4Ws for Week 13 (24 -30 Mar 2025)

WELCOME (15 minutes)

(If there are first-time quests, begin with a round of introduction and warmly welcome the new visitors.)

Suggested icebreakers:

1. Security Affirmation (Onsite)

In the Bible, security encompasses physical safety as well as spiritual and emotional trust in God's protection. It's about feeling safe under His care, regardless of circumstances. Relevant Bible verses include: Psalm 91:1 and Proverbs 18:10.

Group Members into pairs or small teams and ask them to reflect on and discuss:

- What does security mean to you from a biblical perspective?
- Can you recall any Bible verses that remind you of God's protection or security?

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Invite a few volunteers to share their thoughts or verses and how they provide comfort or strength in daily life.

1. Resting in God: A Moment of Stillness (Online)

In the Bible, "rest" refers not just to physical relaxation but also spiritual peace and trust in God, especially in challenging times. Share verses like Matthew 11:28-29, Psalm 23:1-2.

Ask each person to take a moment of stillness and reflect on:

- What does "resting in God" mean to you spiritually, emotionally, or physically?
- Can you recall a moment when you experienced God's peace or rest in your life?

Encourage everyone to jot down their thoughts in a digital note on the virtual meeting platform. Invite each person to share:

- How do you "rest in God" during times of stress or uncertainty?
- Are there Bible verses, songs, or experiences that help you find rest in God?

WORSHIP (20 minutes)

(Encourage members to allow the Holy Spirit to minister through them by sharing words, visions, tongues and interpretations of tongues.)

Suggested worship songs:

- 1. Turn It Up
- 2. Christ Is Enough

WORD (45 minutes)

Preacher: Pastor Eugene Tan Scripture Passage: Acts 2:41-47 Sermon Title: Church on Fire

Introduction

John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Movement, once expressed: "My fear is that our people [the Church] will become content to live without the fire, the power, the excitement, the supernatural element that makes us great."

The accounts in Acts describe a Church that is on fire – one filled with power, excitement, and the supernatural element that makes it great. The Church must once again be on fire for God by being:

- a) Passionate about the Word of God
- b) Passionate about serving one another
- c) Passionate about winning lost souls

To be passionate is to be compelled by or ruled by intense emotion or strong feeling.

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

- Q1. Meditate on Acts 2:41-42, Psalm 119:105, and 2 Timothy 3:16. List the centrality and importance of the Word of God in the life of the early Church.
- **A1**: God's Word is Light to believers, guiding them on the path of righteousness. It teaches, reproves, corrects, and trains in righteousness. Because of this, the early Church devoted themselves to the Word of God, fellowship, communion, and prayer—practices that strengthened them and kept them on fire for God.
- Q2. Ponder over Acts 2:44-46 and John 13:3-15. What truths surface from these verses?
- **A2**. Jesus, our Supreme Master, modeled servant leadership by washing His disciples' feet, despite being their Lord. The Church, as God's Community, must live in fellowship with God and one another, following Jesus' example of service. In the early Church, this was shown through acts of service where believers cared for each other's needs and shared generously with those in need.
- Q3. Reflect on Jeremiah 20:9; Isaiah 6:8; Matthew 28:19-20; 1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9 and Acts 2:47. What do these verses say about soul winning?
- **A3.** God desires for all to be saved. A true believer and disciple of Christ shares this desire, obeying His command to go and share the Good News. God will prosper any believer or church that faithfully do this and add to their numbers.

Application Questions:

Break into smaller groups, share, pray and minister to one another.

- Q1. Examine your life. Have you been prioritizing God and His Word? List practical steps you can take to give them the attention they deserve.
- Q2. Evaluate the activities in your life. What percentage is spent serving others versus serving your own interests and desires? What changes can you make?
- Q3. Identify people in your sphere of influence whom you can share the Good News. Start your 3x3 list. As a Cell, prioritize the Works segment to allow Members to update their evangelism efforts.

WORKS (15 minutes)

Focus on edification, equipping and evangelism.

- 1. **Build on the momentum of all your outreach efforts** continue praying for your pre-believing friends and family, connect with them, and invite them to your Cell and our Weekend Services.
- 2. **Consolidation of new believers** Diligently pray for and reach out to your friends and family who have decided to receive Jesus as their Lord and Saviour, guiding and helping them grow in the faith.

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