

# Be Present

*A New Life Resolution*

## Be Present : Week 9

### ▪Introduction (Read aloud before discussion)

When we choose to “Be Present” something will result. We will begin to see those younger than us. We will begin to actually see our kids, grandkids, younger siblings, and the next generation.

### ▪Sermon Discussion (Use as a guide for dialogue, let God lead, and read the verses aloud.)

“If we don’t let the young ones run in church now, they will run right out of church the first chance they get!” Do you think that’s true?

People were also bringing babies to Jesus for him to place his hands on them. When the disciples saw this, they rebuked them. But Jesus called the children to him and said, **“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”** Luke 18:15-17 What stands out to you about this situation or what Jesus said?

1. Why is it easy to simply miss actually being present to people younger than we are?
2. What would it look like for a church to take this historical situation and teaching seriously?
3. As a parent, do you prioritize delighting IN your children over formation OF your children? Or, in the home you’re growing up in, do you feel that delight is prioritized over formation?
4. How could someone older help bring about a truly multi generational church?
5. How could somebody younger help bring about a truly multigenerational church?

### ▪Ministry Time (Invite the Spirit of God to come. Say, “Come Holy Spirit.”)

What from the sermon or from group discussion challenged or encouraged you? Spend time praying for each other about that and anything else that comes to mind.

**▪Spiritual Formation (This is a weekly practice as we seek to be with and like Jesus.)**

Set aside a time during your day to intentionally pray for those in your life that are younger than you and following Jesus. What can you do to practically support them?

**▪Daily Reading (Tune into the daily “Together On Mission” podcast, and let’s start every day with Jesus.)**

**MON**

**Matthew 11 | Psalm 155**

**TUES**

**John 7 | Psalm 156**

**WED**

**Psalm 46 | Psalm 157**

**THUR**

**Jeremiah 31 | Psalm 158**

**FRI**

**Nehemiah 9 | Psalm 159**

**SAT**

**Catch up on daily reading or choose a passage, any passage, and enjoy!**