

WITNESS – Reaching out to others
(Aim for 20 – 30 minutes)

Praying for one another

Romans 12:9-21 (NIVUK)

¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Go around the group and share a challenge what you are facing so that others might pray for you.

When each person has shared pray for each other, with each person praying for the person on their left..

Conclude by praying The Caleb prayer:-

O High King of Heaven,
Have mercy on our land.
Revive your Church.
Send the Holy Spirit for the sake of the lost, the least and the broken.
May your Kingdom come to our nation.
In Jesus' mighty name. **Amen.**

Trusting God in 7 Troubled Times

How should we pray for revival? Read Isaiah 62.1-7

WELCOME – Breaking the ice *(Aim for 10 minutes)*

There are over 90 million people living outside their countries as migrants and refugees. Why do you think this is and what feelings do you think these people have?

Or

What for you is the most joyful thing about a wedding day?

WORSHIP – Meeting the Lord *(Aim for 10 – 15 minutes)*

As you turn to pray be quiet for a moment and turn your focus to God.

Go around the room and each person pray a thank you prayer.

Then together pray:-

**Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
Ignite in us your holy fire;
Strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
Revive your Church with the breath of love,
And renew the face of the earth,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Finish this worship time with the leader praying for your meeting.

WORD – Applying the truth
(Aim for 40 – 45 minutes)

Read Isaiah 62.1-7

1 Isaiah has not kept silent about Judah's wickedness and its judgement. What motive does verse 1 reveal about Israel's refusal to keep silent?

2 How do verses 2-5 describe the new relationship between God and Zion?

3 Pause and dwell on Zion's new names. Hephzibah means "my delight is in her" and Beulah means "married". How do you respond to these names as expressions of God's feelings toward you as one of his people.

4 What does the term "Watchman" highlight about the role of the prophet and the intercessor in the life of the church? Does this aspect of ministry ring a bell with you? If so how can you put it into practice?

5 What is promised in verses 8-9?

6 Describe the scene that verse 10 sets up?

7 What is the reward and recompense that will accompany the Lord (verse 11)?

8 Why do you think it is such a struggle to maintain a disciplined prayer life? Why is it so important that we do?

9 What is the relationship between prayer and revival?