The Old Testament can seem strange, even disturbing, for many Christians. How do we make sense of texts that portray God as wrathful? Why does the OT contain so much violence? How do we relate to all of the strange laws and rituals? Is there a way to resolve all the contradictions? Drawing on biblical scholarship and pastoral insights, this course offers strategies for reading and responding to the Old Testament in ways that are both faithful and constructive. Emphasis will be placed on how this sacred text, despite its oddities, can inform Christian faith and practice today.

Session 1: What about God's wrath?
Session Recording - Slides - Interview with Clergy

Session 2: What about all the violence?
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Session 3: What about all the strange laws?
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Session 4: What about purity and holiness?
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Session 5: What about the non-Israelites?
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Session 6: What about the non-Israelites?
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