

STEP TWO

Grow in Community

NEXT STEPS 9.18.24

Those who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

Psalm 92:13

WELCOME TO STEP TWO

God's desire for us is to experience healing and wholeness through a community of people within the church. When we are planted in the church, we will be surrounded by others we can do life with. It is through these relationships that we have the opportunity to connect with God as we grow in community.

COMMUNITY

Connecting with God and experiencing salvation is the most important decision you will ever make, but it's just the beginning. It's through being planted in the church that we will be surrounded by people that we can do life together with - don't underestimate the importance of having people in our lives to help us grow in our relationship with God. Real life change happens when you grow in community.

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:42, 46-47

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship is simply letting God bring a person or group of people into your life who can help you know God more. Being discipled allows you to grow closer to God and find healing and wholeness. Discipleship is an ongoing process that takes time as we commit to doing life together with people in our church family.

As you grow in community, you will experience authentic, life-giving relationships that allow you to be open and receive all God has for you. Discipleship happens when you allow others to encourage and build you up while also challenging you at times so you can grow.

Iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.
Proverbs 27:17

Discipleship is an ongoing part of your life. Just as you are being discipled, you can also begin to disciple others and help them grow.

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and Io, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. Matthew 28:19-20

DISCIPLESHIP PATH

The Discipleship Path is an intentional and transformative journey where you will grow in your relationship with Christ, learn how to live out God's plan for your life, and be equipped to impact the world for God's glory.

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:6-7 (NIV)

Our mission statement at Church of the King is *Reaching People* and *Building Lives*. Jesus says in Matthew 28:19-20, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." That's reaching people. That's evangelism. We are always trying to reach more people with the message of the Gospel. But the great commission doesn't end there. After we reach people, Jesus instructs us in the next verse to "teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you." That's building lives. That's where transformation begins to take place as we build our lives around the word of God. And it is because of our desire to see this transformation in your life that we have designed the Discipleship Path.

Many people want to grow spiritually, but they don't know how or where to start. We believe that this path is going to provide a structure for you to begin to experience the transformation that so many of us deeply desire.



SMALL GROUPS

Since the Bible teaches that we are made for relationships, small groups are a big part of your Discipleship Path. Small Groups are the key to getting connected so you can grow in community. A Small Group is a small group of people who gather together consistently, outside of weekend services, to deepen their connection with God and grow in community. Small Groups can help us live out God's purpose for our lives by encouraging us to go make a difference.

LIFE ASSESSMENT RESULTS

1. Biblical Understanding

This category reflects a desire to deepen knowledge of Scripture and grow in understanding God's Word. Scoring high in this area indicates a strong motivation to study the Bible more thoroughly, seeking wisdom and guidance for life through a closer relationship with God's teachings. Recommended small groups for this category include:

- Foundations
- Formation

2. Relationships

This category emphasizes improving personal connections in friendships, family dynamics, or marriage. A high score here shows a desire to strengthen and nurture relationships, seeking to align them with God's principles for love, communication, and unity. Recommended small groups for this category include:

- Freedom
- Marriage Groups

3. Healing

This category points to a longing for emotional and spiritual restoration. A high score reflects the need to address past wounds or unresolved issues that may hinder one's ability to fully embrace God's plans. It signals a desire to break free from hurt and walk in greater freedom and wholeness. Recommended small groups for this category include:

- Freedom
- Support Groups

4. Habits

This category focuses on developing consistent practices that support spiritual and personal growth. Scoring high here indicates a desire to cultivate positive daily routines (such as prayer, Bible engagement, or financial stewardship) that align with a Christ-centered life and encourage ongoing growth in various aspects of life. Recommended small groups for this category include:

- Formation
- Financial Peace University

5. Finances

This category reflects a desire to manage money according to biblical principles. A high score suggests a commitment to learning how to steward finances wisely, seeking to honor God through financial decisions, budgeting, generosity, and responsible living.

Financial Peace University

Group Descriptions

1. Group Types

- Married Couples
- Sisterhood (Women)
- Men
- Youth
- Support
- · Young Adults
- All Welcome

2. Small Group Curriculum

Foundations: Understand the Bible

Are there things in the Bible you don't understand? Would you like to be more familiar with God's Word and learn important Christian concepts like salvation, lordship, the Holy Spirit, faith, and evangelism? In Foundations, you will come out of the semester having a solid foundation in God's Word. From Creation to the End Times, you will be equipped to live a fulfilling life in Christ.

• Freedom: Release Your Past & Embrace God's Best

The goal of Freedom is to equip you to remove the things that hinder you from a deeper relationship with God so that you can live the victorious life you were designed to live. Freedom is a 10-week small group curriculum culminating in a 2-day Freedom Weekend experience.

• Financial Peace University: Experience Financial Freedom

A 9-week in-person or online Small Group that teaches you how to steward your finances God's way by paying off debt, budgeting, saving money, and giving generously.

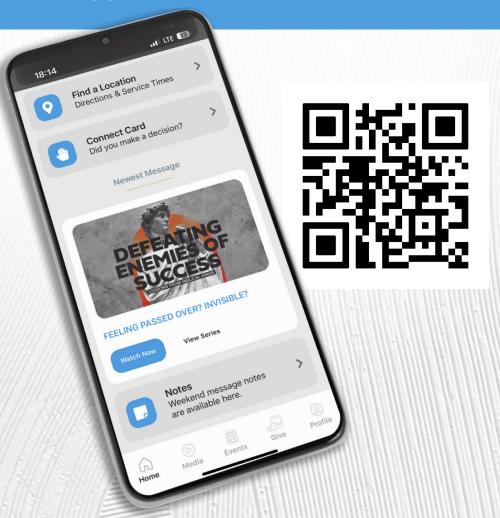
• Formation: Learn to Live Like Jesus

Formation is a 12-week small group study that dives deep into biblical values where you will learn to live like Jesus. Each week, you'll be given opportunities and weekly practices to build habits daily that will equip you to engage in the Bible, grow in your prayer life, do life with godly people, and reach others for Christ.

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- 2. Login using your phone number or email
- 3. Enjoy the app!



STEP TWO Life Assessment



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