

# WELCOME

June 25, 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](http://GATEWAYMERCED.ORG)

### SUNDAY

- Sunday Service // In Person & Live on YouTube (10AM)  
\*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 // 9AM // Conference Room & Zoom  
[www.gatewaymerced.org/events](http://www.gatewaymerced.org/events)
- 1st - 5th Grade // 10AM // Rooms D1 - D4
- 6 Weeks to Kinder // 10AM // Preschool Wing

### SUMMER SCHEDULE

- INSPIRE College & Young Adult // *Instagram @inspiregateway*
- Catalyst High School // [gatewaymerced.org/youth](http://gatewaymerced.org/youth)
- Crossroads Middle School // [gatewaymerced.org/youth](http://gatewaymerced.org/youth)

### SMALL GROUPS

Sign up for a small group online today! Scan the QR Code to find a group today! Groups for men, women, couples, finances, young adults, etc.



Scan to Connect

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### GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

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## | GATEWAY NEWS |

### COMMUNION // TODAY

The communion table has been prepared for all who love Jesus and trust Him alone for the forgiveness of their sins. Everyone who is truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believes in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desires to live in obedience to Him, is invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

### SPIRITUAL GIFTS CLASS // WEDNESDAYS UNTIL 7/26

A Spiritual Gifts class is being held Wednesday nights over the Summer in the Library at 6:30PM. Anyone who is interested can be here by 6:30PM or sign up online at [gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups](http://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups)

### MENS' BREAKFAST | JULY 1ST | 8-9:30AM | RM. C6/GYM

Join us for a hearty meal as we gather to further discuss potential upcoming events for the men's ministry. If you would like to be a part of God's movement in empowering you and the men at Gateway, to build in community, and grow in your relationship with Jesus, then stop by!

### GATEWAY SUMMER CAMP // WE HAVE A FEW SPOTS LEFT!

Summer camp runs Mon-Fri from 7:30AM-5:30PM. Cost is \$125 per week. Email Brandy at [bschwesinger@gatewaymerced.org](mailto:bschwesinger@gatewaymerced.org) to check availability.

### GATEWAY'S 40-YEAR ANNIVERSARY // JULY 30TH!

Mark your Calendars for our big event: Gateway's 40-Year Anniversary on July 30th! Celebrate how the Lord is our Banner through our 40 years of ministry. More details to come.

\*If you would like to help with the celebration, email Amairani at [amitten@gatewaymerced.org](mailto:amitten@gatewaymerced.org).

### WORSHIP PLAYLIST

Need encouragement throughout the week? Check out Gateway's YouTube worship playlist! This is meant to strengthen your faith, allow you to spend time with God, and ultimately to worship Him because He is most worthy to be praised. Enjoy! [www.gatewaymerced.org](http://www.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).

### 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
- Discover Serving
- Small Groups

Area of Interest:

### Comments, Prayer Requests:

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



# GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

## JUNE 25, 2023

### I AM - Gateway Groups, Merced

*"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 6-25-23*

#### 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 was the worst injury you ever sustained? How long did it take to recover? Discuss this together before this week's lesson.

#### SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT:

Exodus 15:22-27 Jehovah Rapha - "The Lord Heals"

#### DIGGING DEEPER:

*(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to not ask every question)*

1. Rapha means the Lord heals/restores. I Corinthians 12:28 uses the plural to talk of gifts of healings. How do you feel about this gift today and have you ever witnessed this?
2. What are the various ways "healing" or "restoration" is needed in people's lives today? In other words, in what instances is it needed for people and how many of these do you know the Bible speaks to?
3. Read 1 Peter 2:24-25 and Isaiah 53:5 together. What did Jesus accomplish and provide healing from? Have you ever recognized your need for this?
4. Are there any aspects of healing that confuse you or which you question? What are these and does the Bible speak to them?
5. Psalm 147:3 speaks of healing of the "brokenhearted" and in Psalm 23:3 on how God "restores my soul". How does this type of restoration or healing work and is there anything I need to be aware of on my part?
6. Read over Exodus 15:25-26. Are there any clues in these verses which relate to our responsibility in knowing God as - "the Lord who heals you" Where do you need to align yourself, much like Exodus speaks of, in order to stay in relationship with God and continually be healed or restored?

#### 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

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've been here a few times
- I attend here often  I'm a member

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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