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Stand Alone | Sunday, April 26, 2026

(5-10 min) Optional Ice Breaker: If you got to choose your name, what would it be and why?

LEADERS: Please share these announcements with your home group!

Announcements

Advancing the Gospel Among South Asians

Join us for a special training on Sunday, April 26 at 2 pm to learn how to love and engage our South Asian neighbors. Led by Ajay Thomas, this training will help you understand culture and grow in confidence as you share your faith (Kids Care available for birth–kindergarten). [Register today!](#)

Steps Orientation

Join us Monday, April 27 at 6:30 pm in the Students Room for our Summer Steps Orientation. This semester-long discipleship program helps you grow closer to God by addressing obstacles and building healthy spiritual rhythms. [Register today!](#)

Kids Volunteers

Did you know that each Sunday we have over 500 children in LittleCity and KidCity? Because of this, we have a big need for volunteers who can serve just two Sundays a month.

You can serve with your family, small group, or friends, and there are many ways to get involved—from leading a small group to holding babies. If you're interested, reach out to Sidney@citizenschurch for more information.

Please see previous guides or email groups@citizenschurch for information on Spring Serve Opportunities!



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Read God's Word Aloud

Revelation 3:14-22 (ESV)

14 “And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: ‘The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God’s creation. **15** “I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! **16** So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. **17** For you say, “I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing,” not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. **18** I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. **19** Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. **20** Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. **21** The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. **22** He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

Discuss God's Word and God's World

Important: *The goal is to use this Guide to spark sanctifying conversation and opportunities for intercessory prayer, not to “get through” every question like a checklist. Feel free to linger on the questions that best facilitate that for your group.*

Start here: *Take a few moments to share and reflect together on what stood out to you from this week’s Bible passage and the sermon about it.*

- The church of Laodicea gives an honest picture of what it looks like to drift spiritually while still appearing to be “fine”. What can we learn from them?



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- Where do you see evidence of spiritual complacency or “lukewarm” attitudes in your daily life?
- What are the potential pitfalls or dangers of lukewarm discipleship to Jesus?
- What fears or comforts keep you from wholehearted obedience to Jesus?
- The spiritual practices are all meant to increase our affection for Christ. Which ones help you grow "hot" again? Which ones are most commonly neglected?
- In Revelation 3:20 we see a picture of Jesus standing at the door and knocking, inviting Himself in. How does the image of Jesus knocking on the door challenge the way you invite Him into decisions, struggles, or daily rhythms?

Sanctificational Prayer Guidance

Spend some time asking God to show you where you have become a lukewarm Christian and are going through the motions instead of being fully engaged and present with God.

Thank Jesus for standing at the door and knocking, moving towards us. Ask Him to open your heart to His presence in your daily life.

Pray as a home group for ways to help each other stay spiritually engaged and not drift into comfort or complacency.

Family Memory Verse of the Month for April

And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Micah 6:8b (ESV)



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