



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE WK T: APRIL 25 & 28

LEADER INFO:

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BAPTISM CLASSES – Beach Baptism is coming May 19! If you'd like to get baptized at the beach, attend a baptism class. Learn more at coe22.com/baptism.

Now through May 16 after every service at all campuses

DISCOVER ELEVEN22 – God created us for community. We invite you to be a part of Discover Eleven22; either for you to learn about the different ministries at Eleven22, or for you to help connect someone looking for a Disciple Group, to yours.

Monday, May 6 | 6:30pm-8:30pm at all campuses

FAMILY CAMP - Family Camp is a unique opportunity for families of all generations and life stages to deepen their relationship with God and each other. Family includes anyone - moms, dads, grandparents, aunts and uncles, siblings, teachers and coaches. Anyone who is playing a critical role in raising up our youth.

Two opportunities: June 17-20 OR June 20-23

Learn more and sign up at coe22.com/familycamp.

New Verse!

MEMORY VERSE: *Only fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you. – 1 Samuel 12:24*

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN:

Mon: 1 Samuel 1:1-20

Tues: Luke 18:1-8

Wed: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Thurs: Matthew 6:5-16

Fri: James 5:13-18

Sat: Psalm 145



PROPHETS PRIESTS KINGS - WEEK 1: IN DUE TIME

THE POINT: PRAYER IS GOD'S INVITATION FOR YOU TO SNATCH YOUR FAITH OUT OF THE HANDS OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES AND PLACE YOUR TRUST IN THE HANDS OF YOUR SOVEREIGN SAVIOR.

TEXTS: 1 SAMUEL 1:1-20

TEACHING & DIALOGUE

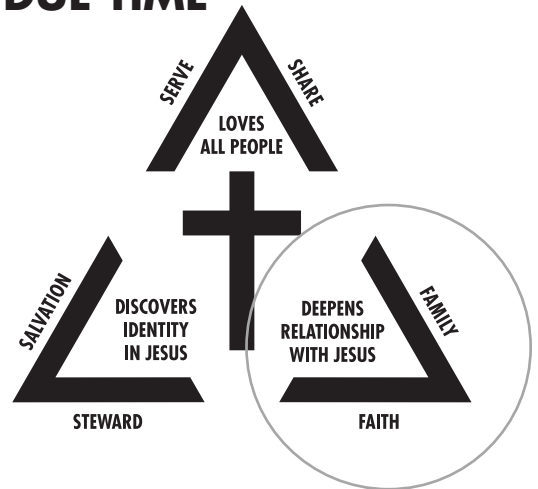
Have someone read 1 Samuel 1:1-20 out loud.

The book of 1 Samuel is a true and accurate account of the birth and establishment of the Israelite monarchy, and of how God carefully prepared the way for His king of choice. Before we are introduced to Samuel, we are introduced to the deep, 'soul pain' of his mother, Hannah.

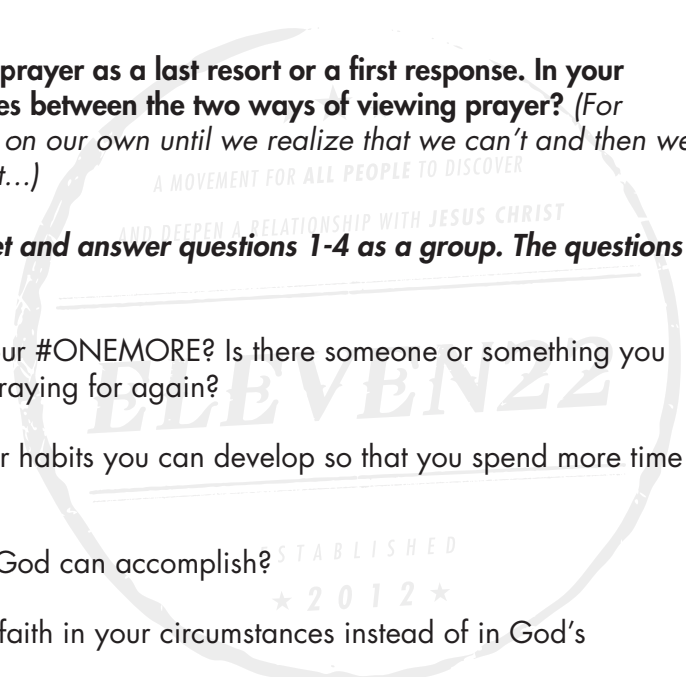
- 1. What does this passage reveal about the way God loves His people?** *(Before God ever used Hannah's prayers to change her situation, He used her prayers to change her heart... God desires for us to commune with Him through prayer, even if that means pouring our hearts out before Him.)*
- 2. Read verse 11. How does Hannah's heart wrenching and honest prayer encourage you in your own prayer life?** *(Hannah prayed through the things that made her soul ache... She was brutally honest with God, as she should be, because He cares deeply for His people. Hannah's prayer was one of surrender, as she laid her preferences at the Lord's feet.)*
- 3. What do people usually do when things don't go their way, when God isn't "coming through for them?"** *(Unanswered prayers are not an indicator of an unloving God... Pain and heartache are often things that draw us nearer to God.)*
- 4. Recall moments in your life where you have seen prayer as a last resort or a first response. In your personal experience, what were the big differences between the two ways of viewing prayer?** *(For example: often times, we will try to handle things on our own until we realize that we can't and then we decide to pray, rather than bringing it to God first...)*

Refer back to your 'Prophets Priests Kings' booklet and answer questions 1-4 as a group. The questions are below for your convenience:

5. Who are you consistently praying for? Who is your #ONEMORE? Is there someone or something you have stopped praying for that you need to start praying for again?
6. What are some lifestyle changes you can make or habits you can develop so that you spend more time in prayer?
7. What is something you are praying for that only God can accomplish?
8. In which areas of your life have you placed your faith in your circumstances instead of in God's sovereignty?



Often times, prayer doesn't change our situations, but it certainly changes us. Prayer is an opportunity for us to place our faith in Jesus, rather than in the circumstances we are currently walking through.



ACTION STEP

As we saw in the first week of our study in 1 Samuel, prayer is a powerful tool that God has given us to use. This week, at the end of your group meeting time, have everyone write their name on a piece of paper and put all of the names in a bowl or hat. Have each person in the group pick out one name and commit to praying for that person specifically for the rest of the week.

