## **Transformation Group Training #10:**

- I. Introduction
  - A. If there is one thing we want to be good at as a church, it's developing life transforming relationships.
- II. The Process
  - A. Love
  - B. Know
  - C. Understand
  - D. Teach
    - 1. Formal Instruction
    - 2. Informal Instruction
      - a) Exhortation and Correction
- III. Correction is an important part of a life transforming relationship
  - A. We need correction and we need to correct
  - B. But how do we correct well?
    - 1. We need to correct for the right reasons.
      - a) It is about obeying God.
        - (1) Proverbs 10:11
        - (2) Proverbs 10:13
        - (3) Proverbs 10:31
        - (4) Proverbs 13:14
        - (5) Proverbs 19:25
      - b) It is about loving others.
        - (1) Proverbs 3:11,12
        - (2) Proverbs 13:24
        - (3) Proverbs 27:5,6
    - 2. We need to correct at the right time.
      - a) Proof:
        - (1) Ephesians 4:29
        - (2) Proverbs 26:4,5
        - (3) Proverbs 17:14
        - (4) Proverbs 19:11
        - (5) Proverbs 12:16
        - (6) Proverbs 15:23
      - b) How do we know if it is the right time?
        - (1) Consider yourself

(a) Why does this bother me so much?

(2) Consider the issue

- (a) How important is this issue really?
  - (i) Is it a preference or a principle?
  - (ii) How much harm is being done by what they are doing?
  - (iii) Is what they are doing going to cause much unnecessary pain or is it going to be a difficulty they are going to learn from?
  - (iv) Is it a habitual sin?
  - (v) Is it something that concerns the heart of the gospel or Christian life or more of a minor difference where no vital truth is at stake?
- (b) How sure are you about it?
  - (i) Do you know you are right?
    - (a) What proof do you have that what you think is happening is
      - really happening?
- 3. We need to correct in the right manner.
  - a) The need for gentleness
    - (1) Galatians 6:1
    - (2) 2 Timothy 2:24,25
  - b) A definition of gentleness
    - Not just whatever you want it to mean or whatever our culture says it means
    - (2) Greek dictionary: "Not being overly impressed by a sense of one's self-importance."
    - (3) Antonyms: quarrelsome, jealous, selfish ambition
    - (4) Galatians 6
      - (a) Keep watch on yourself lest you too be tempted
      - (b) Bear one another's burdens
      - (c) For if anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing he deceives himself