

How the Gospel Transforms Our Passions

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WARM UP

What is something new that you would like to try?

COMING UP

GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR

Parent Commissioning Class Sundays, October 8–22, 9:00 a.m., DC203. Learn more and register at GracePolaris.org/Parents.

Dessert Reception for Global Workers Sunday, October 8, 2:00 p.m., FC commons, with John and Becky Pappas. RSVP at GracePolaris.org/DessertReception and bring a dessert to share.

Weekend to Remember Friday–Sunday, October 20–22, Columbus Marriott Northwest (5605 Blazer Parkway, Dublin). Register at GracePolaris.org/Weekend and use group code [GracePolarisWeekend](http://GracePolaris.org/Weekend) for a BIG discount!

WITNESS

- On your white board, list the names of people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus.
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

EXPLORE

- 1 We're all marked by what impacts us. Beyond a spiritual encounter or conversion story, what event, circumstance, or personal encounter has most changed your life? Why has this had such an impact on you? Why would it be difficult to "undo" its effect on you?
- 2 Paul said that the Romans' faith was being reported all over the world (8). What places, regionally and globally, have been most impacted by the Gospel growth and outreach of Grace Polaris Church?
- 3 Paul expected to "be mutually encouraged by each other's faith" when he encountered the believers in Rome (12). How would your encounters with other believers be different if you expected to contribute in specific ways to their spiritual wellbeing...and vice versa?
- 4 Paul saw everyone, whatever their human categories, as his responsibility for Gospel proclamation (14,15). What caused Paul to see people like that? How well do you imitate his mindset?
- 5 Only the Gospel of Jesus Christ has power to deliver us (16), yet so many people are insistent on other means of "finding salvation." List some examples of people you know and the sources of power they are seeking for deliverance.
- 6 Of the people you know well, which of them has the most compelling story of a transformed life which shows itself of transformed passions? Summarize their story and thank God for their example. How has your life been transformed?
- 7 **DIG DEEP** Consider 2 Timothy 1:8–14. What motivated Paul? Where did his confidence come from?

PRAY

Ask God to transform your passions to align with His.