

- 7) Dave presented a vision of the power and influence of the church that is very different from most American evangelical conceptions. “The church is nowhere called to **be** powerful. It is called instead to believe in the power of God.” Many Christian leaders often call the church to exert influence on our culture- to “reclaim our country for Christ.” How can the attraction to influence our culture actually inhibit our experience of the power of God at work in us?

- 8) What would it look like for Grace church to be both dependent and effective in ministry, to show forth the power of God to our community?

- 9) Paul prayed that the church in Ephesus would have their eyes opened to see the power of God at work for them. (vs 18-19) How can the church be distracted from seeing this power?

How Can I Trust The Church?

- 10) “I don’t need to trust the church. I love the church because I trust the head of the church.” What do you think about this statement?

Why Start More Churches In Churchville?

- 11) Were you surprised by Dave’s statement that the AVL/Hendersonville area has a high percentage of unchurched people? What are the implications of our area having a large number of “unchurched Christians”?

- 12) Grace’s elders have made a commitment to planting new churches rather than only expanding facilities and ministry in our present location. How do you feel about this as a ministry direction for Grace?

Prayer Together

- 1) Two weeks until Grace Biltmore launches – Sunday, April 3. Pray for a dependence and humility that helps show forth the power of God – and not our capability.