

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

1 Timothy: Ransom for All January 30 & February 2, 2025 Pastor Adam Flynt

LEADER NOTES: Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less: Listen to ALL episodes for free on Spotify or Apple.

Spring trimester: January 13 – May 12 **Summer trimester:** June 2 – July 28 **Fall trimester:** August 18 – December 8

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW - Short-Term Mission Trips: Are you feeling the Lord's call to be sent for His glory? Come join us on a mission trip and discover how you can actively participate in the work of making disciples through serving alongside our global partnerships. <u>Click here to learn more</u>.

Serve at Night To Shine, Feb. 7, 6-9pm: The Church of Eleven22 is proud to be one of the host churches collaborating for Jacksonville's Night to Shine, an unforgettable prom night experience centered on God's love for people with special needs. Register to serve at <u>nighttoshinejax.com</u>. If your disciple group would like to cook a dish or bake a dessert for the event, email: <u>nighttoshinejax@coe22.com</u>.

Our Equipping Ministry teachers will come to your disciple group: Choose from sessions on interpreting Scripture, world religions, sharing your testimony and how to disciple your family. Click here for more information and to schedule a time for one of our teachers to attend your group.

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: Download our app for <u>Apple</u> and <u>Android</u>. Click the "Daily" icon at the bottom of the app for our daily Bible reading plan.

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week? *What can you share from the action step last week?* How did it go? What did you learn about God? About yourself?

Sermon Text: Psalm 51; Matthew 21:13; Mark 10:45; John 8:36; Romans 8:34; 1 Cor 6:20; Galatians 5:1; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Hebrews 7:25; 8:6; 9:15; 12:24; 1 John 1:9

<u>Action Step</u> 1) Create or improve your daily prayer habit to make it of first importance. 2) Pray that God will give you an opportunity to pray for someone this week. Pray boldly with them right when you have the opportunity, knowing Jesus has set you free from pretending or performing, not only for God, but for anyone else.

Discussion Questions

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

- Read 1 Timothy 2:1-8. 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?
- Discover: What are some reasons that prayer should be of "first importance" in the life of a believer and the church? (The core power behind praying is knowing God is your SAVIOR, and THAT kind of savior. God desires to save you and all kinds of people. If God is your savior, then when you sin, you run to him in prayer, not away from him. See Psalm 51.)
 Deepen: When do you make prayer a first order importance in your life and when do you struggle to do that? (Encourage each other in ways to make prayer a daily priority.)
- Take five minutes right now and do a Bible search of the word PRAYER. Look for insights and instructions from God on praying. Share what stood out to you. (You can go boldly to God in prayer! You don't have to pretend and perform with fancy words or hide or not pray because you don't think you pray well enough. You have Jesus perfecting your most feeble & fumbling of prayers.)
- Discover: Read 1 Timothy 2:5. What does it mean that Jesus is the only mediator between you and God the Father? (Because Jesus is both man and God, he is the only one who can go between us and God as mediator. If we are in Christ, when God looks at us, He sees His son's perfect righteousness. Jesus is continuously interceding for us to the Father. See Romans 8:34 and Hebrews 7:25.)

 Deepen: How does that change the way you pray?
- Read 1 Timothy 2:5-6. What does "ransom" in these verses mean? (Biblically, you could get in so much debt that you could never pay it off, so you would become a bondservant or indentured servant forever, unless someone would pay your ransom. Jesus secured your freedom by giving his life of infinite perfection, value and worth as ransom for your sin debt that you could never pay on your own. See Mark 10:45, 1 Corinthians 6:20 and John 8:36.)
- If you are in Christ, He has set you free! Share what Jesus set you free from and for. (See Romans 8:2. Following Jesus sets you free to live as Jesus did in complete obedience to God's sovereign will. We are free from the penalty of sin, we are being freed from the power of sin, and we will one day be free from the very presence of sin.)

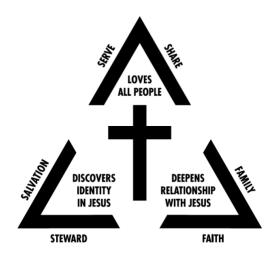
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