

The
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DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

The Gospel According to John: WEEK 24
September 16 – September 19, 2021

LEADER NOTES

Coaches Retreat | Saturday October 2 at The Retreat Center | 8:30AM-2:00PM

Disciple group coaches (or leaders wanting to serve as a coach) are invited to join the campus discipleship ministers at your retreat center for a time of equipping and fellowship. Go to coe22.com/coachandleader to RSVP Yes or No.

Share Your Disciple Group Pics – If you have candid photos of your group meeting, serving or hanging out, we'd love to see them and share what God is doing with the rest of your church family! Send your photos to disciplegroups@coe22.com

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS – *Love God by loving #onemore and one another!*

Share Your Faith class | Saturday September 25 9AM-12PM

Join us at this interactive workshop where you'll learn how to share your faith with others. In the workshop we'll discuss how to identify our testimonies, clearly present the gospel and other ways to intentionally live out the Great Commission as taught in Matthew 28. Learn more and register at coe22.com/events.

Care Team Orientation | Monday Nights Starting September 20

Our Care team members pray for, walk beside and share faith with others. Orientation is an opportunity for you to learn how to become a member of the Care team. Class will take place at all Eleven22 campuses (except St. Johns). To learn more and register visit coe22.com/care.

Ongoing Serve Frontline Healthcare Workers |

We as a church family are providing meals and notes of encouragement for frontline healthcare workers from *August through October*. **Join us** by creating notes with words of encouragement and prayers, small signs or children's drawings! Drop off your notes at the Connect Center of the campus nearest to you. The notes will be delivered to the healthcare workers along with weekly meals. Email your questions to localoutreach@coe22.com.

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

Sunday – John 17:1-26

Monday – John 13:34-35; Leviticus 19:17-18; Matthew 22:37-39

Tuesday – Matthew 5:13-16; Ephesians 5:1-2; 1 John 4:7-12

Wednesday – 1 Corinthians 13:1-7; 1 John 3:10-14

Thursday – Matthew 5:43-48; Luke 6:32-36

Friday – 1 John 4:19-5:1; Romans 12:10; 13:8

Saturday – Genesis 13:7-8; Acts 4:32-37

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

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

- What did you learn from taking the Spiritual Gifts assessment this past week?
- How was Saturated? Were you convicted about anything specific?

The Gospel According to John – The High Priestly Prayer

The Point: As Jesus prayed for us (those who will believe), He prayed that our RELATIONSHIPS with Him and each other would change the world.

SERMON TEXTS: John 17

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

Have someone read John 17:1-10

1. **As Jesus starts His prayer, what does He say about Himself? Why is this important?** *(v1--He is the Son of God, His goal is to glorify the Father; v2--He has the authority over all flesh, he has authority to give eternal life; v3—Jesus is the Word of God, everything the Father wants the world to know in a Person; v4—Jesus is holy and perfect; v5—He is eternal; v6—Jesus is fully God and fully man; v10—Jesus and the Father are one)*
2. **What promise(s) does Jesus offer to all believers in these verses?** *(Jesus promises eternal life, that we are God's children and always have been. We are safe and secure in God's family.)*
3. **Who and what are you praying for right now?** *(Answers may vary – Leaders: lean into the answers to better understand the prayer request. Also, **Pray** for the group before moving on.)*

Have someone read John 17:11-19

4. **What does it mean for us to be in the world (v11), but not of the world (v14)? How do we do that?** *(Our current circumstances don't define our eternal hope. We live among believers and non-believers alike, but we are called to live differently. Believers reject what the world hopes and strives for because we have an eternal hope that leads us to not strive, but just abide in Him!)*

DEEPEN

*Eleven22 is focusing on the word **Relationship** from our vision statement during this year. Disciple groups offer one way to live out what it means to be a disciple through discovering an identity in Jesus, deepening that relationship with Jesus and loving all people.*

Have someone read John 17:20-26

5. **Who is Jesus praying for in these verses? What is Jesus praying for?** *(Jesus is praying for the disciples who are with him at this time and for all future disciples, including you and me. Jesus is also praying for our #onemores. Jesus is praying for unity in his Church and that our love for each other will be seen by the world.)*
6. **How is God calling you to be an answer to Jesus' prayer, today?** *(Answers may vary.)*

ACTION STEPS

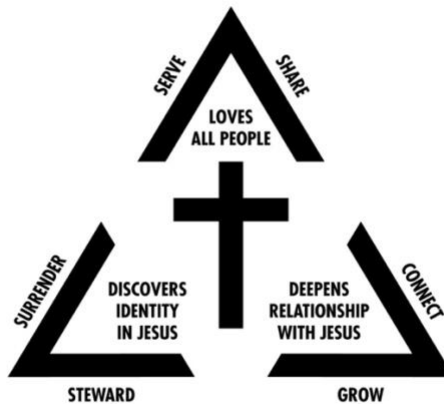
A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus.

Leader: In Jesus' prayer we see Him remind all believers of who He is, the relationship He has with the father and the purpose of His work on earth. We also see Jesus review the present reality of the world all disciples live in. Lastly, we see Jesus make requests to the Father.

Take a Next Step: This week we're going to pray using the A.C.T.S. method to guide our time. Find a quiet place where you can relax in the company of Jesus, detach yourself from everything going on around you and create a space to listen to what Jesus has to say to you. Success is intentional time with our Lord!

- **Adoration** – Tell God all the things you adore about Him; remind yourself why God is good.
- **Confession** – Tell God your sin, struggles, relationship challenges, etc; review your life with God.
- **Thanksgiving** – Tell God what you are thankful for in your life; remind yourself of God's past blessings.
- **Supplication** – Make your requests known to God! Pray for your #onemore, unreached people groups, the removal of addictions and bad thoughts. Where do you need strength? Request it all and keep asking!

Listen: After talking to God using A.C.T.S., sit and listen. Where do you feel comforted? What is Jesus telling you to do? Where is He stirring your heart in obedience to Him?



Go to coe22.com/resources and click "Download Tool" to download or print a discipleship journey tool with questions for you to ask yourself and others. Please share link and directions with others in your group.