

## CONNECTING THE COUNSELEES' PROBLEMS TO THE HOPE OF THE GOSPEL

- I. Meet Mark and Emily
- II. A Simple Overview of the Gospel\*
  - a. God: His Nature and Purpose
  - b. Man: His Nature and Predicament
  - c. God's Plan: Redemption, Reconciliation, Restoration
- III. Connecting Gospel Hope to the Counselee's Problems
  - a. You must know and display the gospel in your life
  - b. You must connect, listen, understand, and clarify the counselee's situation
  - c. You must bridge the gap between the hope of the gospel and the counselee's situation
  - d. You must help the counselee identify and set specific goals based on the commands of Scripture with the ultimate goal of God's glory
  - e. You must assign appropriate homework that addresses thinking and acting that will lead to godly outcomes
- IV. Conclusion – Before and After

\*Acts 2:22-41, 5:29-32, 8:32-40, 10:34-48, 17:1-33, Romans 1:14-17, I Corinthians 15:1-11, Hebrews 1:1-14, I Peter 3:3-12, Revelation 5