Romans 8:29 (NLT) For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

# You are called to become <u>like Christ</u>

#### 5 Ways to become like Christ

## Become Humbled

Ephesians 3:20 (NLT), Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

1 John 1:6, 8-10 (NASB) If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. If we say we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness

### Become Focused

Romans 12:2 (NLT) Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Hebrews 12:1a (LB) Let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back and especially those sins that wrap themselves so tightly around our feet and trip us up...

# Become Patient

Hebrews 12:1b (LB) "...; and let us run with patience the particular race that God has set before us

1 Corinthians 9:26-27 (NLT) So I run with purpose in every step. I am not just shadowboxing. I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified

Jeremiah 29:11(NLT) "For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord, "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

#### Become **<u>Relentless</u>**

Hebrews 12:3-4 (NLT) "Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up. After all, you have not yet given your lives in you struggle against sin"

1 Peter 5:10 (NLT) "In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Chris Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore you, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation"

John 16:33 (NLT) "I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world"

# Become Love

1 Corinthians 13:1 (NLT) If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angles, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of

Romans 8:28 (NLT) And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.

Philippians 3:12-14 (NLT) I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Chris Jesus first possessed me. No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing; Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

\*\*\* Response\*\*\* I am committed to become \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be more like Christ.