



CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP REFLECTIONS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Why We See Things Differently

https://www.cccc.org/news_blogs/john/2016/02/22/why-we-see-things-differently/

Discussion Questions

1. After reviewing the two models presented by Beck and Hunter, have a discussion about which labels from the models you would apply to your ministry's positions. You may find that you might be 'left' on some issues and 'right' on others.
2. Review any position papers you have already developed. List the issues they address and then determine how satisfied you are with the work that was done to prepare them. Do the position papers consider multiple factors such as biblical-theological, sociological, historical, etc.? Are there any that need to be updated or made more robust?
3. Do a Bible study with your staff on social ethics. Two resources that might help you lead this are <http://www.crivoice.org/socialethics.html> and *Let Justice Roll Down: The Old Testament, Ethics, and Christian Life* by Bruce Birch, ISBN 978-0664240264. After doing the study, do you feel there are significant issues that you have not addressed in a position paper? What's the next step to get those prepared?
4. How can you help your audience (staff, congregation, donors) become more knowledgeable about your positions?