



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Tetelestai Week 2: You Will Be With Me
February 22 & 25, 2024

LEADER NOTES: New Leader Trainings: May 19 in-person and May 20 on Zoom; **Spring trimester:** January 22–May 6; **Summer trimester:** June 3–July 28; **Fall trimester:** 8/19–12/8.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW: Equipping Conversations in Your Disciple Group: Our Equipping Ministry teachers are available to come to your Disciple Group to teach a session on apologetics, interpreting scripture, prayer, healing the heart, ways to create your testimony, how to disciple your family and more. [Click here for descriptions and to register.](#)

Fasting – Wednesdays through March 7: Fasting is a way to say “no” to our flesh and “yes” to more time with Jesus. We’ll be fasting from sun-up until sun-down. [Click here for the fasting guide.](#)

Hour of Prayer – Wednesdays through March 7, 7-8am and 12-1pm: Our campuses will be open to create space for you to draw near to the Lord. (*Arlington, Baymeadows, Fleming Island, Jesup*, Mandarin, North Jax, Orange Park, San Pablo* *Hour of Prayer is available at our Jesup campus from 12-1pm only.)

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

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

The Point: The Man on the middle cross said I could come.

Sermon Text: *Matthew 20:1-16; Luke 23:32-43, 18:9-14; John 6:37-40, 10:27-29; Romans 4:4, 8:28, 8:35-40; Ephesians 2; 1 John 5:13*

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.

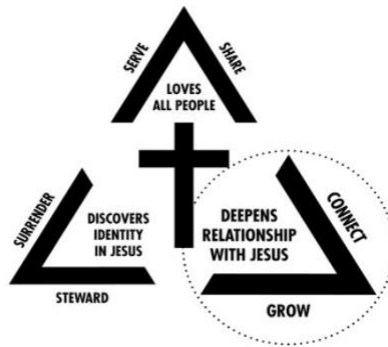
- **Read *Ephesians 2* and *Luke 23:32-43*. What stood out to you in the sermon this week and what did God reveal to you in the Scriptures, maybe for the first time?**
- **Describe the attitude and experience of each of the criminals on either side of Jesus.** *(One criminal on the cross came with arrogance, anger and his own agenda. The other one came humbly. See Luke 18:9-14 on the attitude Jesus favors and the attitude He opposes.)*
- **What do Jesus's words to the repentant criminal on the cross reveal about the salvation process and God's character?** *(The criminal never did a good work; never worshipped, never served the poor, never attended a Bible study, never shared his faith, never got baptized. But Jesus still gave him salvation and promised he would join Him in paradise. That's how forgiving and loving God is to all of us. It's by grace that we are saved through faith and not by works. See Romans 4:4-5.)*
- **Read Matthew 20:1-16. What does the parable of the workers reveal about God's character? How are the actions of the Master "fair"?** *(God is good and just. He offers salvation and keeps His promise of salvation to all who would believe. He is generous and merciful because He offers it to us whether we come to Him as children or on our death bed. Who are we to begrudge God His generosity?)*
- **Discover:** Share a time when you felt you were treated unfairly or have been confused by what God allowed to happen.
Deepen: What steps did you take, or could you take, to surrender that to Jesus? *(When we come to God with demands, it's evidence that we are trying to be LORD. Many of the Psalms show us how to take those emotions and feelings to God and allow Him to change our heart and help us work through our trials and tribulations. God is not surprised or frustrated by our strong negative emotions. Always remember, if you're not getting your prayer answered your way, it could be that God is up to something bigger. See Romans 8:28.)*
- **Consider Pastor Joby's letter from the woman on death row. What makes the Grace of Jesus scandalous?**
- **What are the reasons you don't fully understand the GRACE of JESUS?** *(You don't understand your sinfulness. You think you bring merit. You think of yourself too highly. You think too lowly of the love of God.)*
- **Have you ever wondered, am I really saved, or have I done something to lose my salvation? What does the Bible say about that?** *(See Romans 8:35-40; John 6:37-40, 10:27-29 and 1 John 5:13.)*
- **If a non-believer asks what you must do to get into heaven, what will you say?**

ACTION STEP

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

Pray for an opportunity this week to tell at least one person (maybe your “one more”) how the criminal on the cross got into heaven. “The Man on the middle cross said I could come.”

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