# GROUNDING VIRTUES

— WHAT WE PRACTICE, WE BECOME —

## WORDS THAT MATTER

The words we use shape how we understand ourselves, how we interpret the world, how we treat others.

## HOSPITALITY

Hospitality is a bridge to all the great virtues, but it is immediately accessible. You don’t have to love or forgive or feel compassion to extend hospitality.

## HUMILITY

Humility is a companion to curiosity, surprise, and delight. Spiritual humility is not about getting small. It is about encouraging others to be big.

## PATIENCE

Human transformation takes time — longer than we want it to — but it is what is necessary for social transformation. A long, patient view of time will replenish our sense of our capacities and our hope for the world.

## GENEROUS LISTENING

Listening is more than being quiet while others have their say. It is about presence as much as receiving; it is about connection more than observing.

## ADVENTUROUS CIVILITY

Civility, in our world of change, is about creating new possibilities for living forward while being different and even continuing to hold profound disagreement.
Better Conversations

OKLAHOMA CITY NATIONAL MEMORIAL & MUSEUM
How do we encourage the Oklahoma Standard tenets of service, honor and kindness that Oklahoma became known for in 1995?
What is the difference between treating people equally and fairly?
What is your generation doing to strengthen our democracy?
How do we create an environment that fosters acceptance and the courage to speak up?
Is there a role of punishment in the process of healing?
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If you could teach one thing to the generation before/after you, what would it be?
Can acceptance be experienced even when you disagree?
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What is the role of forgiveness and remembrance following a personal tragedy?
How has the protection of speech changed over time?
Reconciliation and Resilience – How far have we come and what still needs to be done?
How do we look past differences to find common ground?
How does the expanding presence of social media affect your perspective on government?