

# THE JOURNEY

## EXPLORING THE VISION AND MISSION OF SUN RIVER CHURCH

### WEEK 4: GOSPEL

#### VISION

People from all nations becoming God's people who glorify Him and flourish in His Kingdom under His loving rule.

#### MISSION

The vision is accomplished as people respond to the GOSPEL by becoming FOLLOWERS of Jesus. Through loving God and loving others, these followers help others find and follow Jesus as well.

#### ***Where does the GOSPEL fit in?***

- ✓ Write down something new you learned from watching the Bible Project Video on 'the GOSPEL'.

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Whole World	Each Person	Question
Creation	Spiritual beings formed in God's Image	Where do you find your _____ or sense of purpose and significance?
Fall	Bondage and Condemned because of our sin	What is the fundamental _____ for things that are broken in world and in your life?

Redemption	Christ's incarnation and substitution (response of trust)	What is going to _____ the world and you from that?
New Creation	Sanctification & Glorification (response of trust)	What does transformation look like and what is your _____ for the future?

Everyone has a GOSPEL. What ways does the world answer these questions?

## A GOSPEL CENTERED CHURCH

**VISION** - The Good News of the Kingdom of God causes us to \_\_\_\_\_ and get on the \_\_\_\_\_.

**MISSION** - The Gospel tells us who Christ is and what He did for us that gives us \_\_\_\_\_ following Him.

It is quite easy to assume that if we understand the gospel accurately and preach it faithfully, our ministry will necessarily be shaped by it— but this is not true. Many churches subscribe to gospel doctrines but do not have a ministry that is shaped by, centered on, and empowered through the gospel. Its implications have not yet worked their way into the fabric of how the church actually does ministry. ('Center Church' by Tim Keller)

- ✓ How can ministries in SRC be 'shaped by, centered on and empowered through' the GOSPEL?
- ✓ Look at the following questions that we will use to keep us aligned with the vision and mission of SRC. Thinking about ministries that you have been involved in previously, choose one question to answer positively and one that you would have to answer negatively.

### QUESTIONS FOR ONE ON ONE, GROUPS, OR MINISTRIES

- ✓ How well did we/I express our/my need for the gospel?
- ✓ How did we share the gospel and make it relevant to situations those in our group are facing?
- ✓ Did we invite people to put their trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord?
- ✓ How did we increase the gospel fluency of our members?