

***MVC Mission Statement:***

***We Exist to Connect with God and Each Other Through Intentional Relationships. Discipleship Is the Core of Our Ministries.***

**Psalm 78:1-7**

*"(Jesus) is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.  
Colossians 1:28 NIV*

**1. Be inviting.**

**2. Be connecting.**

**3. Be generous.**

**4. Be servicing.**

**This is Us**  
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**Pastor Bill Bowers**

**HomeGroup and Personal Study Questions**

- Do your best to describe in your own words, examples of how you (personally) connect with God and others through intentional relationships. Are these examples restricted to certain settings? (eg. Workplace, at home, at church, etc.)
- What is your definition of discipleship? What practices or habits define you as a disciple of Jesus? Do you think it necessary to have certain practices/habits to be considered or qualified as a disciple? Explain your response.
- Pastor Bill shared the following text from Colossians 1:28; "...so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ." Please define "fully mature in Christ" as you understand it.
  - On the scale of 1-5, rank your progress as fully mature in Christ.
  - If you are lacking fullness of maturity, what do you need most to progress toward maturity?
  - Where can you go or who can help you most with your next steps?
  - Do you think it is acceptable to remain "stagnate" on your journey to becoming a fully mature disciple of Christ?
- Pastor Bill gave us four "BE" examples: *inviting, connecting, generous, and serving...* In what ways do you consider yourself effective in these "be—attitudes" and in what ways do you think you are lacking? What can you do to "BE" all that you can be?