

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE Saturated: Get Dunked September 18, 2022

LEADER NOTES

JOIN US FOR VISION NIGHT - September 25 • October 2 • October 9 • 6PM

Pick a night and bring your disciple group as we gather together for an evening of worship, vision and prayer on **September 25** (San Pablo campus only), **October 2** (all campuses except St. Johns) or **October 9** (all campuses except Jesup and St. Johns); you are welcome to come to all, but please prioritize one. Childcare is available for 0-5th grade.

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>.

Volunteer with Community Health Outreach of Jacksonville at the CHO food pantry, medical clinic or thrift store to serve those in need. Visit <u>coe22.com/localmission</u> for more info and to sign up to serve.

Women's Encounter at Epworth By The Sea, October 14-16: Join us for a weekend away to unplug and deepen your relationship with Jesus. We will talk about the heart of Christ, expand our thinking about God and deepen our faith in Him. <u>Click here for more details and to register.</u>

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

Saturated: Get Dunked

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

The Point: "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?"

SERMON TEXT: Matthew 3:13-17; Romans 6:1-4; Ephesians 2:8-9; Luke 23:39-43; Romans 3:20-22; Acts 8:26-39;

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

LEADERS - Please explain this to your group: Every week we're asking you to start the discussion with these two questions. It's a great way to get the conversation started. Encourage your group members to think about these questions each week while they're listening to the sermon. It will help them stay engaged and prepare for group.

- What stood out to you from any of the Saturated sermons and how can you apply that this week?
- What did God reveal to you in any of the scriptures this week, maybe for the first time?

DEEPEN

LEADERS: Because the topic of Pastor Joby's sermon is one many in your group will know well, challenge them on how they would explain salvation and baptism to their one mores and how they can share this information in their sphere of influence.

Read Matthew 3:13-17; Romans 6:1-4; Ephesians 2:8-9

• How would you explain to a non-believer, or a brand-new believer, what baptism is? (Practicing in your group will make it much easier when you are asked in real life.) (Baptism is an ordinance given to us by Jesus to signify the most significant thing that has happened in your life – your salvation by grace through faith in Christ. The old is gone (buried) and the new is here (reborn). Baptism is the outward expression of your inward commitment to Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.)

Read Luke 23:39-43; Romans 3:20-22

• Jesus told one criminal on the cross, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:43, author's paraphrase) 1. What does that say about how you earn your way into heaven? 2. How would you explain this amazing grace to a non-believer? (1. Trick question! We can't earn our way to heaven. It is a free grace gift bought with the blood of Jesus Christ. The criminal could do nothing to make up for the sins in his life. He wasn't going to live past sundown! We can't make up for our sins, either. Our salvation comes by grace alone, through faith alone in Christ alone. 2. Discuss.)

Read Acts 8:26-39

• Take turns sharing a time you were nervous or scared about sharing your faith. What did you do? How did it turn out?

ACTION STEP

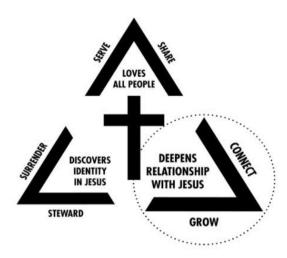
A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus.

- If you missed any of the sermons during Saturated, <u>listen to them by clicking here.</u> If you're pressed for time, try listening on your drive to work, during your workout, or while you're doing household chores. (I love to listen while I'm mowing the lawn.)
- Pray that God will give you an opportunity to talk about Jesus with someone this week and then, when you feel the Holy Spirit nudge you, do it right away. Share what happened during group next 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.

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