



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

**May 23, 2021**

**2 Corinthians 10:1-18**

**“Cross-Shaped Ministry to Critical People”**

**QUESTIONS**

*(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)*

1. What are potential barriers to a cross-shaped ministry? How can we overcome these barriers? How can we as a group play a role in seeing this happen in one another's lives?
2. Why do you think we so often confuse timidity and gentleness? How might seeing gentleness as an outflow of cross-shaped ministry help us better understand the difference?
3. Daniel said, "So as we pursue cross-shaped ministry, let's be sure we're not fighting the wrong battles with the wrong weapons."
  - What might be some of the "wrong weapons" that we employ in our fight against all that desires to distract us from cross-shaped ministry?
  - Which of the items on Daniel's list of "spiritual weapons" most impresses itself upon you as needed in this fight?
    1. His list consisted of... Faith, Hope, Love, Forgiveness, Righteousness, Truth (found in God's Word), Prayer, the Gospel, our weakness is a weapon as God glorifies himself through us
4. How might a vision of cross-shaped ministry help us boldly fulfill our ministry as ambassadors of Christ?
5. Daniel said, "Cross-shaped ministry has a missional pulse. How can we claim to be shaped by the cross if we're not reaching out to more and more people who need the cross?"
  - Why is this such an important concept to hold on to? Why are we most likely to lose our missional pulse in our pursuit of a cross-shaped ministry?
  - How can we as a group ensure this does not happen? What steps can we take or rhythms can we establish?