

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

The Gospel According to John: WEEK 11, Doubts June 17 - June 20,2021

LEADER NOTES

Save The Date Coach & Leader Gathering | Monday August 16

Come be encouraged, equipped and empowered by your campuses discipleship minister to make disciples before the beginning of the fall trimester. **RSVP link coming soon!**

Attendance Reminder – Please make sure your group's attendance is taken each week. If you are not receiving the attendance reminder email, please let us know. Send your name, disciple groups name and home campus to disciplegroups@coe22.com.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS - Love God by loving one another!

Discover Eleven22 | After Every Service | June 10 - June 27

Discover Eleven22 will take place in the lobby at each campus. No registration required.

Bible Basics | Fridays in July | Learn more and register at coe22.com/classes.

Join us for a four-week class as we bust some myths about how we approach reading and studying the Bible. We'll discuss why we can trust the Bible, how to read it and learn practical tools to use every day.

Disciple Group Sent Event | DIY Serve Week starts July 12

This is an opportunity to serve your community while staying in your own living room. Take time in an upcoming disciple group meeting to meet the needs of another.

Find a list of the biggest needs in our communities at coe22.com/localoutreach.

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: coe22.com/readingplan

Sunday - John 6:1-71

Monday - Isaiah 43:11-25; 44:6-8

Tuesday - John 20:24-29; Philippians 4:6

Wednesday - Matthew 14:13-33; Mark 8:1-16

Thursday - Luke 9:10-17; John 7:37-39

Friday - Matthew 16

Saturday - Matthew 17:22-23; Mark 8:31-38

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR LIFE: (Learn about, encourage and pray for one another.)

- Did anyone decide on a date and time for a Connect or Sent Event?
- What are you learning through your personal Bible reading and prayer time?

The Gospel According to John - Doubts

The Point: What do you do with doubts and unanswered questions? You pick them up and follow after Jesus. He is the only one offering eternal life. – Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" – John 6:68

SERMON TEXTS: John 6

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

*Leader – read the prayer from page 61 of your Gospel According to John journal.

1. Which word describing Jesus stands out to you and why? (Answers may vary. All of these words are describing Jesus' character and nature. This is not all Jesus is, but He is all of these things! This is a great way to start all of our prayers; acknowledging and thanking God for who he is.)

Have someone read John 6:1-14

2. What is Jesus showing and teaching the disciples in this passage? (Verse 6 – The Lord will test us in order to discipline us, drawing us toward himself, and reminding us of our deep need for Him. Verse 9 – it's not what we bring to the Lord, but that we willingly bring all we have to him as a way to say, "What's mine is God's." Jesus equips and empowers believers to accomplish the work of ministry.)

Have someone read John 6:24-35

- 3. What does it mean to do the work of God? How are you doing God's work? (V29 "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." Basically, trust Jesus!)
- 4. What are the temporary things of this world that promise to satisfy you? (Leaders follow up with questions about how your group is fighting back against these empty promises. Remember Satan is the father of lies. Every time we become tempted it's because we have an enemy seeking to kill and destroy us.)

DEEPEN

Have someone read John 6:60-69

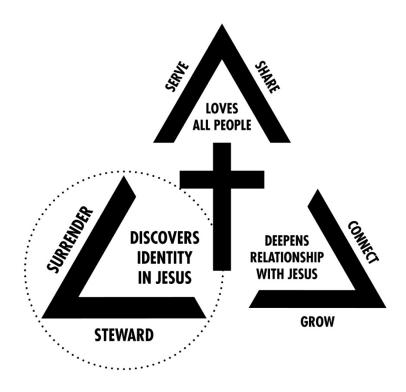
5. In verse 61 we see Jesus' followers grumbling, and Jesus asks if they're offended. Where do you find yourself grumbling and offended most often? What might Jesus be trying to show you through those emotions? (Answers may vary. Jesus' words are spirit and life. We all would do well to look at all God has done and respond with an attitude of gratitude.)

6. After Jesus lays out the hard truth, many of the people following him decide to leave. Jesus then asks the twelve if they too want to leave. Why did many of the followers leave? When have you found yourself confronted with Jesus asking, "Do you want to go away as well?" (Answers may vary.)

ACTION STEPS

A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus. What do you do with doubts and unanswered questions? You pick them up and follow after Jesus. He is the only one offering eternal life.

- 1. Find a quiet spot this week to sit and listen for God. As you prepare, consider places not just free of noise, but also places you connect well with God so that you may find quiet for your soul too!
- 2. Once in your quiet spot, prepare your heart to hear from God by doing the following:
 - Read the prayer from page 61 of your John journal and meditate (think) about the words that stand out to you
 - Open your Bible and read John 6:26-29; 53-58; 66-69
 - Ask yourself these questions and journal your answers: 1. What part(s) of my life am I still trying to control? 2. How am I loving God with all of my heart, soul, mind and strength?
 - Review your answers with God and ask Him to help you bridge any gaps between your answers from above and show you next steps he wants you to take today!



To download or print the discipleship journey tool and questions, click "HERE" next to the triangle on coe22.com/resources or follow this link to download and share with others in your group.