

# I Will...



## Small Group Outline: “The Water Cycle of Legacy: Flowing Faith from One Generation to the Next”

Theme: Exploring the legacy we leave for future generations by using the metaphor of the water cycle to reflect on how God’s blessings, grace, and faith flow through our lives and into the lives of others.

### 1. Welcome and Opening Prayer (5 minutes)

#### Prayer Focus:

Thank God for his continuous flow of grace and blessings in our lives. Ask the Holy Spirit to open hearts and minds to reflect on the legacy we are leaving through our actions, words, and faith.

### 2. Icebreaker: Water and Blessings (10 minutes)

#### Discussion Starter:

- Ask group members: **“What’s your favourite water-related activity (swimming, watching rain, walking by the sea)? Why do you enjoy it?”**
- Ask the group to share their favourite memory of a body of water (ocean, lake, river, etc.). Discuss how water can be both peaceful and powerful.
- Transition: Water brings life, refreshment, and joy. In the same way, our actions of love, faith, and kindness can bring life and renewal to others.

### 3. Bible Study and Reflection (30 minutes)

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#### Isaiah 55: 10-11

*“As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth.”*

**Key Reflection:** Just as rain has a purpose in nourishing the earth, God’s Word and our actions have a purpose in impacting others. Our legacy is the result of what we pour out into the lives of those around

us now and those in the future. You can support the Baptist Union of Great Britain and BMS World Mission today and leave a legacy so they will be able to support those we don’t know in the future.

#### John 7: 38

*“Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.”*

**Key Reflection:** Our faith in Jesus creates rivers of living water flowing through us. These rivers nourish the spiritual lives of others, passing down a legacy of faith.

They also nourish the physical lives of others, both now through your support of BMS and the Baptist Union of Great Britain and in the future with your legacies.



## Discussion Questions:

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### 1. Evaporation: Rising in Faith

(Our relationship with God through prayer, worship, and devotion)

- **Question:** How do our prayers, worship and relationship with God influence the legacy we leave?
- **Reflection:** Discuss how personal faith practices (prayer, Bible reading) are like water rising to God and how they prepare us to bless others.

- **Question:** In what ways has God poured blessings into your life? How do these blessings prepare you to serve and bless others?
- **Reflection:** Talk about how God's blessings – wisdom, grace, spiritual gifts – are gathered in us, much like condensation gathers water in clouds, ready to pour out at the right time.

### 2. Condensation: God's Blessings Gather in Us

(God equips and prepares us for his purposes)

### 3. Precipitation: Pouring Out Our Legacy on Others

(How we pour out our blessings and faith to others)

- **Question:** What are some ways we can pour out blessings and faith into the lives of those around us?
- **Reflection:** Identify ways to actively leave a legacy of faith – whether through mentorship, teaching children about Jesus, showing love to your community, or supporting others in their faith journey.

- **Question:** How can our actions today impact future generations, even people we may never meet?
- **Reflection:** Discuss how the legacy of faith flows like a river, impacting not only those close to us but also spreading to future generations and broader communities.

### 4. Collection: A Legacy That Flows into the Future

(The long-term impact of our lives on others)

## 4. Practical Application: “What Will Your Legacy Be?” (15 minutes)

- Hand out small slips of paper and ask each person to write down one way they want to intentionally pass on their faith to others. It could be something practical, like teaching their children about prayer, starting a mentorship relationship, or showing love to a neighbour.
- After a few moments of reflection, encourage volunteers to share their commitments with the group. This fosters accountability and allows the group to pray for each other's intentions.



## 5. Closing Activity: “The Flow of Legacy” (Optional) (10 minutes)

### Instructions:

- Set the bowl of water in the centre and invite each person to take a small cup. After they have shared their reflection, they will pour their cup of water back into the bowl. This represents how each of our individual contributions of faith and love join together to create a lasting legacy that flows into the world.

### Discussion Prompt:

- As you pour, reflect on the question: “What kind of river of faith do I want to create that will flow into the future?”

### Materials Needed:

- A large bowl of water and small cups.

## 6. Closing Worship Song

(Optional) (5 minutes)

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Song Suggestion:

### “The Blessing”

by Kari Jobe & Cody Carnes

- As you end the session, listen to or sing this song together, reflecting on how God’s blessings flow through generations. This song helps focus on the long-term impact of our faith on our families, friends, and future generations.

## 7. Closing Prayer

(5 minutes)

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### Prayer Focus:

- Thank God for the blessings and faith that have been passed down to us.
- Ask for his guidance and strength to live lives that pour out blessings and love to others.
- Pray for a legacy of faith that flows into future generations, impacting the world for Christ.



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