4Ws for Week 36, 4-10 Sep 2023

WELCOME (15 minutes)

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

Suggested icebreakers:

1. Pair Up (Onsite)

Write down pairs of words on pieces of masking tape, with one word per piece of tape. As each CG member arrives, randomly attach one of these tape pieces to their back, instructing them not to see or reveal what is written on each other. Once everyone has arrived, Members can start asking each other questions in order to identify the person or thing written on their backs. When they figure out who or what they are, they will then find their matching pair, e.g. 'salt' must pair up with 'pepper'. [To make it easier for Members to identify themselves and their pairs, you may flash the pairs for the Members to see.]

Suggested Pairs

- 1. Salt and pepper
- 2. King and queen
- 3. Rum and raisin
- 4. Chilli crab and fried mantou
- 5. Kaya and toast

- 6. Charlie Brown and Snoopy
- 7. Sun and moon
- 8. East and west
- 9. Venus and Mars
- 10. Batman and Robin

2. Past Trends (Online)

Each Member shares what was considered "cool" when they were teens. It can be anything from food, fashion, music, or places of interests, etc.

WORSHIP (20 minutes)

(Remember to pause for the Holy Spirit to minister through the members. Encourage members to release a word, a vision, tongues and interpretation of tongues, to minister to each other.)

Suggested worship songs:

1. Battle Belongs - Phil Wickham (E)

2. Worthy of It All - David Brymer (D)

WORD (45 minutes)

Preacher: SP Daniel Khong Scripture Passage: Matthew 9:37-38 Sermon Title: Same Same but Different

Introduction

Spiritual fundamentals remain unchanged, but the way we practice these fundamentals must evolve so that we move to greater heights of fervour and passion for our Lord Jesus Christ. Two spiritual fundamentals which remain similar (*same same*) but must change (*but different*) are as follows:

- 1. Prayer Crying out to God
- 2. Work fulfilling God's desires

While we should persist in prayer and working God's works, our approach and attitude must be different as we *pray* and *work* for God.

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

- Q1. Meditate on Ephesians 6:12 and 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18. What do these verses teach us about prayer?
- A1. As believers aligned with God, we are in a spiritual battle against the wicked heavenly forces. Prayer is our weapon for not just survival but victory. To defend against relentless attacks from these spiritual forces, we need to be praying *without ceasing*.
- Q2. Read Matthew 9:35. What was Jesus' assignment on earth, and what should be the assignment of believers on earth?
- **A2.** Jesus came to teach, preach the Good News, and to heal (touch those needing ministry). True disciples of Jesus must do the same work as Jesus did while He was on earth.
- Q3. Reflect on James 2:18-20 and Matthew 9:38. What does Scripture exhort believers to do?
- **A3.** Believers must have faith in God, and pair that faith with corresponding good works. Jesus is looking for workers for His harvest field (which are the souls of men).

Application Questions

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

- **Q1.** Reflect on your exercise of spiritual warfare over both your soul and the souls of others. How can you enhance this? What steps should you take?
- **Q2.** Consider the opportunity provided to minister to others during the Celebration of Life (10-26 November). How can you, as individuals and as a Cell, be involved in this?
- Q3. CG leaders: Get the CG into the momentum for this outreach event
 - a) Start praying for COL.
 - b) Get them start a list of their Bests or contacts to invite.
 - c) At every CG gathering, pray over these Bests.
 - d) Start booking your tickets (do it by faith while working on inviting your Bests).
 - e) Identify additional ways to expedite your invitations, such as arranging transportation for your invitees or planning a meal together before going to the show, etc.)

Remember: This is not a show for the CG to go and enjoy together, but as an outreach activity.

Go to <u>https://www.fcbc.org.sg/COL2023</u> for more information.

WORKS (15 minutes)

Focus on *edification, equipping* and *evangelism*. In every CG gathering, encourage members to reach out right where God has placed them. Give members time to share their outreach efforts. Press on in praying together for Bests and pre believer contacts.

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