CHURCH: Confronting Some Hard Questions

WHY IS THERE SO MUCH ANGER IN THE CHURCH TOWARD SOCIETY?

- Society is mad at the Church.
- The Church gets mad at Society.

- THE GOSPEL TRANSFORMS OUR HEARTS ... • This is a transforming love for people rooted in God and empowered by God!
- This is a transforming love for people that motivates me to engage and sacrifice for <u>the most "unworthy</u>" people!

THE GOSPEL TRANSFORMS OUR HEARTS ...

 It is a transforming love for people that teaches me ...
To listen before I speak.
To respond with grace and truth.

• Who is Jesus?

- Why did He come?
- Why are things so broken around this place?
- Is there any hope?

BUT MARTIN...

- But Martin, "loving everyone else" is messy, hard and confusing!"
- Aren't we supposed to judge sin in the world?
- Honestly, I'm not sure I want to love "everyone else"!

• Who is the "everyone else" in your life?

- What attitudes/prejudices do I need to repent of?
- In humility, are you willing to ask God to change your heart?
- How can you begin to engage them?