



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

Song of Solomon: WEEK 9 – Til Death Do Us Part
March 11-14, 2021

LEADER NOTES

SAVE THE DATE Coach and Leader Gathering – Monday May 10 at All Campuses

More information and a link to RSVP will be coming towards the end of March.

Share a Win - Have you seen God moving in and through your disciple group? We'd love to celebrate God's goodness and grace with you and your group. Go to coe22.com/disciplegroups - click Share a Win.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good Friday | March 30 at 6:30PM | All Campuses and Online

There is no celebration of the risen King without the crucifixion. We can't properly celebrate the resurrected Jesus without first meditating on His suffering on the cross that Friday. Join us for a Good Friday service as we reflect on the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. Learn more at coe22.com/easter

NEW! ONE Legacy | April 17 | 10am, both in person at our Arlington campus and online

As we continue the journey of making God the one thing that drives all other things in our lives, we get to think about the legacy that we are leaving behind for our families. Join us for a free event hosted by Financial Planning Ministry (FPM). Learn more and register at coe22.com/classes

NEW! Share Your Faith Workshop | April 10 9am-12pm online only

Would you like to be more confident in talking about Jesus and sharing your faith? Get equipped and encouraged to share the love of Christ at our Share Your Faith workshop. Register at coe22.com/classes.

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

Sunday – Song of Solomon 8:1-7

Monday – Deuteronomy 23:21; Ecclesiastes 5:4-5; Proverbs 15:4

Tuesday – Matthew 5:31-32; 19:3-9; Romans 7:1-3; 1 Corinthians 7:39-40

Wednesday – Malachi 2:13-16

Thursday – 1 Corinthians 7:10-18; Ephesians 5:21-33; 6:11-13

Friday – Hosea 1:2-3; 3:1-3

Saturday – 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a; 1 Timothy 1:8

RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN:

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

- **Action Step Review:** Were you more intentional last week regarding your relationships? How so?
 - How has our study through the Song of Solomon impacted your marriage or singleness?
 - What have you learned from Song of Solomon that has impacted you the most?
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Song of Solomon – Till Death Do Us Part

The Point: Faithfulness and fidelity are not simply the goal for your marriage but the foundation on which your marriage is built.

SERMON TEXTS: Song of Solomon 8:1-7

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

Ask one person to read Song of Solomon 8:1-7 out loud..

1. What is the difference between being committed to marriage rather than being committed to a spouse? How would this influence a marriage? *(Being committed to marriage can mean that you are just hanging on to the institution rather than nourishing and cherishing the person. Surviving marriage is different than thriving in marriage. By loving and cultivating the person, intimacy is achieved.)*

2. How is a long-lasting marriage, till death do us part, reflective of God's love and nature? *(God is long suffering with us, compassionate, forgiving, generous, gracious, loving, kind, merciful and mighty. These qualities are necessary for a marriage to be long lasting. As we reflect God's character to our spouse and cultivate that character in them, the marriage is able to thrive.)*

3. The enemy wants to kill, steal and destroy your marriage or future relationship. Why is it so important to remember this and how could the success of a marriage be impacted by forgetting this reality? *(We are living dangerously by forgetting we have a formidable enemy. It is easy to live like no one is out for our demise, but our naiveté could cost us our faithfulness and fidelity in our relationship.)*

4. How do you think your view of divorce impacts your view of marriage? *(Answers will vary.)*

DEEPEN

Ask one person to read 1 Corinthians 7:5-16 out loud

5. How is your spouse a sanctifying agent of God in your life? If you are single, how are you cultivating the love of God in the lives of others? *(Answers will vary.)*

6. How would you describe a thriving marriage? How is this different than a surviving marriage? Which would describe your marriage? *(Answers will vary but can include that a surviving marriage is unhealthy, filled with complacency or contempt, more like roommates. A thriving marriage is when both spouses are intentional, considerate, respectful, forgiving, etc. The greatest factor in cultivating a thriving marriage is when both spouses are cultivating their own relationship with Christ.)*

ACTION STEP

Married – Ask God how you can show faithfulness and fidelity toward your spouse in a new way this week. After going to God, sit down with your spouse and work through the action step on page 80 of the Song of Solomon study journal.

Unmarried – Ask God to help you work through the action step on page 80 of the Song of Solomon study journal, but with a twist. Ask, “What do I value in my current relationships and why?” Afterwards consider how you can be intentional with family or friends, cherishing them in a new, tangible way, loving them as God loves you.

