



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Live Abundantly

Week 1: Wisdom for the Abundant Life

October 5 - 8, 2023

LEADER NOTES: **Fall trimester:** August 28 – December 10; **New Leader Trainings:** December 10 in person and December 18 on Zoom.

Leader Podcast Now on Spotify: You can listen to every episode of [Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less on Spotify](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We're Hiring: If you'd like to join our team at The Church of Eleven22, The Retreat Center or Hope's Closet, we invite you to [view our open roles](#) and see if there is one where your skills, talents and passions meet. This month's highlight is: [Accountant](#).

Serve Opportunity: Hadassah's Hope is committed to serving women in the adult entertainment industry through the love and hope of Jesus. Thanks to God, this ministry has expanded to support the needs of women from all walks of life with diverse languages and cultures. There's a great opportunity for women who speak Spanish to volunteer on the Outreach Team. For more information, please reach out to Shawn@hhjax.com. To sign up, visit hadassahshopejax.com.

Serve Opportunity: Sign up as a disciple group to serve in one of our 10:10 Life initiatives. [Click here to learn more and register](#).

As For Me and My House Devotionals: Staff-written devotionals for each topic in this series. Text HOUSE to 441122.

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: coe22.com/readingplan

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week?

The Point: Wisdom in this life is doing what the Good Shepherd tells us to do.

SERMON TEXT: *Proverbs 1:1-7, 14:27, 19:23; Psalm 25:14, 33:8; John 10:1-18*

Discussion Questions

LEADERS: There is no pressure to get through all the questions; we suggest prayerfully planning your choices for your group. Your leadership of sharing and questioning will determine how deep your group goes with each question.

During this series we will have videos with stories of people living the abundant life. Please show them at the beginning of your disciple group each week. **Week 1 Video.**

- **What stood out to you in the sermon this week?**
- **What did God reveal to you in the Scriptures (*Proverbs 1:1-7*) this week, maybe for the first time?**

Review and discuss the following questions from pages 78-79 in the Abundant Life Journal that was passed out during service:

- **In *Proverbs 1:7*, the author talks about fearing the Lord. What does fearing the Lord mean? What does it tell us about God's character?** (*Hint: Read Proverbs 14:27, Proverbs 19:23, Psalm 25:14, and Psalm 33:8. Fear of the LORD means deep reverence, not being afraid. Pastor Joby referenced the youngest sister, Lucy Pevensie, talking to Mr. Beaver in The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe. Lucy: "IS he safe?" Mr. Beaver: "Safe? Lord no. Who said anything about being safe? But He is good."*)
- **If wisdom in this life is doing what the Good Shepherd tells you to do, what needs to change in your life to take this more seriously?**
- **If every step of obedience leads to life and every step of disobedience leads to death and destruction how does this impact the way you view decisions in your life?**
- **Discover:** How does Proverbs define wisdom? (*Wisdom = living in God's world God's way. Wisdom put on flesh and dwelt among us.*)
Deepen: Read *John 1:1-14*. With this in mind, how does Proverbs point us to the good news of the Gospel? (*Proverbs points us to wisdom and Jesus is wisdom. God didn't look down and say, "Listen, you've got an enemy that wants to steal kill and destroy you, and I hope you make wise choices. I hope you can figure this out." Jesus, the King of Glory stands up off his throne, takes off his crown, dresses himself in humanity and swan dives to earth 2,000 years ago to die in our place so we have the capacity to receive and walk in wisdom with the Holy Spirit.*)

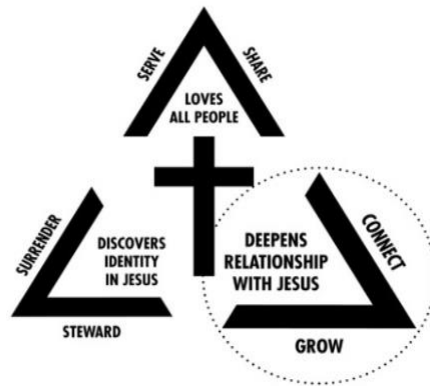
Direction, NOT intention determines our destination.

- **Discover:** How do we determine the right path? (*Are you listening for and obeying the voice of the Good Shepherd? Get into His Word, spend time praying and obey when you hear His voice. The more you do that, the easier it will be to continue to hear Him and discern the right path.*)
Deepen: Where in your life is your direction not aligned with your intentions and what can you do today to change that?

ACTION STEP

A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus

1. As we continue in the 10:10 Life discipleship journey, reflect on the commitment you made at the beginning of the journey. What has God done in you and through you?
 2. If you are new to the 10:10 Life discipleship journey, check out coe22.com/1010 to learn about how you can get involved.
 3. Sit down as a family and share different times you have chosen the wise path and times you have chosen the destructive path. Talk about what happened as a result and how God's love for us is why He tells us to obey Him.
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 - Details on the 10:10 Life are available at coe22.com/1010life.



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