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Getting to know the Orthodox Faith: 13 Seminars (3 May – 4 July 2022)



About the seminars

The times in which we live aren't normal. Ideologies and religions are amalgamating and there's certainly an overall atmosphere of confusion and questioning. So it would not be strange if we were to raise the question: 'Why should I want to become an Orthodox Christian?'

The seminars are for…

This question 'Why should I want to become an Orthodox Christian?' has to do with the heterodox or those of other religions, since it's what they always ask when anyone talks to them about the Orthodox faith. But this is a question which is related to all baptized Orthodox Christians who vacillate between doubt and disbelief, as well as those who have consciously renounced the Orthodox baptism their parents once gave them and have relinquished their membership of the Orthodox Church of Christ. The question also has to do with those who are Christians in name are only, but who never think about Christ in their lives.

The reason why "I want to be an Orthodox Christian"

One reason, then, why I want to be an Orthodox Christian is that Orthodoxy isn't

just another religion reecting human efforts to discover God, but is the revelation of God to us through history. In the Orthodox Church, people experience the Truth. The Orthodox Church is experienced as the realm of puri cation from the passions, which have their roots in egotism and in the delusion that biological life and whatever that entails, is the real life. Within the Church, then, we're cured of our passions. We're cured in a positive way, not merely by being set free from these passions, but by replacing them with experiences of love, what Saint Maximos the Confessor calls a 'loving relationship'. And in the final analysis, the Church is a way of life precisely because it is the Mystery of Love, the Mystery in which we experience our liberation from the passions in a positive way.

Why to book

An attempt is made to answer the question why "I want to be an Orthodox Christian" in a series of seminars called GETTING TO KNOW THE ORTHODOX FAITH, through the experience and life of the Church over 20 centuries, in accordance with the teaching of the Gospel and the Fathers of the Church. The seminars are being organize by EVGENIOS VOULGARIS DIGITAL ACADEMY.

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