

Reality's Disability Justice Mission statement:

Working together towards recognizing and disrupting ableism and creating a safe, welcoming, accessible and equitable environment at Reality Ministries, that our community may more fully reflect the reality of Christ's love for all.

In recent days the Reality Ministries team has been compelled, especially as people of faith in a community of friends of all abilities, to invest with serious intentionality in the work of disability justice. We're inviting various voices to lead us as we strive to engage an equity lens in examining our practices as an organization. As we build community amongst friends of diverse abilities, backgrounds and lived experiences, we believe that engaging in this work is crucial. We have a long way to go, and we are committed to the journey.

Here are some of the resources our team has found helpful:

[*From Inclusion to Belonging: A Practical Theology of Community, Disability and Humanness*](#) by John Swinton

Disability and the Way of Jesus: Holistic Healing in the Gospels and the Church by Bethany McKinney Fox

Adam: God's Beloved by Henri Nouwen

My Body Is Not a Prayer Request: Disability Justice in the Church by Amy Kenny

Training with [Tatum Tricario](#)

[*Naming Ableism*](#), a poem by Maria R. Palacios

Demystifying Disability: What to Know, What to Say, and How to be an Ally by Emily Ladau

[*The Reason I Jump* film](#)