



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Galatians Week 8: **Promise Fulfilled**
May 23 & 26, 2024

LEADER NOTES: Summer trimester: June 3–July 28; **Fall trimester:** 8/19–12/8. **New Leader Trainings:** 8/11/24 at every campus, 8/19 via Zoom.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW: Serve with the Disciple Groups team: We're looking for people with administration, computer and/or video editing skills. Contact gregory.knapp@coe22.com.

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

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

Sermon Text: *Matthew 6:1-4; Galatians 2:11-13, 3:10-29, James 4:13-15*

Discussion Questions

There is no pressure to get through all the questions; prayerfully plan your choices for your group.

- **Read *Galatians 3:10-29*. 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?**
- **Although we are under the new covenant today, why was the law given?** *(The law was given so we could recognize and see our sinfulness. It reveals our inability to keep the law, and that we desperately need a Savior. The law was also given as a guardian and a tutor. It was given to protect us from ourselves until the coming of Jesus, who fulfilled the law.)*
- **At times, we can be like the Judaizers and the Galatians - saved by faith in Christ - but turning back to works-based righteousness. When and how are you most tempted to look to your own efforts to make yourself acceptable to God?** *(This may be something you do subconsciously, so it may take some prayer for the Holy Spirit to reveal this to you. You may need to ask your friends what they see you do.)*
- **Discover:** God's grace is a free gift. What makes it so hard for you to fully understand and accept God's grace?
Deepen: Discuss why it's so important to repeatedly preach the Gospel to yourself? *(You can easily forget these truths: God loved you before you deserved it, you did nothing to earn his love or salvation, Jesus died to cover ALL your sins - past, present and future - and no sin is too big for Jesus to cover.)*
- **Pastor Turner preached that we keep putting ourselves back under the law because of our desire for control. We want to control ourselves, control others and control God. Discuss all three types of control and how they play out in your life.** *(See James 4:13-15 on giving control to God.)*
- **Discover:** Pastor Turner shared his experience of losing his position at a church. Share a time when you asked, "God did I do something to cause this to happen, was I not good enough for You anymore, if I had been better could I have controlled what happened to me?" Or, share a time you did something great and secretly thought God was more pleased with you, loved you more, or owed you because of your actions. *(There may be times you believe you're doing the Lord's will. You do your best and it fails. It's not about how "good" you are. None of us are good enough to earn anything from God or put Him in our debt. There is no formula to Control God.)*
Deepen: How does that type of thinking impact your relationship with Jesus?
- **Discover:** Even though believers are no longer under the law, God still calls us to obey Him. What are the right motivations and wrong motivations for obeying God? *(God wants you to obey Him out of your love for Him and all He's done for you. Your motivations get twisted when you obey to earn His love or earn your salvation. See 1 John 5:1-5, John 14:15, 21, and 23-24.)*
Deepen: When you realize you're doing the right things for the wrong reasons, what do you do? *(See Read Matthew 6:1-4 for help. Fight using righteous acts to be accepted or approved by others. Sometimes the best thing you can do is serve the Lord in anonymity. Even if you're doing the right things for the wrong reasons, God can still use it for His Glory and purpose. See Abraham's story from last week. Remember, the Gospel is not anti-effort, it's anti-earning.)*

ACTION STEP

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

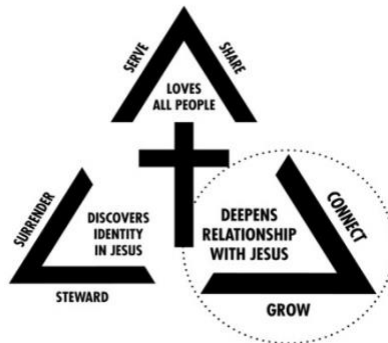
- **Reveal:** Ask God to reveal to you the parts of your heart where you're trying to earn your righteousness, control others and/or control God.
- **Repent:** When God reveals it to you, your next step is repentance.
- **Remember:** Remember what is true, that your feelings and thoughts aren't always a good indicator of what is true, and you are saved and made perfect by the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross. Remember what he's already done for you, so you can have faith in Him and what He will continue to do.

What is something you think God is taking too long to do? Pray every day this week that God will help you rest in Him, have faith in Him and wait on His will and His time.

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