



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

James - Week 4: Be Doers of the Word
June 29 - July 2, 2023

LEADER NOTES: **Summer trimester:** 6/5-7/30, **Fall trimester:** 8/28-12/10 **New Leader Trainings:** 8/6, 12/10 in person and 8/7, 12/18 on Zoom. **Coach and Leader gathering at all campuses: 8/21**

Leader Podcast Now on Spotify: This week is Disciple Groups Coach and Leader Johnny McLaughlin on the process of raising up new leaders from your group. You can listen to the [new episode here](#). You can listen to every episode of [Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less on Spotify](#).

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 coe22.com/news.*

Summer Serve Week •July 10-16 •We are all called to live life on mission and there are many ways that we can serve on the mission field right here in our own city. Visit coe22.com/localmission to view all summer serve week opportunities and sign up to serve.

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

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

The Point: Intentions are useless. Being a follower of Jesus means that you take the next step of obedience in the direction where He is calling you.

SERMON TEXT: *James 1:20-25; Matthew 4:19; John 2:5, 10:2-5, 11:1-16 and 21:18*

Discussion Questions

LEADERS: There's no pressure to get through all the questions, we suggest prayerfully planning your choices for your group. Your leadership of sharing and questioning will determine how deep your group goes with each question.

- **What stood out to you in the sermon this week?**
- **Read *James 1:20-25*. What did God reveal to you in the scriptures this week, maybe for the first time?**
- **The book of James begins with who we are as followers of Jesus Christ. Regarding our relationship with Jesus, what is the difference between wisdom and knowledge?** (*Pastor Joby explained that wisdom is applied knowledge. We often ask for the knowledge of what, instead of the wisdom of who. Who am I to be? The doing comes out of the being. I am to be a "beloved brother/sister" of Christ and because of who I am, I will now DO what the LORD says.*)
- **"For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing." (*James 1:23-25*) If you look in the mirror and do nothing to change, the mirror isn't really helping you and you are not a doer of the Word.**
Discover: Where in your life do you see evidence of being a doer of the word? Where do you see the fruit of the Spirit in your life? (*Obeying God's Word leads to life, liberty and the abundant life. The Bible tells us the enemy's vision - to steal, kill and destroy. The Good Shepherd's vision for your life is the abundant life. In obedience to Him, you get Him.*)
- **Discover:** If you could do anything for the glory of God, what would you do? What is God telling you to do? Share what your next step is. (*Being a follower of Jesus means that you take the next step of obedience in the direction that He is calling you. Your intentions are meaningless if they don't lead to actions. Our Discipleship Journey tool can help you as well. Go to www.coe22.com/connect or the Eleven22 app and download the tool.*)
Deepen: We are all busy and sometimes that can prevent you from taking your next step. What do you need to remove from your life so you have room to respond to God's call?
- **We are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone. How is the process of taking your next steps of faith and being a doer of the Word NOT salvation by works?** (*Being a doer of the word is a grace driven effort. Grace is not opposed to effort; it's opposed to earning. It's a process of following Jesus and becoming more like Him. He is at work and "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." (Philippians 1:6) It's a progressive process of, "What is my next step of faith in the direction of obedience?" I'm not all that I'm going to be but thank God I'm not who I use to be.*)

ACTION STEP

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

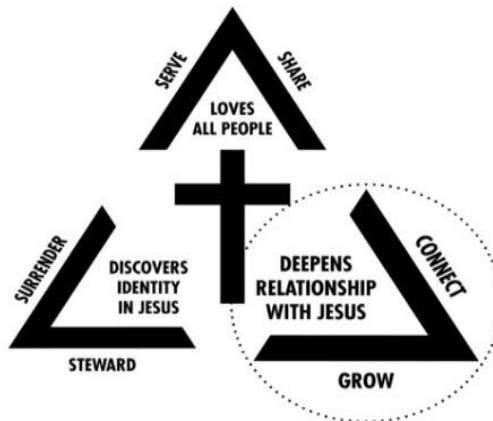
We want you to truly hear from God on what your next season of ministry looks like and how God might use all of us, together as a faith family, to impact all of eternity. We should leverage everything God has given us, time, talent and treasure, all for His glory and invest in forever instead of storing up treasures on Earth.

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- Details on the 10:10 Life are available at coe22.com/1010life.



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