

4Ws for Week 49, 6 - 12 Dec 2021

(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 Search Boggle

Create a table like the one below with the names of all the Members in the Cell (there should be no spacing between the letters on each line). Then get the Members to list as many words as they can find – horizontally, vertically, diagonally, backwards, etc.

A sample is given below.

M	I	C	H	A	E	L	W	O	N	G						
B	R	E	N	D	A	L	I	N	M	E	I	M	E	I		
N	I	C	K	J	A	C	O	B	S							
T	A	N	W	E	I	W	E	I								
S	A	N	D	R	A	T	A	N	G							

Note: Each word must contain at least 3 letters. Prompt teams having problems to change the sequence of their names to create words.

2. My Secret Talent

Get each member to share a special talent or ability they possess or even something that they do really well (e.g. I am very good at washing dishes/packing things at home) that nobody in the Cell knows about.

Transition to Worship:

Lord Jesus, You are the all-knowing God. You know all about us. We want to shout out to You, our Lord, in full worship and adoration.

WORSHIP (20 minutes)

You may use the following worship songs:

- 1) Shout To The Lord (G)
- 2) The Stand (G)

Let's pause to wait upon the Lord for the ministry of the Holy Spirit. Let's use this time 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 stand before You in full amazement at Your wisdom and guidance in our lives. Continue to lead and guide us in the right path now as we ponder over Your Word. In Jesus' name.

WORD (45 minutes)

Memory verse of the week: 2 Timothy 2:22 (NIVUK)

²² Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Sermon Title: All the Small Things
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on 4 & 5 Dec 2021

Scripture Passages:

Exodus 14:15-16, 21-22 (NIVUK)

¹⁵ Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. ¹⁶ Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground.

²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, ²² and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

1 Samuel 17:40, 48-49

⁴⁰ Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.

⁴⁸ As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet him. ⁴⁹ Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

Introduction

The theme of last week's message is to not despise or think lightly of small/insignificant things. In God's hands and working through human agents, these things can be used to accomplish great feats – like the rod in Moses' hand and the five stones in David's hand.

Small things can lead to big breakthroughs.
Small things can point us to a much bigger God.

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

Q1. What are some things you discover from the verses above?

A1. (i) Moses and David (together with the Israelites) were faced with a great challenge – the Red Sea in front of them and their enemies pursuing them, with no means of escape but through the Red Sea in front; Goliath a well-trained, skilled military man 13 feet 4 inches tall, wearing a heavy armour weighing approximately 145 kilogrammes.

(ii) Their situations were impossible to overcome, but yet they did overcome – they crossed the parted Red Sea successfully; and Goliath the giant was brought down.

(iii) The deliverance was done through the hands of men of faith – Moses and David (who went into the situations with faith in their God and their past experience of deliverances and victories from Him).

(iv) The deliverance was accomplished through the instruments of Moses' rod and David's small stone – both insignificant things that were able to do over and above what is normally expected of these things. Why? Because God was using these things as His instruments.

Q2. Read the verses below. What have you learnt?

A2. God fights our battles for us. We need only to be still and trust in Him. With Him fighting for us, we can accomplish great victories and overcome impossible challenges and battles in our lives.

Exodus 14:14 (NIVUK)

¹⁴ The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still.

1 Samuel 17:45 (NIVUK)

⁴⁵ David said to the Philistine, 'You come against me with **sword** and **spear** and **javelin**, but I come against you **in the name of the Lord Almighty**, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.'

Application Questions

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

Q1. Ponder over the quote and the verses below. Share how you have despised the small things in your life, including how you have thought of some people as being insignificant. What must change in your attitude?

"Little is much when God is in it." - Jentezen Franklin

Zechariah 4:10 (NIVUK)

¹⁰ 'Who dares despise the day of small things...

1 Corinthians 1:27-31 (NIVUK)

²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things – and the things that are not – to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him. ³⁰ It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God – that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written: 'Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.'

Q2. Share one challenging situation you have and how you can apply this message into this situation.

Transition to Works:

Lord, You delight in small things. Often times I feel so insignificant. Help me overcome. Let me start right now by using what little I have to serve You and others around me.

WORKS (15 minutes)

1. Volunteering in the Church

Provide an opportunity for each Member to consider and share an area of ministry that he/she may want to go into. Perhaps as a CG, you may want to decide to go into an area of ministry in the Church. Get Members to go into the FCBC portal to volunteer. If possible, do it together during the Cell time. But be careful that CG Members don't feel pressured to do so.

2. Focus on CG Outreach

The focus of CG meetings is *edification, equipping* and *evangelism*. In each CG meeting, spend

some time to encourage your members to do personal outreach right where they are. Give some time each week during the WORKS portion for them to share their outreach efforts. Plan regular (monthly or quarterly CG outreach, either as a whole CG or in separate groups) into your CG roster, using the existing COVID-19 guidelines to plan your activities/programmes.

3. Pray over the COVID-19 situation

Consecrate some time each CG meeting to be praying for the situation; and to remain connected with one another.

4. Continue to Connect

a) With cell group members

1. Hold your cell members accountable to watch the Livestream Service.
2. Stay connected with members via:
 - a. Synchronize prayer times
 - b. Share devotional thoughts through WhatsApp. Encourage your members to share 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 by leaving these in your cell group hashtag as a comment.
 - 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

Get 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.

c) 3x3 Prayer

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the strongholds that bind the people in captivity. Ask Him to set up divine appointments for you 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.

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