

Getting to Know You:

1. How was your Thanksgiving? Share some highs and lows that came along with the holiday.

Into the Bible:

Matthew 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

1. Looking back at this discipleship series, what is one specific change you feel prompted to make in how you follow Jesus day-to-day?
2. Discipleship is relational. What is one relationship in your life (past or present) that God may be inviting you to intentionally invest in—either to disciple or to be disciplined by?
3. Jesus chose people to reach people. What is one aspect of God’s character you see through His decision to work through relationships? How could embracing that change the way you engage with others this week?

Hebrews 10:23-25

23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

1. Think of a time when being in Christian community directly helped your faith grow—what happened, and how does it encourage you to stay connected now?
2. Being together “stirs us up” toward Christlikeness. What kind of growth do you personally experience when you remain connected to believers? (For example: accountability, courage, joy, purpose.)
3. Identify one person in your life who is drifting from community. What is one practical action your group can take this week—an invitation, a check-in, a shared meal—to help draw them back in?

Colossians 3:16

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

1. Think of a challenge, correction, or encouragement someone has given you that helped you grow spiritually. How might God be preparing you to offer similar encouragement to someone else?
2. What commitment can your group make together (e.g., reading plan, prayer rhythm, accountability question, serving opportunity) that would help each of you see Jesus more clearly and consistently?

John 15:5-8

5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not abide in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

1. Abiding in Christ is active. Which practices help you remain close to Jesus—and which one do you feel God nudging you to prioritize in this season?
2. Think about people who see your life regularly—friends, family, coworkers. What “fruit” might they notice that points them to Jesus? Are there areas where you want that fruit to become more obvious?