

## Church Conflict Resources

Church Conflict: The Hidden Systems Behind The Fights	250.68	Discover how the dynamics & "family rules" operating in the informal church system influences relationships, business interactions, mutual care & disputes. Helpful new strategies for dealing with conflict.
Conflict in the Church	250.68	40 minute/ 2-part video that offers alternative ways of viewing and dealing with conflicts in our congregations.
Congregational Fitness: Healthy Practices for Layfolk	250.68	Explore why congregations are prone to conflict & the healthy behaviors laypeople can practice to manage conflict constructively. For use by individual, study groups and at retreats.
Congregational Leadership in Anxious Times: Being Calm and Courageous No Matter What	250.11	The author shares some of the insights/experiences from working with congregations nationwide. He emphasizes how the church leader functions shapes & influences a congregation's health, efficiency & growth. Based on systems theory
Coping With Conflict	250.0068	This study in conflict management is intended for members of COM, pastors, sessions and other leaders. There are two 4-part videos with user guides and resources packets available for each tape. Each segment lasts 10-15 minutes.
Difficult Conversations: Taking Risks, Acting With Integrity	261.1	The author challenges the reader to enter into difficult conversations, knowing transformation can take place. She offers practical advice & the experiences of others as well.
Faithful Disagreement: Wrestling With Scripture in the Midst of Church Conflict	250.68	Author reflects on early scriptural interpretation conflict & how it informs current conflicts in the church today. A constructive resource to help wrestle with Scripture in the midst of disagreements. Study questions included.
GodViews: The Convictions That Drive Us and Divide Us	253	The author defines 5 GodViews that shape the way Christians relate with one another today. He believes that a unity that embraces a diversity of convictions holds the best hope for the future of the church.
Healthy Congregations: The Anxious Congregation and The Responsible Congregation	250.11	2-part dramatic presentation demonstrating the role of leaders in dealing with anxiety in a congregation - one being the Anxious Congregation - the other the Responsible Congregation. DVD & VHS copy available.
Healthy Disclosure: Solving Communication Quandaries in Congregations	253	How to book on handling information appropriately. Step-by-step ideas for handling different types of sensitive material, including how & when to reveal information, privacy, secrecy, legal issues & other helpful suggestions.

Managing Church Conflict		The author offers this important resource based on his twenty-years of experience coaching church leaders to manage church conflicts. He deals straightforwardly and responsibly with the theological/ethical issues that surround conflict.
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Pastor's Survival Manual: 10 Perils in Parish Ministry And How to Handle Them		The author offers a clear analysis of the most frequently occurring problems clergy encounter in their relationships with their congregations - & offers insightful, practical suggestions for dealing with them.
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Practicing Right Relationship: Skills for Deepening Purpose, Finding Fulfillment, and Increasing Effectiveness in Your Congregation	253	Theories, stories, tools, & exercises that will help congregations & their leaders learn how to build & maintain the loving relationships that provide the medium for God's transforming work.
Professional Conduct In Adversity: A Guide For Church Musicians		To help church musicians identify early warning signals that may suggest the onset of dysfunction in an employment or voluntary situation, & to provide practical recommendations for dealing with conflicts. Produced by Pres. Association of
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Rebuilding: Peacemaking In Nehemiah		Using the five-sessions & reading in Nehemiah, you will examine your own call to become involved in the public arena. He provides a model for taking leadership on issues that affect the common good. Appropriate for use in a variety of adult settings.
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Stilling the Storm: Worship and Congregational Leadership in Difficult Times		Explores the wide range of liturgical resources available for congregations going through difficult times & how those resources can best be shaped to fit the specific situation they are experiencing. Covers times of crisis, transition & conflict.
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Study Guide for GodViews: The convictions that drive us and divide us		Plans for 4-5 units plus suggestions on how to use this with your session. Examine ways churches can embrace diversity of convictions while seeking unity. Explore 5 views of God & God's mission in the world that call individuals to particular service.
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Suggestions for Using Seeking to be Faithful: Guidelines for Presbyterians During Times of Disagreement - A Training Manual	250.68	Designed to help churches use the "Guidelines for Presbyterians During Times of Disagreement" & to learn skills which are useful in dealing with conflict. Eight 1-hour sessions including Bible study, discussion & activities.
Talking About Tough Issues		Self-directing video workshop to help people become more comfortable & competent in dealing with questions that produce disagreement & conflict. 30 min 1-hour, 6-session study or a 4 6-hour workshop. Leader's guide with reproducible handouts
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Talking About Tough Issues - Study Guide		Leader's guide for video.
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The Church Transition Workbook: Getting Your Church in Gear		Process to create steps that can lead a church through a variety of transitional changes. Stories, practical tools & activities to assess the possibilities of revitalized ministry.
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The Rabbi's Gift	248	An extraordinary fable about one community's yearning for new life & vitality. This intriguing video, set in an isolated monastery, evokes thought & discussion about the power of imagination & the nature of community. Excellent for session retreats, etc.
The Search For Community	268.434	Five sessions on the search for community, giving adults the opportunity of building community while they discover anew the Bible's message of spiritual oneness & the church's rich tradition of building community & what happens when it is distorted.
To Strengthen Christ's Body: Tools For Talking About Tough Issues	250.68	This seven-session resource identifies/explores basic concepts/tools that help address the conflict/disagreements that are a part of everyday life. Through prayer, Bible study, discussion, & skill building learn to strengthen the body of Christ.
Unity in the Midst of Diversity	268.434	Provides a copy of the 1999 GA Moderator Douglas Oldenburg's sermon, models for biblically based dialogue on matters of controversy & an initial resource list. For churches to use to help them find their common unity in Christ during any discussion.
Why Scripture Matters: Reading the Bible in a Time of Church Conflict	220.1	This book will help you reflect theologically on what it means to be the church in a time of diverse, even conflicting, readings of Scripture in the church. A challenge to recover a sense of Scripture's compelling power.