### TALK 4 – Troy Kammermann

### The Gospel Reapplied: Good for guilty sinners who need hope 2 Corinthians 4:1-18

This ministry of the Spirit is the great power for the Church and the world, in Jesus Christ- the fully incarnate Son of God, come to be crucified, resurrected and glorified (the mystery of godliness is great, 1 Tim.3:15-**16**).

## Chapter 4:1-2.... "Therefore... having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart"

(Psalm 118:5-7, Romans 8: 26-39)

• If the power of God is worked in death and resurrection, then there is always hope.

#### 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing.

• The god of this age... blinded by what we can see!

#### 4:7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay...

- Glory in Christ the image of God
- Death at work in us... life at work in you. Gospel ministry 101.

# 4:13 Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed and so I spoke..."

- Spirit of faith? .... Suffering is not a problem... it is the way.
- Cross shaped ministry.

### 4:16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.

- The unseen weight of glory ....
- Paul looks further towards the bodily resurrection in Christ.