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### Understanding

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### Living

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2. Who usually delivers the truth that you don’t like hearing (boss, family member, health care professional)?
3. What teachings from the Bible make you uncomfortable (tribalism [us vs them], worry, sexual ethics, pride, holding on to my wealth...)?
4. How has the truth of God’s word changed you? Can you give a recent example?
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