

BE YOURSELF . . . RE-SOURCE: Session #1 — February 2, 2023

Elizabeth Mary Strub, SHCJ says, "*I put this quotation under the broad theme of Incarnation. Each person incarnates a unique thought of the creator and becomes absorbed into the Incarnate Christ and so into the Trinity.*" It is attributed to Pedro Arrupe, SJ, although we have not yet been able to find the exact source.

Each person's history is original and different: when we hear these personal histories we perceive that something is left unsaid in all of them because it cannot be spoken.

It is a personal secret that even the person him/herself cannot fully perceive. This part of their story that is hidden or half/hidden, even to themselves, is the most truly interesting part, because it is what is most intimate, profound and personal.

It is the close correlation between God who is love and who loves each person in a different way, and the person, who in the depths of his/her being, gives a unique response, for there will be no other response like it in all of history.

It is the secret of the marvelous Trinitarian love that erupts, when it so desires, into the life of each person in a way that is unexpected, inexpressible, irrational, irresistible, but at the same time marvelous and decisive.

"Abide in me, as I in you As the Father loved me, I also love you;. abide in my love These things I have spoken to you that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full." John 15: 4-11