



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE WEEK 18: MAY 17 & 20

LEADER INFO:

1) We are having a Covenant Membership class specifically for you, our Disciple Group Leaders! If you are ready to move from participant to full owner of the mission, vision, and values of Eleven22, we invite you attend this class. Join us at our San Pablo campus on Sunday, May 27th at 1:30 p.m. Childcare and lunch provided. [Please register here.](#)

2) For onboarding this summer trimester, we are having a Tent Party on Thursday, May 31st and Sunday, June 3rd. Come meet new group members and help folks get plugged into biblical community. [Click here to sign up to serve!](#)

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRAISE! Last weekend we saw 111 salvations! This means that 111 people were adopted into the family of God! Join us by celebrating all that God is doing in each of those individuals.

PARTICIPATE! Is God calling you to lead a Disciple Group? Join us at a New Leader Training – May 24th or May 27th. Go to www.coe22.com/disciplegroups to fill out the application.

SPREAD THE WORD! Disciple Group Experience is happening June 4th at 7pm at all campuses for anyone that's not in a group and wants to see what it's like. Encourage those you know that aren't part of a group to attend! They can sign up at www.coe22.com/disciplegroups.

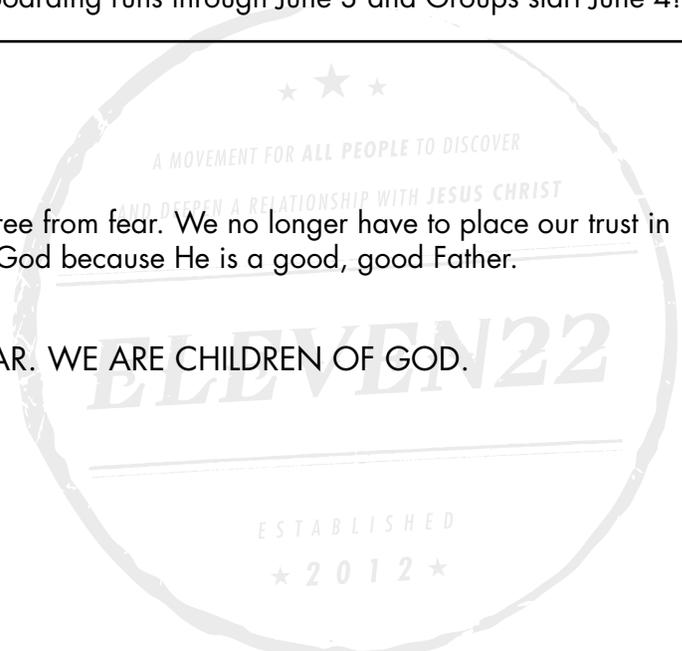
PRAY! Be in prayer that more Eleven22ers would choose to be part of a Disciple Group this summer so that they have a group of believers to deepen their faith with! Onboarding runs through June 3 and Groups start June 4!

TEXTS: ROMANS 8:12-17

THE RECAP: (10 MINUTES)

Because we are adopted into the family of God, we are free from fear. We no longer have to place our trust in our circumstances, but rather, we get to place our trust in God because He is a good, good Father.

THE POINT: WE ARE NO LONGER SLAVES TO FEAR. WE ARE CHILDREN OF GOD.



TEACHING & DIALOGUE

Have someone read Romans 8:12-13 out loud.

1. What does verse 12 refer to?
("So then" refers to the beginning of chapter 8... Because there is no condemnation, because God has done for you what you cannot do for yourself, and because the Holy Spirit dwells within you we are indebted, not to the flesh but to the Spirit.)
2. How does the fact that we are indebted to the Spirit settle with you?
(Often times, as Christians, when we think about what God did for us by sending Jesus, we begin to feel as if we need to do good works in order to earn our salvation.)
3. If we live by our own efforts, we will surely fail. How can we practically rely on the Holy Spirit daily?
(Through prayer, through worship, and through Word. We must walk by the Spirit in order to grow and pursue holiness.)

Have someone read Romans 8:14-15 out loud.

4. If you are in Christ, you are considered a son or daughter through adoption. What does this tell us about the nature of God?
(He chooses you – mess and all. He is good and merciful to unrighteous sinners. He loves us as much as He loves Jesus!)

Have someone read Romans 8:16-17 out loud.

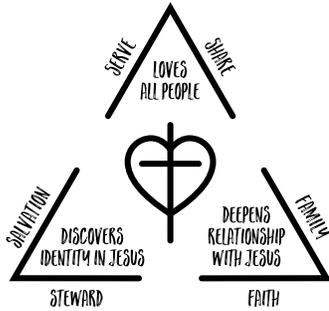
5. These verses provide an incredible promise! What does it mean to bear witness to something?
(To prove that something is true.)
6. In what ways have you experienced the Holy Spirit 'bearing witness', or revealing, to your spirit about your adoption into the family of God?
(The Holy Spirit, proves to our spirit that we have been adopted into the same family as Jesus. Let that sink in for a minute. We are co-heirs with Jesus Christ! When we believe that Jesus' death on the cross counted for us, we will receive the same rewards as Jesus.)
7. The fact that we have the same inheritance as Jesus should give us hope. How does this hope push you through the suffering you face in this life?
(We can remember this life is a journey on our way to receiving a spectacular inheritance. This world is not our ultimate home, one day it will all be worth it.)
8. Why do you think Paul adds in V17, "...provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him."?
("Suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame." - Romans 5:3-4. Suffering forces us to rely more on God and removes our false-thinking that we can rely on ourselves.)

Have someone read the following verses: Luke 9:23, 2 Timothy 3:12, Hebrews 12:6-7, 1 Peter 4:13. (Each of these verses points to the suffering that Christians are called to as we follow Christ.)

9. Where have you experienced suffering since you've been following Jesus? How has this suffering strengthened your faith and drawn you closer to Christ?
(Think of specific examples from your life.)

DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY ACTION STEP

DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY
A disciple is someone who...



How does the reality of your true identity as a child of God spur you on to suffer for Christ? Share in your group one thing you will do this week to stir your affections for the Lord and to deepen your realization that you are a co-heir with Christ.

This week, spend time meditating on the glorious inheritance you will one day receive through your faith in Jesus Christ.

