

4Ws for Week 34 (19 – 25 Aug 2024)

WELCOME (15 minutes)

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

Suggested icebreakers:

1. Come Alive

Have everyone think of an activity or passion that makes them feel they “come alive.” Each member then takes turns silently acting out this activity using only gestures and expressions. The rest of the group has one minute to guess what the activity is. If no one guesses correctly, the participant can give a brief verbal clue.

2. “Ash” Tray

Preparation: Post-it pads, pens/pencils, a small container

Each person takes a minute to reflect on things in their lives that might be “ash” — something that weighs them down or hinders their spiritual growth. Members write down one thing they would like to let go of on a Post-it note and place the note in the container. As a symbolic gesture, the Post-it notes can be burned or shredded and then disposed of.

Just as ashes can suffocate a fire, certain things can hinder our spiritual connection with God. By getting rid of these “ashes,” we can foster a deeper spiritual life.

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) God so loved
- 2) I speak Jesus

WORD (45 minutes)

Preacher: Rev Daniel Khong

Scripture Passage: Leviticus 6:8-13

Sermon Title: Hearts on Fire

Introduction

Last weekend marked FCBC’s 38th Anniversary, and SP Daniel shared a special message. He emphasized the importance of the church maintaining a passionate and excited focus on God’s presence, power, and purpose. We must diligently nurture the fire that God has ignited in our hearts, lest it be extinguished.

How do we keep our hearts on fire for God?

1. Add Fuel – Fill yourself with Godly living
2. Remove Ash – Free yourself from past experience

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

Q1. How do we add fuel to keep our Godly Fire burning?

A1: The only way to keep our godly fire burning for God is to fill our lives with godliness. This is not just about experiencing God in grand moments like conferences or concerts; it largely depends on the spiritual disciplines we incorporate into our daily lives. We must intentionally pray, read God's Word, worship, serve, and live according to His ways. Each time intentionally seek God, we add fuel to the godly fire within us, keeping it ablaze. When we nourish this fire, it burns brightly and powerfully!

Q2. What happens when the ash of past experiences builds up in your life?

A2. When we don't quickly remove the ashes in our lives, our fires cannot burn properly, and they may even suffocate and go out. Not only must we be careful to avoid letting sin choke and entangle us, but we must also constantly renew our fires by offering a new sacrifice instead of burning the same one repeatedly until it's all charred.

The Lord wants to do something new in our lives and in our church. We must not pour new wine into old wine skins. Let go of your past experiences, and let us pursue an encounter with the Lord daily!

Application Questions

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

Q1. How have you been feeding your Spirit man? Do you fill your life with godly living?

Q2. Is there any ash to clear or chaff to burn away in your life? How are you removing it?

Q3. When was the last time you had a personal encounter with God? Have you been relying on old experiences and have not had a fresh and new encounter?

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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