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Discipleship in a Small Church

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:34-35

What does discipleship look like in your congregation right now? What are the avenues through which your people are discipled?

Who has discipled you in your walk with God? What people or seasons of life have had the greatest impact?

What are the challenges you face in discipling your people?

What would effective discipleship look like in your church? What would be the fruit?

Lord Jesus, you said if any would come after you, he must first take up his cross. Teach us what this means, teach us how to follow you in your way of the cross. You have charged us with the care of these precious souls, God. Impress upon us both the gravity and joy of this reality. Teach us to love one another like you love us, so that we might be a witness to our watching world. All this we ask in your name, our Teacher and Lord. Amen.