



# DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

Matthew Season 3: Fear to Faith  
Episode 1: Do You Need A Miracle?  
March 19 & 22, 2026  
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**2026 - Spring trimester:** 1/5–5/11 **Summer trimester:** 6/1–7/27 **Fall trimester:** 8/17–12/7

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS: Passion Service, Tuesday, March 31, 5:22, 7:22pm, Arlington, Baymeadows, Fleming Island, Jesup, Mandarin, North Jax, Orange Park, Palatka, San Pablo, St. Augustine, St. Johns and Online:** We can't fully celebrate the resurrected Jesus without first meditating on His suffering on the cross. Join us as we reflect on the crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

**Hour of Prayer, Wednesdays, February 25–April 1, 6–8am and 12–1pm:** To create space for you to draw near to the Lord our Arlington, Baymeadows, Fleming Island, Jesup, Mandarin, North Jax, Orange Park, Palatka, San Pablo, St. Augustine, St. Johns and Online campuses will be open for you to pray. (Jesup and Online open from 12–1pm only.)

**40 Days of Fasting, Wednesdays, February 25–April 1:** As a church, we will fast from food on Wednesdays from sunup to sundown. [Click here for resources on how to fast and pray.](#)

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**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:** Last week's action step: *"Write down 1-2 specific areas where your life is on "sand." Then pray, confess those to God, and intentionally turn the reins of those areas over to Jesus by declaring Romans 10:9-13 aloud. This week, ask someone if they are saved. If they are, ask them to tell you their testimony. If they aren't, give them your testimony and share the Gospel with them."*  
How did God answer your prayers? What did you learn about God? About yourself?

**Sermon Text:** *Isaiah 53:4-6; Matthew 8 :1-17; 28-34 ; James 5:13-16*

## Discussion Questions

**Leaders:** Please use the questions in the curriculum to facilitate discussion of the sermon and the Scriptures. **But there's no need to answer every question.** The goal is to get your group members talking more than you and to get them going deeper.

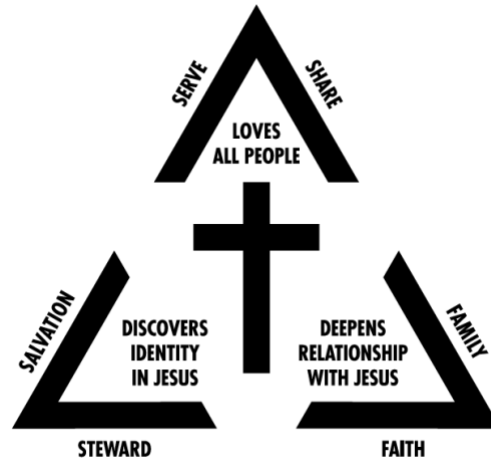
- **Read Matthew 8:1-17; 28-34. What stood out to you this week in the sermon, in the Scriptures and what God revealed to you about Himself?**
- **Where do you need a miracle in your life? What's something you need Jesus to do that you can't do on your own?** (*The healing and freedom we can't create for ourselves are found in Christ—whether we're facing depression, fear, shame, addiction, divorce, loneliness, estrangement, prodigal pain, or church hurt.*)
- **Miracles always have a message. What's the message from the miracle of Jesus healing the leper?** (*No one will be unclean in God's kingdom. Jesus makes the dirty things clean by his touch; He cannot be defiled. The moment Jesus cleanses him, he restores him to relationship with the synagogue and society.*)
- **What role does our faith family play when we need a miracle?** Sometimes we need mat carriers to drag us to the feet of Jesus, and sometimes we get to carry others to the feet of Jesus by serving others, walking through pain with others, and covering them in prayer.
- **Discover:** Read Leviticus 14:14-17. What's the significance of the blood and anointing oil on the right earlobe, right thumb, and right big toe? (*Cleansing means a fresh slate to hear the word of God with your ears, to serve God with your hands, and to walk in His ways.*)  
**Deepen:** While in Leviticus 14, read the guidance for cleansing of lepers throughout the chapter and discuss themes that foreshadow the gospel.
- **What makes Jesus marvel** (*Greek word *thaumazō*, meaning "to wonder, wonder at"*) **at the centurion?** (*Humility, submission to authority, and trust in healing by word not proximity or touch.*)
- **Share a time when you demonstrated or experienced faith that made the heavens marvel.**
- **Discover:** How did the leper and the centurion approach Jesus when asking for their miracle?
- **Deepen:** What can we learn about prayer from them? (*Humility—kneeling before Jesus. Boldness—asking for God's will to be done, not their own. Faith—clearly expressing trust in Him. Surrender—recognizing the Lordship and authority of Jesus and focusing on His will and His ability, not the outcome.*)
- **Read Matthew 8:14-15. How does your own healing in Christ impact how you serve others?** (*Healed people are called to serve. Even if your healing is still in progress, there is a place for you to serve and belong in the Body of Christ.*)
- **Discover:** The two demon-possessed men were found around tombs. What tombs, places that lead to death, have you been hanging around?
- **Deepen:** In what ways have you been oppressed by darkness – something that you've gotten into that has now gotten into you?
- **This sermon series is called "Fear to Faith." What fears are leading you that the Holy Spirit wants to transform into marvelous faith?**
- **What do we learn about Jesus and the kingdom of heaven from the miracles in Matthew 8?** (*Jesus does not discriminate—Jew or Gentile, slave or free, powerful or powerless. Human limitations like distance, disease, and death are no obstacle to the God we serve.*)

**Action Step:** **Pair up with someone in group right now** and make a plan to pray for each other's miracle need outside of group, as James 5:13-16 says.

## Your Discipleship Journey

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