

## Better Way - The Art of Living Soulfully

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> to Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021

'Soul' is a confusing term – commonly bandied about in religious circles but seldom defined or much understood. It's also used in psychology, and popular culture where for example music, art, conversations, food, friendships, habits and rituals may be considered soulful.

Perhaps the great dilemma of our times is a 'loss of soul' – a dislocation from our deepest selves, from compassion, from nature – ultimately, from the divine. Yet when soul is neglected, it doesn't simply go away; it appears in obsessions, addictions, aggression, and loss of meaning.

Drawing on music, art, poetry and biblical imagination, this retreat will consider, not only the meaning of soul in theological and cultural terms, but importantly, explore tangible ways to foster soulfulness in ordinary everyday life, and in our world.

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