Gospel Discussion Questions

Study 5: Challenges to Spiritual Transformation

- 1. What are the three main issues in our lives that tend to obstruct our path to spiritual transformation? Can you share which of the three do you struggle with most in your life?
- 2. Why is it important to identify which of these or may be all of them play a role in our progress in the faith?
- 3. Compare and contrast the love of the world vs the love of God , why is the love of the world an illogical disordered love?
- 4. Soren Kierkergaard wrote "What we call worldliness simply consists of such people who, if one may so express it, pawn themselves to the world. They use their abilities, amass wealth, carry out worldly enterprises, make prudent calculations, etc., and perhaps are mentioned in history, but they are not themselves. In a spiritual sense they have no self." How do we loose ourselves if we pursue an identity based on anyone or anything other than Christ?
- 5. Our captivation with idolatry , false identities and disordered loves stem from our alienations or separation from God hence we need to find substitutes for Him.
 - a. Has church, ministry, service become an idol?
 - b. How has the gospel mended this primary ailment in you and how has it helped curb the many other symptoms that flow from it?
 - c. Are our priorities in line with authentic Gospel living?
 - d. How does this experience prepared you to minister to alienated people?
- 6. Based on the video, what do you recognise as the main issue that you are not growing in spiritual maturity? And what corrective actions which might be useful?