



Shepherds of **Christ Centered Relationships:**

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Welcome:

Welcome to the Discipleship Collective '26

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The Discipleship Collective is a shared invitation from Hope Covenant Church to intentionally grow as whole people-formed in heart, soul, mind, and strength. Each pathway offers a focused season of discipleship, inviting you to slow down, lean in, and engage practices that shape us more fully into the life God desires for us.

While each pathway explores a unique area of growth, they all share the same purpose: to create space for transformation through intentional rhythms, meaningful reflection, and a supportive community. Whether this is your first step or your next step, we're glad you're here.

We pray this season draws you closer to God, deepens your faith, and equips you to live out your calling with clarity and joy.

Avenue 1:

Why are relationships central to my growth as a follower of Jesus? (Please view and reflect on the following videos. Allow yourself about 6 minutes to view each video. These videos could be great daily devotional experiences).

Videos:

- I am made in the image of God to be relational!
 - Bible Project: Image of God



- God wired us to be in relationship with him and with others!
 - Bible Project: The Covenants



- Bible Project: Royal Preiesthood
- Jesus cared deeply about relationships.
 - Bible Project: Wisdom in Relationships







Avenue 2:

Scripture Readings:

Where do we see Christ centered relationship show up in Scripture? Please read and reflect on the following passage allow yourself about 6 minutes to read and reflect on each of them. Reading these passages could be great 7 day devotional experiences.

- Seeing others to see and be seen
 - Read John 4:1-42 How does Jesus see people?
- Diminisher vs. Illuminator
 - o John 8:1-11, 12:1-8
 - Jesus as an illuminator
- Accompaniment- Being with someone
 - Read Philippians 2:1-5
- The Right Questions- Jesus' questions
 - Read Matthew 8:26, 16:15, 20:32, Mark 4:40, Luke 6:46, 12:51, John 21:17
- Hard Questions (respect and love)
 - Read Romans 12:3-5, 9-10, 14-18 (NLT)
- Empathy When does Jesus show empathy?
 - Matthew 9:36-38, Luke 7:11-15
- What traits does He exhibit?
 - Read Matthew 14:13-14

Avenue 3:

Choose a recommended resource to use as time and energy allows:

Books:

- How to Know a Person by David Brooks
- Practicing the Presence of People by Mike Mason
- · Read the book of John together with someone and meet to discuss it

• Podcasts:

- Chip Ingram
 - I Choose Love (How to Build Lasting Relationships)
- Everything Happens with Kate Bowler, How to Really Know Someone with David Brooks

Studies:

- Jennie Allen's "Find Your People", Rightnow media
- Jennie Allen's "Not Alone", Rightnow media

• Groups:

- Join the <u>Formation Hour</u> group. 8:45 on Sundays, September- May
- Join one of the groups now offered at Hope; Men's Bible study, women's Bible study,
 Danny Boys (men's healthy eating group), Conquer (men's purity group), a Life group.
 <u>EMAIL</u> the church office for more information on these groups.

• Shows:

<u>"The Chosen"</u> TV series