

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE The Gospel According to John: WEEK 15 July 15 - July 18, 2021

LEADER NOTES

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!

Share Are you raising up a new leader?

Click your campus's link below to let us know who it is, so we can pray for you and them as you walk out the discipleship journey, together!

Arlington - Baymeadows - Fleming Island - Mandarin - San Pablo - St John's

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS - Love God by loving one another!

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 **HERE**.

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 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>

New Baymeadows Kids Park Hop | Saturday July 31 9AM-11AM

This summer, we will be meeting in parks all over Jacksonville to have fun and build community with our Eleven22 families! Bring your lawn chairs, snacks and games and come hang out with your Kids team. This is also a great opportunity to bring your #onemore and their kids! On July 31 we will be gathering at Deerwood Rotary Children's Park at <u>7901 Baymeadows Rd E, Jacksonville, FL 32256</u>

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

Sunday – John 9:1-41 Monday – 1 John 5:9-12 Tuesday – Mark 10:46-52 Wednesday – 1 John 1:1-4 Thursday – Psalm 146:8; Luke 4:18-19; Matthew 11:5 Friday – 2 Corinthians 4:4-6; 1 Corinthians 2:13-14 Saturday – Luke 18:35-43

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

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

- How was your time with the Lord last week? Did God call you to repent in a specific way?
- What is one thing you want to celebrate with the group this week?

The Gospel According to John – The Blind Man

The Point: I was blind. I met Jesus. Now I see. If that's true for you, who needs to hear your story of salvation?

SERMON TEXTS: John 9:1-41

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

Have someone read John 9:1-7

1. In what ways does sin cause pain and suffering in this world? (When sin entered the world, pain and suffering followed. Sin is the reason that sickness and death exist, but a specific sin in our life is not always the reason for our pain and suffering. A lot of pain is just a fact of living in a broken world. Other times it is someone else's sin, and we are collateral damage.)

2. How have you experienced pain and suffering throughout your life? Has God shown you a purpose for this pain? (Everyone has experienced pain and suffering. We would all do well to trust God and lean into Jesus while we're going through it. On the other side we must reflect on that time to see how God was working all things together for good, so that we might glorify Him through that pain!)

3. How is God glorified in this man's pain? Have you experienced God being glorified through your pain? (Pastor Stone taught us that when we find ourselves in pain: 1. Jesus sees us. 2. We may never unpack the cause, but, 3. God always has a purpose for our pain. Sometimes the purpose is to heal, sometimes to sustain, but it is ALWAYS that we might know him more deeply.)

Have someone read John 9:8-23

4. As Jesus followers we can sometimes experience opposition to our faith. After the blind man's eyes are opened, what types of opposition does he face and why? (Opposition came from his neighbors who had doubt, from the Pharisees who were stuck in their own pride, and from his parents who didn't necessarily oppose their son, but also demonstrated fear in the repercussions from others.)

DEEPEN

Have someone read John 9:24-41

5. Who needs to hear the story of your salvation and why? (Answers may vary.)

6. What is the biggest obstacle to you sharing your story? (Answers may vary. No matter what the obstacle you face, the story of the blind man is a reminder that we don't have to have all our theology together. Jesus wants us to share what we know... "I was blind. I met Jesus. Now I see.")

ACTION STEPS

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

As disciples of Jesus we don't have to have all of the answers. But, just like the blind man, we all have a story that is meant to be shared.

This week spend time writing out your story of salvation in three buckets:

- 1. What was your life like before you surrendered to Jesus as Lord and savior?
- 2. What were the circumstances around you meeting Jesus and being saved?
 - Were you someone else's #onemore?
 - What was happening in your life that led you to church?
 - What do you remember about the moment you first believed?
- 3. What is different about you and your life now?

Now with your story in hand, learn how to use it as a tool for the Great Commission by signing up for the Share Your Faith class on Saturday August 21. Go to <u>coe22.com/events</u>



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.