

## 4Ws for Week 40 (30 Sep – 6 Oct 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. Tikam Tikam (Pick a number)

Print and cut out the 18 statements below into strips and place them in an envelope. Have each cell member pick (tikam) a random statement and share their answer:

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| 1. My favorite television show is... | 10. My favorite bible character is...              |
| 2. My favorite movie is...           | 11. My favorite actor/actress is...                |
| 3. My favorite place is....          | 12. My dream job is...                             |
| 4. My favorite band/singer is...     | 13. My dream car is...                             |
| 5. My favorite song is...            | 14. My dream vacation is...                        |
| 6. My favorite store is....          | 15. The craziest thing I ever did was...           |
| 7. My favorite sports team is...     | 16. If I could travel anywhere new I would go to.. |
| 8. My favorite book/author is...     | 17. The most important thing in my life is..       |
| 9. My favorite food is....           | 18. If I were a millionaire I would...             |

##### 2. Things in common

Divide everyone into small groups of 4 to 5 people. Give each group 5 minutes to find 10 things that all members share in common. List their findings on a piece of paper. For example, they could discuss places they've visited, movies they love, or items of clothing they own.

### 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) You Deserve
- 2) I Speak Jesus

### WORD (45 minutes)

**Preacher:** Rev. Daniel Khong

**Scripture Passage:** Philippians 2:5-8 (NIVUK)

**Sermon Title:** Order in God's house

#### Introduction

To function effectively as God's community, we must learn to submit to one another, especially to God's appointed leaders. Philippians 2:5 instructs us: "**In your relationships with one another**, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus." Just as Jesus set the example by submitting to His Father, our submission to one another within God's community and to God's authority reveals three qualities:

1. **Our Obedience**
2. **Our Surrender**
3. **Our Humility**

### **Discovery and Understanding Questions:**

#### **Q1. Why is obedience important in our submission to God? How did Jesus demonstrate His submission through obedience?**

**A1.** Submission to God's authority means recognising His sovereignty. Obedience is an essential aspect of submission. Jesus' ultimate sacrifice, demonstrated through His obedience to death, reveals the depth of His love for God and His commitment to fulfilling His divine purpose. His example highlights the significance of obedience in our lives as we strive to follow Christ. Jesus demonstrated His submission by becoming obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

#### **Q2. Why is submission a test of surrender and humility?**

**A2.** Submission, a fundamental biblical concept, signifies the voluntary act of surrendering one's will, rights, and authority to a higher power, often in the context of God's authority or human relationships. It requires humility, as one must set aside personal desires and ego. Jesus exemplified this surrender and humility by willingly giving up His divine rights and taking the form of a servant. He humbled Himself by sacrificing His life on a cross for our sake.

### **Application Questions**

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

**Q1.** In what areas do you find it challenging to submit to God's authority?

**Q2.** Reflect on Jesus' example of submission to God's will. How can you follow His example in your own life?

### **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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