

NAME

SACRED PLACES

MY SACRED PLACE

WHAT DOES MY SACRED PLACE LOOK LIKE?



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WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

WHAT DO I DO AT THIS PLACE?

WHY IS THIS PLACE IMPORTANT TO ME?

HOW DOES THIS PLACE MAKE ME FEEL?



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