



# Weekly 4G Guide

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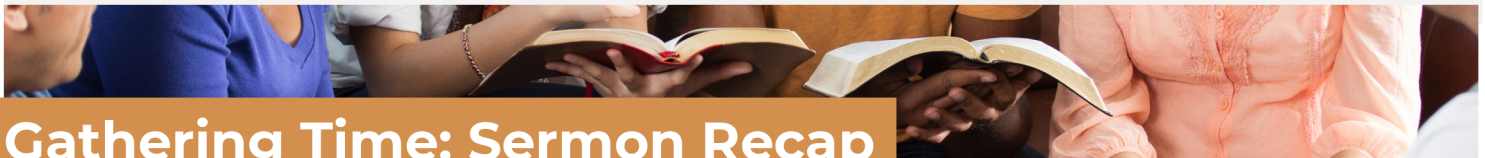
## How to Use This Guide:

- **Read the Sermon Recap** by yourself (for devotions) or with your group. You can also watch the sermon on YouTube @CBCFamily.
- **Read the passage/s.** Look for truths, promises, and/or commands. Try to find the “who, what, when, where, why, and how.”
- **Group Time:** First, take turns reading the Scripture passage/s from the sermon, round-robin style, letting each person read one verse. Go around the circle until the whole passage has been read. Then, **utilize the Group Time** portion of this 4G Guide.

### What's a 4G? A guide that covers:

1. Gathering Time (Sunday morning)
2. Group Time (for group meetings)
3. God Times (personal and family devotions)
4. Give Time (a prompt for reflection)

- **Personal God Time:** Use these each day to dive into the passages further and challenge yourself to apply the texts.
- **Family God Time:** Use these each week to dive into the passages with your family.
- **Give Time:** Ask your group, yourself, or your family what might be a good response to the sermon or text? How are you inspired to give of your time, talent, or treasure?



## Gathering Time: Sermon Recap

### Like Jesus: Disciplelife

Today, Pastor Dan Busse preached the first sermon in the series *Like Jesus*. Today's sermon focused on living a “disciplelife.” Dan preached from Luke 5:1-11.

Have you ever wondered what God can do in your life? It's a great question. A story in Luke chapter 5 gives us an illustration of what God can do when we follow Him.

When Jesus was preaching and the crowds pushed around Him, He got into a boat and asked the fisherman to push the boat just a little offshore so he could continue preaching. Later, He told the fisherman to drop their nets for a catch. Simon (known as Peter) replied, telling Jesus that they had been fishing all night and hadn't caught anything. But, since Jesus said so, he was willing to obey. The disciples were surprised when they pulled up the net. It was so full of fish that it began to break! Jesus told them He wanted them to “fish” for men, sharing about Him. The disciples then committed to leave everything and follow Jesus.

Like with the disciples, Jesus invites us to make a choice. Will we rely on Him to do what only He can do in our lives? Will we trust and follow?

Sometimes in life we trust and follow until we become disappointed when God doesn't do what we expect or want Him to do. Disappointment can distance us from God. We must commit to following so our eyes are opened to what He will do next. He is trustworthy, and trusting Him is the foundation for our obedience. This action witnesses to others who God is and what a “disciplelife” is.

While insecurity limits our life, God-security unleashes our life! So, we shouldn't be afraid to go fishing for people, sharing Jesus. Yes, we all have areas where we are hurting or uncomfortable, but that's an area where we need Him! Expect Him to show up. We must believe He loves us deeply and know that no situation is too big for God to handle.

A disciple is rooted in Christ and loved deeply. God can do powerful things! Just follow Him.

## Conversation Starter

Ask: Have you ever had someone point you to Jesus in a really big way?

## Discussion Questions

Choose a track, mix and match, or do them all.

- **Track 1:** What is the main point of the passage that was discussed in today's sermon?
- What is the "who, what, when, where, why, and how" of the passage?
- Does the passage contain truths, promises, or commands to obey? What are they? As a group, make a list and pray for your hearts to align with God's Word.

- **Track 2:** How do you think most non-Believers would define trust, obedience, and following?
- What does it show the world when Believers follow God even through difficulty?
- What can Christians do to show others that they are truly disciples?

- **Track 3:** Dan said, "Insecurity limits your life; God-security unleashes your life." What did he mean, especially in regards to "disciplelife"?
- In what areas are you outside of your comfort zone? What are you trusting God for? (Commit to praying for one another.)
- Who will you share Jesus with this week?

## God Time: Personal

Use the sermon notes from our Gathering Time this week for your personal time with God. Use a spare notebook or your favorite device to journal your responses. Include prayer and application in your time with God!

- **Monday:** Read Lk 5:1-3. Where was Jesus, and what was going on? What else stands out to you?
- **Tuesday:** Read Lk 5:4-5. Take time to imagine the scene. What do you notice about Jesus' request and Peter's answer?
- **Wednesday:** Read Lk 5:6-7. What happened when they lifted the nets? Imagine it; how frightened might they be? (Note v7b) Pray that God would help you be unafraid of what He can do!
- **Thursday:** Read Lk 5:8-9. What was Peter's response to the large catch? What is your response to His power?
- **Friday:** Read Lk 5:10-11. What is God asking you to do in response to this story? How will you follow Him this week? Who will you share Him with?

## God Time: Family

Parents: Familiarize yourself with sermon recap from our Gathering Time. Sum it up in a way your child can understand.

- Consider **reading** Luke 5:1-11 from today's sermon from the Easy-to-Read version.
- Give a **summary** statement about the sermon and the Bible passage in a way that your family can easily understand.
- **Ask:** Can you think of a time when trusting someone had a good result?
- **Say:** Trusting Jesus brings amazing results!
- **Activity:** Play a role playing game. First take some sheets of paper and cut them into very simple fish shape. On each paper fish, list one blessing—like love, joy, friends, family, church, games, toys, your home, etc. The goal is to have a lot of fish/blessings! Take turns acting out the story from the Bible. A parent can play "Jesus." When Jesus says "go fishing", the children can collect the paper fish. Afterward, talk about the blessings on the paper fish with your children.

**Give:** How does this week's sermon inspire you to give of your time, talent, or treasure?