Perspectives Thinking Lab

We all look at life and work through our own unique lens and perspectives. Use this activity with your team to help them understand the value of their perspectives and the advantage of seeing through others' perspectives.

Give each person one of the following pages with a piece of abstract art and a "title" for the work. Note that all the artwork is the same. Ask each team member to keep their page a secret and not share their artwork with anyone else in the group. Have them look at the artwork and the title underneath and take turns describing the painting to the group without revealing their picture. When they are finished, reveal the pictures. Once they see the art is identical but the titles are different, debrief with the following questions.

- 1. How did the title influence the way you saw the picture?
- 2. How does your experience influence the way you see your world and ministry?
- 3. What is the danger in only seeing the world through the lens of your own experience?
- 4. What is challenging about seeing your situation/life/ministry through the lens of others' experience?



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