



THE APPRENTICE SERIES: A CURRICULUM FOR CHRISTLIKENESS

Join us

Find out about a 34-week study of three powerful books:
The Good and Beautiful God, *The Good and Beautiful Life*, and
The Good and Beautiful Community by James Bryan Smith.

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Imagine a life free from anger, lust, lying, retaliation, vanity, greed, worry, and condemnation—a life empowered to love, forgive, care, and seek justice. It's the life Jesus invited his followers to live. But how do we get there? This is the question the Apprentice study explores.

Drawing on what Jesus revealed about God, Apprentice examines our ideas about God. As our understanding of God is strengthened and healed through spiritual practices, we more naturally live the life Jesus described in his Sermon on the Mount.

Learning to live this life is simple, but not easy. In order for this class to have the greatest impact, you will need to make a great commitment:

- ☞ Set aside time each week for reading the assigned chapter.
- ☞ Complete a soul-training exercise for the week.
- ☞ Miss no more than five of the 34 sessions.

- ☞ Participate in three retreats throughout the year.

This is not a study for the spiritual elite—it is for anyone who wants to follow Jesus more closely and grow in living the life he promised. Do not be discouraged by “soul-training exercises.” Some are quite simple and even fun—such as getting sufficient sleep during a week. Others are more challenging, but you are only asked to do them to the best of your ability. After all, it is in attempting these practices that we are transformed.

The Apprentice Series is a small-group experience, so groups will be limited to twelve members.

If you are interested in this intense, rewarding study, begin by writing a one-page reflection answering two questions:

- ☞ What do you hope to gain from this class?
- ☞ What do you hope to give back to those in the class?

Prayerfully consider if Jesus is inviting you to be his Apprentice.

Please submit your reflections by