



# DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

The Gospel According to John: WEEK 25  
September 23 – September 26, 2021

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## LEADER NOTES

**This Weekend Coaches Retreat | Saturday October 2 at The Retreat Center | 8:30am-2pm**

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](https://coe22.com/coachandleader) to RSVP Yes or No.

**Connect/Sent/Deepen Events** | Each trimester, disciple groups have an opportunity to go deeper with Jesus and each other. We encourage you and your group to schedule a Connect Night, Sent Event or Deepen Night. Go to [coe22.com/leaderresources](https://coe22.com/leaderresources) and open the resource guide flipbook to page 18 to learn more.

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

**Child Dedication Class and Dinner | Friday October 15 at 5:30pm**

If you're a parent and interested in having your child dedicated during service, join us for a dinner on Friday, October 15, from 5:30-8pm at our Arlington or Mandarin campus. Learn more about what it really means for parents and the church to partner in raising up your child in the gospel. In-service dedications will be October 28 and 31. For details and to register your child(ren), go to [coe22.com/kids](https://coe22.com/kids).

**New Special Needs Buddy Break | Saturday October 9 | Hosted at Arlington Campus**

We have partnered with Nathaniel's Hope Buddy Break to provide a FREE RESPITE program for families with special needs 17 years of age and younger. Parents/Guardians, come drop your kids off for gospel-centered, therapeutic lessons and activities and go enjoy some much-needed time alone. Siblings 17 and under are welcome to participate with us too! Learn more at [coe22.com/specialneeds](https://coe22.com/specialneeds).

**Ongoing Serve Frontline Healthcare Workers**

Eleven22 is providing meals and notes of encouragement for frontline healthcare workers from *August through October*. **Bring the following:** notes of encouragement and prayers, small signs or children's drawings! Drop items off at your closest campus' Connect Center. The notes will be delivered to the healthcare workers along with meals weekly. Email your questions to [localoutreach@coe22.com](mailto:localoutreach@coe22.com).

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THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: [coe22.com/readingplan](https://coe22.com/readingplan)

Sunday – John 18:1-13

Monday –Matthew 6:24; Isaiah 51:1-8

Tuesday – 1 Peter 5:6-11; Proverbs 23:26

Wednesday – James 4:6-10; Psalm 138:6; Matthew 23:12; Luke 1:52

Thursday –Luke 9:23-24, 57-62

Friday – Matthew 18:1-4; Mark 14:32-36

Saturday – Genesis 22:1-14

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## RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

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

- How was your prayer time last week?
- Where did you serve someone this past week? Why did you serve them?

## The Gospel According to John – Whom Do You Seek?

**The Point:** The only way to seek Jesus is through surrender.

SERMON TEXTS: John 18:11-4; Luke 22:39-46; Matthew 26:20-46; Luke 15:28-32

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### Discussion Questions

#### DISCOVER

**Leader Read:** Over the next three weeks we will all share parts of our testimony (life before knowing Christ as Lord, how we meet Jesus and became saved, and what life looks like now as a believer).

**1. This week let's start out by remembering, and sharing, what our lives were like before Christ. What were you seeking and where were you seeking it?** *(Answers may vary. Leaders: Similar to a personal testimony, encourage EVERYONE in your group to share this part of their story.)*

Have someone read John 18:1-14

**2. How do these verses contrast the different participants in Jesus' arrest?** *(Pastor Joby used an illustration of four chairs to explain the different participants in the arrest of Jesus. 1. Soldiers who revere Jesus but are against Him 2. Judas, close in proximity and activity, but betrayed Jesus with his life 3. Peter, who truly believes, and still made mistakes along the way 4. Jesus, who is surrendered to the Father's will, not His own. Jesus is God in human flesh and the other participants are humans, sinners by nature.)*

**3. What does it mean to "cut off an ear" in Jesus' name? Have you ever responded like Peter?** *(Answers may vary – Leaders: Dig deeper and challenge your group to repent, ask for forgiveness, make a phone call or whatever may be needed for Jesus to redeem that relationship.)*

Have someone read Luke 15:28-32

**4. Consider what Jesus is teaching us through these verses. Is there an example of sin to avoid? How about an example for us to follow and model ourselves after?** *(Answers may vary.)*

#### 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 as Lord, surrendering our entire lives to Him.

Have someone read Matthew 26:20-25

**5. All the disciples call Jesus, "Lord," except Judas, who calls Him, "Rabbi." What is significant about the different titles? What is Jesus teaching you and what do you need to surrender?** *(Answers may vary. If Jesus is NOT Lord of all, He is not Lord at all!)*

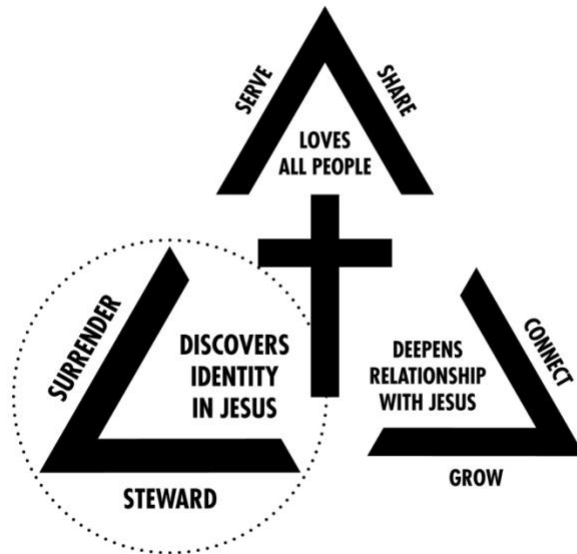
**6. How has The Gospel According to John series impacted you the most and who have you shared that with outside of Eleven22?** *(Answers may vary – Examples: I learned something new about God or about myself, surrendered a sin that was trying to kill me, or found deeper community with believers.)*

# ACTION STEPS

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

**Leader:** We are having #onemore weekends the next three weeks to close out TGAJ. We are going to pray for your #onemores right now. ASK: Everyone to share the name of at least one person they want to come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

**Take a Next Step:** This week, extend an invitation to your #onemore: invite to church, invite to coffee, invite to our disciple group, invite to go on a walk, etc. Come ready to share who you invited, what you invited them to do, and how it went.



Go to [coe22.com/resources](http://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.