**A Sincere and Pure Devotion to Christ**

**The Word**

Read together 2 Corinthians 11:1-3

**The Big Idea**

Jesus committed himself to an overall life that helped him foster a sincere and pure devotion to his heavenly Father, and he invites us into a life of similar devotion to him. Our devotion to him must play out in the daily rhythms and practices of our lives.

**Questions for Discussion**

1. Consider the metaphors used on Sunday regarding our relationship with Jesus: marriage and apprenticeship. What idea struck you most as you considered either of those metaphors?

2. Consider the invitation given at the end of Sunday's message to a deeper and more intimate life with Jesus.  How does that invitation strike you at this time in your life? (For example, is it something you're hungry for, something that feels like a reality already, something that feels like a practical impossibility in this life stage, etc.)

3. Consider your daily liturgies for a moment (especially your morning and evening liturgies). What is a current liturgy that is most life-giving for you at this time, and what is a liturgy you hope to remove or change?

4. As you consider pursuing a “sincere and pure devotion to Christ,” what is one liturgy or discipline you have always wanted to implement that you just haven't been able to make a reality? What has prevented you from turning that desire into a reality?