

Valley Student Ministry students and parents,

We have our annual Disciple Now retreat right around the corner and I can't wait to see God work in a big way! As we prepare for this incredible weekend I wanted to let you know some important information about the retreat.

Registration is open right now at [valleybaptistchurch.com](http://valleybaptistchurch.com) please register as soon as possible so we can make necessary plans on host homes, meals, and T-shirts.

### **Important Information about Disciple Now:**

**Dates:** February 27-March 1

**Cost:** \$60

**What is it?** DNOW is a weekend retreat where small groups of students meet in the homes of church members for studies in discipleship. The studies are led by college students with the goal of challenging students to dive deeper in their walk with God. We will also have incredible worship services with our speaker Ryne Lynch and our band led by Preston Jones and Max.

**When does it start?** Registration will begin at 5:45 on Friday, February 27th in the youth area. We will let you know your assigned host home and college Bible study leader then.

**When will it finish?** Our 10:30 worship service on Sunday morning will serve as the end of DNow.

**How much money should you bring?** All of your meals and your T-shirt are included in your fees. There really isn't going to be a need for money throughout the weekend.

**What should I pack?** Sleeping bag, pillow, hygiene items, Bible, pen, tennis shoes, a 2 liter drink, and your favorite chips or cookies to share at the host home. If you want to bring an air mattress please make sure it is a twin size to be considerate of space restraints in your host home.

This weekend the theme will be "Gravitate". We will look at James 4:8 "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you." There are things and people in this world that we instinctively gravitate toward, factors that draw us in. But our natural desires draw us away, causing us to drift in a direction we shouldn't go. We all have sinful desires, but God desires to rescue his children. If we want to gravitate to the path that leads to life, our desires must change, which means our hearts must change. And only God can change our heart.

If you have any questions about DNow, You can feel free to call or text me. My number is (501) 593-3015.

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P.S. To get ministry updates you can join our remind text group by texting @valleyyth to 81010.