

THE SERVICEBERRY: DISCUSSION

BELONGING



pg. 33:

"[The gift economy] is not regulated from above but derives from a collective sense of equity in "enoughness" and accountability in distributing the gifts of the Earth."

This week we've looked at the idea of belonging and sharing as parts of the gift economy. What does belonging (With nature, people, etc.) look like in your community?

SHARING



Page 45:

"Can we imagine a system which nurtures a different economic identity and reclaim ourselves as neighbors, with shared investment in mutual well-being?"

Dr. Kimmerer asks a great question - what would it take for us to move the system we experience in our neighborhood to a gift economy?

RECIPROCITY



Page 43:

When human survival is threatened, compassionate acts overrule market economics.

Do you agree with this statement from the book? If so, why do you think natural disasters inspire sharing and belonging?

BOUNDARIES



Brené Brown teaches that "clear is kind, unclear is unkind" why do you think having clear boundaries or expectations is important for healthy communities?