

Speak the gospel to others (Hebrews 3:12-13; Ephesians 4:15-16)

One last time – recap! (Do you know this by heart already? 😊)

- Live from the gospel
- Live for the gospel
- Live through the gospel

That's the WHAT. But HOW can we be gospel-centred?

- Driven by God's Word
- Becoming a community of truth & love that's focused on growing disciples

2 key texts: Hebrews 3:12-13, Ephesians 4:15-16

1. The danger we face

Heb. 3:12 – the warning

Why warning? The story of Psalm 95

The deceitfulness of sin

Keep giving in to the lies of sin ⇒ Hearts ↑ hardened ⇒ Unbelief

2. The remedy we need

Heb. 3:13 – “But encourage one another...”

“Daily”!

A community project!

As long as it's called “Today”!

What is the character of that encouragement?

Ephesians 4:15

The “truth” in Ephesians (1:13, 4:20-21)

A practical problem: lack of fluency

Leading to a reluctance to speak

3. The language we need to become fluent in

How does anyone become fluent in a language?

- i. We need to learn to speak the truth in love to our own hearts first
- ii. We need to be willing to move towards one another
- iii. Listen and look for opportunities to speak gospel truths

When we have to speak to others about their sin...

- i. Again, we need to speak the truth in love to ourselves first
- ii. Remember what the goal of such a conversation is
- iii. Try to seek the good in the other person
- iv. Act as a mirror
- v. Remember we cannot control the reaction of others