



DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

Second Peter: WEEK 2 The Bible Says:
Trustworthiness of Scripture
November 12 - 15, 2020

LEADER NOTES

New leader trainings are being held at every campus on 12/6 and 12/14. Encourage the one you're raising up to take their next step and lead a group in the spring. They can go to coe22.com/disciplegroups and click "Ready to Lead."

Life change in groups! Do you have a story you would like to share about how being in or leading a group has impacted your walk with Jesus and grown your faith? We'd love to hear it. Please send your story to disciplegroups@coe22.com.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be Sent this Christmas | Group opportunities to serve locally

As disciples of Jesus, we have been sent into the world to bear witness to Christ's love for ALL people. The Christmas season is a time to celebrate our Savior's birth and more importantly, show others the purpose of His coming to earth through meeting needs and doing for others what they are unable to do for themselves.

Salvation Army – Thanksgiving food drive, Angel Tree Toy Shop, Stocking Stuffers and Bell Ringing

Humble Harvest – Groups can deliver items to folks in need or serve at donation center handing out items. Learn more at coe22.com/localoutreach.

Serve | Opportunities Online

We love by serving people that Jesus brings into our lives, serving our church family, serving our community and the world. Visit the connect center at your home campus to talk with someone about serve opportunities. For more information visit coe22.com/serve.

MEMORY VERSE: All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness – 2 Timothy 3:16

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN:

Sunday – 2 Peter 1:16-21

Monday – 2 Timothy 3:10-17

Tuesday – Hebrews 4:12-13

Wednesday – Psalm 1

Thursday – Psalm 19

Friday – Psalm 119:1-88

Saturday – Psalm 119:89-176

Sent Focus -Week 46: Pastor Athole Rennie and his family launched Grace Church Leith in Scotland in 2019. They are in the final stages of purchasing a building to house Grace Church and could use bold prayers that everything goes smoothly and are able to start meeting there in early 2021.

Church Planter – Athole Rennie – Grace Church – Leith, Scotland

CONNECT AND CHECK-IN:

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR LIFE: (Use as needed for your group this week)

- How was your time reading Scripture this week? What is God showing you?
 - When does Christmas season start for you? This includes decorating, shopping and music.
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Second Peter - WEEK 2: The Bible Says: Trustworthiness of Scripture

The Point: The Bible, God's Word, is a gift from God to us. It is trustworthy and true and it all points to Jesus.

SERMON TEXTS: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Discussion Questions

(The goal is to grow in our relationship with Christ and each other. It is ok if you don't cover every question).

DISCOVER

Have someone read 2 Peter 1:16-21 out loud.

1. **What gives you assurance that the Bible is the Word of God and true?** *(Answers may vary. It is important to discuss that the Bible is the inspired Word of God through men. God can use imperfect people to produce something perfect (see Mary and Jesus.) The New Testament in particular has eyewitness accounts written at a time when other people could have challenged their accounts of Jesus).*
2. **What are you unsure of and what causes you to challenge the absolute truths of the Bible?** *(The truths of the Old Testament have been revealed in Christ Jesus).*
3. **John 1:14 says, "the Word became flesh... full of grace and truth." What does it mean for God's Word to become flesh?** *(The Old Testament prophecies and laws are fulfilled in Christ. Look back at our series through the Sermon on the Mount Matthew 5:17-20. Jesus is everything God wants His people to know in a person).*

DEEPEN

Have someone read 2 Timothy 3:10-17 and Psalm 1 out loud.

4. **When it comes to grace and truth there is a general inclination to lean more on truth OR grace. How have your experiences, schooling, family or culture impacted which way you lean? How does Satan attempt to suppress or twist both truth and grace in your life?** *(Answers may vary. "Truth people" tend to not like how compassionate and gracious grace can be. "Grace people" tend to not appreciate the necessity of absolute truth. Both struggle with the freedom both can offer. Encourage your group to be open because Satan is a father of lies and uses many avenues to try and cause us to stumble, but God's Word crushes the serpents head! We may not be responsible for incorrect ideas and lies told to us, but now that we know the truth, we are responsible for our response to the truth).*

5. What instruction/direction are you currently bombarded with every day? These could be from a spouse, parent, boss, television, radio, social media or even billboards. How is that information affecting you? *(Answers may vary).*

6. How might you overcome those incorrect ideas, instructions and directions and replace with the truth of God? What changes in your schedule, habits, priorities and relationships need to be made? *(Answers may vary. Leaders, this might also be a great place to celebrate steps people have already taken and how YOU notice growth and more Christlikeness. Affirm in others what they may not see in themselves).*

ACTION STEP

This week, commit to reading the Eleven22 Bible reading plan every day and come to group next week ready to discuss what God revealed to you through His Word. If your group doesn't have a group text thread, start one and encourage one another through the next week. You can find the reading plan on page one of this curriculum, on the worship guide each week and on "The Church of Eleven22" app available on the App Store and Google Play.

