

WELCOME

March 24, 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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Or LIVE on our YouTube Channel

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

SERVE ON EASTER! | MARCH 31ST

From bringing smiles to families with some yummy donuts, to helping kids hear the gospel message, to using your talents in music to usher us into His presence, there is a place for you to serve this day! Sign up now by scanning the QR code.



GOOD FRIDAY | THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH | 7PM EASTER SUNDAY | MARCH 31ST | 8:30AM OR 10:15AM

The Gospel proclaimed, lives forever changed...be a part of these powerful events, held to remember what was done on the cross for our sins and the final gift of life resurrected in Christ! *Invites available at the tables to invite your friends and family.

THRIVE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE | MAY 2-3 | BAYSIDE CHURCH

Ignite your passion. Recharge your leadership. If you're a current church leader or emerging leader, then this conference is for you! Become empowered to lead in your community and church through the many breakouts offered by Bayside Church in Roseville. Scan QR code if interested! *Must be a Gateway attendee or member. Need to purchase ticket (hotel & food not included).



UGANDA TEAM UPDATE

April 11-23, Pastor Kevin will be travelling to Uganda Africa in order to support, Shared Love Uganda and their director Moses Ssebagala. We have supported this ministry before as a church and this trip allows him to review how we can lead a team there in the future. If you would like to support this trip in any amount financially: Check donations: write "Uganda" on the check; Online donations: scan the QR code or visit gatewaymerced.org; Text donations: send any amount followed by "Uganda" to 84321 (e.g. \$10 Uganda).



FAMILY CAMP @ HARTLAND CHRISTIAN

Gateway invites you to attend family camp at Hartland Christian Camp over Memorial Day weekend. The camp will be from May 24-27th. Come enjoy fellowship with other families, good food, fun camp activities, and great worship and family chapels! We would love for you to join! For more info or sign up via QR code so we can send you more info.



ALPHA PHC | GOLF 4 LIFE FUNDRAISER | MAY 13TH

You're invited to join Alpha Golf 4 Life Fundraiser @ The Golf Club at Copper Valley in Copperopolis on Mon, May 13. Enjoy a day of golf. No entry fee just ask your friends to support you as you Golf 4 Life! For more info visit alphaphc.com/events or contact Julie at (209) 383-4700 or julie@alpha.com to reserve your spot today.

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
- Bus Ministry
- Small Groups

Area of Interest: _____

Comments, Prayer Requests:

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

Series: Anchored... - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 3-24-24

FOR YOU AS THE TEACHER/HOST

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:

As a child, how did you respond to the commands given to you by your parents? Did you always understand the "why"?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Romans 7

DIGGING DEEPER:

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

Read over Romans 7:7-25

1. According to vrs. 7-8, what is the purpose of the Law? Is there any part of this that confuses you or causes questions about how this is explained?
2. Why does the Law produce death(vrs. 9-11)? That sounds drastic, yet Paul states that this "Law is holy and the commandment is holy, righteous and good." Why is this important to understand, in light of the gospel?
3. What did Paul share about his own attempts to follow the Law (vrs. 14-16)? Can you relate to Paul? Discuss how this has impacted your life, if at all.
4. How can a Christian continue to commit sins even though God is his or her master, as you review what Paul has said?
5. How heavy is the battle against sin that Paul is explaining and secondly, would you say he is blaming sin for his failures? How appropriate is it to "blame" your failure on sin? How important is hope in this struggle?
6. What is Paul's final verdict of hope in this passage and could you explain/discuss how Paul has resolved to live in this struggle?(vs. 25)
7. How can you take Paul's approach to sin and this struggle this week?

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: _____

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

- I'm new to Gateway: 1st Visit I've been here a few times I attend here often I'm a member

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

