

Questions for Personal Reflection:

1. How does thinking of love as “attachment” change what it means to love God? People?
2. How is love both the *fruit* and the *means* of growth?
3. Why would attachment with a church community help you attach to Jesus?
4. Is there anything you’re attached to more than Jesus? What is the evidence of this? What would it take to change this?
5. What ways can you think of (both personal and corporate) to develop a healthy attachment to Jesus?



Discipleship

What is the purpose of the Church?

- To _____ . (Mt 28:19-20)

What does it mean to be a disciple?

- Someone who knows and is committed to _____?
- Someone who makes _____?
- Someone who uses the _____ of the _____?
- Someone who works for _____?
- Someone who does _____?

What does Jesus say? John 15:1-17

Jesus says to “ _____ ” in him. (vs 4, 5, 6)

Disciples _____ . (vs. 8)

What is the fruit? _____

It’s not only the result, but also the _____ to grow.

_____ is when we become the kind of person who automatically desires to do the right thing every time.

- Character is not formed by our _____.
- Character is formed by our _____.

Real and lasting change only comes when we have this kind of _____ to Christ and form our _____ in him.

Our attachment to or identification with _____, maintains our attachment to Jesus.

Discipleship is as much _____ as _____.

Attachment (agape) creates _____ and _____ deepens attachment (agape).

How do we grow as disciples?

Practice things that build your _____ to and _____ in Christ.

Three Examples:

1. Pray before _____.

- We attach to people who _____ us.
- This prayer reminds us that God is the source of every good thing.

2. Don’t just think _____ Jesus, think _____ Jesus.

- Jesus is _____ you.

3. Don’t just go to _____, identify with your _____.

- “We are the kind of people who...”
- This is especially important for _____.