



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

In The Arena: Jesus Defeats Death at the Cross and Resurrection

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LEADER NOTES – New Episode: *Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less*: What's a Win, Why We Share Them and How to Help Your Group Share Wins – Listen on [Spotify](#) or [Apple](#).

Summer trimester: June 2 – July 28 **Fall trimester:** August 18 – December 8

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Growth Track: Whether you're brand new to The Church of Eleven22 or you've been here a while, Growth Track is for you. It's a hybrid course with two on-demand online sessions (20-30 minutes each) exploring the [Discipleship Triangle](#), followed by a final in-person gathering at your local campus. [Click here](#) to learn more and start the course.

Invite a veteran Care Team Member to Your Disciple Group: Your group will receive a short training on what it means to care well for those walking through hard seasons. Our process is modeled after the life of Jesus, who walked shoulder to shoulder with the broken. Learn and practice how we can come alongside others in an authentic way, pointing them to Jesus instead of our own limited "fix-it" ideas and solutions. [Click here for more and to register](#).

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: Download our app for [Apple](#) or [Android](#). 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: *Genesis 2:16-17; John 3:8; 15:5; Romans 5:12; 6:23; 8:1; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28; Ephesians 2:6; 10; Philippians 3:21; Galatians 2:20; 3:26; James 1:14-15; 1 Peter 2:9*

Action Step: Write a personal prayer thanking Jesus for defeating death on your behalf. Every morning this week, reflect on the eternal hope you have because of His resurrection. Include specific fears, sins, or losses you are releasing into His victory.

Discussion Questions

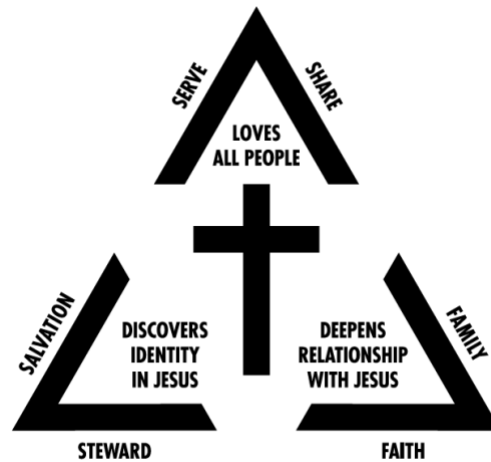
Leaders: The goal is to grow in our relationship with Christ and each other. *It's ok if you don't cover every question.*

- **Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-28. 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?**
- **What is the importance of the resurrection of Jesus?** *(Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-18. Jesus is the firstfruits of resurrection. Others in the scriptures had been resuscitated in their old bodies, but they eventually died again. Jesus is the only one who was resurrected in His glorified body and didn't die again. If you are in Christ, because He rose so will you. The resurrection of Jesus from the dead changes everything!)*
- **How does the resurrection of Jesus reveal God's character?** *(Some of the things it reveals are God's sovereignty, love, grace, mercy, justice, power and victory over sin and death.)*
- **Discover:** Read Luke 16:19-31. What is Jesus teaching us in this passage? *(If you don't want God in this life, you aren't going to want him in the next one. Death is not just ceasing to exist. It is being eternally separated from God – physically, spiritually and emotionally.)*
Deepen: How does this passage challenge/comfort you?
- **Discover:** Read 1 Corinthians 15:21-23. How does being in Christ rather than in Adam change the way you view our identity and purpose? *(We have Adam's DNA and in him we are sinners separated from God. When we place our faith in Christ, we receive a new physical, emotional, legal and spiritual position. It's in the throne room of Heaven. We go from being separated from God to being united with Him!)*
Deepen: Share how being in Christ changes your daily actions, thoughts, desires and beliefs.
- **Pastor Britt described two groups of Christians: those who see the resurrection as an opportunity for personal gain and those who are overwhelmed by its transformative power. How can you grow in being overwhelmed by the resurrection's power in your daily walk with Jesus?** *(Jesus didn't come to gain fans, He came to recruit and save followers.)*
- **What current fight are you in right now? How can we as a disciple group support you in that fight?**

Your Discipleship Journey

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