

 **THE ANCHOR** *at Home*



YOUR GUIDE TO THE ANCHOR AT HOME

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WATCH PARTY INFORMATION

Covid-19 Considerations

Depending on your state, you can “gather” your group virtually or in person to be inspired together and discuss what you have heard once the event concludes.

Please make sure to follow your state mandated Covid-19 Guidelines when planning your Anchor At Home. These guidelines can be found on your state government website.

“FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE

gather IN MY NAME,
THERE AM I WITH THEM.”

MATTHEW 18:20



WATCH PARTY TO-DO LIST

1. Invite your family and friends to join you on Thursday, June 2nd to hear from Guest Speakers Emily Jamieson & Ruth McKeane along with 4-time Grammy Award winning duo for KING & COUNTRY.
2. Make sure to communicate with your group and share the video link (coming soon), time, date and if needed, instructions to join a virtual discussion following the video.
3. Looking for inspiration for a snack or beverage? Check out page 6!
4. **Important:** Make sure to have your guests sign & be entered in the drawing. (page 9)
5. Be online and tune to the video link when it premieres on Jun. 2nd at 7pm PST. Moderate your discussion following the video.
6. Make sure to tag @theanchorgathering and #anchorathome on social media and “like” us on Facebook and Instagram!

VIDEO & ZOOM LINKS

The YouTube link for the Anchor at Home will be emailed out one day prior, and will go live at 7:00pm PST on June 2nd so that the whole Anchor community can watch together.

We will also be sending instructions for how to host the Post-Video discussion virtually!

MIXER PROMPTS



CHOOSE ONE, TWO OR ALL THREE PROMPT(S) TO DISCUSS SO THE WOMEN AT YOUR VIRTUAL WATCH PARTY CAN GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER.

1

What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

2

Which do you prefer: mountains or ocean?

3

Fill in the blank:
Summer begins when _____.

ABOUT OUR OPENING MUSICAL DUO for KING & COUNTRY



for KING & COUNTRY is one of the music industry's most respected and decorated duos. Brothers Joel and Luke Smallbone have won four GRAMMY Awards, seven GMA Dove Awards, a Billboard Music Award, 13 K-LOVE Fan Awards, and their eight No. 1 songs have produced an astonishing accumulation of over one billion on-demand streams.

The RIAA Platinum-selling act's live show has been hailed as a must-see concert event that continues to wow sold-out crowds whether in the U.S.A, Australia, Germany, Netherlands, or New Zealand. for KING & COUNTRY'S most recent album, the RIAA Gold certified *Burn The Ships* debuted in the Top 10 of the Billboard Top 200 Album Chart and has since propelled the duo to five consecutive No. 1 songs including "joy.," "TOGETHER (feat. Kirk Franklin & Tori Kelly)," and the 11-week platinum smash "God Only Knows."

The global hitmakers have collaborated with a diverse list of artists including the legendary Dolly Parton, NEEDTOBREATHE, and Timbaland, amongst others. Joel and Luke Smallbone are committed to numerous philanthropic efforts focused on human trafficking, children in need, as well as numerous programs in support of the arts.

ABOUT OUR ANCHOR MOMENT SPEAKER RUTH McKEANEY



Ruth McKeane is a former Assistant Attorney General for the State of Virginia, and Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney. Ruth and her husband, Bob, are now raising their five children on their restored historic farm in Berwyn, PA. (Hillside Farm was featured in the books *Stone Houses* and *Theology of Home* and has been exhibited in multiple home tours.) They have flipped many historic homes over the last two decades and joyfully lived in each one of them. They have company more often than not in a given year.

As a constant host (to literally thousands of people over the years), Ruth goes to the heart of what makes one feel at home. Every day, her goal is to make her home a safe place so her family and her guests have the opportunity to have deeper needs met. Intentional homemaking, in its most idealized form, is creating a setting where vulnerability and honesty are valued and protected, where understanding and grace are fostered and love freely given.

It's time to recover the richness of community that's been lost in the hustle and bustle of today. We can still slow down. We can still prioritize our family and friends over our "to-do" lists. We can still find beauty in the midst of chaos. We can still sit around the table with bowls of pasta and laugh until two in the morning. We can still go home.

