

## 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** 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:** 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?