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TITLE: **Gospel Fluency Tunes Our Ear To Others' Hearts**

The stories people tell offer an immediate and powerful way to listen for natural opportunities to speak the Gospel into a person's life and circumstances.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about growing in your *Gospel Listening*...

1. **Just like our personal stories follow the patterns and themes found in The Story of God, so does everyone else's.** Even smaller stories that make up our everyday life...stuff from work, parenting, a trip to the mall or vacation stories--all follow the same pattern of *Creation, Fall, Redemption, Re-Creation*. Our stories and everyone else we know have stories that are all ultimately a part of God's bigger story that is still being written.
2. **All of these stories--the big life stories and the smaller stories that make up our lives and relationships--all offer an immediate and powerful way to listen** for opportunities to speak good news into a person's life and circumstance. The gospel addresses all of life, and when we practice *Gospel Listening* we can grow in our ability to address others' circumstances from a gospel perspective.
3. **Think of at least three people from among your friends, spouse, children, siblings, fellow students, co-workers or neighbors that you can practice Gospel Listening with.** Engage these three people today, or this week, in separate conversations. Nothing big or crazy, just normal, everyday discussions. Ask a few questions about their day or life recently and LISTEN! You do not have to try and "fix" this person or evangelize them. Just practice listening to what they say through the lens of *Creation, Fall, Redemption, Re-Creation*. You'll be amazed at what you hear!

"Listening is a magnetic and strange thing, a creative force. The friends who listen to us are the ones we move toward. When we are listened to, it creates us, makes us unfold and expand." — Karl Menninger

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~Caesar