


# TIME AND AVAILABILITY

## EPISODE 4: TRUSTING GOD WITH THE OUTCOME

### look back

First, **LOOK BACK** at the past week by asking, “How did we do?” Begin with prayer, then check in with one another—sharing honestly, celebrating victories, acknowledging struggles, and graciously offering practical help.

 **PRAYER** - Begin with prayer, inviting Jesus into the conversation.

### Follow Up on Last Episode’s Assignment

Last week you focused on preparing your heart and responding more intentionally in your interactions.

- How did your personal prayer time shape your mindset going into interactions?
- Were there moments where you were able to slow down and respond differently than you normally would?
- What situations were most challenging for you to handle with patience, wisdom, or self-control?
- What did you learn about your own reactions and the role of the Holy Spirit in guiding you?

### look up

Next, **LOOK UP** to God’s Word by asking, “What does Jesus want us to know?” If you haven’t already, watch this week’s video: “*Time & Availability: Trusting God with the Outcome.*” Then use the discussion questions and Scriptures to draw out the main truths together.

 **WATCH: Episode 4: Trusting God with the Outcome**

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### Episode Summary

While we are called to be faithful in how we live and share our faith, the outcome is not ours to control. God alone draws hearts, changes lives, and brings people to Himself. When we understand this, we are freed from pressure and fear, and invited into a relationship of trust—being intentional and prayerful, while resting in God’s love, power, and perfect timing.

### HOW TO USE THESE RESOURCES

Whether you’re studying on your own or with a group, each guide follows a simple yet powerful rhythm: **Look Back / Look Up / Look Forward**. For group leaders, additional instructions for leading a small group are included at the end of the first workbook in each series.

### ABOUT THIS STUDY

This series helps believers engage conversations about faith and science with humility, curiosity, and confidence in God’s truth. Each episode explores how Scripture and genuine scientific discovery can complement rather than contradict one another. The goal is not to win debates, but to listen well, ask good questions, and show the harmony between God’s Word and God’s world. The final study guide in this series includes **Discussion Starters** designed to help you share these videos and discuss faith and science with your children, grandchildren, and friends.

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Where do you feel the tension between being faithful in your role and wanting to control the outcome?
2. In what situations do you find it hardest to trust God with what is happening in their lives?
3. How have you seen the way you respond—your tone, your attitude, your approach—either support or undermine the message you want to share?
4. What changes when you remember that God loves your children or grandchildren even more than you do?
5. What would it look like for you to trust God more fully in these relationships, while continuing to faithfully reflect Jesus in how you love and respond?

*Your job is to live as a devoted follower of Christ... the Holy Spirit will do the rest.*

# Episode Notes

**1. We Can't Lead Anyone To Christ**

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**2. We Can Only Do What Christ Does Through Us**

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**3. How We Share Either Confirms Or Contradicts The Gospel**

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**4. Be Intentional, Prayerful, And Relaxed**

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**5. The Holy Trinity Loves Our Children More Than We Do**

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## WHAT DOES GOD'S WORD SAY?

### KEY SCRIPTURE

**John 6:44** – “No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day.”

Salvation begins with God’s work, not ours. He is the one who draws people to Himself.

### SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE

**Philippians 4:13** – “I can do all this through him who gives me strength.”

We are not left on our own—Christ works through us as we faithfully follow Him.

**Matthew 10:19–20** – “...Do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.”

We don’t have to rely on our own strength or words—God works through us as we trust Him in each moment.



Finally, **LOOK FORWARD** by asking, “What does Jesus want us to do?” Commit to practical steps for living out this week’s lesson. Review the assignment, share commitments with the group, pray for one another, and step forward together with faith and hope.

### ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

Romans 8:31–32

1 John 4:10

### THIS EPISODE’S ASSIGNMENT

Identify one area where you have been trying to control the spiritual outcome in the life of a child or grandchild. Commit to releasing that outcome to God in prayer this week, while continuing to love, listen, and be faithful in your role.

#### PERSONAL GROWTH COMMITMENTS



- What has God laid on my heart?
- What is the Holy Spirit leading me to change?
- What will I do in my own life, in my relationships, and to reach next-gen loved ones?

#### SHARE WITH THE GROUP



Encourage sharing commitments, prayer needs, and real-life stories. Close with prayer.

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