

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE WEEK 5 - MAY 18 & 21

LEADER INFO:

This is the last official week of the Spring semester. If you are leading your group over summer there will be curriculum provided and we ask that you continue to follow it.

If you have not responded to us about whether you are leading your group over summer please email disciplegroups@coe22.com.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS: BEACH BAPTISM COMING SOON!

Come celebrate with us as people proclaim Jesus as their Lord and Savior at Beach Baptism on June 11!

- **Get Baptized** If you know Jesus as Lord and Savior and have not been baptized as a Believer please join us at a baptism class offered after each service at every campus. Sign up at coe22.com/baptism.
- •Serve at Beach Baptism Come celebrate life change on June 11 at Hanna Park. We would love for you to come serve as a disciple group. Sign up at coe22.com/baptism.

TEXTS: LUKE 14:1-11, PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11, 1 PETER 5:1-7

THE RECAP: (10 MINUTES)

In week 5 of the Storyteller series Pastor Stone taught on biblical humility from the parable of the wedding feast in Luke 14. Humility was not merely modeled by Jesus but it was commanded by Him too. As disciples we are called to live in humility by lowering ourselves and honoring others. The point is not to be exalted, but rather to join Christ in His humility knowing He is the treasure Himself. We can practically do that by looking upon Jesus, examining our heart, modeling Jesus passionately, and shaming the flesh.

THE POINT: FOR EVERYONE WHO EXALTS HIMSELF WILL BE HUMBLED, AND HE WHO HUMBLES HIMSELF WILL BE EXALTED." LUKE 14:11

HUMILITY IS NOT THINKING LESS OF YOURSELF, IT'S NOT EVEN THINKING OF YOURSELF LESS. HUMILITY IS THINKING MORE AND MORE ABOUT THE GLORIOUS NATURE OF JESUS UNTIL WE FORGET TO EVEN THINK OF OURSELVES AT ALL.

TEACHING & DIALOGUE

Have someone read Luke 14:1-11 out loud.

In this Scripture Jesus joins some Pharisees for dinner knowing that their motives are not pure but rather they are trying to catch Him in a lie. Jesus continues to extend grace to the Pharisees by spending time with them and teaching them. The parable Jesus tells them addresses pride and humility. The common practice at a gathering such as a wedding was that each seat reflected the person's status who sat in it. The person of honor would have a special seat and the order of status would then go on from there. Jesus is not sharing the parable merely to teach good manners but rather to teach living out the disciples call to a lifestyle of humility.

- 1. What was Jesus most concerned about in these Scriptures?

 (The people in the room instead of His position in the room.)
- 2. Where does pride exist in your heart? How is it being expressed in your life?

 (We ALL have pride in our heart. It is a constant act of repentance to turn from that pride and focus on Jesus.)
- 3. What does humility look like practically in your life? What needs to change for you to live out that humility? (Think about your motives with your coworkers, kids, spouse, etc.)

Have someone read 1 Peter 5:1-7 out loud.

The Apostle Peter is writing to the churches to address the roles of the members of the church. He calls the overseers to shepherd their flock as servant leaders and calls those in the flock to respond with humility. This is done with the perspective that all would one day answer to the Chief Shepherd, Christ Himself. Jesus would at that time bestow an eternal crown of glory onto His disciples. This glory would be different than the world's treasures and would be bestowed on His timeline.

- 4. What does this Scripture tell us about God and what does it tell us about us? (God cares about us and He is in control and will determine when to exalt.)
- 5. What things are you trying to control in your life instead of trusting God with?

 (Are you steeping on others to climb the ladder at work? Are you manipulating your friends or family to get what you want?)
- 6. What anxiety do you have as a result of trying to control things?

 (How is that anxiety controlling your thought, words, and actions?)

Close by reading Philippians 2:1-11





DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY ACTION STEP



■ CULTIVATE MINISTRY
■ PLANT THE GOSPEL

■ PUT DOWN ROOTS
■ SOW GOSPEL SEED

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