

United with Christ Part 2

Sunday, March 9

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Discussion Questions:

1. What does it mean to be in *union with Christ*?
2. What were the three illustrations shared in the sermon about union with Christ? Can you think of any other biblical texts that illustrate our union with Christ?
3. Read [John 15:1-17](#).
 - a. How does the illustration of the plant (vine & branch) help us to understand our relationship with Christ?
 - b. What does the text tell us about *joy* and *love for one another*?
4. Read [1 Corinthians 12:12-14](#); [Romans 12:4-5](#); [1 Corinthians 12:4-7](#); and, [1 Corinthians 6:19](#).
 - a. In what ways do these verses inform our understanding & perspective of our FBC community as being the body of Christ?
 - b. Since FBC is the body of Christ as described in the Bible, how should we relate to one another?
 - c. How might we function differently as the body of Christ vs. other relationships we may have?
5. Read [Genesis 2:23-24](#); [Hosea 2:19-20](#); and, [Ephesians 5:22-33](#).
 - a. In what way(s) does earthly marriage reflect Christ's relationship with His bride, the church?
 - b. In what way(s) is Christ's relationship with the church different from earthly marriage?
6. Read [Revelation 19:7-9](#) & [Revelation 21:2](#).
 - a. Do these scriptures encourage you? If so, in what way(s)?

7. How does understanding your union with Christ affect your relationship with God?