



Awakening the Moral Imagination through Fairy Tales and Stories with Dr. Vigen Guroian

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Outline:

Cinderella

- Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted.
- Matthew 22: In Grimm's version, the event is announced as a wedding on the third day.
- John 2: On the third day a wedding took place at Cana of Galilee.
- Revelation: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the lamb.
- Cinderella sleeps in the ashes and this reminds us of Job as well as Odysseus.
- The Grimm story is about the communion of saints. Cinderella returns every day to pray by her mother's grave.
- Drawing: Three crosses are present and the doves are present.
- Cinderella visits the grave of her mother on her own. Her father marries the next spring.
- Cinderella weeps and the cross greens – resurrection.
- The two sisters are beautiful, Cinderella is not.
- What the sisters have done is sacrilegious, it is not a real sacrifice acceptable to the Lord.
- What does Cinderella do once she is called? She washes herself to reveal herself completely to the king's son. She has cleansed herself and then went before the prince.
- "This is my true bride," the prince exclaimed. The Church must come to Christ without stain or blemish.
- The father has a murderous heart, and the sisters are wicked.
- This story is framed by the kingdom of Heaven.
- The sisters were punished for their wickedness and malice. The blindness inflicted on them has a symbolic meaning. They have been blind all along to the goodness of their stepsister.
- Give credit for children being capable of reading out symbols and having a notion of justice that satisfies them.