**We Can’t Compete!
Curing Competitiveness in Mission, Church, and Ministry**

Competitiveness is a major blind spot for people in Christian ministry. This session will explore the historical roots of competitiveness as a motivator in Western culture and its ubiquity in the contemporary world and Church. In light of Scripture, it will critique this pervasive value and suggest an alternative vision for grace-motivated cooperation.

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1. Reflection
	1. The drift in meanings
	2. Rating your success and competitiveness
2. Competitiveness – everywhere?
	1. Benefits of competition?
	2. Is competition the only way?
		1. How does life work?
		2. Sports – a parable of society?
	3. The genesis of competition
	4. A lesson from history?
3. Competitiveness and Christ
	1. Competitiveness in the church
	2. God’s vision for God’s people
	3. Curing competitiveness? (Mark 9:33-50)