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TEACHING THE TOUGH STUFF

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SESSION NOTES:



There are important things to acknowledge so we may teach the tough stuff faithfully, thoughtfully, and with confidence.

- 10 things to acknowledge



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Start with “why.”

- There is a reason each story has been included in Scripture. We must find the reason before we teach the story.

Use a framework.

- Context, conflict, clarity, and connection

Let questions breathe.

- We won't have all the answers. Be okay with tension and mystery.



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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION:

1. Which difficult Bible passage has personally challenged you the most, and why?
2. What are some potential dangers of avoiding or glossing over the “hard parts” of the Bible in teaching?
3. How does keeping the larger redemptive story of the Bible in view help us navigate the darkest or most confusing parts?



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