W E L C O M E July 11, 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/ facebook.com/gateway.childrensministry

INSPIRE College & Young Adults:

instagram.com/inspiregateway/

Catalyst High School & Crossroads Middle School:

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JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups

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GATEWAY NEWS

INSTALLATION ON DECAONS

During the second service today we have the privilege of ordaining Tom McCall and Bob Young to the office of deacon. These two brothers will be serving the rest of the terms for a couple of our deacons who needed to step aside for family health reasons. We welcome them and ask for your prayers for wisdom as they help us lead!

WORSHIP PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that Dwight Whitworth and Company will be assisting us in pairing a Worship Pastor with Gateway Community Church. Aaron Odom will serve as DWC's ministry consultant to our church throughout the process. Aaron is a respected and experienced worship pastor and DWC has a broad range of resources that will be extremely valuable in finding and vetting potential candidates. We ask that you pray for Aaron daily as He trusts God to pair the right Worship Pastor with our church.

MEET AND GREET // TODAY

Are you new to Gateway and/or would like to get plugged into our church? Come and meet some of our Gateway staff and members at our 'Meet N Greet' TODAY after the service in A4&5. We'd LOVE to get to know you, welcome you, and answer any questions you may have. Don't miss out!

DISCOVER MEMBERSHIP - JULY 18TH-AUGUST 15TH

New to Gateway Church or have you been with us and want to discover more? Join us for this informative series of Gateway, Discovery, Membership. Class starts July 18th from 11:15AM-12:15PM in Modular 4. Childcare will be provided.

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.

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If you are a 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? I'm new to Gateway:

1st Visit

I've been here I've been here a few times Best Contact Phone: attend here often Apt: Birthdate Change in Contact Info I'm a member

Sermon Based Study - Gateway Groups, Merced "Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 7-11-2021

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

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Discuss the message briefly. Did anything challenge or confuse you?

*OPENER QUESTION OR ACTIVITY:

What are your all time favorite songs of worship?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Psalm 96 - "Why We Worship"

DIGGING DEEPER: Read through Colossians 3:15-17

- 1. Pastor Mark taught through Psalm 96. Go back through that Psalm briefly and state the verses that lead you to understand why we worship.
- 2. Here in Colossians 3, Paul is instructing the church to have a focus on praise. List the directives Paul gives them about worship there?
- 3. How are we to "let the message of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom..."vs 16?
- 4. What reasons could you determine that Paul classifies the music portion of worship in 3 ways? How important would you think it is to worship like that?
- 5. Discussing gratitude in how we worship, what are the ways you can reflect on having a grateful heart in the midst of singing these songs to the Lord?
- 6. How important is "worship in song" to your spiritual journey?
- 7. Where, this week, can you establish a moment to worship through song in 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?

