

WELCOME

November 21, 2021

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 (9AM & 11AM) & Live on YouTube (9AM)

*Past messages are available // www.gatewaymerced.org

Family Room and Nursing Room Available by the Restrooms.

- Join us for corporate prayer // 8AM // Conference Room & Zoom www.gatewaymerced.org/events
- 1st - 5th Grade // 9AM & 11AM // Rooms D1 - D4
- 6 Weeks to Kinder // 9AM & 11AM // Preschool Wing
- Catalyst High School // 7PM // Gym

TUESDAY

Crossroads Middle School // 7PM // Gym

*On break will resume 11/30/21

THURSDAY

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

*On break will resume 12/2/21

JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

<https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups>

GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

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GATEWAY NEWS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING // TODAY // 10:15-10:45AM

Our Council has tentatively approved our budget for 2022, subject to the approval by the congregation TODAY. We value your partnership in Gateway's mission and hope all members will attend the congregational meeting held between services, where we will answer questions and formally vote on the budget.

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

If you are facing extreme grief this holiday season, you know there's no easy or quick fix! But we can help you uncover practical holiday survival tips for dealing with a season of despair. Join us for Surviving the Holidays, a 2-hour event featuring real-life stories and a community of caring people TODAY at 2PM at Gateway. If you cannot attend, we will do the same event on Sun., Dec. 19th at 2PM. Please register online or in person. For assistance or more information contact Kenny Dunham at the Church Office (209) 723-4283 or email kdunham@gatewaymerced.org

NACHORDINARY THANKSGIVING // TODAY // 6:30-8:30PM

All students (Middle School & High School) are invited to join us for a Thanksgiving themed night starting with a build-your-own nachos meal and then a worship night, led by our church's worship team. A short devotional and practical thanksgiving response will also be part of the worship time. If students are excited about thanking God for His many blessings, we'd love for them to be a part of this!

CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The church office will be open 9AM-1PM on Mon-Wed (Nov 22-24) and closed Thurs, Nov 25 and Fri, Nov 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

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.

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.

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- Church Membership
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- Serving at Gateway
- Small Groups
- Worship Ministry
- Youth Ministries
- College/Young Adults

Comments, Prayer Requests:

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

How have you seen God move in your life this week/recently?

Sermon Based Study - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 11-21-2021

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:**

Which of your possessions are your most treasured? Would you separate with them for the right amount of money?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT:

Luke 10 - "Uncluttered - Heart"

DIGGING DEEPER: Matthew 6:19-34

1. Read aloud Matthew 6:19-34. Focus on vs 19-21. What is Jesus communicating about the relationship between our treasures and our heart?
2. What does He say about the care of your heart? What kind of treasure would you think is stored up in heaven?
3. Vs 22-23. How important is your eye to your life and the health of your heart? What ways can you keep your eyes healthy by what you treasure? Consider verses 20 and 24.
4. Vs. 24 Think of a time when you found a struggle between the two masters - money or God. How does it make you feel that Jesus knows this struggle? What options for serving money or God did Jesus present? Look closely.
5. How has money been a joy in your relationship with God? A struggle?
6. An Uncluttered Heart is our focus from Sunday. Do you have any need to review the treasures, eyes, or masters you have invested in or served in order to respond to Jesus' direction? Are there any changes you need to make now? What is the Holy Spirit revealing to you about this subject?

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

November 21, 2021

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

Name: _____ Change in Contact Info

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Best Contact Phone: _____ City: _____

I'm new to Gateway: 1st Visit I attend here often

I've been here a few times I'm a member

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

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SUNDAYS 9AM & 11AM

Uncluttered

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