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# Theological Integrity

*in the local church*

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*“What comes into your mind  
when you think about God is  
the most important thing  
about you.” – AWT Tozer*



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*Watch your life and doctrine  
closely. Persevere in them,  
because if you do, you will  
save both yourself and your  
hearers. - 1 Timothy 4:16*



# ***THEOLOGICAL INTEGRITY***

*Faithfulness to the interpretation and application of Scripture while thoughtfully considering and contextualizing all its implications in practical pastoral ministry.*



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03. *Faithful discipleship contextualization (practical ministry)*

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**Jesus is beautiful  
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What is the  
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