

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Life Defined - Week 1: The Rich Young Man January 12 - 15, 2023

LEADER NOTES: **Optional disciple group break until 1/23/23.** No on-campus childcare is provided during the break.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – What's your next step? Stay informed and connected to ALL the things God is doing in and through The Church of Eleven22 at <u>coe22.com/news</u>.

BIG OPPORTUNITY: Disciple Groups signup weekends are 1/12/23 - 2/12/23: Pick at least one service for your entire disciple group to serve together. This is a great opportunity to ask people to join your group. Come be a friendly face, offer a warm smile, and answer questions for people taking a next step of faith. Sign up your group to serve, show up 30 minutes before service and stay 20 minutes after. Here are the links to sign up to serve at your campus: Arlington, Baymeadows, Fleming Island, Jesup, Mandarin, Orange Park, St. Johns, San Pablo.

Financial Peace University 2023 is a seven-week course designed to help you better steward the financial resources God has given you. FPU will be every Monday, from January 23 to March 6 from 6:30-8:30pm at our San Pablo, Arlington, Mandarin, Orange Park and Online campuses. <u>Click here for more information and to register</u>.

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

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week?

The Point: Jesus not only rescues us from, but rescues us in and through, our suffering.

SERMON TEXT: Mark 10:17-27; 1 John 2:15-17; Romans 3:19-20; Matthew 13:44-45

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

LEADERS – Every week we're asking you to begin with these two questions. It's a great way to get the conversation started.

- What stood out to you from the sermon this week?
- What did God reveal to you in any of the scriptures this week, maybe for the first time?

DEEPEN

Read Mark 10:17-27

- Pastor Britt suggested the rich, young man might have been performing for Jesus and the crowd, rather than being sincere. When you find yourself "performing" for God and people, how can you recognize that, repent and surrender it to Jesus? (You don't earn your salvation by performing for Jesus. The beauty of the Gospel is Jesus's total and complete payment for your sin on the cross and the gift of eternal life based on none of your merit, for Him to receive all the glory. Jesus wants a real relationship with the real you.)
- Money is a neutral tool, but the bible tells us the LOVE of money is the root of all kinds of evil. When has the love of money, power, youth, etc. impacted your life and how do you know when you've taken a good thing and made it a God thing? (When given an opportunity to be generous, your response to the gifts God has given you says a lot about your attachment to the gifts versus your attachment to God. You may think you're looking for a what, but what you really need is a Who. The Gospel demands more than you ever thought but offers more than you ever imagined.)
- Mark 10:21 says, "And Jesus, looking at him, loved him..." What do you feel, think and respond when you hear, God loves YOU? (Pastor Britt pointed out four ways we react to hearing that Jesus loves us. 1. You never heard that before: What was your first reaction? 2. You heard it but don't believe it: Do you question it because of what you've done? Does shame have so much power in your life because you've yet to take hold of something with more power? 3. Heard it a million times and are used to it: Have you let the beauty and awe of the Gospel become old and mundane? 4. You are defined by it. It is your highest calling, your most important thing, and your identity. When you have faith to believe that Jesus loves you, that truth can continue to transform your life every time you hear it. Christianity is not an addition to your life it is an explosion of grace that consumes your life. It's not something you do; it's something done to you that takes control.)

ACTION STEP

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

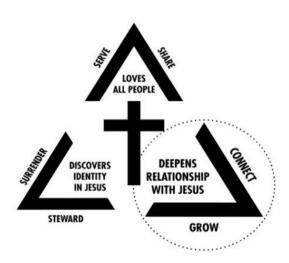
The LOVE of money kept the rich, young ruler from the deep relationship he could have had with Jesus. What are you wrestling with Jesus over that's hindering your relationship with him? Pray and journal about how you can surrender that to Jesus this week.

Additional Resources:

• **RightNow Media:** Find *an unending supply of resources* by signing up for a FREE RightNow Media account. Go to <u>coe22.com/rightnowmedia</u> or text "RightNow" to 441122.

(Note: You'll need to login or create an account to view RightNow Media content.)

• Details on the 10:10 Life are available at <u>coe22.com/1010life</u>.



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