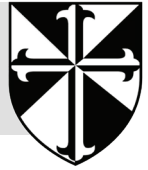




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HABITS: A CLOSER LOOK



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Words to know:

dispositions (*a prevailing tendency or inclination*), configure (*to set up for operation, especially in a particular way*)

St. Thomas calls these dispositions _____ in Latin. It's where our English word _____ comes from.

"A habit (*habitus*) is a _____ whereby that which is disposed is disposed well or ill either in regard to itself or in regard to another." —St. Thomas Aquinas

A habitus is a mode of _____. It's a deep _____ in us.

The fact that this happens to us is a part of the gift of _____ that God gives us. We become what we _____.

We are configured to the _____ we seek and the intentions we have, and we're configured to the _____ we make, the activities we choose.

Habits are not _____. Some make us _____ persons. Some make us evil or _____ persons.

There's a line here and the line is this: It's whether a habitus is aligned with our _____. Does a habit make me more in line with _____, with _____, with being _____, with being human? Or does it make me more like an animal, make me less than human, make me less than a _____?

This is the line between _____ and _____.

