



The Art of Formation Discussion Guide

Wk. 6 Discussion:

Begin with prayer

5 min

Check In

30-35 min

Greet one another and move into the check in time. Continue to practice grace and patience as you move through the prompts.

- Fruit: what has been bringing you joy lately?
- Thorn: what have you been struggling with lately?
- Vine: how have you seen or been connecting with God lately?
- Bud: what are you looking forward to?

Discuss this week's practice

20-25 min

- We all can recognize that the humans are capable of both good and evil. Do you believe people are more inherently loving or more inherently selfish?
- How would you describe your love language (the way you best give and receive love): acts of service | words of affirmation | quality time | physical touch | gifts?

Open your bibles together

25-30 min

- Read 1 John 2:3-6
- Love from God is given freely, displayed by the sacrifice of Jesus (Romans 5:8). But love for God requires obedience and is a process that must be completed. How is this different than cultures take on love?
- Read 1 John 2:15-17
- Why do think love for the world would put us at odds with The Father? How have you given love to the world?
- Read 1 John 3:1-3
- John is describing how God's love meets us where we are and shapes us into who He wants us to be. How has God's love met & shaped you?



Prayer to be shaped by God's love

10 min

- Encourage the person who's assigned over prayer request to get them at this time

Talk about the coming week's practice

5 min

Encourage everyone to keep up with the practice throughout the week and look for fruits, thorns, vines, and buds.