

## Small Group Notes

**Date** - 26th May 2019

**Sermon series** - Risk Takers

**Talk title** - Taking a risk that God will provide

**Speaker** - Andy Chapman

### Welcome

How are you doing?

How have you seen Jesus at work in your life this week?

### Worship

Start by spending some time in worship together. If you have someone who can play a guitar or another instrument, ask if they will lead your group in some live worship or choose a couple songs to help lead people into God's presence. Otherwise we have compiled a couple of playlists with a range of songs for you to use during worship and ministry.

[Sunday Morning Spotify playlist](#)

[Sunday Morning Youtube playlist](#)

### Bible

**Bible Text** - 1 Kings 17: 1-16

**Read bible text together**

**One sentence talk summary** - Life with Jesus is intended to be an adventure of risks, trusting that He will provide what we need

### Main talk points

- 1) Risk takers start in God's presence (v1)
- 2) Risk takers say yes.... quickly (v5, 10)
- 3) Risk takers stand back and let God be God (v6, 7, 15)
- 4) Risk takers are contagious (v13)

### Questions for application

- for those there, what did Jesus say to you? (*personal*)
- what's the biggest risk you've taken in your life so far?
- if you knew you couldn't fail, what would you do? what risks would you take? is there a new business you'd set up, a new ministry you'd launch, people you'd share your faith with?
- what stops us from being risk takers? what holds you back?!
- following Jesus and being a risk taker is about taking the next step. What's the next step for you? (natural lead into prayer ministry)

### Prayer ministry

Spend time praying for each other. The goal here is not to simply intercede for one another, we believe that the Holy Spirit is present and ready to bring change and healing today!

The follow the model below is based on how Jesus prayed for people. It's not a formula but a model we've found extremely helpful. As we demonstrate it, others will "catch it".

There are 3 simple steps: **ASK – PRAY - ASK**

- i) **ASK** – ask the person what they’re asking Jesus to do for them  
And ASK the Holy Spirit what He is wanting to do
- ii) **PRAY** – like Jesus did, pray your best prayers
- iii) **ASK** – what’s happening? If the pain was a 10 out of 10 when they walked in tonight, ask them what they would score the pain now? What are the next steps? Thank God and ask for more. You may find it helpful to go through these steps 2-3 times.

Pray for others with your eyes open - we want to see what God is doing and respond accordingly.

**To ponder or pray about this week...**

*What one thing will you do differently this week as a result of what you’ve been talking about today?*