

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

Psalms – A Sermon Series: Week 2 April 28 – May 1, 2022

LEADER NOTES

Upcoming Dates to Know

May 8: End of Spring Trimester (optional break May 9-June 5) May 22: LAST New Leader Training for the summer (visit <u>coe22.com/newleader</u>) May 26-June 5: Summer DG Sign-ups (ask your campus Discipleship Minster how to serve these weekends) June 6-July 31: Summer Trimester

ANNOUNCEMENTS - WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

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If you are passionate about seeing more women empowered to choose life for their unborn babies, we encourage you to connect with First Coast Women's Services (FCWS)! There are so many opportunities to serve both on-site and off-site. FCWS has centers in Baker, Jax Beach, Clay, Mandarin and North Jax. To learn more and help us save lives today, visit <u>coe22.com/localmission</u>.

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

Sunday – Psalm 8 Monday – Psalm 2 Tuesday – Psalm 3 Wednesday – Psalm 4 Thursday – Psalm 5 Friday – Psalm 6 Saturday – Psalm 7

LOOKING BACK

WHAT HAPPENED IN YOUR LIFE THIS PAST WEEK: (Check-in, encourage and pray.)

- How were you obedient to God this past week? Have you been reading/listening to the Psalms?
- Where did you struggle this past week?

Psalms Week 2: What is Man That You are Mindful of Him?

The Point: "When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?" Psalm 8:3-4

SERMON TEXT: Psalm 8

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

LEADERS: Ask someone to read Psalm 8. Use the questions as a guide for discussion.

- What does Psalm 8 share about God's majesty and glory in the heavens and on earth, and how do you participate in God's glory? (God is a very personal God, but He's not a private God. His majesty is displayed in all creation.)
- Pastor Adam explained that the words, "You have", appear six times in Psalm 8, pointing towards God's grace. What is grace, and where do you recognize God's grace in your life? (Grace is undeserved favor from God, and the gift to us that God has done for us what we could not do for ourselves. The psalmist demonstrates that God did all the work to provide, but the author gets all of the benefits, just as Jesus paid for all of our sin, and we receive the benefits of salvation. Every other religion says, "I have to do something" and Christianity, like this psalm, says "God you have already done it all.")
- How does the phrase "Son of Man" at the center of this psalm point to the Gospel? (Pastor Adam circled the phrase "Son of Man," which is in the middle of the psalm in verse 4b, pointing to the name that Jesus often called Himself in the New Testament. The Gospel of Jesus Christ as the Son of Man makes us right with God and FREE to delight in Him and His creation for those who have put Christ at the center of their life.)
- Verses 1 & 8 are reminders that the life of the believer is to be lived for God's glory. What does that mean and how can we leverage all of our lives to God's glory? (The life of the believer is not compartmentalized! This means we don't have a work life, family life, church life, etc. Everything we do can be worship and bring glory to God).

DEEPEN

Let's go deeper into God's word and discuss how we can apply these truths to our lives!

LEADERS: Reread Psalm 8 and use the questions below as a guide for discussion.

- It's not the eloquence of our speech, but the object of it, that has power! Think about the last time you shared your faith. What happened and what did you learn?
- Why should God's creation stir your affections for Him? How do you find enjoyment in God's creation in a way that gives Him glory?

ACTION STEP

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

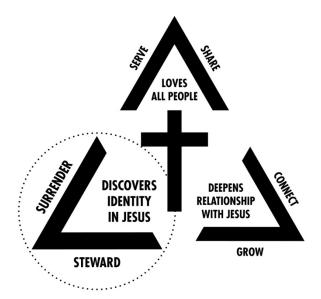
This Week: Consider the following. Is your life rooted in God's word or are you trying to navigate life on your own? This week commit to turn down the noise of this world and turn up God's word in your life!

- "I will" commit to rewriting Psalm 8 in your own words.
- Text "Psalms" to 441122 if you have not yet opted in to receiving a Psalm a day.

Additional Resources:

- A Psalm a Day: Text "Psalms" to 441122 to join us as we read through the Psalms together.
- **Psalms Resources:** Visit coe22.com/psalms or download the Eleven22 App.
- **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.

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