

Week 22 | LEADER GUIDE

John 17 | Jesus' Intimate Prayer to His Father

The Gospel | 3-Circle Gospel

Gospel means “Good News.” It is the English translation of the Greek word: “euangelion.” When we use the term “Gospel,” we usually refer to good news that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who came to earth, lived a sinless life, died on the cross for humanity's sins, and rose from the dead, offering eternal life to all who believe in Him. The Gospel is the story of God's good creation, that was broken by sin, which separates us relationally from God and each other. But because of His love and mercy, God has redeemed what sin broke and is inviting all people into a restored relationship with Him through faith in Jesus.

For the next few weeks, we encourage you to open the group by going through a tool called the “3-circle Gospel.” You can find many excellent presentations of the 3-circle Gospel online. One [concise version is here](#). We encourage *you* to model the tool to your group rather than just show the video. Then give your group some time to draw the 3-circles themselves and practice sharing the Gospel with each other using the tool. By giving an opportunity for everyone to practice using the tool, everyone (whether or not they are a believer) will get deeper knowledge and understanding of how to share the Good News of Jesus.

ICE BREAKER ACTIVITY

Leader: model the 3-circle Gospel. Tell your group you are *modeling* it for them and they will each practice sharing it with someone in the group next. Then have each person in your group partner up and share the three-circle Gospel with someone.

JOHN 17

Read John 17

- What stood out to you?
- What do we learn about prayer from this chapter?
- What does it mean?
- What does it mean for us?

PRAYER

Ask how you can be praying for one another.

