

### What Does It Mean To Be "ALL-IN" On The Five Choices?

Simply put, it is recognition that God calls us to greater commitment to Him, His people and His Kingdom work in the world. So, what keeps us from responding to that call? The truth is, life is demanding, which can leave us feeling overwhelmed and exhausted; life can be confusing, which can leave us discouraged and in despair; and life is uncertain, which can leave us insecure and anxious.

At Thanksgiving, we know that the difficulties in life can indeed be overcome with joy, hope and love---that is, in fact, what the Bible promises for every follower of Christ:

"I have learned the secret of living in every situation...

For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:12-13

We also know that while we desire to be fully-devoted followers of Jesus, we don't always know how to live out our faith life the way God intended. That's why we have identified the Five Choices.

We believe the Five Choices will help us take our next steps in truly experiencing HIs joy, hope, and love while more truly embracing how God uniquely created each of us. When we choose to be in community, choose to serve, choose to grow, choose some "one" to invest in and choose to be generous, it gives us a foundation for living our lives in both the good times and the difficult ones. In short, we become more focused on His kingdom and less on the cares of this world.

# "All-In" at Thanksgiving

The desire to be "All-In" as a disciple of Jesus Christ. The following Five Choices reflect our heart's response to all that God has done for us by His love and grace through Christ. In choosing to be "All-In" at Thanksgiving, the Five Choices will serve as a guide and an encouragement to be unleashed as His disciple while being led by the Holy Spirit.

# **Choose Community**

I am committed to knowing and being known by others in the Thanksgiving community beyond the weekend worship service. I want to be transformed through real friends, real growth, and real impact. (Acts 2:42-47)

#### **Choose One**

I am committed to building a relationship, offering hope, and investing in someone who is not currently experiencing the grace of God through Jesus by sharing the hope that I have in Jesus. (Luke 15)

## **Choose to Serve**

I am committed to serving others as a consistent way of life within my local community, through Thanksgiving's ministries, and/or through local and global mission partners. (John 13:12-15)

## **Choose Growth**

I am committed to growing in my faith by being awakened to the Holy Spirit's work in my life. Since there is always more when it comes to God, I am committed to worship, study, prayer, retreats, journey coaching and any vehicle that will allow me to grow in being a disciple of Jesus. (Romans 12:1-2)

## **Choose Generosity**

I am committed to a life that reflects God's generosity in my own life. I choose to work towards the Biblical tithe (10%) because I believe that my standard of living is determined by my standard of giving. (Malachi 3:10)