



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

In The Arena: Jesus Clears the Temple
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LEADER NOTES – *Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less* - **New Episode - *S3 E5: How to Help Your Group Take the Action Step Each Week*.** Listen to this and ALL episodes for free on [Spotify](#) or [Apple](#).

Summer trimester: June 2 – July 28

Fall trimester: August 18 – December 8

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Summer Serve Opportunities: Bring the hope of the gospel and Jesus’s love to others this summer by serving our community. There are so many ways to serve, including from your home. [Click here for more information and to sign up.](#)

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.

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?

Action Step Review: What can you share from the action step last week? How did it go? What did you learn about God? About yourself?

Sermon Text: *Exodus 34:6; Ecclesiastes 7:8-9; John 2:13-22; Romans 12:11; Ephesians 4:26-32; James 1:19-21; 4:17; 2 Timothy 4:2-4; Proverbs 6:16-19; 14:17, 29; 15:1, 18; 16:32; 19:11; Revelation 3:2*

Action Step: Pray and ask God where He wants you to step into the arena and take action this week. Here are some ways: Fight for your marriage. Fight for one more generation. Fight for the least of these. Text “serve” to 441122 for opportunities. Give to support the ministries we support. Pray like the world depends on it, because it does.

Discussion Questions

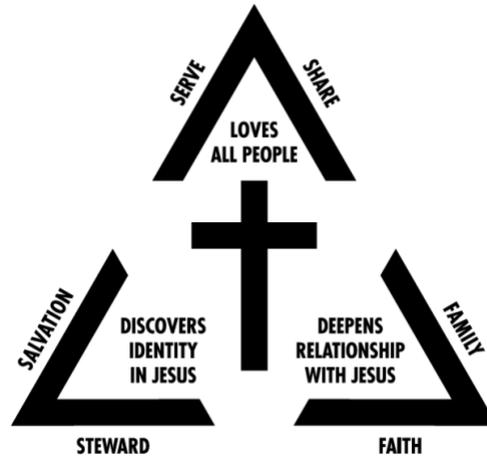
Leaders: Our goal is for your group members to engage in a meaningful discussion, not to answer every question. Creating trust among members and understanding who is in the group is vital to taking conversations deeper and growing in vulnerability.

- **Read John 2:13-22. What stood out to you in the sermon this week and what did God reveal to you in the Scriptures?**
- **Discuss why Jesus was angry about what was happening in the temple.** *(It was not because they were selling things. It was because they lost their fear of God. They were using God’s system to take advantage of God’s people to line their pockets. They were pushing OUT those far from God - the gentiles in their court - for the benefit of the religious. They were misrepresenting God and worship to the people.)*
- **What do Jesus’s actions in the temple reveal about God’s character?** *(Some possibilities include God’s passion for His people, for true worship, His justice, mercy and love.)*
- **How did your earthly father (or mother) model anger to you and how does that influence your views on anger?**
- **Discover:** Read Ephesians 4:26-32. **What stands out to you in these verses?**
Deepen: *When is anger a sin and when is the absence of anger a sin? (When you get angry for no real cause, that’s a sin. When you don’t get angry despite just cause, that’s also a sin. See James 4:17.)*
- **Discover:** Read James 1:19-21. **What is something that stirs up righteous anger in your heart?**
Deepen: *What Godly action could you take in response? (To do nothing is out of step with the character and nature of God. Get in the arena and do something about it. How do we make sure we are doing this in a Godly way? Put off some stuff - filthiness and rampant wickedness. Put on some stuff - receive with meekness the implanted Word of God. Ultimately, do you trust God? Do you trust that HE will either cover it with His grace or confront it with His justice?)*

Your Discipleship Journey

- **RightNow Media:** Find an *unending supply of resources* by signing up for a FREE RightNow Media account. Go to coe22.com/rightnowmedia or text “RightNow” to 441122.

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