



## MVBC-Realm Netiquette Guidelines

Our mission at MVBC Raleigh is “glorify God by being a caring community of disciple-makers proclaiming Christ at every opportunity.” If used wisely, Realm is a tool that will help our community of faith fulfill that vision by connecting and communicating more efficiently. Once you get started in Realm, here are a few etiquette guidelines that are rooted in our church’s vision statement and core values to guide your online interactions with others at MVBC:

1. **BIBLICAL COMMUNITY** – While some social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. put the user’s personal profile at center of the online experience, MVBC’s Realm page emphasizes the ***whole community of faith***. With every post and interaction through Realm, your goal should be to connect more purposefully with brothers and sisters in Christ at MVBC to achieve our church’s mission (1 Corinthians 12:12-14).
2. **CARING COMMUNITY** – From sports and entertainment to personal preferences and politics, there are so many divisive elements in our world today that discourage and tear down people’s lives. As Christians, we want to model the power of the Gospel to unify people – regardless of their former differences – under the Lordship of Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 6:9-11). To that end, every post and interaction in Realm should characterize ***the same spirit of care and kindness*** that Jesus shows towards us (Philippians 2:1-8; Luke 6:27-36).
3. **DISCIPLE-MAKING COMMUNITY** – MVBC desires to be a church of disciple-makers, who are modeling transformed and obedient lives that God uses to replicate spiritual life in others (John 15:1-8; Romans 12:1-2). Every interaction – even online through Realm – presents an opportunity to make a spiritual investment in someone’s life. As such, choose your words wisely so as to always build someone up in their faith virtually, as you would do in person (1 Thessalonians 5:11).