

WHAT ELSE COULD IT BE?

COURAGEOUS CURIOSITY AND THE POSTURES THAT GET US THERE

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Churches now need ways of being that open them up to more vast possibilities. Churches need postures that liberate them from limited, narrow boxes. Postures that bear the image of their divinely creative Creator, help them discern the movement of the Spirit, and evoke togetherness as the beloved community of Christ in discipleship, ministries, and relationships. For this, the church is going to need a little more curiosity and a lot more courage.

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SETTING THE TABLE

Before you begin, take a moment to breathe together. Set a moment to set down all that it took to get you to this moment and what will happen after you are done. Become present to this moment, whether it is with a group or reflection with yourself. You could add a prayer to open your space or simply read the above quote. Before diving into the questions from the authors, take a moment to define what courageous curiosity means based on what you read in this chapter or based on your group's understanding.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

1. What gets in the way of your own courageous curiosity?
2. What gets in the way of courageous curiosity in your faith community?
3. Which of the postures (authenticity, emotionality, humility, resiliency, reflectivity) do you need in order to build up courageous curiosity in your life and the life of your faith community?
4. What next step do you want to pose to your faith community in implementing courageous curiosity?
5. What next steps do you want to take to cultivate courageous curiosity in your own life and relationships?

CLOSING

What is the “low-hanging fruit” step you could take for yourself and/or your congregation in response to this discussion today?

A low hanging fruit is something you could easily do this coming week.

Given this theme and your context; what is one “moonshot” you could imagine?

A moon shot is a giant leap into relationship and connection that would require monumental effort but be totally amazing.