

WELCOME

April 16, 2023

We're so glad you're here!

At Gateway, we believe in joining God to transform our lives and culture to reflect His heart by:

Loving God ● Loving Each Other ● Loving His World

WEEKLY SERVICE & MEETINGS

COMPLETE LISTING AT GATEWAYMERCED.ORG

SUNDAY

- Sunday Service // In Person & Live on YouTube (10AM)
*Past messages are available // www.gatewaymerced.org
- **Family Room and Nursing Room Available by the Restrooms.**
- Join us for corporate prayer // 9AM // Conference Room & Zoom
www.gatewaymerced.org/events
- 1st - 5th Grade // 10AM // Rooms D1 - D4
- 6 Weeks to Kinder // 10AM // Preschool Wing
- Catalyst High School // 7PM // Gym

TUESDAY

- Crossroads Middle School // 7PM // Gym

THURSDAY

- INSPIRE College & Young Adult // 8PM // Gym

SMALL GROUPS

Sign up for a small group online today! Scan the QR Code to find a group today! Groups for men, women, couples, finances, young adults, etc.



Scan to Connect

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GATEWAY NEWS |

BAPTISMS // SUNDAY, APRIL 30

If you would like to speak about baptism for yourself or a family join us TODAY in Room A4&5 after the service. If you are unable to attend the class fill out the communication card or call the office at (209) 723-4283.

COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY

As you consider your participation in communion next week know that this table has been prepared for all who love Jesus and trust Him alone for the forgiveness of their sin. Everyone who is truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believes in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desires to live in obedience to Him, is invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

CIY YOUTH CAMPS FUNDRAISER NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday 4/23, our youth will be selling pulled pork sandwiches after service to raise money for the cost of CIY Camps this summer. Please stop by and support them if you can. We appreciate the generosity of our Gateway family! Any questions, contact Pastor Isaac.

BLOOM WOMEN'S EVENT // SAT, APR 29 // 10AM-NOON

Bloom, regardless of where you're planted. Join us for a morning of fellowship, worship and fun on Sat, Apr 29 from 10AM-Noon at Gateway Church! Discover what's happening for women this Summer! RSVP at gatewaymerced.org/ events. *Childcare available with RSVP.



FACILITY MANAGER POSITION OPEN

Will consider one full time person or multiple part-time people who are organized and have a handyman mindset. Application and Job description available upon request. Inquire at jobs@gatewaymerced.org.

RIGHTNOW MEDIA // FREE RESOURCE

We are proud to offer a free, customizable video library to equip families, resource groups, and develop leaders. Choose from more than 2,000 wholesome, educational, and entertaining videos for children, and over 20,000 biblical videos just for you. To sign up and get started fill out the communication card in this bulletin and mark RightNow Media or email info@gatewaymerced.org.

Contact Me About:

- Baptism
- Becoming a Follower of Jesus
- Church Membership
- Infant/Kindergarten
- RightNow Media
- Serving at Gateway
- Elementary/Preteen
- Worship Ministry
- Youth Ministries
- College/Young Adults
- Discover Serving
- Small Groups

Area of Interest:

Comments, Prayer Requests:

- Confidential (Staff Only) Best way to Contact me: Text Call Email

Foundations - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 4-16-23

FOR YOU AS THE TEACHER/HOST

Remember to begin each Small Group session with a word of prayer. Please keep in mind that the purpose of this curriculum guide is to cultivate a deeper relationship with the Lord and each other through conversation that intentionally engages the weekly message.

QUICK REVIEW

Discuss the message briefly. Did anything challenge or confuse you?

***OPENER QUESTION OR ACTIVITY:**

What types of natural energy are needed for us to survive? How important is that energy and power important for life?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT:

Read through John 14:16-26, 16:7-15

DIGGING DEEPER:

(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to not ask every question)

Read aloud Psalm 22:1-18 regarding prophecies concerning Jesus.

1. Discuss together what you know about the Holy Spirit. What are His responsibilities, titles (look in different translations, also), or His work?
2. According to the passages above, what specific words describe Him?
3. Have you ever been confused about the Holy Spirit? In what ways?
4. Pastor Mark spoke about Jesus' ascension triggering the Holy Spirit's arrival. Read Acts 2:3-4, 33. Is it clear why the Holy Spirit could not dwell in us until after Jesus' ascension back to heaven? Read John 7:37-39 also.
5. How have you witnessed the Holy Spirit's indwelling and power in your life? Take your time in answering this question.
6. When the Bible states in John 14:16-17, 16:8-13 that the Holy Spirit is the Truth and will guide us into all the truth, what are the ways in which this happens with unbelievers? With you?
7. What other questions do you have concerning the Holy Spirit and His role in our lives?

APPLY IT TODAY:

Looking back over this week's teaching, what is most important for you to remember and why? How will you grow in the area you have identified?

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FOUNDATIONS

Communication/Prayer Request Card

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

April 16, 2023

Name: _____ Change in Contact Info

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Best Contact Phone: _____

- I'm new to Gateway: 1st Visit I've been here a few times I attend here often I'm a member

If you are a 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? _____