4Ws for Week 23 (02 - 08 June 2025)

WELCOME (15 minutes)

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

Suggested icebreakers:

1. Spot the difference

Search online for some "spot the difference" images. Have the cell group do the activity together either using printed copies or by sharing them digitally.

Debrief points: Was it easy or hard to find the differences? Just like how we notice small details in these images, God created each of us with unique characteristics. He knows every detail about us—better than we know ourselves!

2. Timeline

Ask everyone to draw a simple timeline of their life's journey, marking key highs and lows. Encourage them to also note significant moments when they experienced God's faithfulness.

Debrief points: Often, we recognise God's faithfulness more clearly in hindsight. Are you going through something difficult right now? How does remembering God's past faithfulness shape your perspective today?

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) Only Wanna Sing
2) Beautiful Saviour

WORD (45 minutes)

Preacher: Rev Daniel Khong Scripture Passage: Luke 15:11-32 Sermon Title: IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE

Introduction

At last weekend's baptism services, we not only celebrated the many lives that passed through the waters of baptism, but also reflected on the goodness and love of God. While we were still sinners, Christ died for us—revealing the very heartbeat and nature of God.

Through the parable of the Prodigal son, we are reminded that no matter where we are in life, it is never too late to turn back to God.

It is never too late to turn back to God because:

- 1. God is Patient with us.
- 2. God is Faithful to us.

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

- Q1. The father "spotted" his son while he was "still a long way off" what does this tell us about the heart of the father?
- A1: This reveals that the father had been watching and waiting for his son's return. He wasn't indifferent or resigned—he was hopeful, even longing, to see his son again. Despite all that the son had done, the father's heart was full of love and compassion. He was ready to embrace his son the very moment he appeared. This reflects the very heart and nature of God: patient and full of grace. No matter how far we've strayed, when we choose to return to Him, He eagerly welcomes us back.

Q2. Why was it significant that the father also spoke to the elder son? What does this show us?

A2. The father speaking to the elder son is significant because it shows that his love and faithfulness extend to both sons—not just the one who returned home. He recognised that the elder son was also struggling, perhaps with self-righteousness, resentment, or a sense of being overlooked. By reaching out to him, the father demonstrates that God meets us in all forms of brokenness. His love is not reserved only for the obviously lost but also for those whose hearts have grown cold or distant despite outward obedience. This reveals the depth of God's faithfulness—He is always inviting each of us back into a relationship with Him.

Application Questions

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

- Q1. Have you ever felt distant from God? How did you respond during that time?
- Q2. Why do you think God is patient with us? What does this reveal about His character?
- Q3. Can you recall moments in your life when you experienced God's faithfulness? Reflect on one of those moments and share it with someone.

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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