



## The Gospel Transforms Us Discussion Questions

### THE CONVERSATION

- As you begin this conversation, please share a story from your life from the past three to six months of how Jesus has changed you in some way.
- What was helpful to you about David Lane’s definition of the Gospel as “the restoration of all things” and that the restoration happens through relationships?
- When David Lane was asked about the shifts that church would need to make to better embrace Gospel transformation, he spoke of the need to change the “operating system” rather than install new “apps.” If you were to begin to describe the current operating system of your church, what would you say characterizes it? Some questions you might ask to help determine the characteristics of your “operating system” are:
  - What is your picture of what a “successful” local church looks like in 10 years?
  - What is the primary driver of spiritual growth at our church?
  - What makes our church feel like it has momentum?
- Out of that discussion about your current operating system, what might be some of the shifts your church would need to make to focus more on transformation?
- David Lane gave us four “centrics” that characterize a “growth operation system.” Of those four, (they were Sunday-centric, pastor-centric, building-centric, program-centric), which would you say is biggest challenge for the people of your church?