



# 1825 DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM

## CURRICULUM GUIDE

Grace Train – Week 5

Fall 2024 – Week 8

October 13, 2024

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### 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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>

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### 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](mailto:Lynley.rogers@coe22.com) and/or [robin.ditrani@coe22.com](mailto: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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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](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/>

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## 1825 DG – WEEK 8

**The Point:** Grace pursues.

**Sermon Text:** John 4:1-45

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**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: Who pushes you towards Jesus? How?**
  - **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.)*

- 1. Throughout John's Gospel, we see Jesus encounter everyday people like you and me through direct, personal conversations. How does this idea of a personal and relational God make you feel?**

**Read John 4:1-45**

- 2. What is ONE thought that stuck with you from this week's scripture and/or sermon? Why?**
- 3. What do you observe about the interaction between Jesus and the woman?**
- 4. What does Jesus offer her and why does he describe it as the "gift of God?"**
- 5. Would you describe your life as fueled by living water from God? Why or why not?**

**Read Jeremiah 2:13**

- 6. How does Jeremiah 2:13 describe what is happening in this story?**
- 7. How have you (in the past or recently) tried to quench a "thirst" through digging your own wells? How have these drawn you closer or pulled you further from Jesus?**
- 8. Jesus walked virtually everywhere he went. He took time to sit, to wait, to see and to meet with people interact with people. At what place do you live life? What would it look like to slow down? Without drastic life changes, how could you start "seeing" others around you more? Why does this question matter?**

**9. Jesus told his disciples of the urgency of mission through the image of harvest. How does the woman at the well illustrate the point Jesus was trying to make? What can we learn about sharing the gospel from her example?**

**10. Jesus “had to” go through Samaria. What is the thing God is asking you to do?**

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## **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?*

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## **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.*

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