

Cultivating a Life of Discipleship Spirit Empowered Church – Part 3

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Pray Daily for your Five Friends Focus

Luke 8:15 (ESV) As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

1 Corinthians 3:6-7 (ESV) I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.

Colossians 2:6-7 (ESV) Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Core Value: Biblical Discipleship

To equip all ages to grow in their knowledge of the Bible, in their relationship with Jesus and in their engagement with the church family.

1. Experience _____ Frequently

Psalms 119:105 (ESV) Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

James 1:22 (ESV) But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

2. Experience Fresh Encounters with _____

Philippians 4:6-7 (ESV) do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

John 4:23-24 (ESV) But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”

Galatians 5:25 (ESV) If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

3. Engage Faithfully with God’s _____

Hebrews 10:24-25 (ESV) And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 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 Peter 4:10 (ESV) As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace:

Cultivating a Life of Discipleship Study Guide

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Intro How can you cultivate good soil in your heart (Like 8:15)?

Intro In what ways does 1 Corinthians 3:6-7 encourage you by saying that God is the one who gives spiritual growth?

Intro What are some of the steps of discipleship revealed in Colossians 2:6-7?

Intro Explain the importance of our core value of Ongoing Biblical Discipleship.

1A. Why is the Word of God essential to grow as a disciple (Psalm 119:105)?

1B. In what way do people who only hear God's Word deceive themselves (James 1:22)?

1C. What does it mean to do God's Word as instructed in James 1:22?

1D. How could you grow in experiencing Scripture more frequently?

2A. How can prayer give you fresh encounters with Jesus (Philippians 4:6-7)?

2B. Explain what it means to worship in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24).

2C. Explain what it means to keep in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:25)?

2D. What are some other ways that you can experience fresh encounters with Jesus?

3A. Why is it important for discipleship to not neglect meeting together with your church family (Hebrews 10:24-25)?

3B. What gifts are you using to serve others in the church family (1 Peter 4:10)?

3C. Why is the church family essential to growing as a disciple of Jesus?

3D. What are some of the things that keep people from growing as a disciple of Jesus?

3E. What are some ways that you could help disciple others in the church family?