

THE GATE OF LIFE // Guest Speaker: Anne Miranda

Group Guide

Matthew 7:13-14

¹³ "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it.

¹⁴ But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

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1. What is a moment in your life where you felt at a crossroads? Think of a time where you had to make a big decision and could go one way or another. Share this experience with the group and why you chose what you chose?
2. Read Matthew 7
 - What do you notice about the positioning of verse 13-14 in light of the whole chapter?
 - How can you identify the love of the Father in these verses?
3. In this chapter there are a series of juxtapositions. Read the following segments and identify the opposites. What is the Lord teaching about decision making through these illustrations?
 - Matthew 7:1-6
 - Matthew 7:1-12
 - Matthew 7:13-14
 - Matthew 7: 15- 23
 - Matthew 7:24-29
4. In this sermon, we've spoken of "gate" as an entry way into an unknown place or a place of great significance; it is a threshold and in this context connects life to eternity. How has the narrow or wide gate had significance in your life?
5. How have you been or can you be a carrier of hope, love, peace, patience, kindness, self-control, goodness, joy, gentleness etc?
6. Pray that God would help you receive his invitation and give you the power and help you need to live it out this week.



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RESOURCES TO HELP YOU FOLLOW JESUS

- centralheights.ca/followjesus

STORIES

- We love hearing how God moves in people's lives. If you or anyone in your group has a story and would be willing to share, we'd love to hear it and celebrate with you. You can share your story by emailing stories@centralheights.ca

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