

# WELCOME

February 6, 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 (9AM & 11AM) & Live on YouTube (9AM)

\*Past messages are available // [www.gatewaymerced.org](http://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](http://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

### THURSDAY

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

#### JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

<https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups>

#### GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

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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 both services in A4&5. We'd LOVE to get to know you, welcome you, and answer any questions you may have. Don't miss out!

### COLLEGE, YOUNG ADULTS // MY MONEY, GOD'S WAY // TODAY

This is a short, 3-week class on Sundays (Feb. 6, 13, 20) at 10:30 AM in Room C5. This class is for any young adult who wants to understand how to align their thinking about money with what God says, and learn practical ways to follow a plan for financial security and independence. Pastor Kevin and Spence Boelter will be guiding this hands-on learning time and providing tools to make budgeting ideas easy to understand and apply. For more information email Pastor Kevin at [kborges@gatewaymerced.org](mailto:kborges@gatewaymerced.org) or you can sign up at [gatewaymerced.org/events](http://gatewaymerced.org/events).

### YOUNG ADULTS & SINGLES ONE DAY CONFERENCE MARCH 12

This special conference has a theme of "Walking With God" and will highlight many of the big questions for the young adults and singles. Questions like "How do I walk with God courageously in this culture?", "Why would God accept and use me?", and "What does God say about singleness, sex and dating? \$35 per person for anyone navigating through the challenges of young adulthood! For more info and to register, go online at [gatewaymerced.org/inspire](http://gatewaymerced.org/inspire).

### MISSION TRIP TO UGANDA AFRICA // MAY 26 - JUNE 6

Pastor Kevin will be leading a mission trip to Uganda Africa May 26-June 6 for college and young adults. Deadline to register for the trip with a deposit of \$1,000 is Sunday, February 20. We will work alongside the ministry [sharedloveuganda.org](http://sharedloveuganda.org) - ministering to the most vulnerable people economically, socially, physically, and spiritually with a higher focus on women and children especially orphaned, abandoned, and parentless. Need more information? Contact Pastor Kevin at [kborges@gatewaymerced.org](mailto:kborges@gatewaymerced.org).

### 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](mailto:info@gatewaymerced.org).

### ALPHA PREGNANCY HELP CENTER // BABY BOTTLE BLAST

Bottles are available to take home (at the guest booth), you can fill it with a check, cash or coins. Bottles are due Sun. Feb. 27. Thank you!

#### Contact Me About:

- Baptism
- Becoming a Follower of Jesus
- Church Membership
- Kid's Ministries
- RightNow Media
- 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 2-6-2022

**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:**

Do you ever cheat at games so you can win? If not, have you been tempted to? What is the gain we get from winning dishonestly?

**SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT:**

Revelation 2:18-29 "Integrity on the Job"

**DIGGING DEEPER:**

1. Read aloud Revelation 2:18. How would you think Jesus eyes are like flaming fire and feet like burning bronze? How does this help you when faced with temptation?
2. Read aloud Revelation 2:19. Their current deeds were greater than their past. Has it been easier or harder to get better at being faithful at work as you get older?
3. Read aloud Revelation 2:20-23. We can compare/contrast their tolerance of Jezebel to our alliances with people in the workplace. Have you ever had to speak out at work? How did you work through that decision?
4. Read aloud Revelation 2:25-27. They are instructed to "hold fast" to what they have. And Mark 7:8 where they "hold fast" to traditions of men instead of the Word. What are you holding fast to when you are at work?
5. Read aloud Revelation 2:28-29 & Rev. 22:16. According to the texts, who is the morning star? Now read 1Cor. 13:12. Could you explain how these two passages can relate?

**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**

February 6, 2022

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Change in Contact Info

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Best Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I'm new to Gateway:  1<sup>st</sup> Visit  I attend here often  I'm a member

I've been here a few times

If you are a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? \_\_\_\_\_

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SUNDAYS 9AM & 11AM

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