

4Ws for Week 46, 9 - 15 Nov 2020

(With COVID-19, this 4Ws is to be adapted for use at online meetings.)

WELCOME (15 minutes)

Choose one of the following icebreakers:

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

1. Name some strenuous activities that do not require much physical effort.

Answers:

1) Beating around the bush...	13) Jumping on the bandwagon...
2) Jumping to conclusions...	14) Balancing the books...
3) Climbing up the wall...	15) Running around in circles...
4) Swallowing your pride...	16) Eating humble pie...
5) Passing the buck...	17) Blowing your own horn...
6) Throwing your weight around...	18) Climbing the ladder of success...
7) Dragging your heels...	19) Pulling out all the stops...
8) Pushing your luck...	20) Adding fuel to the fire...
9) Making mountains out of molehills...	21) Opening a can of worms...
10) Hitting the nail on the head...	22) Putting your foot in your mouth...
11) Wading through paperwork...	23) Setting the ball rolling...
12) Bending over backwards...	24) Going over the edge...
	25) Picking up the pieces...

2. Name the book

1. Tells about the Israelites entering the promise land. (Joshua)
2. A story of dramatic power, beauty and intense interest centering around the feast of Ahasuerus. (Esther)
3. This gospel account emphasizes that Jesus is the Son of God. (John)
4. One of the world's most dramatic poems about human suffering. (Job)
5. Elijah vs the prophets of Baals. (1 King)
6. Written by a weeping prophet. (Jeremiah)
7. A donkey spoke. (Numbers)
8. Tells the return of the Israelites after 70 years of exile in Babylon. (Ezra)
9. The most personal of Paul's epistles. (Philemon)
10. The shortest and simplest of the four gospels which gives a crisp and moving look at the life of Christ. (Mark)
11. The birth of the church. (Acts)
12. Last book of the Old Testament. (Malachi)

Transition to Worship:

All of God's works are wonderful. The Lord is great and greatly to be praised. Let us come and bless Him at all times. Let us lift our voices to exalt Him for the things He has done in our lives.

WORSHIP (20 minutes)

You may use the following worship songs:

- 1) Faithful – Chris Tomlin (D)
- 2) Build My Life (D)
- 3) Waymaker (G)

Let us pause to wait upon the Lord for the ministry of the Holy Spirit. We encourage everyone to exercise the gifts of the Holy Spirit – if you have a word, a vision, tongues and interpretation of tongues – release it to minister to each other.

Transition to Word:

Lord, we acknowledge that all Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work. We come with open hearts to receive your living words. Holy Spirit, teach us now.

WORD (45 minutes)

Memory verse of the week: 2 Thessalonians 3:3 (NIVUK)

³ But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.

Sermon Title: The Lord’s Prayer (1)

By Senior Pastor Daniel Khong

on 7 & 8 Nov 2020

Scripture Passages: Matt 6:9-13 (NKJV)

⁹ In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. ¹³ And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Introduction

Their years with the Master had taught the disciples one thing about Jesus... He was a man of prayer. It was not uncommon for Jesus to steal away to a quiet place where He could have uninterrupted communion with His Father. Prayer was a priority for Jesus. When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, He taught them a comprehensive blueprint to follow.

In this first half of the Lord’s prayer (verses 9-11), Senior Pastor Daniel Khong shared on what we should desire for in prayer? They are:

1. To know God
2. To trust God’s heart
3. To believe in God’s goodness

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

Q1. Why did Jesus teach us to address God as “our Father” in heaven and that His name is holy in our prayer?

A1. Prayer is more than trying to get God to solve our problems or answer our needs. Prayer is an opportunity for us to know God as our heavenly Father who is not distant but intimately near. He cares for us; He is not only powerful but also personal. Unlike our earthly father, our heavenly

Father is holy and perfect. He is perfect in His love for us and He desires to have a close relationship with us.

Matthew 6:9 (NKJV)

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

Philippian 3:10 (NKJV)

that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death...

Q2. What does it mean to pray “Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven”?

A2. When we pray, we are to pray for what is on God’s heart, that His will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Prayer is putting our trust in God for our circumstances, that His will be done in our lives in whatever circumstances we find ourselves in.

Romans 8:31 (NLT)

What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us?

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIVUK)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Q3. Why should we pray to God for “our daily bread”?

A3. We pray to God Lord for our daily bread because we believe in His goodness and He invites us to boldly approach Him with confidence that He will provide for our needs.

Philippians 4:6 (NIVUK)

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Psalms 23:1 (NLT)

The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need.

Application Questions

Break into smaller groups, share, pray and minister to one another. Cell leaders can use breakout rooms to allow members have a more personal ministry time.

Q1. In what ways has your experience with your earthly father affect your relationship with your heavenly Father?

Q2. Share your prayer needs and use the Lord’s prayer to pray for one another.

Take turns to share and pray for each other in groups of 2s and 3s. Be understanding during sharing and do not be quick to judge but with prayer and supplication commit all our needs to God. Be sure to apply the changes shared by being accountable to one another.

Transition to Works:

Heavenly Father, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come and Your will be done in the lives of believers and also the pre-believers. You provide for our physical and spiritual needs and I pray that our pre-believing friends will recognise their spiritual need which can only be found in Christ Jesus. I pray You will lead them not into temptation but deliver them from the evil one. Amen.

WORKS (15 minutes)

1. Continue to Connect

a) With cell group members

1. Hold your cell members accountable to watch the Livestream Service or download the message to listen later.
2. Seek ways and means to stay connected with each other. For example:
 - a. Synchronize prayer times
 - b. Share devotional thoughts through WhatsApp. Encourage your members to post their Quiet Time Reflections in your cell group chat.
 - c. Create a cell group hashtag - Post uplifting messages, sermon videos and notes, or even bookmark pretty verse images that you like on Instagram by leaving these in your cell group hashtag as a comment. Everything that has been tagged with your cell group hashtag will be available for the entire group to see!
 - d. Video call each other
3. Continue with your cell group meetings online. Ensure that none of your members fall through the cracks. Continue to monitor the attendance of your online meetings.

b) With Potential BESTs / Pre-Believers

1. Evangelism need not take a back seat with livestreaming. Invite pre-believing friends/Bests/3x3 contacts (depending on their comfort level) to join you in watching our livestream service. Connect online with them and spur other members to do so.
2. When the salvation altar call is made during livestreaming, a Response Form link will be screened over the livestream for those who have responded or want to respond, to fill in. The livestream links are:

- For English -- www.fcbc.org.sg/connectwithus
- For Chinese -- www.fcbc.org.sg/zh/connectwithus

Encourage your pre-believing contacts to fill up the Response Form or you can help them fill it up. When filling up the Form, try to provide as much of the information needed as possible, and do so immediately after the livestream service.

3. Organise activities for your CG members to connect face-to-face with their contacts, e.g. go for a nature walk, meet together for meals, etc. But please keep to social distancing guidelines and limit to no more than 5 per group.

2. 3x3 Prayer

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the strongholds that bind the people. Ask Him to set up divine appointments for us to minister His power over them (words of knowledge, healing, helps, etc.). Pray for one another to have boldness, courage and obedience to follow through.

3. Consolidation of New Converts

Assimilate them! Let them have a sense of belonging with our faith community! Connect with them via phone calls; introduce them to cell members via WhatsApp and invite them to join in our livestream services and your online cell group meetings.

Announcements:

For more announcements, please visit www.fcbc.org.sg/announcements or our social media platforms – we can be found on Facebook and Instagram @fbcsg.