

# FOLLOW THE WAY.

*The Hills Church exists to make and grow followers of Jesus, and we do this together by being with Jesus, becoming like Jesus, and doing what Jesus did. This series unpacks that strategy and explores Jesus' invitation to follow him as a call to both his life and his way of life.*

## Week 3: Become Like Jesus

1. When you were young, who did you most want to be like? Were any of them spiritual heroes?
2. **FOLLOWING THE WAY focuses on FORMATION.** How can **Romans 8:28-29** give us a better understanding of what it means to follow Jesus? How can that perspective help you face the challenges in your life with a Christ-centered outlook? Follow up: **Read Galatians 4:19.** Formation was a huge priority and burden to Paul. Why has this not been the case in so many churches today?
3. **WAY TO FORMATION: Christ-like formation is a process... Read 2 Corinthians 3:18.** Why is it important to remember that Christ-like formation is a process that can't be rushed? How does this encourage you to be patient with yourself & to give more grace to others?
4. **WAY TO FORMATION: Christ-like formation is a process that requires his power...** Why is it crucial to recognize that we will never have enough will power to follow the way of Jesus (see **Galatians 3:3**)? Follow up: What are some ways we can make ourselves more available to the Holy Spirit's power in our journey to become more like Jesus?
5. **WAY TO FORMATION: Christ-like formation is a process that requires his power and his practices... Read 1 John 2:6.** Which of the spiritual practices mentioned (memorization, solitude, prayer, etc.) do you find most challenging or beneficial in your own life? Follow up: Why is it important to realize that the practices are a path, not a destination?
6. **WAY TO FORMATION: Christ-like formation is a process that requires his power and his practices among his people. Read Ephesians 4:11-13.** Why is Christian fellowship an essential part of following Jesus and becoming like Him? Follow up: Who are the people in your life that are fostering your growth in Christ-likeness? What are you learning from them?
7. Plot the trajectory of your life over the next five years as you reflect on this question: **Is the way I'm doing life forming Christ in me?** What is one thing you can begin to do differently today to intentionally become more like Jesus? Follow up: What resonated with you the most in this message and how might it impact the way you follow Jesus?

