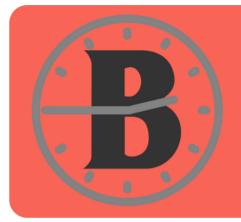
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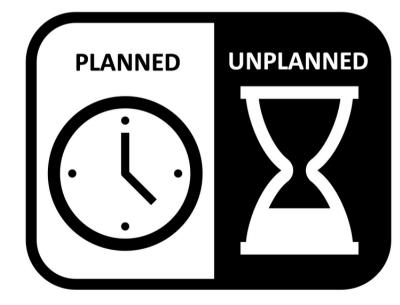
# RESOURCES



### I am a Beloved Child so I spend time with my Father

How can I spend time with my Father?

Disciples of Jesus can spend time relating with God in both planned and unplanned ways. Planned times ensure we spend quality, unhurried time with God on a regular basis. Unplanned times free us to relate with God in our everyday life.



#### **BELOVED CHILD GROWTH IDEAS**

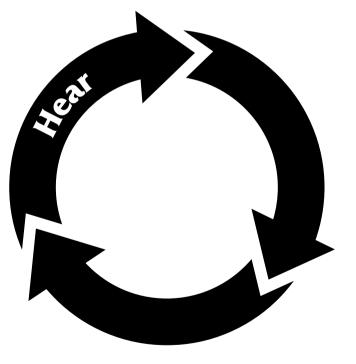
Here are examples of ways you can pursue Growth as a Beloved Child:

- Journaling your gratitude toward your Heavenly Father
- Going to the Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room to be in God's presence
- Making a playlist of your favorite worship songs and singing them to the Lord
- Going on a prayer walk in a beautiful place that reminds you how amazing God is
- Memorizing scriptures about God's adoptive heart for you
- Reading <u>Abba's Child</u> by Brennan Manning
- Visiting the F&C library to find a devotional book to connect with the Lord
- Carrying an item that reminds you of your status as God's beloved child
- Writing a card once a week to encourage someone as God's beloved child
- Placing a sticky note on a mirror with an encouraging Bible verse about God's love
- Attending a Bible study class or group to share God's love with others

# I am a Apprentice so I actively learn from my master, Jesus.

How can I actively learn from my master, Jesus?

Disciples of Jesus can learn from him by hearing the Word through prayer and scripture. They respond actively to God by discerning what God is inviting them to do, prayerfully identifying obstacles that may keep them from doing it, and then taking faithful steps. Then they debrief and interpret their experience within Christian community.



#### **APPRENTICE GROWTH IDEAS**

Here are examples of ways you can pursue Growth as an Apprentice:

- Spend time in one of the gospels
- Journaling ways you are HEARING THE WORD
- Going to the Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room for time in confession
- Inviting the Holy Spirit to convict you about ways you are not obeying God
- Asking God for an image or picture to show how he wants to shape you
- Going on a prayer walk in a beautiful place that reminds you how amazing God is
- Memorizing scriptures that relate to how God is wanting to grow you
- Reading <u>The Doctrines of Grace</u> by Boice/Ryken to grow deeper in knowledge
- Visiting the F&C library for book that helps you learn in an area God is leading
- Carrying an item that reminds you that your Master God is shaping you
- Writing a card to encourage someone about ways you see God shaping them
- Sharing with a friend how you are being led in new ways to follow God
- Attending a Bible study class or group to learn more about God's Word



## I am a Servant so I use my gifts for others.

How can I use my gifts for others?

Disciples of Jesus are called to lay their lives down for others, but the idea of loving and serving everyone is too general a place to begin. Instead, disciples can consider four different areas of callings (or vocations) in their life: their family, their local church, their work (or studies), and their society (which can include good neighboring, civic involvement, volunteering, etc).

Family	Church		
Work	Society		

#### **SERVANT GROWTH IDEAS**

Here are examples of ways you can pursue Growth as a Servant:

- Spending time reading through the gospels focusing on ways Jesus serves
- Considering ways you can serve your family, church, workplace, & society
- Going to the Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room praying for others
- Inviting the Holy Spirit to show you how to overcome your obstacles to serving
- Reading Go and Do by Don Everts.
- Volunteer at Council of Churches and Well of Life, local missions F&C supports
- Carrying an item that reminds you that you are a servant who uses your gifts
- Finding a way to bless a neighbor with kindness
- Donating to a ministry that serves the marginalized
- Sharing with a friend how you are being led in new ways to serve
- Serving the community with your Bible study class or group



#### I am an Evangelist so I talk about my faith with others.

How can I talk about my faith?

Disciples of Jesus can talk about their faith in natural, helpful, fruitful ways by discerning where their friend is on their journey toward Jesus and meeting them right where they are. The Five Thresholds model is a simple tool that can help us be more empathetic about where people are on their own unique journey to faith.



#### **EVANGELIST GROWTH IDEAS**

Here are examples of ways you can pursue Growth as an Evangelist:

- 1. Pay attention to what gives you joy in the community.
- 2. Be open to new connections or people who gravitate toward you.
- 3. Enjoy people! Be curious!
- 4. Practice appropriate transparency.
- 5. Ask questions to learn where they are at on the Five Thresholds.
- 6. Repeat back to them what you heard.
- 7. Remember it takes time to build trust.
- 8. Ask people with questions how they would like to go about searching for answers.