

DEVELOPING A FRAMEWORK FOR DISCIPLESHIP

A Lifetime of Loving God and Living as a Disciple

The Early Truths (birth through 5th grade)

- God is the Creator.
- God is trustworthy.
- God is sovereign.
- God is always present.
- God owns everything.
- God loves you (the gospel).
- Jesus is God.
- The Bible is God's Word.
- Be thankful in all things.

Developing Truths (6th – 8th grades)

- The Bible contains the answers you need.
- Be careful about the friends you make.
- God has a plan for your life.
- Christianity is about relationship (relationship with God, the Church, and the world).
- Telling the truth shows integrity and character.
- Our habits become our lifestyle, our lifestyle forms our character, our character determines our future.

Long Term Truths (9th – 12th grades)

- Following Jesus requires death to self.
- Following Jesus requires faith.
- God has gifted you to serve Him.
- You need Christian community to reach your potential in Christ.
- Kingdom involvement begins locally and reaches globally.
- Everything you do reflects upon Christ.
- As a Christian, you never have the right to be unkind.

"Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." – Deuteronomy 6:4-9