

WELCOME

May 14, 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

TUESDAY

- Crossroads Middle School // 7PM // Gym

SUMMER SCHEDULE

- INSPIRE College & Young Adult // *Instagram @inspiregateway*
- Catalyst High School // gatewaymerced.org/youth

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

GCC-Church



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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.

END OF SCHOOL BASH FOR YOUTH // THIS FRI, MAY 19

All students (current 6-12th graders) are invited to join us for our annual end of the school year party this FRIDAY for fun, games, prizes, Kona Ice and the return of Xtreme Bingo! All the info can be found at: gatewaymerced.org/youth or reach out to Pastor Isaac: iparra@gatewaymerced.org.

CIY YOUTH CAMPS FUNDRAISER NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday 5/21, our youth will be selling BBQ hamburgers & hotdogs 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 continued generosity of our Gateway family! Any questions, contact Pastor Isaac.

FACILITY MANAGER POSITION OPEN

Will consider one full time person or multiple part-time people who are organized and have a handyman mindset. Scan the QR Code to view Job Description or to Apply. Application and Job description are also available at the Guest Center. Questions? Email gccjobs@gatewaymerced.org.



PENTECOST WORSHIP GATHERING // MAY 28 // MERCED HIGH

Join us on Sun, May 28 at 6PM as we worship together as the Church of Merced at the Merced High Football Stadium. We hope to see you there!

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
- Elementary/Preteen
- College/Young Adults
- RightNow Media
- Worship Ministry
- Discover Serving
- Serving at Gateway
- Youth Ministries
- 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 5-14-23

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:**

When was a time where you had an authority figure give you directions that you messed up? What was the consequence?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Exodus 20 and Deuteronomy 5:6-21 -
The first 6 Commandments

DIGGING DEEPER:

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

Read aloud Exodus 20:2-23

1. Pastor Al revealed these first five commandments have a theme. Do you agree that they all do? Can you explain what that theme is and why it is important?
2. Which one of these specifically affects your family if you disobey it? Why do you think this one in particular does that?
3. What has been your history with the 10 Commandments? What do you remember about them as you were growing up?
4. Read in Deuteronomy 5:22-29. What is it that Moses is saying about the people's response? What is the heart of God for His people? (vs 29)
5. Is there anything confusing about God's will regarding His commands?
6. How does fearing God (vs. 29) relate to the first 5 commandments and does that really make sense or is it confusing to you?
7. How can you "fear God" in your relation to these commands, this week?

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?

Communication/Prayer Request Card

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

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? _____

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