

CHURCH LEADER SELF-REFLECTION GUIDE

This exercise is meant to give you space and structure to think through your views on abortion and how God may be speaking to you about next steps.

When you've finished, or even as you work through the exercise, take some time to offer all your responses to God as your Wisdom and Provider. And then, in the quiet, ask Him to speak into these tensions with His grace, creative ideas and freedom. Jot down any verses, ideas or mental pictures that come to mind as you ask Him to speak.

- 1) Which of the tensions resonate most with me? Why?
- 2) Do I want to start a new conversation in our church around abortion? What would I like to see happen as a result of us engaging in dialogue more?
- 3) What would it look like for us to stop using political language about abortion, and instead start talking about it from a Kingdom perspective. Can I think of any ways we've tried to do that and what the outcome has been?
- 4) What tensions do I experience when I think about opening our doors and creating safe communities for women facing unplanned pregnancy? Or about starting to have a grace-filled conversation where members of our church discuss their own experiences with abortion?