

SEEING THE NEED

The Power of Belonging



COMPANION GUIDE

Follow along through the online experience

QUESTION 1

As a kidmin leader, if you could have an unlimited supply of one thing for the rest of your life, what would it be?

QUESTION 2

A seeing church knows more than a child's name; they know that child's story.

2a) How do our church leaders intentionally learn the stories of each child and family that attends our church?

2b) How can we realistically accomplish this in our current season?

QUESTION 3

A seeing church fills in the gaps.

3a) What are the gaps that might exist in the lives of the children in our ministry?

Examples:

Learning opportunities

Art education

Food

Safe access to technology

3b) How can your church help to fill in those gaps?

QUESTION 4

A seeing church prays regularly for every child in the church and in the surrounding area.

2a) How often does your church individually pray for the children in your congregation?

2b) How could you begin to pray for each child, name by name and story by story?

QUESTION 1

1a) What emotions did you experience when you saw the young girl drawing on a page in her Bible?

1b) Have you ever experienced a child's "naughty" behavior that stemmed from hunger, fear, or other external circumstances?

QUESTION 2

The seeing church sees children for their potential, their God potential.

How did the loving, caring leader see the potential in this young girl the way God sees her?

QUESTION 3

The seeing church is uniquely able to expose children to our corporate faith.

In what ways could a shift in perspective change the way you interact with the children in your ministry?

ADDITIONAL NOTES

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Who makes you feel seen, known, and loved?

How do you feel when you are authentically seen?

"This generation of children needs the church to be family like no modern generation before them."

– Resilient: Child Discipleship and the Fearless Future of the Church

Three lenses that help us become a church that sees:

1. RESILIENCE

What signs of fragility has the pandemic exposed in our ministry?

What signs of resilience has our ministry shown in the midst of this pandemic?

2. RELATIONSHIPS

How can our church community build deeper relationships with children and their families to surround them with a resilient network of believers?

3. FORMATION

Who are our children becoming?

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness (2 Timothy 3:16)

Teaching: knowledge, information

Correction: adjusting to the right path

Training in righteousness: applying the knowledge to my life

HOW CAN WE HELP?



Want more? Go to resilientdisciples.com/equipme and sign up to be alerted for our upcoming training events!



- Crowd-sourced lessons for handbooks
- Audio files of kids reciting verses to help kids learn
- Other helpful tips for parents and leaders to continue their child discipleship mission

awanaplus.com

brite*

Prepare kids to lead the church of 2050! brite digital weekend curriculum is packed with biblically sound lessons, leader resources, and engaging media tools to raise resilient disciples. Easily download these flexible materials for your weekend programming.

britecurriculum.com