

Module 7 (April)

“The Pillars of Dominican Life: Dominican Spirituality for the Laity,” III: Study

Aumann, Jordan, O.P. “The Contemplative Dimension of Dominican Spirituality.”

Dominicana: A Guidebook for Inquirers, 2nd Edition pp. 200-219 (“Formation Ahead”) and pp. 145-147

1. Was there anything that surprised you in the section on study in “The Pillars of Dominican Life?” (Pillars)
2. Why do you think Dominic thought study was important to the mission of his order? Why is it important today? (Pillars)
3. If you struggle with study what is a good way to start to add study to your life? (Pillars)
4. “Contemplation is a type of knowledge that begins and ends in love.” What does this tell us about the purpose of study in Dominican life? How will we know that we are studying well? (Aumann)
5. Pick one of the contemporary issues listed on pgs. 215-216 of *Dominicana* that you feel particularly drawn to address. Explain the importance of addressing this issue at this time in our culture. How would you go about studying this issue so as to better address it with those you meet each day? (*Dominicana*)
6. How do you see the Dominican charism reflected in the life of St. Albert the Great? What virtues did he share in common with St. Dominic? (*Dominicana*)

7. Do you have any other thoughts or questions you would like to share with the group?