



Mediating Dangerously: How to Transform the World's Most Intractable Conflicts

Peacebuilding sounds great in theory. But in practice, aren't some conflicts truly intractable? What if my boss is a jerk? Or my spouse is a narcissist? Or my leader a wannabe dictator? A better word for peacemaking is "waymaking": making a way out of no way. Chad Ford will discuss his mediation efforts in "impossible" conflicts around the world and make the case that what sustains many of today's conflicts is a combination of fear and a lack of faith that things can change.

Chad Ford is an international conflict mediator, facilitator, and peace educator. He is an assistant professor of Religious Studies with the Heravi Peace Institute at Utah State University, focusing on conflict reconciliation and intercultural mediation. He is the author of *Dangerous Love: Transforming Fear and Conflict at Home, at Work, and in the World* (2020), and *70x7: Jesus's Path to Conflict Transformation* (2025).

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