WELCOME

June 6, 2021

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

<u>SUNDAY</u>

• Sunday Service // In Person (9AM & 11AM) & Live on YouTube (9AM) *Past messages are available // 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
- 1st 5th Grade // 9AM & 11AM // Rooms D1 D4
- 6 Weeks to Kinder // 9AM & 11AM // Preschool Wing instagram.com/gatewaychildrensministry/ facebook.com/gateway.childrensministry

INSPIRE College & Young Adults:

instagram.com/inspiregateway/

Catalyst High School & Crossroads Middle School:

instagram.com/gatewaymercedstudents/ facebook.com/GatewayMercedStudents/

JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups

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GATEWAY NEWS

CLASS OF 2021

Congratulations to all who have graduated/are soon graduating at whatever level of education you've achieved! May God guide you in the next chapter of your life with Him!

SUMMER CAMP

The valley is hot but camp is cool! Only a few spots left for Elementary summer camp - 1st-6th grade. Daily worship rally, academic retention and 6 daily rotation station are sure to keep your child's body and brain active all summer. Sign up for weekly sessions (weeks 5-9 waitlisted). See website for more information or contact ksinger@gatewaymerced.org

ALPHA PREGNANCY HELP CENTER'S BABY BOTTLE BLAST

Thank you for being a Champion for LIFE and participating in this year's Baby Bottle Blast for Alpha PHC! Reminder: Filled bottles are due back by Father's Day, June, 20. Please return filled bottles to the information cart.

GATEWAY YOUTUBE

Help us reach 1000 subscribers by subscribing to our YouTube page Gateway Community Church Merced.

GATEWAY'S DAILY PRAYERS

To receive the Daily Prayers via email call the Church office at 723-4283 or email info@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.

DID YOU KNOW WE RECYCLE?

You can recycle your old ink cartridges right here at Gateway. All you have to do is bring the empty cartridges to the church office or the information booth, we will recycle them for you.

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Email: If you are a 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? State: Address: I'm new to Gateway: □ 1st Visit □ I've been her¢ I've been here a few times Zip: **Best Contact Phone:** attend here often Apt: Birthdate City: I'm a member

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Change in Contact Info

Sermon Based Study - Gateway Groups, Merced <u>"Bond Together/Grow Together"</u> // For the week of 6-6-2021

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:**

Describe a time where you knew what your parents told you to do to stay safe, but you decided to do what you wanted anyway. What was the outcome?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Psalm 1:1-6. - "Walk in God's Way"

DIGGING DEEPER:

- 1. Read out loud Psalm 1. In verse 1, look at this progression: "walk, stand, sit." What would you say is the point the psalmist is trying to make? Talk about how that plays out in a life flirting with sin.
- 2. Verse 2 speaks about delighting in God's laws or principles. How is it possible for a person to take pleasure in what God requires? How important is it?
- 3. How does the analogy of a tree in vr 2-3 relate to the Christian's walk with God? What would you say is the psalmist's emphasis on here?
- 4. Vrs 4-5 speak of the wicked as "dust in the wind." How difficult is it to see the wicked prosper around you and yet reconcile that with this verse? Can you discuss the difference between success in earthly endeavors compared to spiritual ones?
- 5. Verse 6 says that God knows, or watches over, the way of the righteous. How has His "knowing us" or "watching over us" changed the path of your life?

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?

SUNDAYS 9AM & 11AM GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH JUNE 6TH, 2021

PSALMS FOR THE SUMMER