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**GOSPEL THREADS: THE CHARACTER OF GOD AND
THE SINFULNESS OF MAN**
Romans 3:23

THREAD #1: THE CHARACTER OF GOD
God is the just and gracious Creator of all things.

- He is our **Creator**.
 - ▶ We **belong** to Him.
- He is our **Judge**.
 - ▶ We are **accountable** to Him.
- He is our **Savior**.
 - ▶ We **need** Him.

THREAD #2: THE SINFULNESS OF MAN
We are each created by God, but we are all corrupted by sin.

- We have **rebelled** against God.
- We are **separated** from God.
- We are **dead** without God.

SEWING GOSPEL THREADS...
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- Talk about God like He is Someone you **know**.
- Talk about God like He is Someone you **worship**.
- Talking about God as Creator...
 - ▶ Acknowledge the glory of God in **creation** every chance you have.
 - ▶ Acknowledge the presence of God in **specific** facets of life.
 - God is working in my life (in this way)...
 - God is blessing me (in this way)...
 - God is leading me (in this direction)...
 - God is guiding me (to make this decision)...
 - God is teaching me (this truth)...
 - God is showing me (this realization)...



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- Talking about God as Judge...
 - ▶ Express **confidence** in God even when things go wrong.
 - ▶ Express **humility** before God (and others) when you do something wrong.
- Talking about God as Savior...
 - ▶ Constantly point out evidences of God's **grace** in and around you.
 - ▶ Consistently credit God as the source of everything **good** in and around you.

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- Speak **respectfully** to and about all people as individuals created in the image of God
- Look **intentionally** for opportunities to encourage others.
- Talking about our rebellion...
 - ▶ Speak humbly about the **seriousness** of sin.
 - ▶ Speak honestly about our **propensity** to sin.
- Talking about our separation...
 - ▶ Acknowledge the **root** of sin in and around you.
 - ▶ Acknowledge the **consequences** of sin in and around you.
- Talking about our separation...
 - ▶ Constantly point to our **dependence** on God.
 - ▶ Constantly point to our **desperation** for God.

THE CHALLENGE...

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 - ▶ Acknowledge the _____ of sin in and around you.
- Talking about our deadness...
 - ▶ Constantly point to our _____ on God.
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