



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE WEEK 6 - MAY 25 & 28

LEADER INFO:

Mark your calendars for August 12, from 9-11:30am for the Leader Celebration at San Pablo.

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: DEUTERONOMY 31:8, ISAIAH 55:8-9, JEREMIAH 32:17, PSALM 115:3, PROVERBS 16:9, MATTHEW 20:1-16, 1 TIMOTHY 6:6

THE RECAP: (10 MINUTES)

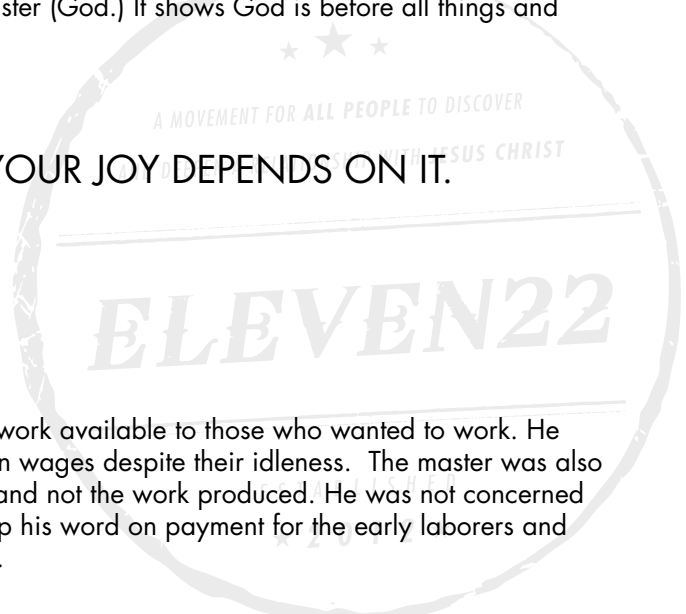
In week 6 of the Storyteller series Pastor Britt unpacked The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. He broke down the parable into 4 sections including the Master (who is representing God), the Master's call (representing how God calls people into His work), the Laborers, and the Warning. The parable is less about the laborers (which is us) and more about the Master (God.) It shows God is before all things and has already laid out the work for us to join into joyfully.

THE POINT: GIVE GLORY TO GOD, YOUR JOY DEPENDS ON IT.

TEACHING & DIALOGUE

Have someone read Matthew 20:1-16 out loud.

It is obvious in this parable that the master had a lot of work available to those who wanted to work. He kept pursuing workers and giving them a chance to earn wages despite their idleness. The master was also very generous as he based the wages on his choosing and not the work produced. He was not concerned with man's standard of fairness, but rather chose to keep his word on payment for the early laborers and bless those who entered into the work later in the game.



1. What belongs to the master in this parable?

(The location of the vineyard, the contents of the vineyard, the condition of the vineyard, the size of the vineyard, the time of the harvest, the number of workers needed for the harvest, the payment the workers will receive, the time the work begins and ends, the task on which the workers work, the day/time/and location at which the workers are called and put to work)

2. What does God's sovereignty mean for us?

(Our salvation does not depend on us. We can't earn it which means we can't lose it.)

3. Why is it important that the reward did not change based on the laborers work or time spent working?

(God calls His children at different times. He calls them through the Gospel and He has set the call and reward way before they received their call.)

The laborers who had worked all day were upset with the wages handed out because they were looking at the job as an entitlement instead of a gift from the master. The fact that they even had the job was because the master allowed them to have it. As Christ followers, when we live for the gift giver instead of the gift we experience joy. Joy is not rooted in our activity, but rather it is rooted in our identity.

4. How has your joy become based on your activity instead of rooted in your identity in Christ?

(Think about how you react when things don't go your way or when you don't get the recognition you think you deserve.)

Have different people in the group read the verses below out loud:

- Deuteronomy 31:8
- Jeremiah 32:17
- Psalm 115:3
- Isaiah 55:8-9
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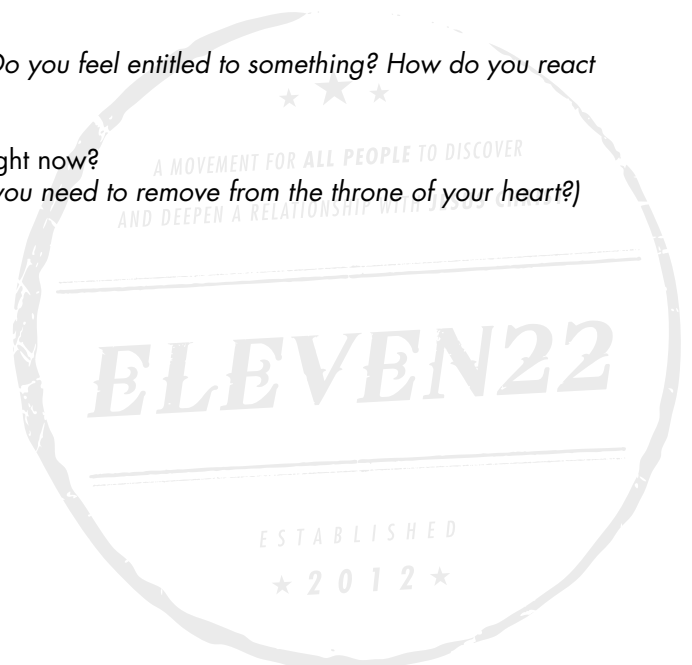
God is all powerful and holy. He answers to no one. He spoke the world into existence and sustains all life. He knows the number of hairs on your head and can crumble mountains in an instant. He is a good God who has given His perfect Son as the ultimate sacrifice. His activity is not for mankind to critique or refute. He deserves all glory, honor, and praise.

5. When have you judged God and His activity?

(Have you felt as if you know better than God? Do you feel entitled to something? How do you react when God shows favor to others and not you?)

6. How do you need to give God the glory in your life right now?

(What do you need to thank Him for? What do you need to remove from the throne of your heart?)



DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY ACTION STEP



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



BEFORE ALL THINGS

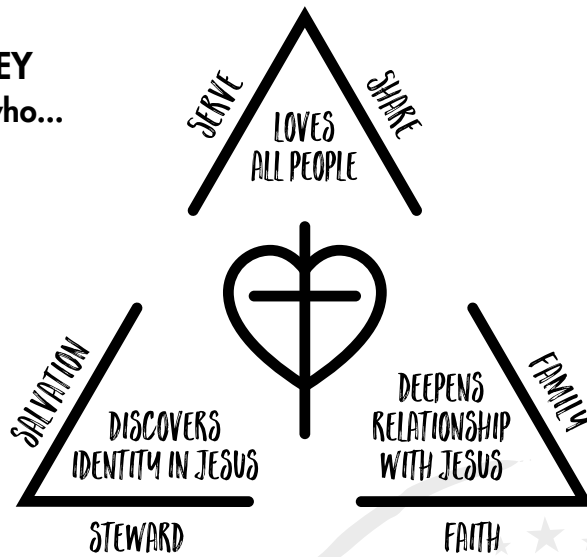
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