



The **CROWN** Rhythm

DISCIPLESHIP TRIPLETS - NURTURE MATERIAL - W7

AIM	For each member of the triplet to grow in their identity as a “sent one” by Jesus by growing in prayer for his mission and taking simple steps towards a habit of choosing to “Start a Conversation” This builds the N - NETWORKS element of CROWN.
RECONNECT	Take a moment to tell the story of the week / time since you last met. Ask people to share in no more than a minute each: What are you thankful for? What stresses or challenges are you facing?
REVIEW	Ask the Accountability Questions: Have you completed your Bible Reading? Did God speak to you? Have you been able to meaningfully join with and serve your church family? Each member shares how they got on with “praying for five”. Do you have clarity on who God is asking you to pray for? Were the postcards helpful? Are there any signs of God at work to celebrate? Problem-solve where needed, focus upon where recurring obstacles to progress seem to be an issue. Is there something more behind the blockage?
INTRODUCTION	Watch this short video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7G3o5LmMed8&list=PL3Fqf6JxAZEetqejtHcqASqAZvHkwFxOH&index=3&t=245s
BIBLE	Follow the Read & Reflect sections of the Discovery Bible Method to look at Matthew 9:9-13 https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+9:9-13&version=NLT
RESPONSE	It will help to focus the “I will” response on what it means to close the gap between us and others, just as Jesus closed the gap between God and us in coming to earth, and by entering the social space of the “sinners” in the text.
PREDICTABLE PATTERNS	Remind each other that the aim of this triplet is to help build simple patterns (one at a time) that are filled with God, that once established, continue to pay out in our lives. The N - <u>Network</u> pattern is about sharing life and faith with those outside the church. We’ll keep “Praying for five” but today invite a commitment to regularly Start a Conversation with someone else. In time we trust those conversations will deepen if we show genuine love, care, compassion and interest. Maybe ask: Why does Jesus find this kind of thing easier than us? What in ourselves or our culture might we need reject, ‘get over’, or even ‘die to’ to become more like Jesus? What if taking such a step changed someone forever?
HOMEWORK	START A CONVERSATION - take a risk, “GO” and step across the room, the street, the office and engage with a colleague / neighbour / friend / acquaintance / passer-by! Aim to have found out something new about someone else by doing this... Next time we’ll ask what it might mean to take this further.
OPTIONAL HOMEWORK	Watch the other videos CROWN NETWORKS playlist: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3Fqf6JxAZEetqejtHcqASqAZvHkwFxOH
RESOURCES	Introduce the “SALTI” resource cards

**BACKGROUND
NOTES**

HOW THE “NETWORKS” PATTERN FITS INTO THE WIDER TRIPLET MATERIAL

Our regular Triplets ask each other:
What is God doing among your “pray for five.”? Have you had opportunities to share God’s love? (e.g. SALTI conversations, acts of kindness, etc) (N: Networks)*

(We will start to use this question next week.)

This question helps us to look outward. The NETWORK patterns lead us to be consistently praying for people to come to faith. There are helpful prompt cards for “Pray for 5” and “SALTI”. We believe that if we genuinely ask God to give us 5 to pray for, he will put people in our path to pray for. Great resources to help us be sharp when using the SALTI framework as well as getting started with praying for five can be downloaded from the resources of the website.