

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Vision 2024: Eternal Life January 4 & 7, 2024

LEADER NOTES: **New Leader Trainings:** May 19 in-person and May 20 on Zoom; **Disciple Groups Signup Weekends:** January 11- 28; **Spring trimester:** January 22 – May 6.

Coach and Leader Gathering at San Pablo, Saturday, January 20, 8am-12pm: Join your discipleship ministers, fellow coaches and leaders to celebrate what God has done and what He is going to do to us and through us this year. We will have a continental breakfast, worship, pray, be equipped during breakout sessions and fellowship together. (Childcare provided.) Click here to register.

Coach and Leader Celebration at The Retreat Center, Wednesday, January 24, 1-8pm: Come join us for fellowship with all your discipleship ministers, coaches and leaders from every campus. Activities include enjoying the grounds, golfing, dock fishing, pickleball, tennis, cornhole, basketball and billiards/darts in the tavern. Click here for details and to register.

No Regrets Men's Ministry Conference Saturday, February 3 from 9am-2pm ET (8am-1pm CT): Pastor Joby will be preaching a session. Click here for more information. Email gregory.knapp@coe22.com for everything you need so your group can login and watch for free.

Leader Podcast - Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less: You can listen to every episode on Spotify or Apple.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Be-YOU-tiful Boutique, January 22 & 29, 1PM-6PM: The young women attending Night to Shine come to our Hopes' Closet Arlington location and pick out dresses and accessories free of charge. You may donate your dresses and accessories to Hope's Closet. For more information and to sign up to serve at the boutique, <u>click</u> here.

Financial Peace University, Monday, January 22 - March 18, 6:30pm – 8pm, Hosted in home groups and online: As we walk through the 10:10 Life Discipleship Journey we want to equip you with tools to find financial freedom and practice eternal generosity to live your life abundantly. For more information and to register, <u>click here.</u>

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

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

The Point: We have never tried to be a big church, we have simply tried to make room for ONE MORE. What are you willing to do to get the one on the mat to Jesus?

SERMON TEXT: Mark 2:1-28

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.

- What stood out to you in the sermon this week?
- Read Mark 2:1-28. What did God reveal to you in the Scriptures this week, maybe for the first time?
- What excites you about our vision for 2024 and what role do you think God is asking you to play in it?
- The paralytic was desperate, "on the mat." Share a time when you were like that. How did you turn to Jesus in that time of need? What was the result?
- Discover: When you are "on the mat," who are your four friends who will carry you to Jesus? Write down their names right now.
 Deepen: If you don't have friends like that, what can you do to find them? Who would list YOU as one of the four people who would carry them to Jesus?
- Mark 2:4-5 says, "And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof
 above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic
 lay. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.'" What are
 you doing that allows Jesus to see your faith?
- Being a "tear the roof off" church for "one more" is messy. It can be inconvenient for those of us who are already saved. How can you commit to experiencing joy in the inconveniences that will come with new campuses, parking and seating issues and more?
- Share the name of your one more for 2024. Who are you willing to tear the roof off for? Take a few
 minutes of group time to pray right now. If you don't have a name for a one more, pray that Jesus will
 bring a name to mind. If you know who your one more is, spend the time praying for them.

ACTION STEP

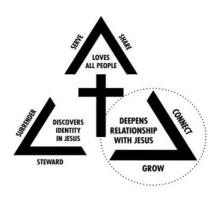
A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus

Commit to praying for your one more every day in 2024. Pray for them every day this week. Have faith that praying for others in Jesus' name will help change you and them.

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• Details on the 10:10 Life are available at coe22.com/1010life.



Go to coe22.com/resources/discipleship-journey/ and click "Download Tool" to download or print a discipleship journey tool with questions for you to ask yourself and others. Please share the link and directions with others in your group.