

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE The Gospel According to John: WEEK 14 July 8 - July 11, 2021

LEADER NOTES

New Who are you raising up to be a new leader?

Click on your campus to let your discipleship minister know who you are intentionally engaging in discipleship and helping to raise up as a future disciple group leader. We'd love to be praying for you and them as you walk out the discipleship journey, together! <u>Arlington</u>, <u>Baymeadows</u>, <u>Fleming Island</u>, <u>Mandarin</u>, <u>San</u> <u>Pablo</u>, <u>St John's</u>

RSVP Coach & Leader Gathering | Monday August 16

Come be encouraged, equipped and empowered by your campus discipleship minister to make disciples before the beginning of the fall trimester. **RSVP (yes or no) at <u>coe22.com/coachandleader</u>**.

*Invite the person you can see leading a group one day to come with you!

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS - Love God by loving #onemore!

Covenant Membership Class | Sunday July 25 at 1:00PM

If you are ready to move from attending to fully partnering in the mission, vision and values of Eleven22, please join us after the 11:22am service at your home campus. Learn more and register <u>HERE</u>.

Disciple Group Sent Event | DIY Serve Week July 12 - Saturday, July 17

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 <u>coe22.com/localoutreach</u>.

New Special Needs Buddy Break | July 24 9AM-12PM | At the Fleming Island campus

We have partnered with <u>Nathaniel's Hope Buddy Break</u> to provide a FREE RESPITE program for families with kids with special needs, 17 years of age and younger. Learn more at <u>coe22.com/specialneeds</u> or register your kid(s) <u>HERE</u>. If you want to serve at Buddy Break, please email <u>buddybreak@coe22.com</u>.

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

Sunday – John 8:12-59 Monday – Romans 8:1-2, 14-17 Tuesday – 2 Corinthians 3:17-18; Galatians 5:1, 13 Wednesday – Romans 6:11-18, 22-23 Thursday – 1 Peter 2:16; Exodus 20:1 Friday – Proverbs 1:23; Acts 2:38 Saturday – Malachi 4:2; Jeremiah 31:33-34

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

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

- Share a win big or small! What is God doing in your life?
- What is God calling you to do as your next step in your discipleship journey?

The Gospel According to John – Freedom

The Point: The gospel sets us free. We all serve something. Jesus is the only one that brings freedom in our surrender to Him.

SERMON TEXTS: John 8:12-59, Matthew 7:21

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

Have someone read John 8:12-38

1. What stood out to you from Pastor Joby regarding these verses and why? (Answers may vary.)

2. John 8:31-32 says, "So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, 'If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.'" Are you abiding in Him and His word? When you aren't, what stops you? (Answers may vary. Abiding in Him includes reading His word and following Him. The Biblical meaning of abide is stay, dwell, remain, live, reside. Jesus is the one we are to abide in.)

3. There are many lies being thrown at you by the world. How do you tell the difference between the lies and the truth? (This is another reason to read the Bible daily and meditate on the word. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. The more we know Him and His word, the more we know the truth and the easier it is to spot lies. Remember Pastor Joby's counterfeit money analogy.)

4. How does Jesus define freedom differently than the world does? What do you think Jesus means when he says everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin? (We think freedom means "I do what I want." The problem is that it's a trap. Rebellion always feels like fun and freedom at first, but it can only lead to bondage and eventually death. Jesus changes your worldly desires to a desire for Him. The only true freedom is freedom from the power and penalty of sin through Jesus.)

DEEPEN

Have someone read John 8:39-59

5. Who does Jesus claim He is and how does that impact how you think about Him and your relationship with Him? (Jesus claims to be God, the light of the world, "I am," and "Yhwh." Apart from Him you can't know the one true God. Do you know Him? He wants a deep, personal relationship with you.)

6. The point this week is: The gospel sets us free. We all serve something. Jesus is the only one that brings freedom in our surrender to him. What or who are you still serving other than Jesus? What do you need to surrender to Jesus right now? (Answers may vary. Leaders are encouraged to share first.)

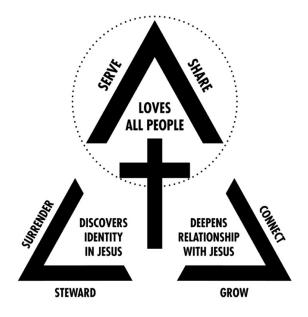
ACTION STEPS

A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus.

As disciples seeking to deepen our relationship with Jesus, we are comforted that we are saved by Jesus and not by our good works. Not only are we called to repent of our sins, but also of our righteous attempts to earn our salvation.

This week:

- Pray for God to reveal to you what He is calling you to repent from.
- Is there something you are doing to try and earn your salvation or right standing with God?
- Is there a temptation that's keeping you a slave to sin?
- Is there someone you could share the things you're struggling with?
- Ask Jesus to free you from the power of whatever has a hold on you.



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