

4Ws for Week 4 (22-28 Jan 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. Black & White

The dictionary defines “Black and White” as lacking hues or shades of grey. A person who only sees things in black and white is described as one who views situations “in a way that involves a simple choice between two opposite things (such as good and bad or right and wrong), and there is no in-between.”

Do you find that things are always clearly defined for you? Share what type of person you are – black and white, shades of grey, or someone who embraces anything goes.

2. New Year Resolutions

We are already in the 4th week of January. Share how you are keeping up with those resolutions you made for this year. We cannot run the race on our own but need one another to spur us onward. Let’s hold each other accountable in our spiritual walk with God.

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. Alive Again – Planetshakers
2. I Came For You - Planetshakers

WORD (45 minutes)

Preacher: SP Daniel Khong

Scripture Passage: Genesis 11:1-9

Sermon Title: The Power of One

Introduction

In the last two years, God has been renewing FCBC as a family. Although God has brought us closer as a family, we are still in this season of renewal. While we endeavor to move forward, there is a tendency to get caught up in hastiness and a “rush mindset”. Proverbs 21:5 cautions us to be diligent and not to be hasty, as it can lead to poverty.

A family is not inherently a team. Last weekend, SP Daniel exhorted us that, in the next phase of our renewal, we need to become a team. A team comprises individuals working together, collaborating on related tasks to achieve a common goal. *“Teamwork makes the dream work, but a vision becomes a nightmare when the leader has a big dream and a bad team.” — John C. Maxwell*

What must we do to become a godly team? Each one of us must be intentional to:

- Commit to a Higher Goal
- Submit to a Higher Purpose

Discovery and Understanding Questions:

Q1. Read Genesis 11:6. What can happen when there is unity (the power of one) among people?

A1. The people shared one language, a common speech, and understood each other. Even the ungodly unity expressed at the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:6) is deemed powerful by God; nothing they planned to do will be impossible. This implies that they can accomplish anything they set their hearts to do, whether for good or for bad.

Q2. What were the reasons why the people in Genesis 11: 6 wanted to build the Tower of Babel?

A2. Their purpose in building the city and the tower was to establish a name for themselves and to avoid being scattered across the earth. However, this act constituted rebellion and disobedience against God's command for them to go and fill the earth. The people resisted submitting to God's intended goal and purpose for them.

Application Questions

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

Q1. Are you more of an individualist or a team player? How much attention do you devote to discerning what God has in store for both you and me? Take a moment to reflect and share your thoughts.

Q2. In order to work as a godly team dedicated to the purpose God has for Team FCBC, what areas do I need to realign?

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 Church Services.
- 2. Consolidation of new believers** – Diligently pray for and reach out to 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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