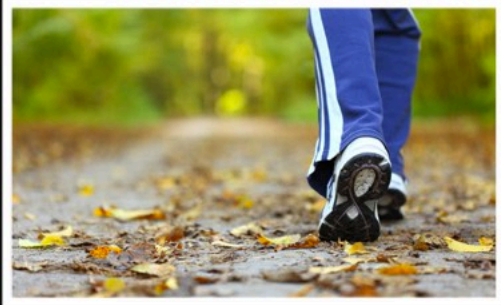
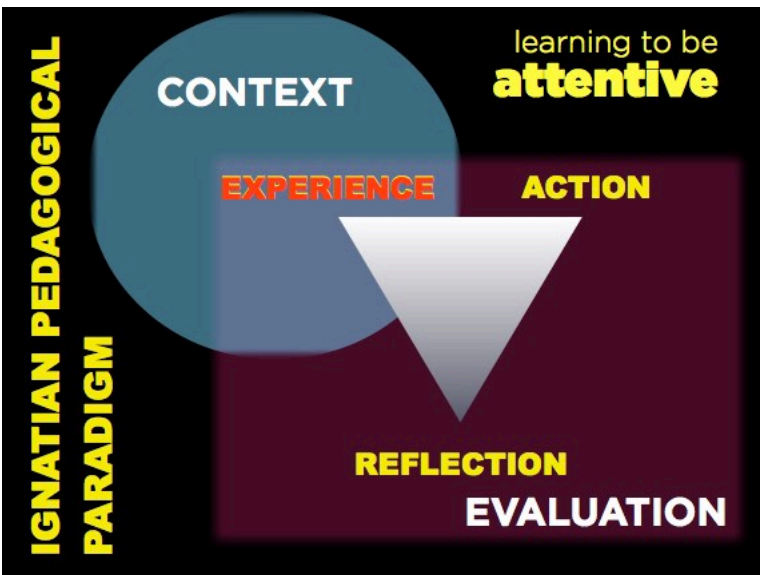




How was your experience?



**ATTENTIVENESS**  
**AWARENESS**  
**PRESENCE**  
**PRAYER**



**"Being present**, whether with children,  
with friends, or even with oneself,  
is hard work.  
But isn't this **attentiveness** --  
the feeling that someone is trying  
to think about us --  
something we want more than praise?"

STEPHEN GROSZ  
*The Examined Life:  
How We Lose and  
Find Ourselves*



Attentiveness is the heart of prayer.

— Simone Weil —

AZ QUOTES




## **HORROR VACUI**

- \* A fear of empty spaces
- \* An addiction to information, entertainment, and every form of stimulus

**ENDANGERED SILENCE**



**The loss of solitude**




Feeling my feelings alone,  
by myself and with myself.

Being alone with my feelings  
without instant distraction  
or digital support


**The loss of our sense of the sacred**

“The white noise  
of secularism  
has removed  
the very **stillness**  
in which **faith**  
might endure  
or be reborn.”

Andrew Sullivan (2016)



**GLOBALIZATION**



of  
**SUPERFICIALITY**

A Nicolas SJ

# EXPERIENCE

**ATTENTIVENESS**  
**AWARENESS**  
**PRESENCE**  
**PRAYER**



Discuss with  
your seatmate  
first  
before  
answering.

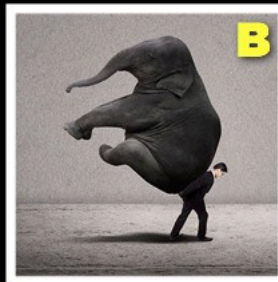
Explain your  
choice.

Which for you is  
the best symbol for  
**leadership?**

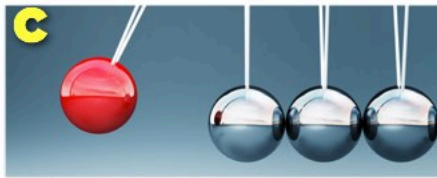
**A**



**B**



**C**



**D**



# defining

reflection on  
leadership

# moments

## Something about our decisions

The most significant  
decisions we make as  
leaders are rarely  
**TECHNICAL**--  
questions with a  
single correct answers.

They are often  
**CULTURAL**--  
problems involving  
people and their  
complexities.



## Something about our decisions

Our most challenging  
decisions are rarely  
**RIGHT vs. WRONG**  
decisions.

They are often  
**RIGHT vs. RIGHT**  
decisions.

