

THIS IS US

Week 2 - Who Are We Becoming?

John 15:1–5

Monastic communities organized daily life around devotion to God. Jesus' picture of the vine and branches helps us understand the purpose of spiritual practices: remaining connected to him as the Holy Spirit changes us from within.

Senior High — Before the Message

1. When have you changed your appearance or routine without changing an underlying habit?
2. What does the relationship between the vine and branches in John 15 suggest about how Christians grow?
3. What is the difference between looking spiritually impressive and becoming more like Jesus?
4. How could a spiritual practice become a checklist instead of helping us remain connected to Jesus?
5. Think of a recurring situation in your life. What observable response would show that you are becoming more like Jesus in it?

Junior High — After the Message

1. What is something you have become better at through practice?
2. In John 15:1–5, why does a branch need to stay connected to the vine?
3. What is the difference between doing church activities and letting Jesus change how you treat people?
4. Where do you notice a gap between how you want to act and how you actually respond?
5. What would growth look like in that situation this week?