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# The IMPACT Of Life Group On My Life

When my wife and I decided to take a break from running a legal firm in 2009, we just by chance met a friend that introduced us to a Life Group. That was the beginning of a long journey. A journey we experienced good and bad. But mostly good.

We joined another church in the area

earlier on but now we are in FBC and we are in the life group calling ourselves G9 (Gamma 9).

Actually, we have found a group that made us feel connected to the heart of the church. We attended meetings regularly, but there is this desire to grow and serve as part of the church.



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**Two years have passed due to the pandemic but we stayed connected. From the first time, we had the cell meeting and visited some other venues we felt at home.**

Undoubtedly the Lord led us to this cell group because there were several other couples from the Church inviting us to join but G9 remained the pulse as far as we are concerned.

The impact that being part of a Life Group has had on us continues to bless, change our life for the better, and

grow our family in our relationship with Christ. As our friendships continue to grow with one another, it has been such a joy to see the closeness of our children and grandchildren grow as well. The life-long connections we've made as part of a Life Group have encouraged us greatly. The impact it has on us and my family, both spiritually and socially, will be felt for years to come.



**By William Liow Teik Foong & Christine Ooi Choi Yen**

William and Christine attend GAMMA Group 9 and William is involved in Karis.

## DEVOTION By The Youth

Genesis 24:56

# MY MASTER

### Scripture:

*Genesis 24:56 But he said to them, "Do not detain me, now that the Lord has granted success to my journey. Send me on my way so I may go to my master."*

### Observation

From this, some of the servant's characteristics were shown: insistent/determined, firm, and eager to go back to his master, Abraham.

When the servant says 'send me on my way so I may go to my master', it's implying the servant's identity was found in Abraham. In verse 34, he introduced himself as 'Abraham's servant' too.





Despite traveling very long to reach Nahor (~1450km), it was logical for the servant to stay a few days and enjoy the host's hospitality. Yet, there was a sense of urgency from the servant, already asking to go back in the morning instead of resting more by saying: "do not detain me." This shows his eagerness to go back to Abraham, his master.

### Application

- We are servants of Christ, do we feel the same sense of urgency to go back to Him?
- Who do we find our identity in? The ways of this world, or in Christ? Who is your master?

**We find other things more urgent or more important than God, and our priorities shift, placing God last. We keep delaying our time to actually seek Him.**

We forget that while striving to provide for ourselves, He is the ultimate Provider. When you face a situation that potentially delays you from pursuing a relationship with God (eg. exams, friends, or just 'too busy'), stop and reflect first, remember His grace and providence.

### Prayer

Dear God, I am Your servant. You are my Master. Instill in me a heart of desire and urgency to seek You always, just like Abraham's servant. Amen.



#### By Joelle Chong

Joelle serves in the Youth ministry and attend a discipleship group under Sarah Searle



## PrayerSpotlight

### Sunday School Ministry

1. Pray that the Lord will send more "workers" – especially Tamil speaking teachers and helpers to teach a class of Tamil children attending Kingdom Kids and the need for more young adults and couples to shepherd the children for both Gospel Kids and Kingdom Kids.
2. Pray for God's protection and blessings upon the current team of teachers and helpers as well as their families – pray for their health, good time management in their work and family commitments and more importantly for their spiritual growth as they minister to the children.
3. Pray for God's protection and blessings upon the children and that they are excited to come for Sunday School every Sunday and that each child will encounter God's love and salvation through the Word of God that is being shared from the bible lessons taught each week. That the seeds of the Gospel message which sown into the hearts of each child will bear much fruit for God's kingdom now and in the future.