



# MISSION

LEARNING COMMUNITY

## Week 2: Developing Gospel Fluency

### Review of the past 14 days and the Eye

Our task from last week was to practice keeping our \_\_\_\_\_ open to the kingdom that is around us. It's focused on developing a lifestyle of \_\_\_\_\_.



1. How was your Prayer Walk?
2. Did you ever use the 4 questions?
3. Highlights and reflections from your 14-day conversation log.



At the root of our efforts to be on mission is  
our own \_\_\_\_\_.

## This involves 2 steps:



### Listen to God's Story

This is rooted in our regularly hearing  
the story of God through reading  
\_\_\_\_\_, study, and  
participation in the community of  
faith. From there we learn to identify  
ways that that story connects with the  
world we live in.



**The Ear**



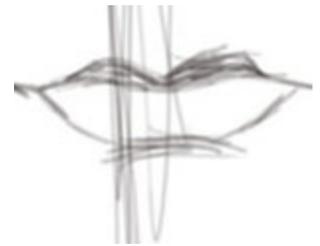
How do you listen to God's  
story in your daily life?

## 2

### Have conversations



We enter the lives of people who are already living a story that is underway. We can learn about this through taking time to talk to them about what is going on in their lives. It is in these conversations that we connect to the stories of others. It is only when we are \_\_\_\_\_ to the story of another that we can listen to where God's story might be breaking in.



### The Mouth



Can you think of a time where you were able to recognize God at work in another person you were talking to?



## Homework:

Listening with gospel ears



Pray for your connections



Gospel Connections log





# Listening With “Gospel Ears”

From The Gospel Primer, by Caesar Kalinowski

“Even before beginning to follow Jesus and understanding life from the perspective of God’s story, every person has these same four parts to their story – and in all the countless little stories and narratives that flow out in normal conversation.” 82-83

Creation	Fall	Redemption	Restoration
A fundamental belief about your <u>ORIGIN</u> – who or what gives you your existence, made you into who you are, and shaped you into the person you are today.	A central belief about the cause of <u>BROKENNESS</u> in the world and in your life, and a deep desire for justice (fault and punishment).	A solution, remedy or <u>SAVIOUR</u> you are <u>TRUSTING</u> in to redeem your or the world’s brokenness.	A picture of the <u>FUTURE</u> when everything is as it <u>SHOULD</u> be.
<i>Who or what do you credit or blame for who you are today or for the situation in which you find yourself?</i>	<i>Why are things, people, you not the way they are supposed to be, and who is to blame?</i>	<i>Who or what will rescue you and redeem what is broken in your life?</i>	<i>What will the world or your circumstance look like when all is as it should be? Who or what will be the focus of this world or circumstance?</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>GOOD:</b> What can you affirm in this person that displays God’s image and points to his purpose for them?</li> <li>• <b>GAPS:</b> What are the gaps in this person’s life (wounds, issues, hurts, failures, regrets, excuses)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>GODS:</b> What is the “heart idol” this person is relying upon for rescue? (see next page)</li> <li>• <b>GOSPEL:</b> Which aspect of the gospel will sound like good news to him/her? What does Jesus offer that is better than their god?</li> </ul>	



## **Pray for your connections**

Take some time each day to go over your "connections" log from the past 2 weeks as well as new connections you are making this week. Take time to pray for them and the concerns that may have come up in your conversation. Also, take time to listen to where God might be connecting His story to their story.



## Gospel Connections Log



We are going to be practicing our "Gospel fluency." The point of this exercise is to become used to making connections to the gospel **for ourselves**. Continue to have conversations with people. Record their **names** and then take time to prayerfully reflect on your conversations. If you notice a way their story intersects with God's story record it! Try to find at least one "Gospel connection" every day!

Day 1:

Day 2:

Day 3:



Day 4:

Day 5:

Day 6:

Day 7:

Day 8:



Day 9:

Day 10:

Day 11:

Day 12:

Day 13:

Day 14: