MEADOWBROOK
NEIGHBORHOOD
COMMUNITY

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Scripture:John 15:1-11
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Message: Jake Mlsna's Ordination

1. Share about a time when you were moved to awe because of God - through His work, His Word, or His character.
2. Familiarity can lead us to lose our awe of God. How can we cultivate an awe of God and prevent familiar passages of Scripture from becoming mundane throughout our relationship with God?
3. Read John 15:1-11. What is the relationship between the three roles Jesus describes in this passage? What is essential for the vine and branches to thrive as intended?
4. The word "remain" (or "abide") is used repeatedly. In the passage is "abiding" a passive state or an active choice? What does it practically look like to "abide" in Jesus?
5. The call to remain or abide in Jesus is a command, an invitation, and a promise. Why is it important that the call to abide is all three of these?
6. What are the internal signs that your connection to the vine is healthy? What are the warning signs that you are becoming detached?
7. Jesus says the fruit of abiding is both love and joy. Why is abiding in Jesus critical to seeing both love and joy produced in our lives?
8. What could a church look like if the pastoral staff led out of an overflow of abiding in Jesus and if the congregation was also living out of that same overflow of abiding? What type of influence could this church have on the community around it?
9. How can your Neighborhood Community or Meadowbrook Church work together to ensure we are bearing fruit that will last for the benefit of our city?
10. Share about a time you were in a faith community that was marked by a communal abiding in Jesus. What type of impact did it have on your own life and the world around you?