APPLICATION FOR RITES OF PASSAGE

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I am applying for:

_____ Arizona Location – April 25-29, 2007

After observing previous participants, we have decided that acceptance will be based on perceived readiness for initiation. While images and ritual are used from other religious traditions, we do not apologize for our Judeo-Christian heritage. However, this is not just another Catholic/Christian men's retreat.

The Rites of Passage are most appropriate for those who are spiritually searching, who have done some kind of men's work already, and who are not in a major reaction against God, grace or transformation.

It is important to note that you must have a basic mobility and health that will allow you to crawl, hike, and fast. Since life itself tends to initiate you, men between the ages 20 and 55 often get the most out of the experience. There are exceptions, and men over the age of 55 are encouraged to submit the additional information at the bottom of the application.

It is best if you approach this experience as a lone seeker. Fathers and sons are normally not initiated together, nor is this a buddy experience. You may come with friends but expect to be assigned to a group where you will be anonymous and start from zero together with your group. (You will actually find this to be an advantage.)

You may **not** make this initiation rite more than once.

Please answer these questions honestly and not in a perfunctory manner.
Some men are refused and many will likely be on a waiting list as we are limiting enrollment. You will receive notification of your application status (accepted, waiting list, or refused) within three weeks from our receipt of your application.

Mail with a $50.00 application fee to: **Damien Faughnan,**
1922 E. Augusta Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85020
Make check payable to AZ MALEs **Attn: MROP**

Note: If accepted, your fee becomes non-refundable and is applied toward total cost of $450.00. If you are not accepted, your check will be destroyed and/or your money refunded.

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ADDRESS_____

CITY_____ STATE_____ ZIP_____ COUNTRY_____

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BEST TIME TO CALL _____ DATE OF BIRTH_____

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION_____

_____ APPLICANT'S NAME (please print)

1. **What is happening in your life that tells you of your readiness for this event?**

2. **Why do you want to participate in these Rites of Passage?**

3. **What do you want to be initiated into?**

4. **What has been your involvement in men's work/masculine spirituality?**
   (Retreats? Participation in a Men's Group? Conferences? Books? Tapes?, etc.)

5. **Has anyone (or anything) been encouraging you to participate in this program?**

For men over the age of 55 – with this application, prepare an additional one-page response to the following: **Why do you think you need this initiation beyond your personal enrichment? Since you are in what should be the generative years of your life, what do you plan to "generate" for others with this experience?**