Engaging with Conversations about Gender Identity

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When the conversation becomes personal,

What do we do?

PSALM 139: CREATED KNOWN LOVED



For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.



Romans 8, Creation is growning

But there is brokenness everywhere we turn



Romans 12

A Living Sacrifice

12 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. **2** Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Surrender

I am not my own



Get curious

Don't react to the conclusion. Understand the story.

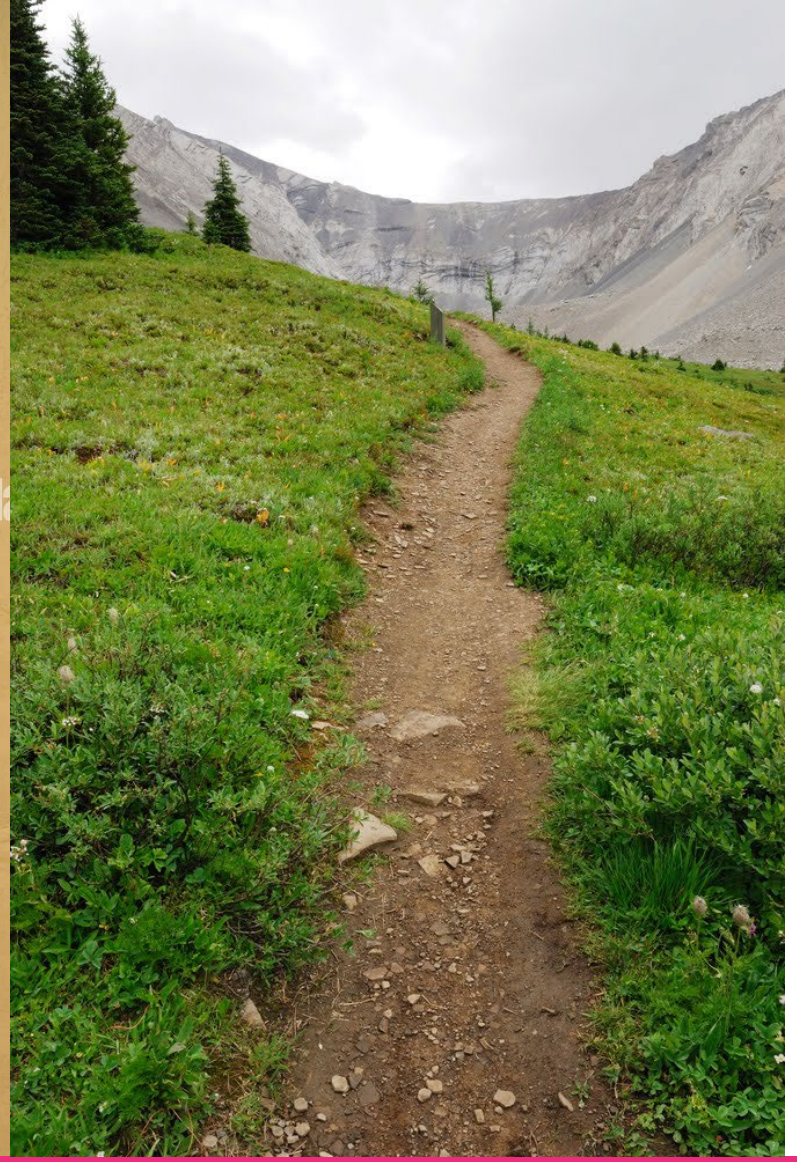




masculinity
femininity

Stereotypes or Christlikeness?

