

WELCOME

July 25, 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

SUNDAY

- 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/](https://www.instagram.com/gatewaychildrensministry/)
[facebook.com/gateway.childrensministry](https://www.facebook.com/gateway.childrensministry)

INSPIRE College & Young Adults:

[instagram.com/inspiregateway/](https://www.instagram.com/inspiregateway/)

Catalyst High School & Crossroads Middle School:

[instagram.com/gatewaymercedstudents/](https://www.instagram.com/gatewaymercedstudents/)
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JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

<https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups>

GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

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GATEWAY NEWS |

FAITH & SCIENCE SEMINAR - SUNDAYS AUG 8-SEPT 12

Mark your calendars for the Faith & Science Seminar with Dr. Johnny & Christiane Touma starting Aug 8 - Sept 12 at 6PM at Gateway Church. Sign up on the communication card or online at gatewaymerced.org.

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.

ALPHA PREGNANCY HELP CENTER // TRI TIP FUNDRAISER

Alpha PHC is holding a drive-thru for a WHOLE BBQ TriTip on Fri, Aug 13. The deadline to order is Mon, Aug 9. For more information or to order call Geri at 209-383-4700 or visit their website alphaphc.com.

CARE MINISTRY UPDATE

COVID, heaped upon everyday life, has presented us with a greater need for care, support, and recovery. The Care Ministry at Gateway is responding to this need with the desire to recruit, train, and place volunteers into areas of service and leadership opportunities.

We are currently looking for volunteers who would like to facilitate one of our video-based support and recovery groups.

Current and upcoming group opportunities include:

- ACE Overcomers - healing from adverse child experiences and breaking unhealthy cycles.
- Grief Share - support in the death of a loved one.
- Divorce Care - support for those experiencing separation or divorce.
- The Journey Course - Recovery from Sexual addiction/unwanted sexual behaviors.
- Financial Crisis support - in development.
- Marriage strengthening - in development.

For more information, contact the church office at (209) 723-4283 or email Pastor Kenny at kdunham@gatewaymerced.org.

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

SUNDAYS 9AM & 11AM
GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH
JULY 25TH, 2021

PSALMS FOR
THE SUMMER



Sermon Based Study - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 7-25-2021

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:**

Who in the world would you change places for a day? What do they have, or what do they do that you would like to experience?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Psalm 73 Unhealthy Comparisons

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Read out loud Psalm 73. Focus on verses 2 and 3. What was the author doing that came close to destroying him? Does this compare with anything you have struggled with?
2. Read out loud Galatians 6:4 and 1 Corinthians 4:7. What has God done for you or through you that you feel like telling the world about? Have you told people? Can you distinguish between what you have done and what God has done through you. Where does boasting come in?
3. Read Ephesians 1:18 out loud. That phrase "the riches of the glory of His inheritance." Have you felt encouraged to stay on the path because of His promises? What promises and features of Heaven excite you?
4. Read out loud Revelation 5:13. Picture yourself in that throng around the throne in heaven, singing and shouting the words "To Him who sits on the throne and unto the Lamb, be blessing, honor, the glory and the dominion forever and ever." Should you be in rehearsal now for that time?
Where will joy come from if you continue unhealthy comparisons of others?

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

July 25, 2021

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

Name: _____ Change in Contact Info

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Best Contact Phone: _____

I'm new to Gateway: 1st Visit I attend here often I'm a member

I've been here a few times

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