

# How Disciples are Made and Sustained in Community

Sermons and Christian education that teaches discipleship

Engaging scripture in community

Sharing and hearing our faith stories

Praying and worshipping God and listening for God's voice

Learning vocabulary

* Grace	* Forgiveness	* Discipline	* Love	* Discernment
* Tithing	* Faithfulness	* Salvation	* Gifts	* Servanthood
* Growth	* Obedience	* Sacrifice	* Joy	* Kingdom/Reign of God
* Justice	* Humility	* Community/Body	* Virtues	* Powers/Principalities
* Practices	* Covenant	* Reconciliation	* Hospitality	

Learning practices and habits

- \* Forming intentional relationships with other disciples by
  - being mentored (or coached) in a one-on-one relationship with a growing disciple.
  - Participating in personal spiritual practices: prayer, scripture reading, worship
  - being accountable to a discipleship group for personal spiritual practices, behavior, lifestyle, and discernment of gifts and calling.
- \* Participation in acts of ministry/mission
  - Evangelistic activities
  - Acts of compassion, justice, peacemaking
  - Service activities through church, agencies, community organizations, etc.
- \* Sacrificial giving for the mission of Jesus Christ.
  - money
  - time
  - lifestyle
- \* Regular practice of worship and prayer
  - regular worship with the community (at least weekly)
  - prayer, alone and with others
  - reading/hearing scripture, alone and with others
  - leading worship, according to gifts
- \* Facilitating small group ministry: studying scripture, questioning, challenging, nurturing, discerning, learning, sacrificing together in a spirit of prayer.
- \* Identifying and affirming gifts and calling in other disciples.
- \* Calling other disciples to acts of mission.
- \* Guiding others in discernment of their gifts and how God is calling them.
- \* Mentoring other disciples in a one-on-one relationship.
- \* Making disciples who make disciples.