

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

The Next Thing - Week 2: What is That in Your Hand? September 29-October 2, 2022

LEADER NOTES: **NEW: Bring an equipping class to your group**. Options include multiple topics for Men's groups, apologetics, interpreting scripture, world religions, creating your testimony and how to disciple your family. Go to <u>coe22.com/leaderresources</u> and scroll down for details and to sign up.

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>.

Let's join the <u>Will King Foundation</u> in praying for Ahad, a one-year-old boy coming to Jacksonville from Togo, Africa for heart treatment at Wolfson Children's Hospital.

NEW: Halftime Video Resource - Based on the book by Bob Buford, *Halftime Moving from Success to Significance*. Get started on the process to take stock of your life so far, redefine significance and what it means to you, identify your personal goals and develop a mission for serving God for the rest of your life. Text HALFTIME to 441122 to gain access.

LAST ONE: VISION NIGHT • 6pm • October 9 (all campuses except Jesup and St. Johns) Bring your disciple group as we gather for an evening of worship, vision and prayer. Childcare is available for 0-5th grade.

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: coe22.com/readingplan

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

The Point: God does not call the equipped, but He equips the called. What is He calling you to do? What is the NEXT THING for you?

SERMON TEXT: Exodus 3 and 4: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

LEADERS – Remember: you don't have to cover every question each week. Let the Holy Spirit be your guide. 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 the sermon 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

Read Exodus 3

- Moses had five excuses when God called him.
 - What are your favorite excuses?
 - How can you lean on God to overcome them and do what He's calling you to do?
- What were God's responses to Moses' excuses and how does that answer apply to you? (God said, "But I will be with you..." (Exodus 3:12 author's paraphrase). This is always God's answer to why we should not be afraid. It's not about you or how great you are, it's about God. He doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called for His purposes and for His glory. We can depend on God to come through. It's not up to us, it's up to God.)
- God may not send you a burning bush, speak out loud and tell you what He wants you to do. However, His word has already told all of us what to do. List some of those things. (Here are a few: Love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. Love your neighbor as yourself. Make disciples who make disciples. Love your wife the way Jesus loves the church. Outdo one another with honor.)
 - Which ones are you doing?
 - When was the last time you did one of them?
 - Which ones are you making excuses to avoid doing?
 - How can you begin doing them this week?

Read Exodus 4 what's in your hand?

• God said to Moses, "What is that in your hand?" and He told Moses to use it for His purpose. What is in your hand that you can use for God's purpose? How and when can you begin to do that?

ACTION STEP

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

• Pray about what God is calling you to do next. Share it with the 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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