

In-Depth Values | Cottonwood Creek Singles Ministry

1) Rooted in Christ | Jesus is the foundation of everything we are, our identity is rooted in Him - not in our relationship status or job title. From that identity, we pursue spiritual growth through scripture, prayer, obedience, and dependence on God, becoming more like Christ in every area of life.

- We seek God first in everything | Matt 6:33 “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness...” Our priorities, decisions, and relationships flow from pursuing Him above all.
- Our identity is found in Christ | Galatians 3:26, “For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.” We live from who we are in Him, not striving to prove ourselves or define ourselves by worldly status.
- We pursue spiritual growth daily | Romans 12:2, “ Be transformed by the renewing of your mind...” Through Scripture, prayer, obedience, and dependence on God, we are continually being formed into the likeness of Jesus.
- We live with integrity and honor | 1 Corinthians 10:31, “Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.” Our lives reflect Christ in every area: dating, profession, and character. living with consistency between what we believe and how we live.

2) Authentic Community | We pursue Jesus together by building authentic, Christ-centered relationships marked by integrity, honesty, encouragement, joy, and shared life. We create consistent opportunities for connection and ensure no one walks alone.

- We are one body, connected and committed to one another. | Romans 12:4-5 “So we, who are many, are one body in Messiah...” Everyone belongs, and everyone matters.
- We create consistent spaces for connection. | Hebrews 10:24-25, “Do not neglect meeting together...” Through weekly gatherings, shared meals, and community rhythms, we prioritize being together.
- We encourage and build one another up. | 1 Thessalonians 5:11, “Therefore encourage one another and build one another up...” We speak life, stir one another toward love and good works, and walk alongside each other in every season.
- We practice grace unto sanctification. | Ephesians 4:15, “Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head,

into Christ.” We pursue growth, extending grace while also calling one another toward truth, holiness, and transformation.

3) Missional Living | We live outward-focused lives as the hands and feet of Jesus - serving those around us, meeting real needs, and bringing His love to our community and the people God has placed in our lives.

- We serve others with the heart of Christ. | Matthew 25:40, “Whatever you did for one of the least of these... you did for me.” We intentionally meet both spiritual and practical needs; especially for single parents, widows, and those in our community.
- We reflect Christ in how we live and love others. | Matt 5:16, “Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is heaven.” We live missionally in our everyday lives - reflecting Christ in how we live and love others. Our workplaces, friendships, and daily rhythms are opportunities to shine His light and care for those God has placed around us.
- We respond to real needs with compassion and action. | 1 John 3:18, “Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.” We don’t just talk - we step in and serve.

4) Multiplying | “We don’t just attend - we invite, disciple, and multiply. We live as ambassadors of Christ, helping others discover Him, follow Him, and share Him with others.”

- We are ambassadors of Christ in every space. | 2 Corinthians 5:20, “We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors...” We represent Jesus in our words, actions, and relationships.
- We help others discover, follow, and share Jesus | 2 Timothy 2:2, “What you have heard from me... entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others also.” We intentionally walk with people as they grow in their faith and begin to disciple others.
- We live with an inviting mindset | John 1:46, “Come and see,” said Philip...” We are always looking for opportunities to bring others into community and into relationship with Jesus.
- We multiply disciples, not just attendance. | Matt 28:19-20, “Go and make disciples of all nations...” Our goal is not just growth in numbers, but transformation and multiplication of lives.