



## **Volunteer Highlight: Trevor**

Trevor serves as a small group leader in High School Ministry. "Being a small group leader is a ton of fun and not that hard. It's much easier than I would've expected and I really enjoy the time with the guys. The preparation for each week is so enriching. Learning the Bible with a desire to teach has been so cool. Also, just seeing these guys, who come from different backgrounds and are so different, care for each other is awesome. They have close relationships and have each other's back. I look up to that."

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# **PRAYER**

If you're in need of prayer, our prayer team is available at the **front of the Worship Center** after every service. To submit a prayer request online, email **prayer@marinerschurch.org** 



# WELCOME TO MARINERS

We're so glad you're here! Our mission is to inspire people to follow Jesus and fearlessly change the world. If this is your first time here, we'd love to meet you! Here are the next steps:

- Visit the **Welcome Center** on the patio to find ways to get connected and opportunities to serve.
- Text CONNECT to 949.267.3131
- Attend our **New to Mariners** class to meet our pastors, learn who we are and how to get involved.

#### **MESSAGE SERIES**

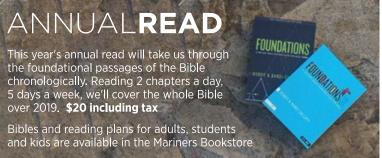


We've all heard the encouragement to become our true selves, but what does that really mean? The world says you find it by indulging your desires, but Jesus says you find your true self by looking to Him through the spiritual practices of daily obedience, prayer, worship and service.



Mariners family and how you can get connected. search new





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# MAKING **GENEROSITY** SIMPLE & SECURE

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# **BEHOLDING HIM**

Your real, new self will not come as long as you are looking for it. It will come when you are looking for Him. [C.S. Lewis]

### The way to become you is to become like Christ.

Spiritual growth is the process of becoming who God *desires* you to be and who God has *declared* you to be.

For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified. Hebrews 10:14

The old way, with laws etched in stone, led to death, though it began with such glory that the people of Israel could not bear to look at Moses' face. For his face shone with the glory of God, even though the brightness was already fading away. Shouldn't we expect far greater glory under the new way, now that the Holy Spirit is giving life? If the old way, which brings condemnation, was glorious, how much more glorious is the new way, which makes us right with God! In fact, that first glory was not glorious at all compared with the overwhelming glory of the new way. So if the old way, which has been replaced, was glorious, how much more glorious is the new, which remains forever! Since this new way gives us such confidence, we can be very bold. We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face so the people of Israel would not see the glory, even though it was destined to fade away. 2 Corinthians 3:7-13

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. We all, with unveiled faces, are looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord and are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory; this is from the Lord who is the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:17-18

### The way to become like Him is to behold Him.

Whatever else in the Bible catches your eye, do not let it distract you from Him. [J.I. Packer]