

Addiction and the Church: The Never-Ending Sequel

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1. The pancake breakfast is a tradition in Dana Bowman's church. What event or tradition at your church do you look forward to every year?
2. Why is it so much easier to share our messy stories when we are in recovery than it is during relapse?
3. Bowman shares that most of her church will find out about her relapse when they read this article. What do you think is the best way to share the difficult parts of our stories with the larger church body?
4. In the church we don't always do a good job of shepherding people through difficult times. Besides addiction, what other difficulties does the church tend to struggle to address?
5. What do you think Bowman wants the response from her church to be? How would you want your church to respond to you?