

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

GOSPEL ADORATION

2 Corinthians 5:11–15

DISCUSSION 1: WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

1. How would you summarize the gospel message in 2-3 sentences?
2. Are there any key words or ideas that you think must be included for it be the gospel or for someone to come to Christ through it?
3. Why is it so important we grasp the content of the gospel?

DISCUSSION 2: ADORATION THROUGH THE GOSPEL

1. Why does or should the gospel produce adoration, thanksgiving, wonder, and joy?
2. What are the dangers of drifting away from the gospel being central in your life?
3. What are the dangers of familiarity and assumption when it comes to the gospel?
4. What are ways you can regularly rehearse the gospel in your life this week? How can this group remind one another of the gospel on a regular basis?

DISCUSSION 3: ARTICULATING THE GOSPEL

1. How has fear and a lack of urgency impacted your consistency in sharing the gospel?
2. What is the connection between adoring the God of the gospel and articulating the gospel regularly?
3. Which of the three motivations given by Paul (Christ's greatness; Christ's love; Christ's surrendered example) is most helpful in becoming more consistent in sharing the gospel?
4. How can you grow in becoming more gospel fluent towards unbelievers and believers?
5. What are ways you can live out these opportunities to practice articulating the gospel?
 - Pray for opportunities and for boldness
 - Become a regular
 - Be fluent in the gospel around believers and unbelievers
 - Master your testimony

Additional Resources

- Visit our Resources page on [The Gospel](http://penningtonpark.com/the-gospel) at penningtonpark.com/the-gospel
- *The Gospel* by Ray Ortlund (Our church is reading this together during the month of March.)
- *Gospel Fluency* by Jeff Vanderstelt
- *A Gospel Primer for Christians* by Milton Vincent
- "[What is the Gospel?](http://crossway.org)" article at crossway.org
- "[Your Story is God's Story: Creating Your Testimony](http://cru.org)" at cru.org
- "[8 Characteristics of Gospel-Centered Sanctification](http://gcdiscipleship.com)" by Dustin Crowe at gcdiscipleship.com