

**"But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:16-18**

We are convinced the gospel of grace revealed in Christ is our only hope. Each year Erin and I are more certain of this as we confront the deep reality of our own hearts and as we live in the broken world we find ourselves. As this verse above says, He provides us with an incredible freedom, as we trust him. A freedom from ourselves, and an invitation to become all who we are designed to be.

We are so grateful for the privilege to help fulfill the Great Commission on the college campus. Part of our gratitude comes in seeing students become all God has called them to become from one degree of glory into the likeness of Christ. Here are some student's responses lives in their own words answering the question, How has the gospel impacted you?

**"The gospel has allowed me to find a deeper contentment by understanding how much he loves me."**

**"I have been more committed to read my Bible regularly and spend time with Him in his Word. I've been allowing God to convict me of areas I know are not pleasing to him and let him be a source of comfort."**

**"The gospel has truly given me an anchor with which to stabilize my life by giving me a deeper hope. This confidence has allowed me to enter into the the lives of others and love the campus in a deeper strength."**

**"The gospel has really given me a peace this semester I've never known. I have always struggled with worrying about grades and my future. The study in Ephesians has given me a greater perspective on my purpose on earth and deeper hope of an eternal perspective."**

There are around 700 students involved with us at UNC. Within our movement countless stories like these are happening with students wrestling to apply the Gospel in their lives. Thank you for being a part of this story God is writing in the lives of the students we walk beside! We are so thankful for you, your prayers and sacrificial giving. We absolutely could not be without you.

As 2016 comes to an end, would you consider making a special investment in our ministry? Our hope is that God would provide \$8,000 to enable us to reach even more students as we continue to minister and look ahead to next year. One significant current need is the cost of seminary classes Josh has begun this fall. Would you prayerfully consider making a special gift of \$100, \$500, \$1000 or some other amount significant to you?

If you feel led to give, please make your check payable to **CRU** and use the enclosed envelope to respond. Please reply by December 31 in order to apply your donation to the 2016 giving receipt. As always, gifts are tax-deductible. You can also give online at [give.cru.org/0549860](http://give.cru.org/0549860).

Thank you for the many ways you already partner with us and give to our ministry. We hope you have a wonderful, restful and worshipful Christmas.

In Christ,

*Josh, Erin  
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