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The Gospel of Mary Seminar

A collaborative and inclusive presentation, much like the Gospel of Mary itself.

This seminar is a hands-on workshop designed to introduce congregations and small study groups to the ancient Gospel of Mary. It's designed to be collaborative and inclusive, much like the Gospel of Mary itself. The facilitators share basic facts about biblical scholarship regarding the text and the figure(s) of Mary, as well as their own interpretations, but scholarly study of this Gospel is still relatively new, and like all scripture, it lends itself to varying points of view. The primary goal is to provide each participant with the tools necessary to study the Gospel of Mary further and apply its principles in practical, spiritual ways.

Includes a PowerPoint presentation.

Presentation works best as a full-day or half-day retreat with lots of time for discussion and participation, but it is possible to present the information as an abbreviated two hour presentation.



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Mark Michael Mattison is a mainline Protestant and independent scholar with particular interests in feminist theology and mysticism. He is the author of *The Gospel of Mary: A Fresh Translation and Holistic Approach*; *The Gospel of Judas: The Sarcastic Gospel*; *The Gospel of Thomas: A New Translation for Spiritual Seekers*; *The Gospel of Q: Jesus' Wisdom Gospel*; *The Gospel of Philip: The Divine Mysteries of Marriage and Rebirth*; and *The Gospel of Peter: Revisiting Jesus' Death and Resurrection*. He was one of the editors of the *Divine Feminine Version (DFV) of the New Testament*.



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