**Considering Reader Ministry?**

If you think God is calling you to Reader ministry, here are some questions to consider and then talk over with your Vicar.

* Do you feel a sense that God is calling you to serve more formally in ministry?
* There will be many ways of serving God in your situation and context. Which of them seems most life-giving for you and the communities that you are a part of?
* Do you have an understanding of what reader ministry involves? Is there a Reader in your parish you can talk to about it? (If not get in touch and we can put you in touch with Readers nearby to discuss Reader ministry).
* What particular gifts do you have? How well do they match with Reader ministry?
* What needs do you sense in the Church and outside it? How can you respond to those needs?
* What is the pattern of your present discipleship? Your daily offering of prayer and Bible study? Your worship and witness within the parish? Your witness as a Christian at work?
* Have you talked over the possibility of Reader ministry with your partner and family? Are they ready to support you?

If after considering those questions, and discussing them with your Vicar, your sense is that you are being called to Reader ministry, please get in touch.

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