

# **1825 DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM** CURRICULUM GUIDE 1 Timothy – Prayer January 23 & 26, 2025

**LEADER INFO:** The goal the first few weeks of your group is to establish a space for people to be seen and known, to cultivate expectations/cast vision for why showing up matters and to lay the groundwork for a community of authenticity and vulnerability.

# **GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### Night To Shine | Friday, February 7 | "Smells Like Jesus" Pastor Joby

Serve as a disciple group! Or as an individual, but everything is more fun with friends. Night to Shine, sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation, is an unforgettable prom night experience centered on God's love, for people with special needs. On Friday, February 7, 2025, more than 1,000 people with special needs will attend Night to Shine in Jacksonville, FL and WE have the opportunity to be a part of celebrating sons and daughters of God in a way they (and we) will never forget. Sign up to serve at nighttoshinejax.com

#### 1825 Mission Trips 2025

As disciple-making disciples, we each play a personal role in ministering to God's people. In John 20:21, Jesus said, "...As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." So, just as God sent his first and best in Jesus Christ, we are to respond by bringing our first and best to God and to go, whether that is in our neighborhood or to the ends of the earth.

- 1825 Poland A | April 4-15 https://coe22.com/multiplication/short-term-mission/poland-a-1825-2025/
- 1825 Malawi A | June 2-11 https://coe22.servicereef.com/events/the-church-of-eleven22-3/1825-malawi-a-2025
- 1825 Costa Rica D | June 9-15 <u>https://coe22.com/multiplication/short-term-mission/costa-rica-d-1825-2025/</u>
- 1825 Costa Rica E | June 9-15 https://coe22.com/multiplication/short-term-mission/costa-rica-e-1825-2025/
- 1825 Thailand B | July 10-24 <u>https://coe22.com/multiplication/short-term-mission/thailand-b-1825-2025/</u>
- 1825 Maine A | July 19-25 <u>https://coe22.com/multiplication/short-term-mission/maine-a-1825-2025/</u>

### Gather | February 28 (7pm-12am) – March 1 (7:30am-9pm) | Baymeadows

Open to ALL ages, Gather25 is an unprecedented 25-hour global broadcast event telling the inspiring stories of the global Church, by the global Church. But it won't be a gathering of the global Church without you. For 25 hours, Gather25 is inviting believers across the world to pray, repent, worship, and discover how the love of Jesus is transforming the world through everyday people. Learn more and register: https://my.coe22.com/page/652?RegistrationInstanceId=2160

## Eleven22 Women's Encounter | March 28-29 | San Pablo | \$129

The event includes large group gatherings for women age 18 and older with worship and teaching, conferencestyle breakout sessions on various topics, a panel Q&A, and fun activities during break times. You will connect with other women from the church, share meals, and discuss what God reveals to you throughout the weekend. The cost covers two dinners, one breakfast, dessert, and a welcome bag. Lunch on Saturday will be at your own expense. Learn more and register: <u>https://coe22.com/events/womens-encounter/</u>

# 1825 DG – WEEK 2

**Sermon Big Idea:** Prayer is war. Is prayer your first response or last resort? **Sermon Text:** Psalm 42:1; Matthew 6:5-15; Mark 3:13; 1 Timothy 1:18 – 2:6; James 5:13-16

**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** A successful disciple group experience is defined by group members engaging in a meaningful discussion, not completing the curriculum material. Establishing trust among members and an understanding of who is in the group is vital to taking group conversations deeper and growing in vulnerability.

If this is week one for your group, refer to last week's curriculum for tools to assist in casting vision for your group and group covenant.

#### Names Matter.

- Introduce yourself. Get to know the group. \*This is likely something you will want to start with weekly until you feel confident everyone in the group knows everyone's names...Especially since you may have new folks joining throughout the semester!
- **Icebreaker:** "If you could ask God one question and get an immediate, clear answer, what would you ask—and why?"
- Review group expectations and covenant...Let your "yes" be "yes." Show up! Make group a priority, not an option.
- Follow up on last week's next steps. How did it go? Whether you were successful or not: What did you learn about God? What did you learn about yourself?

## **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 1 Timothy 1:18-2:6

- **1.** What is ONE thought that stuck with you from this week's sermon? Why?
- 2. The passage mentions Timothy receiving prophecies and encouragement from people in his life (e.g., his mother, grandmother, and Paul). Who has been a spiritual mentor or encourager in your life? How have their words impacted your faith journey?
- **3.** Verse 19 warns against rejecting faith and a good conscience, as it can lead to a "shipwreck of faith." What do you think is meant by good conscience?
- 4. What steps can we take to maintain a good conscience and stay anchored in faith, even in challenging times?

- 5. How would you describe your current prayer life—do you see it as a first response or a last resort? What practical steps can you take to make prayer a more central part of your daily life?
- 6. How often do you pray for leaders and others outside your immediate circle? How could this practice transform your perspective and your community?
- 7. The Lord's Prayer begins with "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name." Why does Jesus teach us to center our prayers on God's will and His kingdom rather than just our personal needs? How could this perspective change the way you pray?
- 8. What's one "intimidating" prayer request you could bring to God this week? How might that demonstrate trust in His power?
- 9. God desires all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:4). How does your prayer life and daily actions reflect your role in fulfilling the Great Commission? What steps can you take to intentionally share the gospel with others this week?

## **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.