



CORE 4: Leading in a Baptist Church

Setting the Scene: Leadership and Context

What leadership roles have you have held before (church, workplace, charity, community)?

What worked well? What did not?

How might skills from another context be applicable to serving in church life?

What might be different?

Being Baptist

What led you to be part of a Baptist church?

How would you describe the differences between a Baptist church and other churches?

Baptist History and Theology

Early Baptists believed Christ is present in the local congregation directly. What stands out to you about this?

How does this impact how we think about leadership and decision making?

How does your church practice collective discernment through church meetings?

Baptist Distinctives (BAPTIST)

Which Baptist distinctives are most visible in your church?

Which are most challenging?

Have you been baptized as a believer? When did that happen and what was your experience?

What tensions might arise between leadership responsibility and congregational governance? How might these be worked out?

