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## **OLLI: DIMENSIONS OF LOVE, MARCH/APRIL 2024**

### **SYLLABUS**

Note: This syllabus contains the titles for each class meeting as well as questions for personal reflection prior, during or after our meetings. This kind of reflection is meant as an opportunity for *personal attunement to the topic*. Sharing your answers as we engage with each other in conversation is not an expectation.

Question 1: As I look over this syllabus, does the progression Martin out-lined make sense to me?

#### **March 1, 2024**

##### **Vulnerability**

Question 2: Vulnerability could be called a “hermeneutic (key/framework) of/to love”. What does the word “vulnerability” bring up for me?

#### **March 8, 2024**

##### **Unconditional Positive Regard for Self**

Question 3: Is this title “triply redundant”?

it is possible “to have unconditional positive regard for Self”?

How do you imagine it?

#### **March 15, 2024**

##### **The Prodigal Son, Retold**

Question 4: Do I have an “idea” (an image or picture) of the three persons in this story?

Who has my greatest/least sympathies?

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**March 22, 2024**

**The Good Samaritan, Retold**

Question 5: What makes the good Samaritan good?

Do I think he is a truly *good* man?

**March 29, 2024**

**Addiction and Love**

Question 6: What do I believe to be the “reason” behind addiction?

Or is addiction un/non-reasonable?

**April 5, 2024**

**Detachment with Love**

Question 7: Have I ever detached and loved from something/someone at the same time?

**April 12, 2024**

**Becoming Friends with Death**

Question 8: How do I think I could become friends with death?

Is that friendship different from other friendships I have?

**April 19, 2024**

**Hope**

Question 9: How do I understand the difference between Hope, Optimism and Pessimism?