



Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds,
so that you may discern what is the will of God...
- Romans 12:2

Summary Notes

1. The only path forward is one of spiritual revitalization, not institutional “quick fixes.”
Remember, if our only focus is on how to get the church to grow, we’ll probably be bad at it...but if our focus is on how to follow God’s leading as we listen to and love our neighbors, then both spiritual and institutional renewal are possible.
2. We introduced an ancient spiritual practice called “Dwelling in the Word,” which can help us practice intentionally listening to both God and to one another.
3. We talked about how the quest for certainty kills curiosity.
Together, we are going to watch for this drive for certainty in ourselves and others.
4. As one way to practice leaning into curiosity over certainty, we named how important it is to shift our language from “church questions” to “God questions,” and we offered a few simple ways to practice this. Our goal is practice seeking the Spirit’s leading instead of rushing to “quick fix” definite answers.