

Handout 6-A

THE BIG PICTURE

(A Summary Activity)

Discuss and identify with your group the essentials that have risen to the top of your collective discernment—those things that matter most to the life and witness of your church. Write them in the roots and trunk of the tree.

Next, identify some of the nonessentials that have become clear during the discernment process—those things that give expression to the essentials—and write these in the branches.

Finally, spend time visualizing together how the essentials you have identified might be lived out in various ministries.

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