



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM FACILITATOR WEEK 3 - OCTOBER 6 & 9

LEADER INFO:

- If you haven't yet, please pick up the field guides for men after service in the Connect Center and Welcome Desk. If you need more just let us know by e-mailing Garri Lynn the Disciple Groups Coordinator at garrilynn.darter@coe22.com.

- October 17th is our men's-only BBQ catered Disciple Group Experience. If you have room open in your Mixed or Men's Group this is a FANTASTIC way to fill those seats and disciple! You can RSVP at www.coe22.com/disciplegroups.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- So far our Disciple Group Gathering at Hope's Closet is going GREAT! If you still haven't signed up (or are having to reschedule) for October 15th and 22nd there are still open slots. Discuss with your group and pick a shift. We will have food and a fun gift for each group! Childcare is NOT provided and only children who are 13 years old and up are allowed to serve. See the open shifts below:

October 15:

1 spot open for 9am-1pm
1 spots open for 1-5pm
12 spots open for 2-6pm

October 22:

20 spots open for 2-6pm

ACTION STEP FOLLOW UP (5 MINUTES)

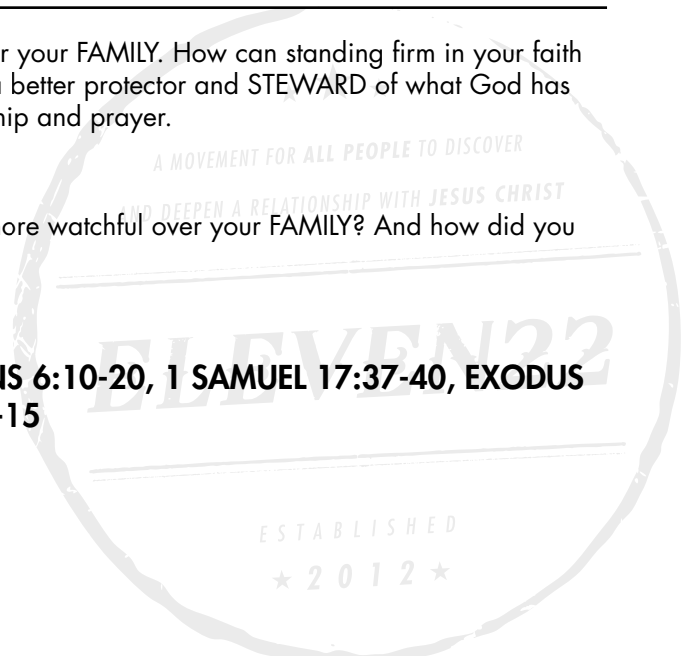
LAST WEEK:

Identify at least one way you can be more watchful over your FAMILY. How can standing firm in your faith and deepening your relationship with Jesus make you a better protector and STEWARD of what God has given you? Fuel your faith with the Word of God, worship and prayer.

FOLLOW UP QUESTION

What were some ways you identified this week to be more watchful over your FAMILY? And how did you fulfill this need?

TEXTS: 1 CORINTHIANS 16:13-14, EPHESIANS 6:10-20, 1 SAMUEL 17:37-40, EXODUS 15:3, GENESIS 1:27, AND COLOSSIANS 2:14-15



THE RECAP (10 MINUTES)

In our third week of Act Like Men Pastor Joby taught us who our enemy is and how to engage that enemy on behalf of those that we love. We learned that our enemy is not our boss, wife, or kids but that it is a spiritual enemy. And against it we STAND FIRM wearing not our own armor but the armor of God. To lead our FAMILY and to have victory we must dress ourselves confidently with the specific armor given to us by God.

BIG IDEA: TO STAND UP AND ACT LIKE MEN WE MUST DRESS OURSELVES FOR BATTLE AND GO TO WAR TO **DEFEND** AND **PROTECT** OUR LOVED ONES. STAND FIRM BECAUSE OUR VICTORY IS IN JESUS.D

TEACHING & DIALOGUE

Have someone read Ephesians 6:10-20 out loud.

1. What are areas in your life where you see (or saw) a spiritual battle taking place? How does it affect your daily life? Your FAMILY? Your FAITH?
2. Where are you missing a piece of the armor? Was there a particular piece (or pieces) of God's armor you need to man yourself with?
3. What does it look like practically, daily, in our lives if we only arm ourselves with pieces of the armor, rather than the WHOLE armor? How can this jeopardize our relationship with Jesus?

Have someone read 1 Samuel 17:37-40 out loud.

4. When you face battles in your life, do you stand firm with confidence in the Lord or do you shudder in fear? And what prevents you from having that confidence?

Have someone read Exodus 15:3 and Genesis 1:27 out loud.

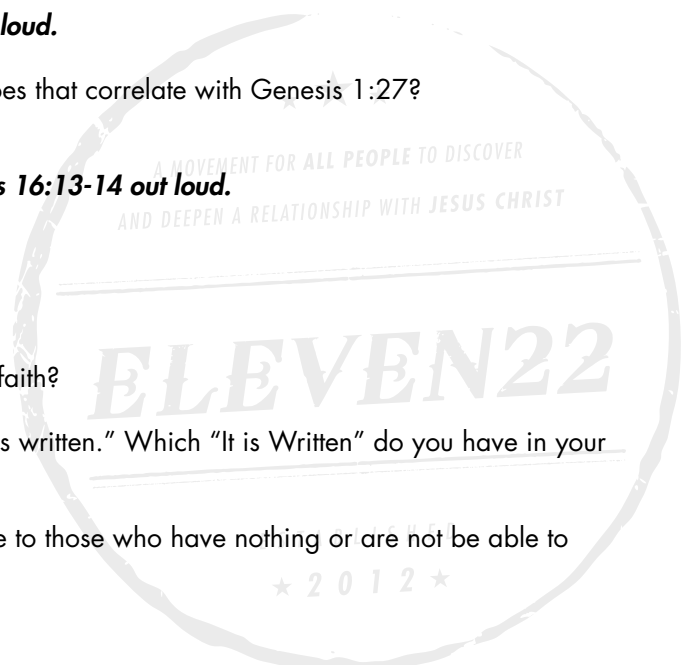
5. What does Exodus 15:3 say about God and how does that correlate with Genesis 1:27?

Have someone read Colossians 2:14-15 and Corinthians 16:13-14 out loud.

Questions for men:

6. Who are you DEFENDING and PROTECTING?
7. What things do you regularly do to stay firm in your faith?
8. Pastor Joby challenged us this week to memorize "it is written." Which "It is Written" do you have in your heart and head to combat the devil's lies?

(Leaders: bring some powerful Scripture with you to give to those who have nothing or are not be able to recall from memory on the spot.)



Questions for women:

6. Pastor Joby challenged us this week to memorize "it is written." Which "It is Writtens" do you have in your heart and head to combat the devil's lies?

(Leaders: bring some powerful Scripture with you to give to those who have nothing or are not be able to recall from memory on the spot.)

7. What atmosphere have you created for the men in your life to enter into? Is it helping them to stand firm?

ACTION STEP



- CULTIVATE MINISTRY
- PUT DOWN ROOTS
- PLANT THE GOSPEL
- SOW GOSPEL SEED

The week write down at least 2-3 "It is Writtens" and place them in prominent spots in your home or office where they can be seen daily. Try and memorize at least one of these Scriptures and SHARE it with someone. Use it to not only encourage and DEEPEN your own relationship with Jesus but to encourage and DEEPEN (or DISCOVER) someone else's relationship with Jesus.

