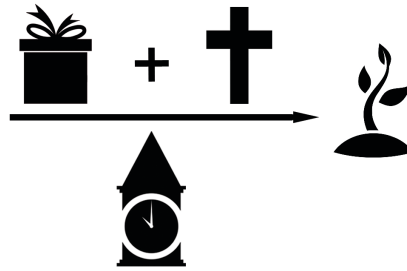


## SPIRITUAL FORMATION PROCESS



*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. - John 1:14*

### GUIDING PRINCIPLE: GRACE

#### **VALUES:**

##### *Acceptance -*

We try to meet others with love and acceptance exactly where they are and to create a safe place for healing.

##### *Barrier Free Environments -*

We try to make it easy for others to explore a relationship with Jesus by removing religious barriers.

##### *Hospitality -*

We try to radically accommodate others so that they always feel welcome and special.

##### *Authentic Relationships -*

We try to be honest and transparent with each other in order to build the trust and credibility necessary for authentic relationships. We recognize that repentance starts with being honest about where we are and that we need each other's support to rightly divide the truth that inspires us to change.

### GUIDING PRINCIPLE: TRUTH

#### **VALUES:**

##### *Humble Approach to Truth -*

We try to focus on the solid biblical truths of what it means to follow Jesus and avoid getting caught in divisive issues on which the bible isn't clear. We embrace the mystery and wonder of God and try to give others the space to seek God freely.

##### *Radical Discipleship -*

We try to encourage each other to live sacrificial, kingdom focused lives that reflect a deep commitment to follow Jesus.

## **GUIDING PRINCIPLE: TIME**

### **VALUES:**

#### *Consistency -*

We try to support each other in developing consistent habits that reflect an authentic desire to grow. We understand that we all stumble, but the less time there is between our stumbling and picking ourselves back up, the better our chances are to keep moving forward.

#### *Process Conversion -*

We understand that true, lasting conversion is rarely instantaneous, and is more often a lifelong process of dying to self. We try to encourage each other to consistently move toward a deeper relationship with Jesus, regardless of where we are on our spiritual journey. We recognize that the Christian life is a struggle, and that we need to celebrate the steps that we take toward becoming more like Jesus.

