

WELCOME

January 28, 2024

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

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GATEWAYMERCED.ORG

SUNDAY SERVICE - 8:30AM & 10:15AM

Join us in person at: 353 E Donna Dr. Merced, CA. 95340

- Corporate Prayer | 8AM & 9:45AM | Conference Rm
- Family Room & Nursing Room available by the restrooms
- 6 wks - Kinder | Preschool Wing
- 1st-5th grade | Rms D1-D4



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NEW TO CHURCH?

Go to our Guest Center for next steps or scan QR code to fill out our connection card



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DOWNLOAD OUR CHURCHCENTER APP



- Watch past sermons or kids at home videos
- Set up payments for tithes or offerings
- Check out the available small groups
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EVENTS

SMALL GROUPS | SIGN UP TODAY

Sign-ups for small groups are available online at our website gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups. If you need assistance in finding a group that suits your current season of life, please feel free to contact Kevin at kborges@gatewaymerced.org.



SERVING OPPORTUNITIES | SIGN UP TODAY

Attend one service and serve in the other! 1Peter 4:10 says, "As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." Check out the different areas you can serve in on a Sunday and sign up! Sign up on the insert or scan the QR code to fill out the form online.



WORSHIP & PRAYER NIGHT | FEB 21 @7PM

Come ready to worship but also ready to lift one another up in prayer just as Paul did for the churches he wrote to. Invite friends and family and get ready to bond together as a church family!

Camp Gate-A-Way | FEB 9-11 | 6-12TH GRADE

Camp Gate-A-Way is a different type of camp experience. In order to keep costs down, we will put on an in-house winter weekend for all our students to enjoy together! We all know there are areas in our lives we need to change, yet we struggle to make them happen. Our Gateway youth leaders will teach students to look to Jesus as their example and the Holy Spirit as their guide in this amazing transformation of our Christian lives. Cost \$50. To learn more go to gatewaymerced.org/youth

CROSSROADS PRISON MINISTRIES

For more than 40 years, Crossroads Prison Ministries has delivered hope to prisons through encouraging letters and Bible studies. As a volunteer mentor, you will review Bible study lessons from people in prison and write them encouraging letters. Your words may be the only message of hope and love they receive. For more information, please see the hosted table before and after service today. Spanish speakers are needed. Se necesitan intérpretes en Español

ALPHA PHC BABY BOTTLE BLAST | BOTTES DUE FEB 11

Support the moms who choose Life through the ministry of Alpha PHC. Your loose change, cash, check or online gift defends the unborn of Merced County. Bottles will be available after the service today. Please return bottles filled and or empty by Sun. Feb. 11.

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

Series: Faith, Hope, Love... - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 1-28-24

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:

Who was someone who loved you the most growing up and how did they show it?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: 1 Corinthians 13 - Love

DIGGING DEEPER:

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

Read John 3:16-21

1. How do you determine loving the world in your life?
2. Let's have some clarity on how to love the world. What's the difference between "the world" in John 3:16-21 and "the world" in 1 John 2:15-17? Is "the world" defined the same in both scriptures or differently? How do you, personally, determine the best interpretation between these scriptures?
3. How does the gospel, as given in John 3:16, impact how you love the world? What are some examples of how you love the world this way?
4. If Jesus gave His life in loving the world, what is it that we should be prepared to do in loving His world?
5. Take a look at Ephesians 4:32-5:2. How does this type of attitude and action win unbelievers to Christ? How does it help believers?
6. What are the ways you can "love the world" within the church today, both for believers and unbelievers alike?
7. What ministries in the church allow you to "love the world", and how?

APPLY IT TODAY:

What was most important for you to remember today and why?

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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GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH
JANUARY 28, 2024

1 CORINTHIANS 13

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