

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Philippians - Week 7: Press On

March 16 - 19, 2023

LEADER NOTES: Spring trimester runs from 1/23 - 5/7

Equipping Ministry Teachers: Available to come to your Disciple Group to teach a session on apologetics, interpreting scripture, world religions, ways to create your testimony and how to disciple your family. <u>Click here for more and to register.</u>

New Video curriculum and Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less podcast will return next week.

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>.

Special Needs Interest Night • March 23 • 6-7pm • San Pablo campus (Auditorium C) Come join us if you are interested in serving in our special needs ministry. Hear about Eleven22 Kids and Eleven22 Student ministry and what's rolling out for adults with special needs, both within our Eleven22 church life and at Hope's Closet. <u>Click here to register</u>.

NEW Women's IF:Gathering • San Pablo Campus (Auditorium A) • 3/25 9am-5pm • \$10 • Come join other ladies and dive into how we can live IF we believe God is who He says He is. This event is an on-demand replay with a live host and live worship. No childcare provided. <u>Click to register.</u>



Disciple Group Survey: If they haven't already, please ask everyone in your group, including the leaders, to scan the QR code with their phone right now and fill out the anonymous survey. (If you have new members in your group, they don't need to do this.) We're excited to hear what God is doing to and through you and your disciple groups and how we can make them even better.

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

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

The Point: Sanctification is the transforming of our lowly bodies over time to be like Jesus.

SERMON TEXT: Ephesians 2:8-10; Philippians 3:12-21; John 9:24; Luke 10:38, 18:18; Psalm 27:1-4; Rev 21:1-8

Discussion Questions

LEADERS: We're giving you the option, based on your group and where God is leading your discussion, to select Discover and/or Deepen questions below. There's no pressure to get through all these questions during your time, but we suggest prayerfully planning your choices. Your leadership of sharing and questioning will determine how deep your group goes with their answers.

Action Step check-in: Have someone recite the memory verse from last week.

- 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?

Read Philippians 3:12-21

- In Philippians 3:12-13, Paul says, "not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead....." <u>Discover:</u> What does Paul mean to "press on" and to "forget what lies behind"? (Pastor Britt said that one of the enemy's greatest tools is to use our past to defeat us in the present. The invitation of Christ is not that you would be defeated by your past, but that you would be defined by His love for you.) <u>Deepen:</u> Why is the athletic language of running a race an appropriate comparison to our spiritual walk? (Discuss why discipline and self-control is critical to spiritual growth.)
- Pastor Britt shared four people in scripture who were marked by the "one thing" that defined their lives (Mary in Luke 10:38, the rich young ruler in Luke 18:18, David in Psalm 27:1-4, and the man born blind in John 9:24). He pointed out that over time our behavior reveals what or who we really love based on how we spend our time, talent, treasure, and temple (our body). <u>Discover:</u> What in the lives of the people in these scriptures revealed the "one thing" that was most important to them? <u>Deepen:</u> Based on how you spend your time, talent, treasure, and temple, what would others say is the one thing that is most important to you?
- Philippians 3:17 says, "Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk
 according to the example you have in us." <u>Discover:</u> The people we choose to admire in this life says a
 lot about the direction we're headed. Who are you admiring, and why? <u>Deepen:</u> All of us have learned
 through imitation. Who are you imitating? Who is imitating you?

ACTION STEP

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

As a church, we are memorizing Scripture during this series.

You can make each week's memorization verse the wallpaper on your phone: Go to the E22 app. Click on "Philippians" at the very top. Click, "Memory Verse Wallpaper." Click "Wk 7 Memory Verse." Save the photo and then add it as your wallpaper.

Click here for a short video with some tips on memorizing scripture and go to coe22.com/resources for more.

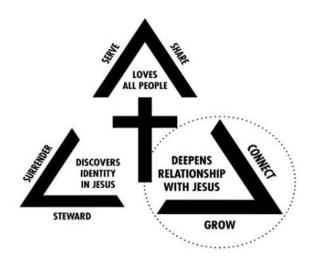
This week memorize *Philippians 3:12,* "Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own."

Additional Resources:

RightNow Media: Find an unending supply of resources by signing up for a FREE RightNow Media account. Go to coe22.com/rightnowmedia 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 coe22.com/1010life.



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.