

# Session 1: Approaching the journey out of lockdown

Refined  
*Fanning the flame*



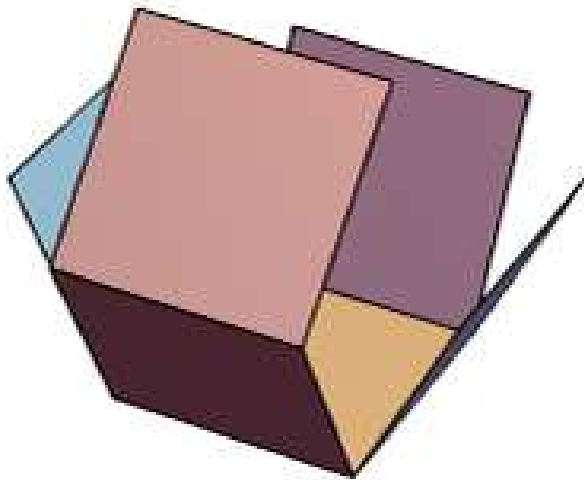
*“Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a dream fulfilled is a tree of life.”*

Proverbs 13:12

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# APPROACHING THE JOURNEY OUT OF LOCKDOWN

Unfolding



Not  
unravelling



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Be ready to make the most of the gradual easing of restrictions to grasp the opportunities of what each new freedom allows you to do.

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Being  
*realistic*



Treat the gradual easing of restrictions as your friend in setting a sensible pace for a return to what feels like a more natural rhythm of church life.

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Being  
*focused* 

Focus on getting core things back first, beginning with the restoration of worship, followed by gatherings which promote reconnection with those groups with whom ties have been most weakened.

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Give yourself permission to acknowledge that not everything you did before should recommence and that there may be new and different ways of reshaping core activities of church life.

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Think about the possibilities of extending church activities and facilities to others beyond our own membership as a way of sharing God's grace.



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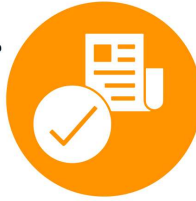
Anticipate that progress may be haphazard, with unexpected gains to be gratefully celebrated, but also likely changes of pace, maybe even pauses, on the journey.

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Being  
*positive*



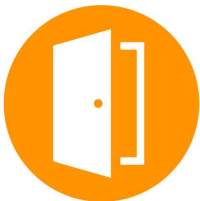
Being  
*realistic*



Being  
*focused*



Being  
*open*



Being  
*generous*



Being  
*flexible*



# BREAKOUT ROOMS



What simple messages do your congregation particularly need to hear to approach the journey out of lockdown well?

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