



Community Group Guide
Changes: Week 3
“The Day-to-Day”
Week of April 5

Check-in

1. How are you doing with the changes due to COVID-19?
 2. Is there anyone you know who could use assistance getting food or medicine?
 3. Is there anyone you know who may be lonely or need encouragement due to the quarantine?
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Scripture

Read *Colossians 3:18-4:1*

Key Points From Message

- Change in the way we navigate the everyday relationships (husband/wife, parents/children, employee/employer) is ultimately rooted in our application of the gospel.
- Our ability to maintain when these relationships are bad is by believing the gospel.

Other Scripture Referenced

Ephesians 5:25; Philippians 2:7-8

Discover

1. Who is the author of this passage? Who is the target audience?
2. What stands out to you in this passage of Scripture?
3. Pay attention to who Paul is specifically talking to for each verse in this passage. Make a list who each verse is addressed to help keep them in context.
4. How many times is “the Lord” referenced in this passage?

Deepen

1. What challenged you about this week’s message?
 2. If you are married, what changes do you need to make to how you approach marriage based on verses 18-19? If you are not married, how does this change your view of marriage?
 3. How do you relate to your parents in a God honoring way? If you are a parent, do you view your children as an idol?
 4. As an employee, what is your motivation for how you perform on the job? Is it to model the gospel or just to survive one day at a time?
 5. As a leader, do you submit to having a Master in heaven? Does your leadership encourage those under your leadership to trust you?
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Action Step

Evaluate your day-to-day relationships. When it comes to being a spouse, parent, child, employee, or leader where are you placing your trust? If you are not ultimately placing your trust in Jesus, why not? Discuss with your community group what struggles you have in each relationship walking the way Paul instructs us to.

Missions Focus: Local Food Pantries

Must Ministries

Must Ministries is a local organization founded in 1971 with the mission of being a servant leader for the communities in Marietta, Smyrna, Canton, and Cherokee County. Must Ministries helps to connect those who have a desire to help with those who need help the most. With the school closings, Must Ministries is collecting food to help feed at-risk students and their families. For more information go to mustministries.org.

Mosaic Church

Mosaic Church is a member of the SBC and the main food distribution point for local schools in the West Cobb area. They are currently collecting non-perishable food donations for the 1500 families that they serve. Donations can be dropped off at Mosaic Church (1528 Austell Rd, Marietta, Ga 30008) Mon-Thur from 9am-4pm. Go to <http://www.mosaicmarietta.org/covid19.html> for more information or to sign up to help pack boxes/monitor the computer lab for kids who are out of school.

Fair Oaks Elementary School

Fair Oaks Elementary School is one of the schools we have partnered with. They are currently in need of non-perishable food items (spaghetti, ramen, mac & cheese; foods that only need water and a microwave), diapers, and baby formula/food. Donations can be dropped off at Fair Oaks between 10am-noon (407 Barber Rd, Marietta, Ga 30060).

Go to <https://www.imageatl.com/covid19/serve/> for more information.

Prayer

Father, thank you for all that You do for us and for showing us how to approach relationships. Help us to trust in You to lead our relationships with love that You have shown us. Give us the faith to submit to the leadership you have provided just as Jesus submitted in love at the cross. Give us the courage to confront the idols we have in our relationships so we can put the focus back on the gospel. Thank you for being the ultimate Father and for demonstrating what love, submission, and trust should look like.

Memory Verse

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; in all your ways know him, and he will make your paths straight." -Proverbs 3:5-6 (CSB)

Announcements

- To help us get prepared for Easter, we are posting twice-daily devotionals going through the Psalms of Ascent. These devotionals will be posted each morning and evening [here](#).
- There will be no physical Easter gathering on Sunday April 12. We will be broadcasting the service at 10:30am from our [website](#) and our [youtube channel](#)
- Go to <https://www.imageatl.com/covid19/> for the most recent updates

Additional Resources

Should Christians be anxious about the coronavirus?

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/christians-anxious-coronavirus/>

This is a great time for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus

<https://au.thegospelcoalition.org/article/dear-christian-when-the-pandemic-hits-this-is-our-time/>

How can I love my neighbor?

<https://www.imageatl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Love-Your-Neighbor-COVID-19.pdf>