## THE ENLIVENED LESSON PLAN SYLLABUS

# **Ages & Stages**

## **Explore ages & stages of development**

- Assists the participants in understanding what children and teens are capable of understanding a different ages.
- Helps to know at what age to introduce metaphysics
- Explores what type of classroom space is most conducive to learning at each stage of development.

# **Multiple Intelligence**

# **Explores the work of Howard Gardner on the 9 Intelligences**

- Helps us to identify our own preferred ways of learning or taking in information. This is most likely how we are presenting our lessons.
- Helps us to identify the multiple intelligences in the children in our classrooms.
- Helps us to broaden our methods of teaching and then create more effective experiences so all children feel included.

# **Creating an Empowered Lesson**

Participants are now divided into 4 groups, based on the ages of the children/teens they work with.

- Preschool
- Elementary
- Middle School
- High School

## One story is selected for all the groups to work with.

- Generally will be a Bible story or contemporary story that has a lot of depth to it.
- We use one story for all the age groups so we can see how to use it most effectively with our particular age group.
- Each group decides:
  - o How much and what parts of the story are appropriate for their age group.
  - What are the metaphysics of the story?
  - o What is the theme/intention of the lesson?
  - o What are 3 Spiritual principles that will be explored?

#### **Pre-session Activities**

- How are the children/teens welcomed as they arrive?
- What will the children do as they wait for the others to arrive?

#### **Sacred Circle**

- How do you create a safe space?
- How will you welcome the children?
- What connecting activity will you include?
- What else is part of our opening?

### **The Story Experience**

- Using the assigned story:
  - How will you present the story to your age group based on the parts you are using and the theme/intention you have created?

### The Questions – Review Living Curriculum and develop your questioning strategy

- What is happening in the story literally?
- How are the characters being affected? What is their experience?
- How has this happened in your life?
- How do you see it happening in the world?
- How would you like it to be?

### **The Creative Experience**

- Create 2 interactive experiences that allow the children/teens to experience the story and what it has meant to them so far.
- One is a quiet activity and one is a moving activity.
- Include some of the ideas below
  - Active Learning
  - o Drama
  - Music & Movement
  - Food Related
  - Music Video
  - Art

### The Closing

- How will you close your lessons?
- Questions to ask:
  - o What did this experience mean to you?
  - O What would you like to share?
  - o How would you like it to be?
- How will you close the day?