

Transformation to Multiplication Discussion Questions

THE CONVERSATION

- When you think about the people in our church (including yourself), how frequently do you hear about significant life transformation (like the examples Steve gave)?
- What environments/gatherings in your church offer the best opportunities for your people to authentically share about their brokenness and transformation?
- What might hinder your church from hearing/sharing stories of people being transformed by Jesus?
- Nate, Alan, and David spoke about transformation and multiplication using the analogy of a
 pond versus a river. A pond is about a collection of water and has the potential to become
 stagnant, while a river is about the movement of water and the multiplication of the places the
 water reaches. When you think about your church what aspects of the culture or ministries of
 your church are more like a pond and which are more like a river?
- Within the thought that transformation leads to multiplication, there can be a tendency in us to focus more on transformation (internal work of the Gospel) or multiplication (external work of the Gospel). Whenever we focus on one over the others, we can get out of alignment with God's work in us. In your own life, which do you more naturally emphasize? Which would you say your church is more naturally given to emphasize?
- One of the closing thoughts is that high levels of relationship are required for a transformational church community. In your leadership, how can you continue to shape the environments of your church so that people connect with one another in deeper and more authentic ways that lead to Gospel transformation?