



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

James - Week 14: Prayer and Anointing
September 10, 2023

LEADER NOTES: **Fall trimester:** 8/28-12/10 **New Leader Trainings:** 12/10 in person and 12/18 on Zoom.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1825 Connect Night, Sunday, September 24 at 7:00PM, San Pablo Campus, Auditorium A: This is an opportunity for 18 to 25-year-olds to build community, engage in discipleship and be equipped.

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: coe22.com/readingplan

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week?

The Point: Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

SERMON TEXT: *James 5:7-20; Philippians 1:6; Hebrews 11:32-38*

Discussion Questions

LEADERS: There is no pressure to get through all the questions; we suggest prayerfully planning your choices for your group. Your leadership of sharing and questioning will determine how deep your group goes with each question.

- What stood out to you in the sermon this week?
- What did God reveal to you in the scriptures (*James 5:7-20*) this week, maybe for the first time?
- What are your takeaways from Saturated and the James series?
Discover: What has God revealed to you about His character?
Deepen: What has the Holy Spirit shifted in you over the last few days to be more like Jesus?
- Read *James 5:7-12*.
Discover: James points us to three examples of patience in hardship and suffering: the patience of the farmer, the prophets and Job. Discuss how each of these examples demonstrate patience and steadfastness in suffering. *(Be Patient, Sanctification takes time, but it requires daily attention before you reap the harvest. While being patient: Pray, sing, and confess. Don't grumble, swear, be anxious or fearful. James 5:7-8 aren't verses for you to stop trying, but to let you know that God guarantees your effort isn't in vain. Reference Philippians 1:6 & Hebrews 11:32-38)*
Deepen: How does God model patience with us? *(God loved us while we were still sinners and sent His only son to die for us. He continually forgives us as we come to him and confess our sins. God is even patient when we delay in turning to Him. Reference 2 Peter 3:9.)*
- *Discover:* James talks about patience in suffering three times in just two verses. Where in your life is God giving you opportunities to practice patience?
Deepen: Pastor Joby shared the story about a man who inherited a kingdom. With his new mansion in sight, the man's carriage broke down. It would be silly to grumble about the carriage, wouldn't it? What broken, temporary carriage are you grumbling about when the mansion of eternity is in sight? Share a time that you responded to suffering and hardship in your life with patience and a time you responded with grumbling. What was the difference? *(In James 5:7 we are given a command to be patient. In Galatians 5:22-23 Paul tells us that patience is a fruit of the Spirit. Only when we are being filled with the Spirit can we truly walk in patience. This is a work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.)*
- Read *James 5:13-14*.
Discover: Have you ever seen or experienced a miracle?
Deepen: Which of the actions James describes in these verses do you need to do? How can your disciple group help you take your next step of faith right now?

- ACTION STEP

A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus.

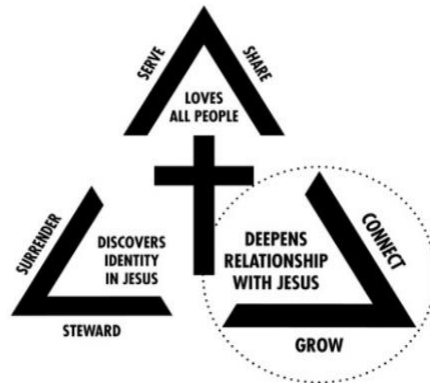
Spend time listening to worship music and worshipping the Lord, praying and reflecting on what the Lord has done through this series.

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