

FAITH IN CONFLICT

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Some Key Ideas – Gabrielle Grace

- Creation is a symphony of diversity
- Diversity is a gift and a challenge
- Conflict is a normal result of diversity but is not definitive
- Conflict is a gift, not a waste of time
- Conflict can be a means of spiritual growth
- Resurrection does not cancel conflict but redeems it
- Build conflict resilience – three hallmarks:
 1. Relationships – raise challenges graciously
 2. Commitment – Roots down and walls down
 3. Imagination – Prepare for what does not exist so that it might!
- Reconciliation IS the gospel
- Be reconciled reconcilers
- Our call is to be faithful, not successful
- Seek a common heart, not a common mind
- Agreement is over-rated
- Journey together despite differences but not in silence.
- Name the elephant but do not stockpile rocks!