



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

The Gospel According to John: WEEK 27
October 7 – October 10, 2021

LEADER NOTES

Coming Up Communion in Disciple Groups | Visit coe22.com/leaderresources

During our next sermon series, we as a church will be celebrating communion in our disciple groups. Please start preparing now by checking out the [communion guide](#) and [video](#) found on the leader resources page.

Share Your Faith Resources –For additional resources on writing your testimony and sharing your faith, go to coe22.com/resources, select “Topical Resources” and then “Share Your Faith.”

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

New ONE Legacy | Saturday November 6 starting at 10AM

One way to continue to make Christ the one thing that drives everything is to think about the legacy that we are leaving behind for our families. Join us for a free event where we'll talk about the benefits of creating a will and trust, as well as estate planning, regardless of your financial state. Learn more and register at coe22.com/classes.

Women's Encounter | Friday November 5 – Sunday November 7

What you believe about God impacts everything you do. All women, in all life stages, are invited to join us at our annual Women's Encounter to explore what it means to love God with your mind and apply theology in your everyday life. The weekend will be full of learning, connecting with other believers and unplugging from your normal routine to focus on God. Learn more and register at coe22.com/encounter.

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 to 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. Learn more and register your child(ren) at coe22.com/kids.

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

Sunday – John 19:38-20:31

Monday – Luke 24:1-43

Tuesday – Psalm 95:6-11; Hebrews 3:12-19

Wednesday – 1 Corinthians 15:3-8; 1 Peter 1:8

Thursday – Hebrews 11:1-12; 2 Corinthians 5:7

Friday – Romans 10:14-17; Mark 1:14-15

Saturday – Matthew 14:22-32

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

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

- Did you spend time reading through John Piper's quote on sin? What did God show you?
- What was the best part of your week? What was your hardest?

The Gospel According to John – If the Tomb is Empty

The Point: Jesus meets us in our humanity: in our fears, in our insecurity, in our sorrows, in our doubts, and he offers us faith.

SERMON TEXTS: John 19:38—20:31

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

Leaders Read: Over the last two weeks we've been sharing parts of our testimony (life before knowing Christ as Lord, how we met Jesus and were saved, and what life looks like now as a believer).

1. This week let's all share what our life looks like with Jesus as Lord, and how that is different than our life before we were saved. *(Answer may vary. Leaders: Encourage EVERYONE in your group to share this part of their story.)*

Have someone read John 19:38--42

2. What do we learn about Joseph and Nicodemus in these verses? What has following Jesus cost you? *(Joseph and Nicodemus are shown here as believers, but it was in secret until right now. Burying Jesus would have made them unclean by Jewish law and therefore unable to celebrate the Sabbath feast. Being affiliated with Jesus could have ended their political/professional lives.)*

Have someone read John 20:1--10

3. What stands out to you from these verses? *(Answers may vary but lean into the answers and ask good follow up questions. The Lord is speaking to each person, so help them see what He is saying.)*

Have someone read John 20:11--29

4. What commands and promises does Jesus give both the disciples present, and the disciples of today? *(To name a few: Jesus calls us by name. Jesus is the prince of peace. It's ok to doubt when you take the doubts to Jesus. Jesus has no problems proving himself. He wants us to be defined by His scars.)*

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 20:30--31 & Psalm 95

5. How has your faith in Jesus led you to find true life? *(True life is declaring God is the ONE thing driving everything and then living that way! Answering this question is "making a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.")*

6. Jesus meets us right where we are. We see the Resurrected Christ meet the insecure, arrogant, downcast, doubters, and the overwhelmed. How are you coming to Jesus right now? How is He meeting you right where you are? Is anything standing in the way of deepening your relationship with Jesus? *(Answers may vary.)*

ACTION STEPS

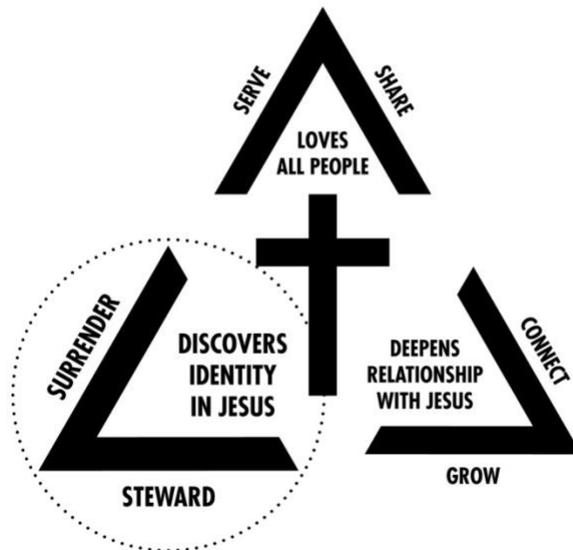
A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus.

Leader Read: "The Point" from page 154 of your John Journal. (Period added.)

Say: One way to believe God is who He says he is by bringing His past faithfulness into our present.

Take a Next Step: During your quiet time this week, read Hebrews 11:1—11 and consider the following:

- **God's word:** The writer of Hebrews wants us to know that sometimes we have to look back in order to move forward. God has always been faithful because that is who He is.
- **God's faithfulness:** Where has God been faithful in your past? Write ALL of them down (big and small).
- **Present reality:** Write down ALL of your fears, insecurities, doubts, and pain from the past/present.
- **Connect the dots:** Looking at both lists, draw lines from your present fears/insecurities/doubts/pain to the specific places God was faithful through similar feelings and situations in the past.
- **Pray:** Remember A.C.T.S.



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.