



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

WEEK 11 - JUNE 29 & JULY 2

LEADER INFO:

- Mark your calendars for August 12, from 9-11:30am for the Leader Celebration at San Pablo.
 - Encourage potential group leaders to fill out the leader application at coe22.com/disciplegroups. Then they must attend one New Leader Training.
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GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

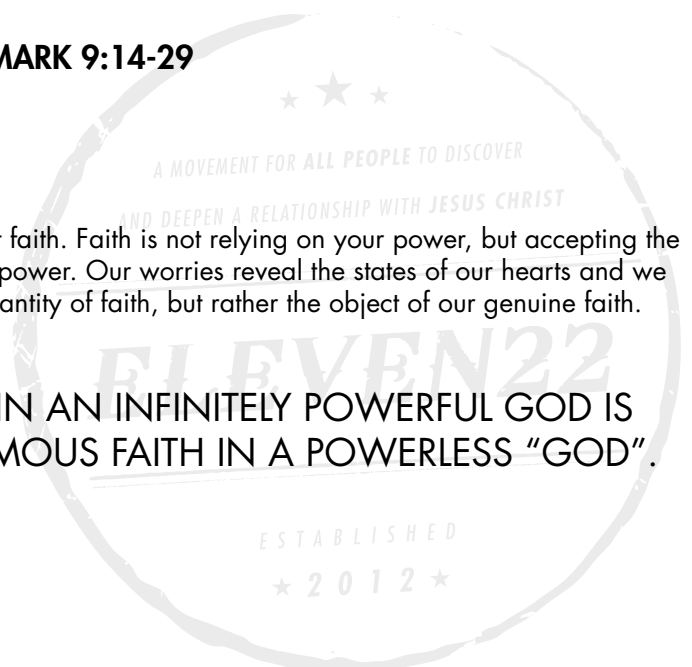
- **New Disciple Group Leader Trainings** - To become a Disciple Group Leader please fill out the application at coe22.com/disciplegroups. Once that is complete we will send you a form to sign up for one of our new leader trainings.
 - **Share Your Faith Training** – Many things don't scare people as much as talking about Jesus. Do you have trouble sharing your faith? Get equipped and encouraged to share the love of Christ. July 22 from 8:30am-12:30pm at the San Pablo campus only. Register by July 18 at coe22.com/shareyourfaith.
 - **Covenant Membership Class** - Are you ready to move from attending church at Eleven22 to actively engaging in God's movement through our church? If you're ready to call The Church of Eleven22 your church home and to be an active participant in it, then join us for the next Covenant Membership class. Saturday, July 8 from 8:30am-noon. Learn more or register for the class at coe22.com/membership.
 - **Baptism Classes** - If you'd like to get baptized, sign up to meet one-on-one with a staff member or come to a baptism class for adults. Sunday, July 9 at 1:00pm. Register at coe22.com/baptism.
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TEXTS: MATTHEW 13:31-32, MATTHEW 17:14-20, MARK 9:14-29

THE RECAP: (10 MINUTES)

In the last week of the Storyteller series Pastor Joby talked about faith. Faith is not relying on your power, but accepting the gift of free salvation from God and depending on Him and His power. Our worries reveal the states of our hearts and we are called to have a mustard seed of faith. It is not about the quantity of faith, but rather the object of our genuine faith.

THE POINT: A SMALL AMOUNT OF FAITH IN AN INFINITELY POWERFUL GOD IS INFINITELY MORE POWERFUL THAN ENORMOUS FAITH IN A POWERLESS "GOD".



TEACHING & DIALOGUE

Have someone read Matthew 13:31-32 out loud.

The mustard seed was the smallest known seed at the time Jesus told this parable. The tiny seed which grows into a large tree-like bush can represent the mighty movement of faith corporately and personally. Christianity started out with just a few people and grew to worldwide proportions over the centuries since Jesus' time. In the same sense a tiny amount of faith can personally grow into a full-fledged dependence on God

1. What does it mean to have "mustard seed faith"?
(The amount of faith required to do great things is small. True faith that comes from God can grow to immense proportions in the lives of believers and spread to influence all they come into contact with.)
2. How is it possible for us to even have faith?
(Read Ephesians 2:4-5. It is through the grace of God that He offers us the free gift of salvation. We simply accept this gift.)
3. Can you provide an example of what has held you up from trusting in God in the past, or currently?
(Unforgiveness, death of a loved one, putting too much faith in yourself or someone else, etc.)

Have someone read Mark 9:14-29 out loud.

In this account, a boy's father is desperate for Jesus to heal what seemed like a helpless situation. The man's son had a demon who some thought was impossible to cast out¹. The man's little faith compels him to go to Jesus while simultaneously realizing his own doubts about Jesus. His profound words of "I believe; help my unbelief" represent the reality of the struggle to let go of our own efforts and rely on God's power.

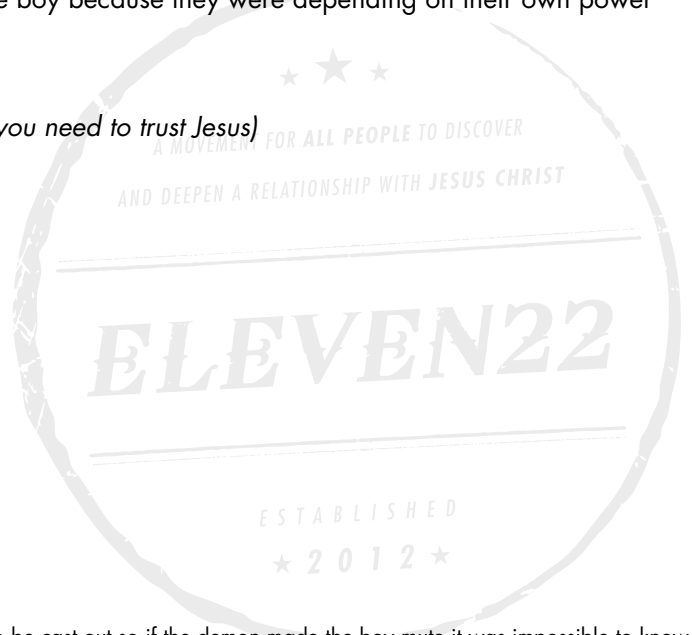
4. What are your doubts concerning Jesus? What do you do with those doubts?
(Do you let your doubts crippled you or do you bring them to God?)

Have someone read Matthew 17:14-20 out loud.

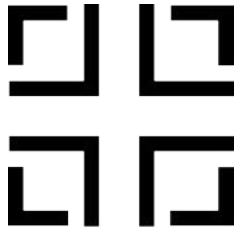
Having faith in God is believing that He is who He says He is and that He is going to do everything He says He's going to. In this healing account, the disciples could not heal the boy because they were depending on their own power instead of the power of God.

5. In what area of your life do you need to trust Jesus in?
(Think about what you worry about. This will reveal where you need to trust Jesus)

¹ Some Jewish exorcists at the time believed one must know a demon's name to be cast out so if the demon made the boy mute it was impossible to know his name. David Guzik. Blue Letter Bible. https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/guzik_david/StudyGuide_Mar/Mar_9.cfm (accessed June 28, 2017.)



DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY ACTION STEP



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

Write down a prayer to God and include some of your doubts. Be completely honest about your belief and your unbelief. Then share some of those doubts with someone who points you to Jesus.

BEFORE ALL
THINGS

DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY
A disciple is someone who...

