

## 4Ws for Week 39, 27 Sep 2021 - 3 Oct 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. "IF"

Write 20 'IF' questions on a piece of paper for your own reference, you can use the ones written below or come out with your own. Let the first person choose a number without knowing the question. After that you will read out the question for him/her to give their answer, comment or explanation. The next person will call out another number and do the same till all have answered the questions you prepared.

This is a simple icebreaker to get your members talking and listening to others in the group. Keep it moving and don't play for too long.

1. If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?
2. If I gave you \$10,000, what would you spend it on?
3. If you could watch your favourite movie now, what would it be?
4. If you could talk to anyone in the world, who would it be?
5. If you could wish one thing to come true this year, what would it be?
6. If you could live in any period of history, when would it be?
7. If you could change anything about yourself, what would you change?
8. If you could be someone else, who would you be?
9. If you could have any question answered, what would it be?
10. If you could watch your favourite TV show now, what would it be?
11. If you could have any kind of pet, what would you have?
12. If you could do your dream job 10 years from now, what would it be?
13. If you had to be allergic to something, what would it be?
14. If you sat down next to Jesus on a bus, what would you talk about?
15. If money and time was no object, what would you be doing right now?
16. If you had one day to live over again, what day would you pick?
17. If you could eat your favourite food now, what would it be?
18. If you could learn any skill, what would it be?
19. If you were sent to live on a space station for three months and only allowed to bring three personal items with you, what would they be?
20. If you could buy a car right now, what would you buy?

#### 2. Brain Gym

In this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJt6ORwxKmE>, there are 7 ultimate brain boosting exercises. It helps to activate both right and left brain to improve concentration, alertness and attentiveness. It is also a fun activity to see if your members can follow and do the hands exercises together. Enjoy.

### **Transition to Worship:**

*Father, as we come before You today in the name of Jesus, we declare that You are God and earnestly we will seek You. Father, it's our desire to see You in the sanctuary; to behold Your power and Your glory. Your love is greater than life and our lips will glorify You. We will praise You as long as we live, and in Your name, we will lift up our hands. You have satisfied our souls as with the riches of foods, and with singing lips, our mouths will give You praise.*

### **WORSHIP (20 minutes)**

You may use the following worship songs:

1. Faithful – Chris Tomlin (D)
2. Build My Life (D)

Let us pause to wait upon the Lord for the ministry of the Holy Spirit. We would like to 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:**

*Thank You, Jesus, that we can trust in Your love because You love us even when we are far away from You. We confess that we often trust in things of this world, instead of You, as a foundation for our life. We pray that we will not be shaken today as we face uncertainties but to depend on You and Your word to sustain and lead us in Jesus' name, Amen!*

### **WORD (45 minutes)**

#### **Memory verse of the week: 1 Timothy 6:11 (NIV)**

<sup>11</sup> But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.

**Sermon Title: A Faith Community: Our Values – God's Creation**

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**on 25-26 Sep 2021**

#### **Scripture Passages:**

##### **Colossians 1:16 (NKJV)**

<sup>16</sup> For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.'

##### **Genesis 1:28 (NIVUK)**

<sup>28</sup> God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.'

##### **Romans 12:2 (NIVUK)**

<sup>2</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will..'

### **Introduction**

The 3 values that we must hold on to in FCBC are: (1) God's Centrality; (2) God's Commission; and (3) God's Creation. Since 3 weeks ago, we have heard and learned the two out of three values of FCBC through our weekend services. First, we learned what it means to value God's Centrality. Second, we learned about why we value God's Commission and what makes it so significant. The significance of God's Commission for us is that God trusts us and He treasures us. God chooses to entrust to us and He chooses to empower us to do His commission because we matter to Him.

Last weekend, we learned about FCBC's third value, which is God's Creation. We are part of God's creation, and we are called to serve all of God's creation. Thus, we need to learn the importance of having to value God's creation so that most of the things we do in life and in ministry will be meaningful. God's Creation is made up of: (1) People; (2) Nature; and (3) Culture.

Quote: "God intends our care of creation to reflect our love for the Creator" — John Stott. We will not be the church God has called us to be until we learn to value God's creation which is the third value of FCBC.

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

#### **Q1. State and explain what makes up God's Creation.**

**A1.** God's Creation is make up of:

- 1) People – As we aim to make God the centre of our lives, and as we respond to God's commission for our lives, we will find that a lot of what God calls us to do has to do with people.
- 2) Nature – God created nature and said that it was good and has entrusted man to take of it. Thus, we must strive to look after it.
- 3) Culture – This is the physically intangible part of creation, and it affects the life of people on a day-to-day basis. And we are told to bring positive change to cultures in order to redeem it for God.

#### **Q2. Explain what this quote from John Stott means: "God intends our care of creation to reflect our love for the Creator"?**

**A2.** God has entrusted man to look after His creation. Thus, we must strive to fulfil the commission of looking after His creation which He has put in our charge (Gen. 1:28), especially when His call for us has to do with people. And God's greatest desire is for all man to be reconciled to Him (Matt. 28:19-20). We will not be the church God has called us to be until we learn to value God's creation.

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### **Matthew 28:19-20 (NIVUK)**

<sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

### **Application Questions**

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

**Q1. Share how you can value God's Creation of people, nature and culture.**

**Q2. Share one thing you can do to show that you value the creation of God, whether it is to value people, nature or culture.**

(After sharing, pair up and pray for each other to do what you have heard about valuing God's creation so that you will be a doer of God's word and not just a hearer of His word).

### **Transition to Works:**

*Lord, we pray for all the words that you have sown into our hearts this day. Watch over them, protect them. May they take root and produce wonderful things of beauty and great blessings to many. And as we leave, we thank you that you will walk with us. May we be alert to your promptings and live in your endless love. For yours is the kingdom, the power and glory, in this age and forevermore. Amen.*

### **WORKS (15 minutes)**

#### **1. 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.

#### **2. Prayer over the COVID-19 situation**

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

#### **3. Consolidation of Visitors/New Converts from your outreach**

Assimilate them! Let them experience a sense of belonging in 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.

#### **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](http://www.fcbc.org.sg/connectwithus)**
- For Chinese -- **[www.fcbc.org.sg/zh/connectwithus](http://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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