



## Verse of the Month

*Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a **tree** planted by streams of water that yields its **fruit** in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.*  
(Psalm 1:1-3, ESV)

## Our Vision

*To connect ordinary people to an extraordinary God*

## The Great Commandment

*And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.”*  
(Matthew 22:37-38, ESV)

How does the shape of the cross remind us of these Commandments?

## What the Cross Empowers

*I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—*

*one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.*  
(Ephesians 4:1-6, ESV)

## Our Commitments to Each Other

*And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.*  
(Ephesians 4:11-16, ESV)

What are:

1. Apostles?
2. Prophets?
3. Evangelists?
4. Shepherds?
5. Teachers?