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April 28, 2024

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

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SUNDAY SERVICE - 8:30AM & 10:30AM

Join us in person at: 353 E Donna Dr. Merced, CA. 95340

- Corporate Prayer | 8AM & 10AM | Conference Rm
- Family Room & Nursing Room available by the restrooms
- 6 wks 3 yrs | Preschool Wing
- 4 yrs Kinder | *In Service Today



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• 1st-5th grade | *In Service Today

Or LIVE on our YouTube Channel

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- Watch past sermons or kids at home videos
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BAPTISMS TODAY!

Individuals and families have come forward with the desire to publicly profess or re-affirm their faith through baptism, and for some, present their young children for Covenant baptism. Jesus said let the little children come to Him do not hinder them; and that all of heaven rejoices when one person repents. Please join us AND heaven in celebrating with all those being baptized today.

CIY YOUTH CAMPS FUNDRAISER TODAY

Our youth are selling breakfast burritos TODAY to raise money for the cost of CIY Camps this summer. Please stop by and support them if you can. Cost \$8 includes burrito & drink. We appreciate our Gateway family!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | THIS THURSDAY (5/2) & FRIDAY (5/3) The Church Office will be closed this Thursday and Friday for a training.

MEN'S BREAKFAST | MAY 11 | 8-9:30AM | GYM/C6

Come out to our Men's Breakfast where we will open.
with in fellowship, God's word, and prayer. If you bring a weak that they be 14 yrs. or older.



END OF SCHOOL BASH FOR YOUTH | FRI, MAY 17

All students (current 6-12th graders) are invited to join us for our annual end of the school year party on May 17 for fun, games, prizes, Kona Ice and the return of Xtreme Bingo! Visit gatewaymerced.org/youth for details. Contact Pastor Isaac at iparra@gatewaymerced.org for questions. Join us for a fun-filled day!

YOUNG LIFE RODEO EVENT | MAY 4

Mark your calendars for May 4th and get ready to saddle up for a cause worth riding for! Bring your family and friends along for a day filled with bull riding, barrel racing, roping competitions, and much more. Scan the QR code for more information/purchase tickets. We can't wait to see you there.



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 2 | 12-1PM | BOB HART SQUARE

This is a special day where around the world, people gather together for prayer-we pray for the town, our nation and the people and leaders in it. We pray for God's love to enrich our world.

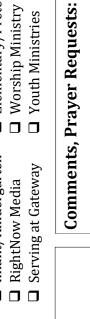
30 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR OUR PASTORAL TRANSITION 回り試行

Grab a booklet or scan the QR code to join our church in prayer for 30 days. We will be praying specifically for the pastoral transition taking place this year: Pastor Al stepping down as Senior Pastor as well as Pastor Dylan stepping into the role of Lead Pastor.



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	☐ Elementary/Preteen	■ Worship Ministry	☐ Youth Ministries	
Area of Interest:	■ Infant/Kindergarten	A RightNow Media	■ Serving at Gateway	

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I'm new to Gateway:

1st Visit

I've been here 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? Best Contact Phone: I attend here ofter Change I'm a member

Series: Anchored... - Gateway Groups, Merced "Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 4-28-24

FOR YOU AS THE TEACHER/HOST

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:

Paul talks about his heart for the Israelites, his people. Who are some of those you'd say are your people?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Romans 10:1-15

DIGGING DEEPER:

(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to NOT ask every question.)

- 1. Read over Romans 10:1-15. Who are some of "your people"?
- 2. What do your prayers & actions say about how much your "heart's desire" (v. 1; cf. 9:1-5) is "for" your people to know Jesus?
- 3. What are some things getting in the way of your people knowing Jesus? (3)
- 4. What is involved in not needing to "ascend into heaven" or "descend into the deep" to get to Christ? What is "the word" that is near you (5-9)?
- 5. As you understand it, why are the two conditions in vv. 9-10 needed? When did you come to these two conditions personally? How?
- 6. What assurance do you get for yourself and your people from vv. 11-13?
- 7. Following the flow of vv. 14-15, what part(s) have you played in this great chain of God at work? Have you played different roles with different people?

APPLY IT TODAY:

April

What was most important for you to remember today and why?

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