



## Victory Christian Center

*A Foursquare Church*

*“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday,  
today, and forevermore.”*  
**Hebrews 13:8**

Our purpose and mission: To know the heart of God through...

- Teaching/Worshipping/Giving/Serving

Our values: To reflect our love for God through the...

- Word of God/Worship of God/Work of God

Our desire is to reflect our love for people with dignity and respect,  
to serve our community, to disciple individuals, and make an impact  
among our youth.

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**Title:** Dip into Jesus

**Scripture:**

2 Peter 1:5-7 *“For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.”*

Notice that the more time you spend with Jesus by praying, and reading His word the more His character is reflected in you. **He layers His character into your life.**

**These virtues are what is in place to produce a well-rounded Christian life.**

- Faith-in Christ is our foundation.
- Goodness-depicts excellence expressed in deeds-virtue in action.
- Knowledge-God has made available all that we need spiritually through our knowledge of Him. Knowledge is necessary for salvation-you need to know who Jesus is and develop a relationship with Him.
- Self-control-is lead by knowledge in Christ.
- Perseverance-the state of mind of never stopping, quitting, but the progression of learning and moving forward.
- Godliness-having a reverence toward God that governs one’s attitude toward every aspect of life.
- Mutual affection-an affection towards those in the faith.
- Love-an outgoing love that is selfless and leads to sacrifice for the good of others.

These are not meant to be done in order but in the process of having a relationship with Christ you begin to put these virtues in place as you grow in Him. They should become natural and almost done simultaneously. **These virtues should produce a life of holiness because your time with Jesus is reflected in how you think, speak, and act.**

Since we know Jesus, and have a relationship with Him our desire is to be led by Him in all aspects of our life. People that we encounter in our life should be able to tell we are around something great.

**When you have dipped into the presence of Christ you should not be the same person of character. There should be something noticeable about you-your demeanor and your presence.**

Notice that throughout scripture Christ is all about us producing, multiplying, and duplicating in the physical and spiritual nature of life. **When we spend time with Him He develops us into what is needed for us to succeed and to perform His perfect will.**

In our exchange of mistakes, failures, and sin He gives us value, purpose, and forgiveness. Our faith in Jesus adds virtues into our life. As we continue in our knowledge of Him we begin to give Him the areas we need help and struggle with. In return He adds to our life.

**We should never stop wanting to learn and grow in our walk in Jesus. Everyday we should come expecting to gain more insight in the person of Jesus.**

Peter was dealing with heretic teaching and wanted to remind believers to be careful and to reflect on what they had been taught. Peter witnessed the character of Christ, he was a part of love demonstrated in miracles, he was there for the death and resurrection of Christ. So Peter could back up his insight on the character of Christ.

- ✓ Faith-conviction for truth in our lives
- ✓ Goodness-moral character
- ✓ Knowledge-the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom
- ✓ Self-control-staying in the boundary of God's guidelines for life
- ✓ Perseverance-handling difficulties better
- ✓ Godliness-imitating and taking on the character of Christ
- ✓ Mutual affection-brotherly kindness
- ✓ Love-a love for people

Are you adding more of Jesus into your life?