

WELCOME

February 5, 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
- Catalyst High School // 7PM // Gym

TUESDAY

- Crossroads Middle School // 7PM // Gym

THURSDAY

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

GET CONNECTED

SMALL GROUPS SIGN UPS:

Sign up for a small group online today! Go to gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups or scan the QR Code to find a group today! Groups for men, women, couples, finances, young adults, etc.



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GATEWAY NEWS |

MEET AND GREET // TODAY

Are you new to Gateway and/or would like to get plugged into our church? Come and meet some of our Gateway staff and members at our 'Meet N Greet' TODAY after the service in C6. We'd LOVE to get to know you, welcome you, and answer any questions you may have. Don't miss out!

WORSHIP NIGHT // WED, FEB 15 AT 7PM

Worship Night happening **Feb. 15** ! This is a Gateway Event, but all are welcome, bring friends, family, and anyone else who might be interested. It will be a night to go deeper into what it means to worship and expand on our regular Sunday morning time together!

MEMBERSHIP CLASS COMING SOON // STARTING NEXT SUN, FEB 12

Interested in becoming a member? Want to learn more about who we are and what we stand for? Starting Next Sun, Feb 12th in Rm. A4&5 after service for an hour, we'll be providing Discover Membership classes. We'd love to get to know you better and for us to discover together if Gateway is the home God has in store for you and your family! Sign up on the Communication Card and mark if you will be needing childcare.

LAST CALL FOR CAMP GATE-A-WAY!

Registration has closed for our special 3 day camp experience here at Gateway for our youth but we ordered a few extra shirts, so if your student wants to join us, please let Pastor Isaac know ASAP. Call 209-723-4283 or email: iparra@gatewaymerced.org.

SAVE THE DATE/PARENT'S NIGHT OUT // FEBRUARY 19

Rsvp will be required. To reserve your spot for Infant-Kinder email alisa@gatewaymerced.org. To reserve your spot for 1st-5th Grade email kendra@gatewaymerced.org. Space is limited!

LOVE INC. // A SWEET FUNDRAISER - MIX BAKERY // FEBRUARY 22

Do you like sweets? Visit Mix Bakery on Wed, Feb 22 and say "I am with Love Inc.," a portion of the day's proceeds will benefit Love INC families!

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 (Feb. 12)
- Kid's Ministries
- RightNow Media
- Serving at Gateway
- Small Groups
- Worship Ministry
- Youth Ministries
- College/ Young Adults
- Discover Serving (Coming this Spring)

Area of Interest:

Comments, Prayer Requests:

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

What's Next? - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 2-5-23

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:**

What is the funniest talent, trait or ability you possess (ie: Juggling, Donald Duck voice, wiggling ears, etc.)? How did you discover it and how do you utilize it today?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT:

Ephesians 4 "Gifts"- Why do we have gifts?

***Have you gone online to take your Spiritual Gifts survey yet? If not scan the QR Code. 80 Questions take about 10 min. to complete.**



DIGGING DEEPER:

*(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to not ask every question)
Divide these 3 passages amidst 3 groups of people to read individually and be prepared to answer these questions: What are the gifts listed, who provides these gifts, and what the overarching goal of these gifts is? Take time here to discuss.*

Ephesians 4:1-16, Romans 12:4-8, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, 14.

1. What, about spiritual gifts, is easy to understand and what is difficult? What questions do you have about the spiritual gifts and their activity for you?
2. Has your involvement in church, Gateway or another, given you the opportunity to discover your giftedness and then use those gifts?
3. Someone once said that the spiritual gifts are like snowflakes, no two are the same. How would you explain your gift as a "spiritual snowflake"?
4. How does it make you feel that God has provided you direct help to do work in His ministry? What does this say about how He sees you in His church?
5. What have you done to discover your spiritual gifts and exercise them in and for the body of Christ? The "Discover Your Gifts" survey is online now. This week, take the survey and bring the results to the group next 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?

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Communication/Prayer Request Card
Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

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Name: _____ Change in Contact Info

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Best Contact Phone: _____

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

I've been here a few times

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