

Equipped Receive

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: Are you ready for 2025? What changes are you hoping to see in your life? So much of what we do at Manna Church is designed to *equip you to change your world.*Healthy change takes place from the inside out, and all real change starts with Jesus. As we start this new year, let's make sure we're equipped in the things that matter most.

Equipping God's people to change their world.

Everything you need to fulfill your <u>purpose</u>, God wants you to receive from Him.

John 15:5 (ESV)
To learn how to receive, we must learn how to <u>remain</u>.

Ways we Receive:

Like a child.
Like a football player.
Like a tree.
Like a thirsty hiker.
Like a radio.
Like a sailboat.
Like a hospital patient.

Matthew 7:11 (ESV)
Matthew 13:23 (NLT)
Psalm 1:3 (ESV)
Hebrews 11:6 (ESV)
Isaiah 50:4-5 (ESV)
John 3:8 (ESV)
Isaiah 40:29-31 (ESV)

Devotion to Jesus is the <u>place</u> where the human heart is most satisfied.

Devotion = <u>Desire</u> + <u>Discipline</u>

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- **2)** When you read/hear the phrase, *Equipping God's people to change their world*, what comes to mind?
- **3)** Read John 15:5. When you think of fulfilling your purpose in life, how does this verse apply?
- **4)** Of the 7 *Ways to Receive* covered above, which one(s) speak to your current season of life?
- **5)** Unpack this thought: *Devotion to Jesus is the place where the human heart is most satisfied.*
- **6)** Rate yourself on your current level of devotion to Jesus (or your current level of satisfaction)? What's you next step?