponder. See <https://qfp.quaker.org.uk/chapter/23/>

Finally, “A Call to Friends: Faithful Living in Desperate Times” by Marty Grundy is suggested to Friends and Meetings that wish to 'go deeper' on this topic. See short review in Friends Journal here:

<https://www.friendsjournal.org/book/a-call-to-friends-faithful-living-in-desperate-times/>