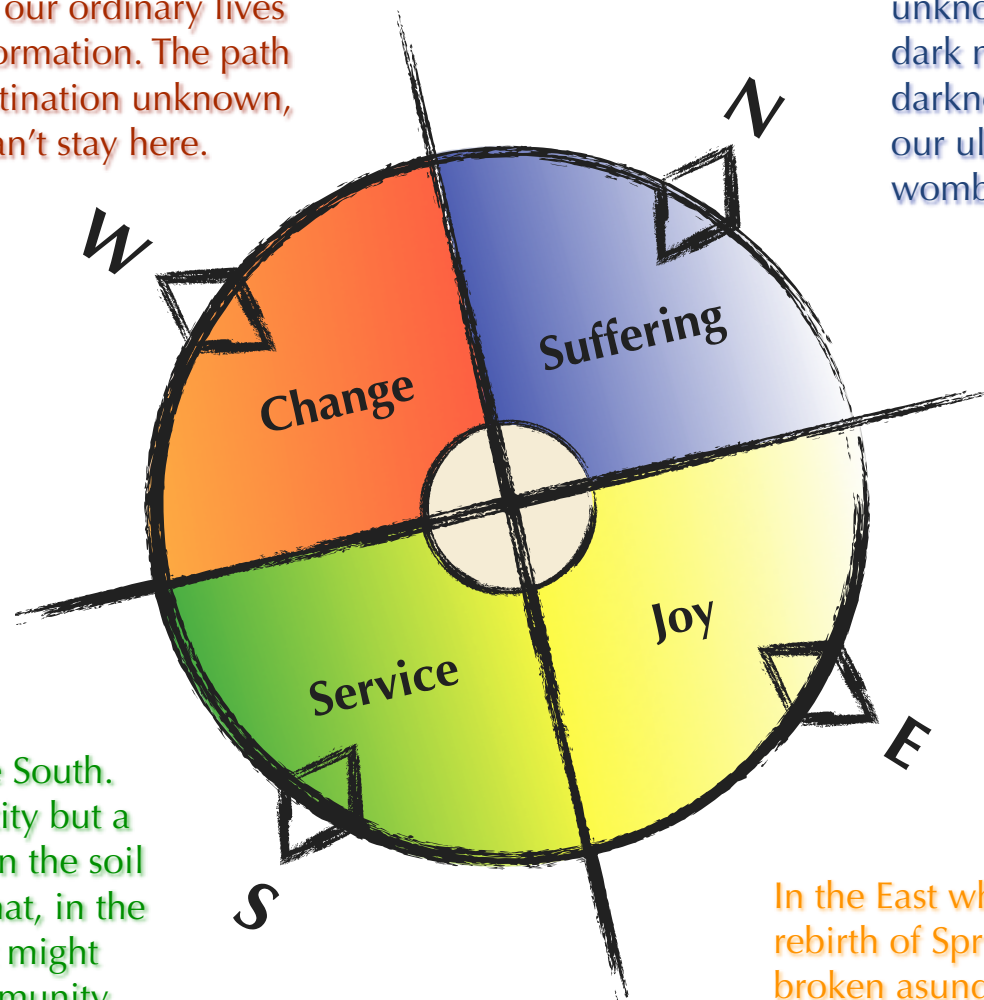


# A Compass for the Journey of Transformation

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In the West where the sun sets, and in Autumn when the leaves turn, the Call to Change beckons us out of our ordinary lives unto the Journey of Transformation. The path ahead is daunting, the destination unknown, but our hearts know we can't stay here.

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To answer the Call is to press Faith up against Fear and step into the unknown. To the North, into the dark night of Winter. This fruitful darkness is a path of Suffering and our ultimate end, but it is also the womb of all new beginnings.



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We return home from the South. The Gift of our new identity but a seed that must take root in the soil of our ordinary lives so that, in the abundance of Summer, it might bear fruit within our community. This giving away of our Gift in Service to others is the realization of our Transformation as potential becomes reality.

5  
In the East where the sun rises, and in the rebirth of Spring, we learn that we are not broken asunder but open to new possibilities and new ways of being. It is here, in this liminal space, where we can finally realize with Joy the potential of who we are becoming.