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February 4, 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

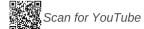
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SUNDAY SERVICE - 8:30AM & 10:15AM

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

Or LIVE on our YouTube Channel

NEW TO CHURCH?

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



Scan for Next Steps

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
- Fill out conection card

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CAMPUS CLEAN UP DAY | FEBRUARY 10 | 9AM-NOON

Come help clean up! We are having our semi-annual cleanup day this Saturday, 2/10, from 9AM-Noon, weather permitting. We have a list of projects from tree trimming, flowerbed prep, painting, repairing and painting ramps, gutter cleaning and more. Please sign up through QR code or visit the Men's Ministry table after the service. We want to get an idea of how many will come and be able to communicate to you should weather change our plans. See you Saturday!

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.



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Contact Me About:

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

Last call for sign-ups for Camp Gate-A-Way (registration closes Wed.). We hope your student(s) can join us for our in-house winter weekend that ALL our students can 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

ALPHA PHC BABY BOTTLE BLAST | BOTTLES 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 are available after the service today. Please return bottles filled and or empty by Sun. Feb. 11.

RIGHTNOW MEDIA | FREE RESOURCE

We are proud to offer a free, customizable video library to equip families, resource groups, and leaders. To sign up and get started fill out the communication card in this bulletin or mark RightNow Media or email info@gatewaymerced.org.

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■ Becoming a Follower of Jesus	RightNow Media	Worship Ministry	☐ Discover Serving
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	Area of Interest:		
Comments, Prayer Requests:			
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I'm new to Gateway:

1st Visit

I've been here Best Contact Phone: I attend here often I'm a member

Series: Anchored... - Gateway Groups, Merced

"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 2-4-24

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:

When did you stop believing in Santa Claus or what was the story around Santa for you growing up? What do you remember about that time?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Romans 1:1-17

DIGGING DEEPER:

(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to NOT ask every question)
Read Romans 1:1-17 together

- 1. Who shared the gospel story with you first, that you can remember?
- 2. What words or phrases describe how Paul sees and loves those in the Roman church? Look closely from vrs. 8-17
- 3. Is it all about his ministry to them, or does Paul desire something from them also?(vs. 12-13)
- 4. If you are in a ministry to others in your life, what can you take from Paul's letter that you can apply to your ministry? Discuss this together in your grp.
- 5. How would you personally describe "the gospel"?
- 6. Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 and point out the elements of the gospel that make it what it is. What is not a part of it?
- 7. Do you ever find people who are confused about the gospel, and yet think they know what it means? What areas are they most confused about?
- 8. What are practical ways you and I can live out the gospel "unashamed", as Paul states in vs. 16? Try answering this using I, me and my statements.

APPLY IT TODAY:

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

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