

I'M STILL HERE

Session 4 | Chapter 8 - Chapter 9, Interlude

BEGIN BY...

going around and sharing something that has been bringing you joy this week.

DISCUSS

Austin opens chapter 8 discussing the importance of being honest about American history. Can you share some examples of “aha moments” you’ve experienced in learning about American history?

When did you start learning about multiple perspectives on events you were taught about as a child?

Even as we reflect on the country’s history, we also should understand the history of our own communities. Do you know the racial history of your church? Denomination? Neighborhood? What is at stake in exploring (or not exploring) these histories?

When was the last time you experienced anger? What triggered the anger, and how was that anger expressed? Did other people or experience your anger?

Anger is an appropriate reaction to injustice, but Austin shares that she really struggled to become comfortable expressing that anger. How can white people do a better job of listening to the anger of people of color? How can white organizations make space to respond in supportive ways to the anger people of color express?