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| SESSION EIGHT | The Method of  Cross-Cultural Counselling and Discipleship |

1. **Introduction**
2. **The Focus of Cross-Cultural Biblical Counselling: The Heart**
3. **The Essential Method of Cross-Cultural Biblical Counselling**
   1. Nine I’s of Biblical Change

*Investigation*

*Involvement*

*Inspiration*

*Inventory*

*Interpretation*

*Instruction*

*Inducement*

*Implementation*

*Integration*

* 1. Investigation
     1. Investigate the authoritative obstacles to cross-cultural biblical counselling.
        1. Investigate the authoritative worldview that is at the heart of their culture (ethnicity, people groups, etc).
        2. Investigate the authoritative process of establishing identity offered by the culture.
        3. Investigate the authoritative customs, fables, and socialization to see how it glues the culture together.
        4. Investigate the authoritative customs and how they oppose the gospel and Scripture.
        5. Investigate the authoritative fables and how they contradict the gospel and Scripture.
        6. Investigate how the authoritative socialisation hinders church involvement.
     2. Investigate the essential qualities of a cross-cultural biblical counsellor.
        1. They have biblically evaluated the authoritative worldview that is at the heart of their culture (ethnicity, people groups, etc).
        2. They have rejected the authoritative process of establishing identity offered by their culture. They have embraced the gift of God-defined identity.
        3. They use the gospel to judge truth, not their culture of origin.
        4. They have distanced themselves form the unbiblical practices of the authoritative customs, fables, and socialization to see how it glues the culture together.
        5. They are able to biblically defend every aspect of their culture that opposes the gospel and Scripture.
        6. They uphold Christ and His Word of grace as their security, not cultural fables.
        7. They are using their cultural socialisations as mission opportunities.
        8. They do not get angry or defensive when individuals from other cultures expose error in their own culture.
        9. They have Christ as the standard.
        10. They study the life of the counsellee.
        11. They put themselves in the counsellee’s shoes.
        12. They associate with other compassionate people.
        13. They view others as brethren and family.
        14. They encourage with gracious words and biblical content.
     3. Investigate the unhelpful attitudes of a cross-cultural biblical counsellor
        1. Believing they are wise in their own sight (Romans 12:16).
        2. Speaking the truth without an attitude of love (Ephesians 4:15).
        3. Assuming their knowledge is more important than love (1 Corinthians 13:2).
        4. Having absolute certainty that their knowledge is complete (1 Corinthians 8:2).
        5. Thinking they are something special (Galatians 6:3).
        6. Elevating their system of counselling or their opinions to the level of biblical truth (Mark 7:5-13; Hebrews 4:12).
        7. Claiming they know the heart motives of others with certainty, which only Jesus could do (1 Corinthians 4:3-8; Mark 2:8; John 2:24-25).
        8. Possessing a prideful, harsh, impatient, unloving attitude that does not promote unity or peace (Ephesians 4:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 5:14).
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