

WELCOME!

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Our mission is to help people **Come** to know Jesus as Savior, **Grow** in a relationship with Him, and **Live** their lives for Him. God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Sermon Series: Pre-Decide
Sermon Title: Getting Closer to Jesus
Scripture: Acts 2:42-43, John 15:4-8
Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger

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NURSERY

AGES: newborn-2 years

Please sign-in your child at the nursery door and pick-up a pager.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

AGES: 3 years-2nd grade

Please drop off your child at Room 114 and sign them in.

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<u>Sermon Notes</u> October 30, 2022

Getting Closer to Jesus

<u>Big Idea</u> I will seek the One who matters most.

Acts 2:42-43, John 15:4-8



Series Big Idea

I'm going to determine my course of action before the moment of decision.

I'm putting distance between myself and giving into temptation. Consistency with God empowers me to make God honoring decisions.

These people were involved in a single minded,
ongoing pursuit of Jesus.

Unfortunately, if this verse were written for believers today it would say: They devoted themselves to themselves. They chased after a self-centered life of total

comon and ease.	
JESUS IS THE VINE I AM THE BRANCH	
Being devoted can lead to having devotions. Having devotions can help me grow more devoted.	
Getting closer to Jesus by seeking the One who matters most can radically change	

the way I make my aecisions.

I will seek the One who matters most. **BE THE BRANCH!**

Talk It Over

- 1. Which part of the message was the most impactful for you and why?
- 2. When you think about Jesus calling Himself the vine and us the branches, what does that bring up for you?
- 3. Why do you think Jesus chose to use the phrase "remains in me" instead of "runs with me" or "works like me", or "does like me"?
- 4. How are you remaining in the vine during this season?
- 5. Why is it sometimes hard to remain in Christ? What in our culture pushes us away from remaining in Christ?
- 6. Take a moment to look at what your life is producing right now. What fruit can you identify?

<u>Digging Deeper</u>: Take some time to ask God to shine areas on your heart that need to be cut back, pruned, or thrown away. Ask God each question individually; be quiet and listen in silence.

- -Lord, reveal to me something in my character that you desire to make more fruitful.
- -Jesus, reveal to me a wayward area of my life that I can submit to you.
- -Lord, search my heart. Is there anything I need to fast or abstain from in order to be more self-controlled?
- -Jesus, adjust my attitude. Help me respond and love as you do.