



1825 DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM

CURRICULUM GUIDE

Grace Train – Week 4

Fall 2024 – Week 7

October 3-6, 2024

LEADER INFO:

Leader resource from our Disciple Groups Ministry: Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less: Listen to ALL episodes for free on Spotify or Apple.

Fall trimester wraps up December 8th with an 1825 Worship Night. Know someone that would make a great 1825 DG Leader? Invite them to prayerfully consider joining the team in January. 1825 group leader interest form can be found at <https://my.coe22.com/page/652?RegistrationInstanceId=1492>

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1825 Fourth Sunday | October 27, 2024 | 7PM | San Pablo Campus Auditorium A

Fourth Sundays are monthly opportunities to build community, engage in discipleship and be equipped to faithfully walk out our role in the Great Commission. This month's focus is on relationships with an emphasis on God's purpose for the seasons of singleness and dating and what it means to live as brothers and sisters in the body of Christ.

Contract Job Opportunity with Eleven22 FFE (Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment) Team

FFE Team is looking for energetic, enthusiastic, and strong individuals who can help with things like moving furniture and boxes, assist with installs, paint walls, sand and refinish furniture, assemble new furniture, and warehouse projects as needed. Hours and days are flexible. To apply or learn more contact Lynley.rogers@coe22.com and/or robin.ditrani@coe22.com

Serve Opportunity | Girls of Virtue Golf Tournament | Friday, October 18

Girls of Virtue is a nonprofit that serves young women ages 14-24 through their Empowerment Center in Downtown Jacksonville. Their annual golf tournament on October 18th puts 100% of their proceeds towards empowering and equipping the next generation of young women. Girls of Virtue is looking for men and women to volunteer throughout the day on Friday, October 18th with volunteer time slots ranging from 10:00am-7pm at Queen's Harbor Golf & Country Club. Volunteers receive a meal and t-shirt. Sign up to serve here: https://signup.com/mobileweb/2.0/vspot.html?activitykey=8518754081#choose_jobs_page

Additional opportunities to support children in need through partnerships locally and globally: There are many serve opportunities including partnering with Rising Tide to minister to and play with children in our communities, provide meals for children with Lutheran Social Services, and serve on the print shop team to help kids learn vocational skills with the Boys and Girls Club. <https://coe22.com/multiplication/localmission/>

1825 DG – WEEK 7

The Point: In Christ we are to leave behind our condemnation and our life of sin.

Sermon Text: 2 Samuel 11:1-12:15; Psalm 51; Proverbs 5; 6:27-28; 7:7-8; 21-23; John 8:1-11; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Connect If you spend the first few weeks in the connect portion more than curriculum questions that is ok!!! The goal is not to stay here, but remember: **1825 DISCIPLE GROUPS ARE VALUE-DRIVEN, NOT CURRICULUM DRIVEN**

- **Names matter.** *Remind group that one reason they joined a DG was to build community. Community is not built only in the time you spend in DG each week. Community is also built through shared experiences throughout the week. If this is not a regular rhythm for your group challenge them to plan something together this next week.*
 - **Icebreaker: What is one “treat” (food or beverage) that you are always tempted to consume when you come across it?**
 - **Next steps check in/follow up...** *How did it go? Whether you accomplished the goal or not: What did you learn about God? Yourself?*
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DISCOVER & DEEPEN

(The goal is to grow in our relationship with Christ and each other. It is ok if you don't cover every question.)

Read 2 Samuel 11

- 1. What is ONE thought that stuck with you from this week's scripture and/or sermon? Why?**
- 2. How did David's direction (daily choices), not his intention, determine his destination? What direction are you on in your life? Does it line up with your intentions?**
- 3. What is the difference between temptation and sin?**
- 4. Read James 1:13-15 aloud. Why does a single sin often produce other sins?**
- 5. What three temptations did David face in verses 1-13?** 1) a beautiful woman, 2) the desire to keep their encounter secret, and 3) fear of retaliation from Uriah
- 6. How could David have responded differently in the face of each temptation? Why didn't he?**
- 7. What do you do in the face of temptation? How do you proactively avoid temptation?**
- 8. Read Psalm 51. This Psalm is penned by David after he commits sins against Bathsheba and her husband. What do you notice about David's heart posture in the Psalm?**
- 9. How does God respond to sin, David's and ours?**

10.If Jesus is the final and satisfactory payment for our sins, and we can walk in the freedom of that sin, what stops you from bringing all your sins, past and present, to Him?

*Mixed groups...This may be a good time to split into groups of men and women to conclude tonight's discussion.

11.1 Corinthians 6:18 tells us to flee sexual immorality, not flirt with it. How are you taking this command seriously in your life? How are you not?

ACTION STEP

In light of your answer to the last question, what is one step God is calling you to take this week?

Sanctification and spiritual growth are not linear, but they always involve a step of obedience. Some will have the same next step week after week as they grow in spiritual disciplines and learn to walk in obedience. Others will have a next step that can be completed within the week.

The more you can lead individuals in making their next step SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, timely) the easier it is to walk out accountability.

Example:

1825: "My next step is to read my bible more."

Leader: "How many times this next week do you want to read your bible? When will you do it? How long? What will you read?"

1825: "I want to read when I wake up three mornings for 20 minutes."

Have a group member record next steps and share in your Group Me.

Next week check in. How did it go? Whether you accomplished the goal or not: What did you learn about God? Yourself?

Prayer

How can we pray for you and your walk with Jesus? Close in Prayer.

While we are happy to pray for all things, we want to grow in authenticity by asking and sharing how we can pray for one another as we discover and deepen in our relationship with Christ and take next steps of obedience.

*****TIP:** *Provide index cards. Have each member write their prayer requests on a card with their name and place in the middle of the circle. At the end of group each person selects a card to pray over for the next week. Encourage members to reach out to the individual they are praying for during the week. Mixed groups: keep guys and girls cards separate. Guys pray and reach out to guys. Girls pray and reach out to girls.*
