The Four Streams - Bringing the Kingdom of God to God's People

1. Stream of Walking with God

- -Foundational to Walking w/ God is believing that 'God is always speaking' (A.W. Tozer) (John 10)
- -Fundamental to Walking w/ God is trusting that 'I can hear Him'
- -Cultivating a 'conversational intimacy with God' is a daily exercise of trusting, failing, trusting, succeeding, fighting cynicism, believing that God's heart is good towards me...
- -We will intentionally practice 'hearing His voice' and exercising what we learn

2. Stream of Receiving God's Intimate Counsel & Offering godly Counsel to others in God's timing

- -Once again, listening to God's voice is central to this stream; hearing him internally and through others, from reading, from music, film and other avenues of daily life
- -We must learn to ask God to re-interpret our lives for us; unlearn much of what we have been taught by both the world and the current church culture; we must 'learn Christ', NOT learn *about* Christ
- -We will be learning how to look for the 'gold' in ourselves and in other people. We must 1st set aside our bias and training so that we can begin to see what God sees in another person. Any monkey can criticize & find fault in another. It takes the work of God to find the gold.

3. Stream of Healing, Deep Restoration and Deliverance

- -Re-frame our worldview to see life as God sees it; we live in 2 worlds, one which we can see and one which we cannot.
- -Grasp God's Plan A which includes Hope & Restoration in the gospel. At the same time, we must accept the fact that in a fallen world, our environment is not the environment for which God created us.
- -We are learning and growing in doing what Jesus did. We are helping men become free from the oppression of Evil. Learning to fight and shut down the powers of darkness and to teach other men to do the same is one key way to bring the Kingdom of God to earth as it is in heaven. (Isaiah 61:1)

4. Stream of Spiritual Warfare

- -We must ask for eyes to see Reality as God sees it
- -Recognize that 'something has been set against us'
- -Answer the question, "Why do we accept Jesus as a model of compassion, healing, wisdom and sacrifice and yet we reject His view that we all live 'behind enemy lines' and in 'enemy territory'?"
- -Accept that other beings inhabit our world (both servants of God <angels> and servants of Evil <demonic spirits>)
- -We must understand the threefold work of Christ and the authority that Jesus has given us to expand the footprint of the Kingdom of God. We must grasp the 'reach' of our own domain. God calls us to resist and effectively fight foul spirits that are set against our home, family and businesses... and to teach others to do so as well.