That's why  
they're so tough.  
That's why we need  
**DISCERNMENT.**

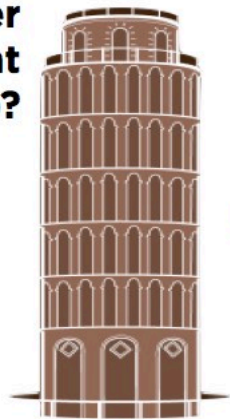
What about **WRONG vs. WRONG?**

**EVIL vs. LESSER EVIL**

**GOOD vs.  
GREATER GOOD**



What would you consider a defining moment in your leadership?



Regular  
Condensed  
**Bold**  
*Italic*



**A memory that stands out:**

a **milestone**--high point or low point, **accomplishments or crises/mistakes**, a **mentorship experience**, an **A-HA** moment...

**An experience at work in school, or a previous job, or in your personal life. Pleasant or unpleasant, easy or difficult?**

**An experience that has defined your personal style of leadership so far**



**YOUR DEFINING MOMENT**

**OF LEADERSHIP**

**What makes this experience stand out? Why is it important to you?**

In what way has it clarified **what's important to you**, revealed **what kind of leader you are**, pointed out **how you can grow**, & defined **who you are**?

**YOUR DEFINING  
MOMENT  
OF LEADERSHIP**

Take time out to **RECALL + REFLECT** on this.

Be ready to share your defining moment.

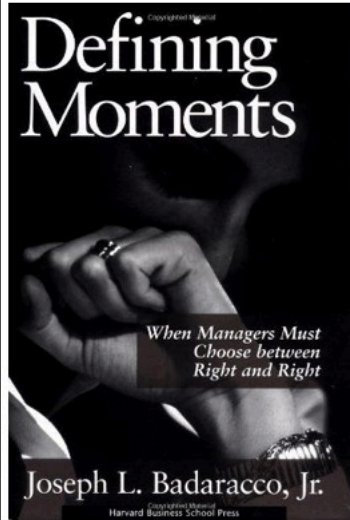
**YOUR DEFINING  
MOMENT  
OF LEADERSHIP**

when the manner in which we acted,  
the way we treated others  
or allowed others to treat us,  
and the choices we made  
**reveal who we are as leaders.**

**YOUR DEFINING  
MOMENT  
OF LEADERSHIP**

Recount one important defining moment,  
describing the situation and the  
characters involved, the choices you  
faced, and the choices you eventually  
made—and why.

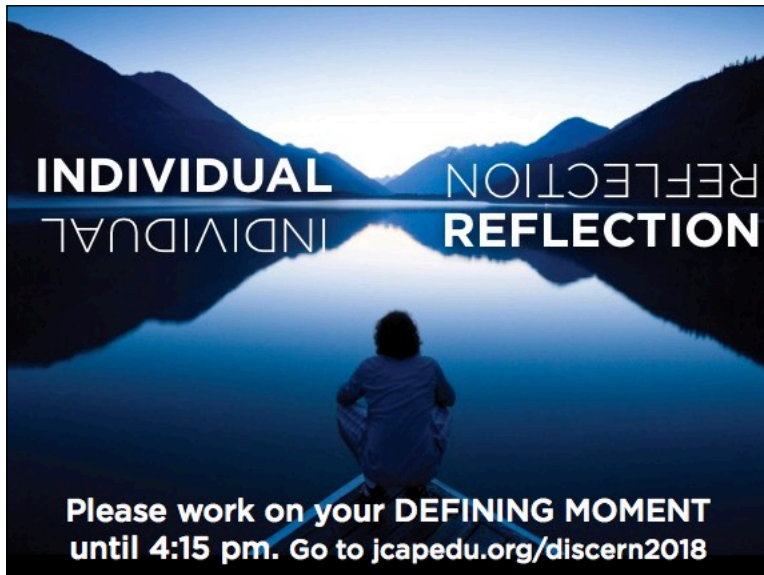
Make sure to explain why you consider  
this a defining moment  
of your leadership.



## **DEFINING MOMENTS**

When we reveal our values,  
test our commitment  
to those values,  
and ultimately  
shape our characters.

**We define ourselves  
and the organization  
we lead.**



## **group sharing**

Groups of 6

1. Similar work or position (principals, Jesuits, etc.)
2. Different contexts (Maximum of 3 from the same country)
3. Interpreter for language

