



# DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

How to: Christmas - Week 3, Forgiveness  
December 17 - 20, 2020

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## LEADER NOTES

**Coach and Leader Gathering:** January 11 – Doors open at 6:00PM for dinner and childcare. Event starts at 6:30PM. RSVP at [coe22.com/coachandleader](http://coe22.com/coachandleader).

**NO CURRICULUM NEXT WEEK:** Next curriculum to be posted after Vision Sunday Jan 3, 2021.

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## GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Baptism Classes | Now – December 27 (no classes on Christmas Eve) | Every Campus**

Eleven22 celebrates surrendering our lives to Jesus with believer's baptism, a public proclamation of Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. If you'd like to take the next step and get baptized, join us for a baptism class. Learn more or join a class online at [coe22.com/baptism](http://coe22.com/baptism).

### **New Leader and New Coach Training | January 11 at 8:00PM | All Campuses**

Immediately following the Coach and Leader Gathering, this will be the last training before the spring trimester begins. If you're interested in leading a disciple group go to [coe22.com/newleader](http://coe22.com/newleader) to fill out the interest form. Plan on coming to the Coach and Leader Gathering too!  
RSVP: [coe22.com/coachandleader](http://coe22.com/coachandleader).

### **Christmas Eve Services | 2:30PM, 4:00PM, 5:30PM and 7:22PM | All Campuses and Online**

Invite your friends and family to join us on December 24 for a Christmas Eve service.

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**MEMORY VERSE:** All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness – 2 Timothy 3:16

### **THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN:**

Sunday – Romans 12:9-21  
Monday – Philippians 2:1-11  
Tuesday – Philippians 2:12-18  
Wednesday – Ephesians 4  
Thursday – 1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
Friday – John 13:1-17  
Saturday – 1 John 4:7-21

**Sent Focus -Week 51:** Please pray for Pastor Josh as he leads his church on the West Side! Pray for them to lead well through this season and that his congregation would be a witness to their community that Jesus is the one thing that drives everything.

**Church Planter – Josh Glymph– Refuge Jax – Jacksonville, FL**

## CONNECT AND CHECK-IN:

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR LIFE: (Use as needed for your group this week)

- Did you find rest this past week? How do you plan to seek rest this coming week?
  - What win or struggle did you experience this week?
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## How To: Christmas - WEEK 3: Forgiveness

The Point: The only way to navigate family strife during this season is to treat people the way Jesus has treated you. Forgiven people forgive people.

SERMON TEXTS: Matthew 18:15-35

### Discussion Questions

(The goal is to grow in our relationship with Christ and each other. It is ok if you don't cover every question).

## DISCOVER

Have someone read Matthew 18:15-20 out loud.

1. **What do these verses teach us about forgiveness?** *(Is the other person a believer or not? Evangelism or fellowship discussion? Was it actually a sin? Is the offense against me or someone else? The first step is speaking with the other person face to face).*

2. **Why is it difficult to forgive? Do you struggle with forgiveness?** *(Answers may vary).*

3. **Why does Jesus not want us to give up after one attempt of reconciliation? Have you ever used the steps outlined in verses 15-17?** *(There are additional opportunities to reflect on our part, a neutral third party can be more objective and help us see a log in our own eye).*

## DEEPEN

Have someone read 1 Timothy 6:11-19 out loud.

4. What is Peter trying to do when tries to set a limit on forgiveness? How do you relate to Peter in this passage? *(Peter doesn't understand how much he has been forgiven/ the sin debt he has accrued. Living in a fallen world and being sinful by nature can lead us to look for the easy way out, a loophole and a path of least resistance).*

5. Why did Jesus use such a large debt in this parable? *(It's an impossible amount of money/debt for those listening to Jesus. It was a debt that could not be paid back, just like the debt we have incurred with a perfect and holy God).*

6. How have you played the role of the servant? Where is unforgiveness holding you back from being free? *(Answers will vary).*

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## ACTION STEP

Leaders, to help your group with forgiveness this Christmas season, please download the "How To Christmas" resources and send out in an email.

Create your debt ledger.

Step one, write out the following: Who has hurt you? What is their sin against you and what do they owe you? What pain and feelings are associated with what they owe you?

Step two, choose what you will do with this debt. Will you hold onto it or will you cancel it by forgiving and remembering what Jesus has already done for you.

