

Sermon Based Study - Gateway Groups, Merced

"Bond Together/Grow Together"

For the week of 3/17/2024

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: What food is the most healthy for you to eat and why? To what degree is it hard to avoid the foods that you know are not good for you?

Sunday's Main Scripture Text: Romans 6

Digging Deeper: *(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to NOT ask every question.)*

Read over Romans 6

1. Romans 6:13 - What does it mean to "present the members of your body?"
2. Romans 6:15 - Why not sin freely since your sins are all paid for?
3. Romans 6:16 - Can you be born again and at the same time a slave to the devil?
4. Romans 6:17 - Why would Paul emphasize obedience "from the heart?" Is there an obedience that is not from the heart?
5. Romans 6:19 - The goal in this verse is sanctification which means the effect of purification. How does it practically appear in someone's life?
6. Romans 6:22 - Here it says that the sanctification we discussed in question 5, finally leads to eternal life. When do we have eternal life? Now, in the future, or both?
7. How has this chapter revealed truth to you and to what degree should this truth impact how you view your immediate future? Who will be most impacted by what you now know?

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