



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE WK 3: MARCH 21 & 24

LEADER INFO:

CORRECTION: The March Disciple Group Leader Newsletter had an incorrect date. The Leader & Coach Gathering is April 29 from 7:00-8:30PM. Sign up yourself and any leaders you are raising up! We can't wait to see you and meet them.

Please RSVP at coe22.com/leadergathering

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#ONEMORE WEEKEND – March 28 & 30

Who is your #ONEMORE? Next weekend is an opportunity for you to invite that person to hear a clear invitation to respond to the gospel.

GOOD FRUESDAY IS COMING – Tuesday April 16, 6:30pm at all campuses

Join us for a Good Friday service where we will walk through the seven sayings of Christ on the cross. We can't properly celebrate the resurrected Jesus without first meditating on His suffering that Friday.

HOOR OF PRAYER - Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00pm

SHARE YOUR FAITH CLASS - Saturday, April 6, 8:30am-12:00pm at the San Pablo campus

Would you like to be more confident in talking about Jesus and sharing your faith? Get equipped and encouraged to share the love of Christ at our Share Your Faith class. Cost is \$10 and includes breakfast and materials.

**LAST WEEK OF THIS VERSE*

MEMORY VERSE: And God spoke all these words, saying, ² "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³ "You shall have no other gods before me.
- Exodus 20:1-3

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN:

Monday: 1 Kings 18:20-46

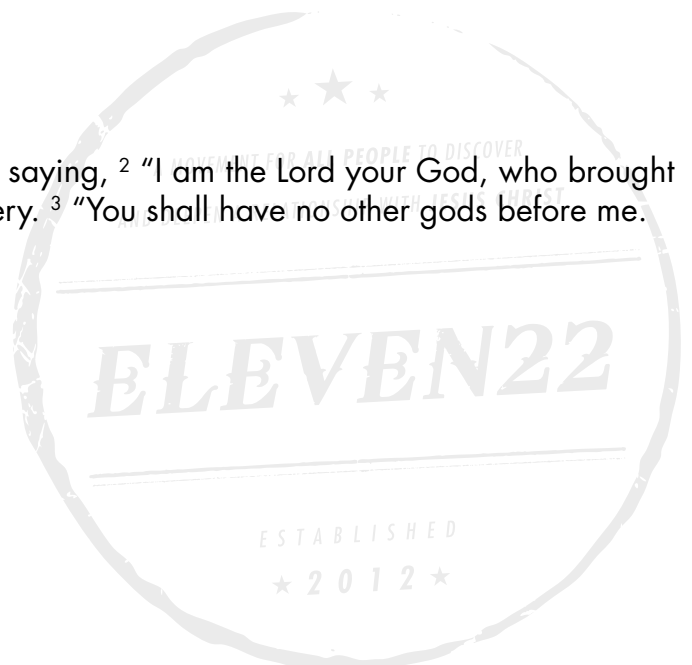
Tuesday: John 14:6

Wednesday: Matthew 7:12-14

Thursday: Ephesians 2:8-9

Friday: Psalm 112

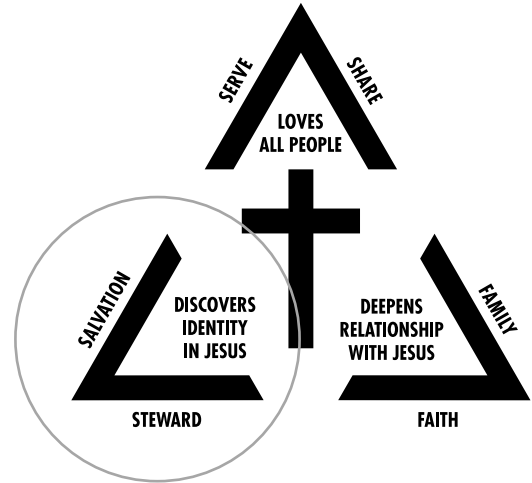
Saturday: John 8:31-38



MOUNTAINS: WEEK 3

THE POINT: A MUSTARD-SEED-SIZE FAITH IN THE INFINITELY POWERFUL PROMISE-KEEPING GOD IS INFINITELY MORE POWERFUL THAN PUTTING ALL OF YOUR FAITH IN TEMPORARY PROMISE-BREAKING IDOLS.

TEXTS: TEXTS: 1 KINGS 18:1-39



*Salvation is in Christ. If he is not Lord of all, He is not Lord at all.
"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." - Deuteronomy 6:4-5*

TEACHING & DIALOGUE

*Prayer – not just for concluding or wrapping up group time. Start tonight in prayer; begging the Spirit to move, break chains, remove scales from eyes, and remove desires to pretend or perform.

1. Which part of this week's sermon did the Holy Spirit speak to (or trouble) you through Pastor Joby's words?

Have someone read 1 Kings 16:29-33, 1 Kings 17:1 & 1 Kings 18:17-19 out loud.

We started this week by hearing the backstory of King Ahab, and what led to the drought in Israel. Ahab was known for doing more bad than all other kings before him. He married Jezebel, a Sidonian by birth and pagan worshipper, then he too began to worship her god, Baal. Elijah prophesies to Ahab that the Lord is bringing a drought. Drought and famine ensue, Jezebel began to kill the Lord's prophets. Elijah was safe and eventually reveals himself to Ahab again and draws a line in the sand; its time to find out who is the ONE true God.

2. How would you describe what is happening in this passage of scripture?
(Ahab turns towards another nation's god, i.e., a worldly god. God decides it's time to get Israel and Ahab's attention, the drought ensues. Elijah comes before Ahab and is blamed the king's drought.)
3. What truths about God is the writer reminding us of in this passage? Is there a promise from God? A sin to confess? Is there a command to follow?
(Promises: God fulfills His promises, a troublesome heart could be God's Spirit stirring, God meets us where we are. Sins: 1st & 2nd commands broken, where else does your heart feel troubled? Commands: The Shema, turning to this world when we don't get what we want from God is not ok! Trying to serve two Gods is not possible.)
4. What do you struggle with during tough times? How does the world call to you when you're in drought or valley?
(Examples: Turning to a pill, the bar, a co-worker, Netflix, Amazon shopping spree, Facebook to get a "like", or your job.)

Have someone read 1 Kings 18:20-39 out loud.

The Israelites were not anti-God, they just wanted to pick and choose what they would believe and follow. They wanted the best of both worlds. When the ONE true God puts the worldly gods to a test, He is essentially telling us to pick a side. This world will fade away, but nothing is impossible with God.

5. How does the Lord our God show his power (omnipotence), faithfulness and love in these verses?
(God controls all things in this world, including the weather, He was faithful in returning the rain. The gospel requires no performance on our part. God would never ask us to harm ourselves, in fact His desire is to rescue us from self-harm.)
6. How are the worshippers of Baal similar to world today? Where do you see similarities between in your life?
(The Baal worshippers are "limping" along, trying to serve two masters. Everyone has a belief in something. World says to work harder, try harder, cut deeper, yell louder. False gods always want more.)
7. Are you in an impossible situation, and feel there is nowhere to turn and nowhere to hide? Where do you need to ask God to put breath back into a seemingly impossible situation?
(If the tomb is empty anything is possible. God put breath back into Jesus, He can put breath back into your marriage, family, sobriety, finances, etc.)

ACTION STEP

Read James 5:13-18 out loud. Now, break your group up into smaller groups of 2-3 and pray for each other. Share your seemingly impossible situation, if you didn't during question #7. How are you suffering — is there an unrepented sin holding you back?

