**2.20-3.00pm UNIT 4 WORKSHOP**

Challenges to a Religious Tradition over time involving the Aspect of Social Structure

This Workshop is to focus on the key knowledge points of 4.1 that include looking at a religious tradition and how its theology, ethics and existence have been challenged **over time** and how **aspects** have been **involved** both as the source of challenges and the means of response to the challenges.

This is an exploration wider than the four/five particular challenges chosen for special study. It is the preparatory broad overview of the history of the tradition and challenges to it throughout its existence. It is from this broad overview that four/five representative challenges are selected for further study.

For your particular religious tradition, consider:

1. How has the Aspect of Social Structure (of the religious tradition) been a source of challenge to the tradition over time?
2. How has the Aspect of Social Structure (of the religious tradition) been used to resolve the challenges to the tradition over time?
3. Over time, what have been the implications of the stances and supporting responses for the social structure of the religious tradition over time?

(Consider the strengths and weaknesses of the social structure.)

1. Try these questions for the other Aspects to see what works.