

DEEPER ROOTS

February 5-10

Planting Seeds: Read Luke 22:14-20

Last week as we studied how to bless the people around us, we talked about what it looks like to gather around the table and grow in relationship while we eat together. This week in worship we practiced this, as we approached the Lord's Supper table to worship, fellowship, and eat. While this meal was not physically substantive, it is a rich spiritual reminder of our faith. Jesus does not want us to be people that just gather together. We are not merely an audience or performers. We are a family called to live life sharing with each other. We share the body of Christ and hopefully this symbol is just a picture of how we share so much more. We are called to share joy and sorrow, victory and pain, praise and rebuke with one another. It is difficult to open up and be vulnerable with people. It is hard and scary to invite people into our life. If people know us, they will know the ugly and uncomfortable parts. But Jesus teaches that life is better when we share it with each other. He models this practice for us and demonstrates to His Disciples what this kind of life looks like, and then invites us to do the same. **Who is someone in your life that knows all of you, the good, the bad, and the ugly? Do you remember something that happened early in your relationship that helped you earn each other's trust? How does this relationship bless your life?**

Digging Deep: Read Luke 22:14-20, Romans 12

It was important to Jesus in His last moments with the Disciples to spend time with them sharing a meal. After He left, more than having them walk in faithful obedience, He wanted them to live in fruitful community. He wanted to model the life that He expected them to live, where they would share food, the table, and their lives with each other. Romans 12 is a beautiful description of what it looks like, when we share life together. We are called to not think of ourselves more highly than we ought, love with genuine love, hate what is evil, celebrate with those who celebrate, weep with those who weep, live in harmony, rejoice in hope, demonstrate patience in times of trial and all of this can be done around the kitchen table. As we live in each other's homes, dine in each other's presence, and love well, we can build these types of communities. **Who is someone that you can think of that models Romans 12 for you? What part of Romans 12 are you doing well? In what part of Romans 12 do you see an opportunity to grow this week?**

Pioneer Drive Baptist Church wants you to grow in The Word during the week of 2.5-10.23. Planting Seeds is a quick devotional and Digging Deep is a more robust study for you, your family, or your group. If you have questions or feedback, please email Terence@pioneerdrive.org.