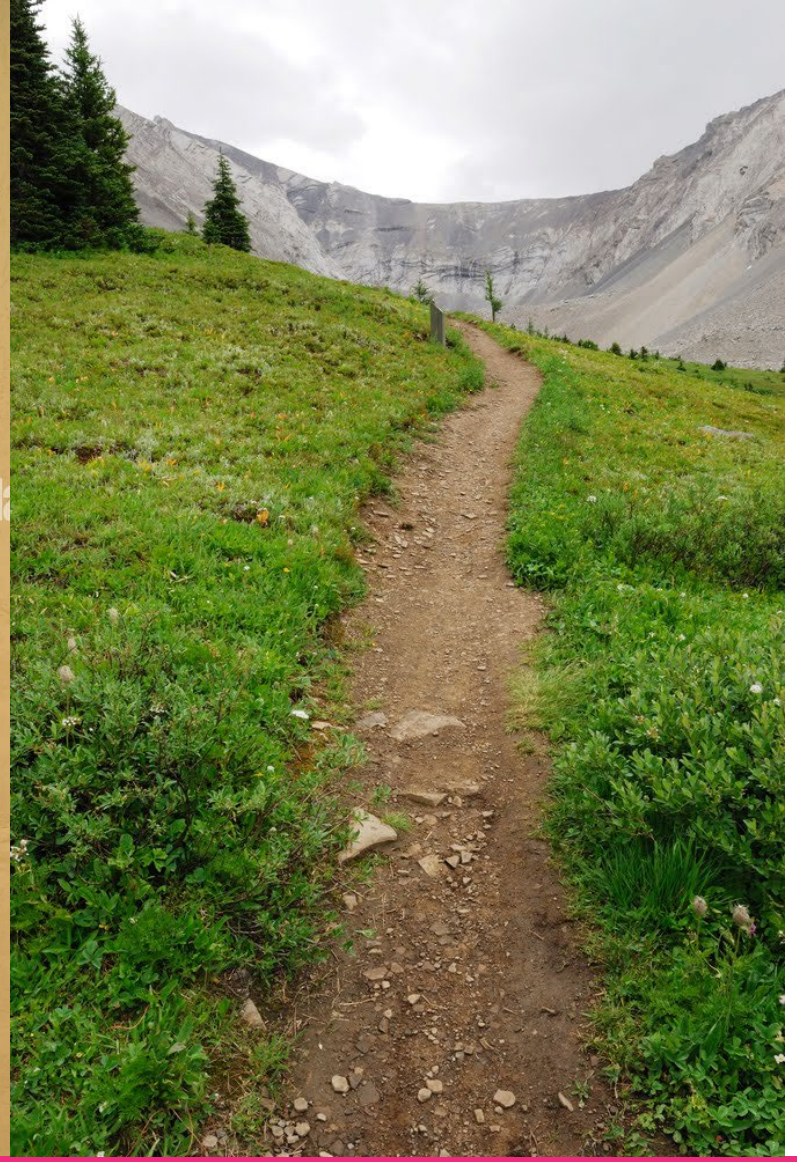




Wide open door
Narrow Road

Radical welcome.
Faithful discipleship.





John 10:10

An invitation to life in all its fullness



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The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

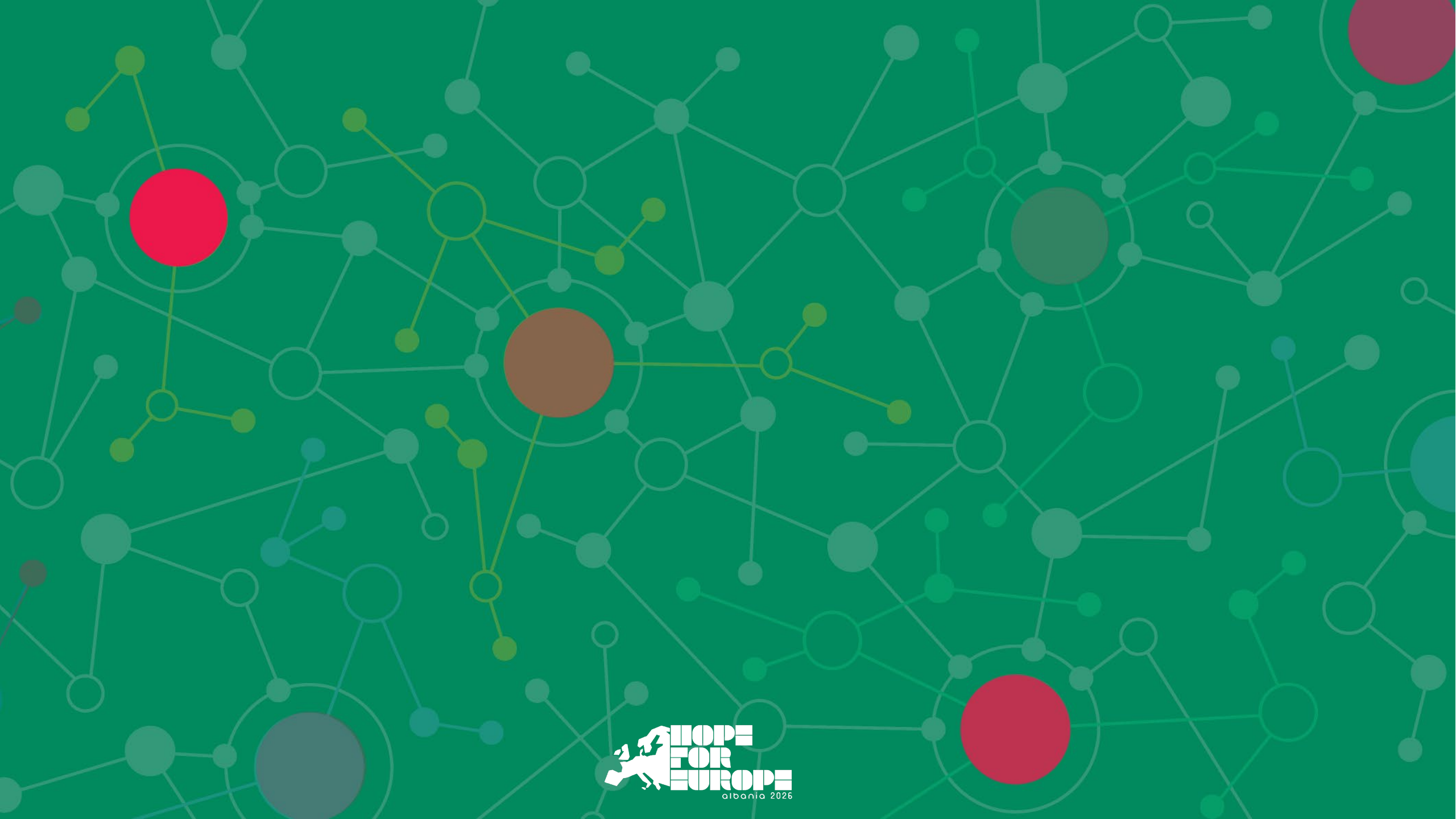
Discussion time

1. Tell us about your experience similar to this. Hindsight, what would you do different next time

2. Where is the greatest tension for you between biblical conviction and pastoral compassion?

3. How can we help parents stay close without asking them to abandon conviction?

4. What do you need to think through as leadership of the church for the future.


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