W E L C O M E June 26, 2022

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
- Gateway Students Summer Schedule: gatewaymerced.org/youth

GET CONNECTED:

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GATEWAY NEWS

COMMUNION // TODAY

The communion table has been prepared for all who love Jesus and trust Him alone for the forgiveness of their sins. 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.

SHARE YOUR STORY // WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Share a God moment! We want to see glimpses of His glory through your story! Go to gatewaymerced.org/stories and share your story! "..make known his deeds among the peoples!" 1 Chronicles 16:8

VOLUNTEER OPPROUTNITY // DO YOU ENJOY BAKING?

If you enjoy baking this ministry may be for you! We have lots of meetings that happen around Gateway and we could use your help providing a dessert or finger food for some of them. Please let us know on the communication card if interested or contact Jen Parra at JDGhimenti@aol.com. Thank you!

10AM SERVICE REMINDER

Through the end of August we will be having one service at 10AM. Our livestream time will also change and be held at 10AM.

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.

TEXT TO GIVE

You can give to Gateway using your mobile phone! Give instantly from your credit/debit card/ApplePay with a single text message. Text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. Or you can give online at gatewaymerced.org/give.

GATEWAY YOUTUBE

Help us reach 1000 subscribers by subscribing to our YouTube page Gateway Community Church Merced.

GATEWAY'S DAILY PRAYERS

To receive the Daily Prayers via email call the Church office at 723-4283 or email info@gatewaymerced.org.

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If you are Address: I'm new to Gateway:

1st Visit

I've been here 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? I've been here a few times Best Contact Phone: I attend here often Change City: in Contact Info I'm a member

Investigating Jesus - Gateway Groups, Merced "Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 6-26-22

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

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Prayer

Request

June

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

*OPENER QUESTION OR ACTIVITY:

Have you ever gotten caught up in traffic and felt like your agenda to get home was more important than any of the other drivers? What caused you to think you deserved a clear and immediate driving path?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT:

Read aloud Luke 7:36-50 - A Love Story

DIGGING DEEPER: (*Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to not ask every question*)

- 1. Can you describe a time in your life where you realized the depth of the love of God that moved you to some type of action? Why did you respond the way you did?
- 2. Read from Ephesians 2:8-9 together. What are the keywords you find in these verses? Why did you choose these keywords?
- 3. What similarities of "the sinful woman" of Luke 7:36-50 and these verses in Ephesians 2:8-9 can you find or connect to her response and why?
- 4. If you haven't yet, look up the word "grace" and discuss its meaning together. How has grace moved you to a deeper love for God?
- 5. Who are the people in your life who have shown you how to live out Ephesians 2:8-9 by the way they love Jesus?
- 6. At the end of Luke 7:50, Jesus says the sinful woman's faith saved her and she should go in peace. How has peace shown up in your life ever since you first believed and were forgiven?

APPLY IT TODAY:

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