<https://www.hungry4home.com>

ABOUT OUR MAIN SPEAKER

EMILY JAMIESON



Emily Jamieson is a life coach, speaker and writer whose central aim is to illuminate truth and facilitate freedom in others. Her love for God's Word and God's people is contagious; dubbed a "trajectory shifter", Emily's words repeatedly bring others toward clarity, love and life. Emily and her husband Marshall spend much of their time wrangling their four small men and working out life and ministry from their home base in Gig Harbor, WA.

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POST-VIDEO DISCUSSION

WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE ANCHOR AT HOME! AT THIS TIME, YOUR HOST CAN LEAD YOUR SMALL GROUP THROUGH THESE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS.

1

What stuck out to you during Emily's talk?

2

Can you think of a time when you felt God's presence with you?

3

How have you experienced/sensed God's voice? Perhaps by way of a thought or inclination, a subtle whisper, a gut instinct, through a friend, or out in creation?

MOCKTAIL INSPIRATION

LAVENDER LEMONADE

Recipe by Elise Bauer from Simply Recipes

https://www.simplyrecipes.com/recipes/lavender_lemonade/



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Please share this recipe with your Anchor at Home group of women so they can make it in their homes too!

Please drink responsibly.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 small handful freshly picked and rinsed lavender flowers, or 1 tablespoon dried lavender flowers
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups boiling water
- 1½ cups freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 2 cups cold water, plus more as needed
- Ice
- Thinly sliced lemons & a few lavender sprigs (optional garnish)

**Note: The sugar/lemon balance will depend on what types of lemons you are using (Meyer lemons are less tart than regular lemons), and your own preference for sweetness.*

While all varieties of lavender are edible, English lavender and Provence lavender are most often used for culinary purposes.

If you use fresh garden flowers, make sure they have not been sprayed with pesticides. Do not use florist flowers.

DIRECTIONS

1. **Prepare the lavender flowers:** Cut the lavender flowers from the stems (no need to strip) and place in a medium bowl (preferably not Pyrex, which can crack when you add boiling water). Pour the sugar over the flowers, and use your (clean) fingers to gently rub the flowers into the sugar.
2. **Make the lavender simple syrup:** Pour 2 cups of boiling water over the lavender sugar and stir with a spoon until the sugar has melted. Cover and let infuse for 30 minutes (or up to several hours).
3. **Strain the simple syrup:** Strain the lavender-infused simple syrup and pour into a serving carafe or pitcher.
4. **Make the lemonade to taste:** Stir in the lemon juice. Add another 2 cups of cold water. Taste and adjust for tartness. Add more lemon juice if too sweet. Add more sugar if too tart. Add ice and more water to your desired level of concentration. Note that the ice will melt eventually, further diluting the drink. Add some thinly sliced lemons and a few lavender sprigs to the serving pitcher for presentation if you so desire.

APPETIZER INSPIRATION

SIMPLE PERFECTION SHORTBREAD BARS

Recipe by Ruth McKeane

<https://www.hungry4home.com/blog/shortbread>



INGREDIENTS:

- ¾ lb. butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 3½ cups all-purpose flour
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1½ tablespoons water

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DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F and line a 9x9-inch pan with wax paper.
2. Mix the butter, sugar, vanilla, flour, and salt together. (It will be thick.)
3. Press the dough into the pan.
4. Bake for 25-30 minutes until the edges begin to brown.
5. Mix the powdered sugar with water and drizzle on top once the bars are cooled.
6. Slice the bars.
7. Tie the shortbread bars in with your mocktail by garnishing with a sprig of lavender!

VIRTUAL MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

After your group has each tuned in to the Anchor at Home video at 7pm, you can move onto the virtual discussion.

We suggest using a free platform like Zoom, Skype, or FaceTime to be able to communicate virtually. If you're not comfortable with one of those methods, a group phone call works too!

We will be praying alongside you and The Anchor community on June 2nd that the women "attending" hear inspiring stories, have meaningful discussion, feel encouraged in faith and friendship, and renew their hope in Jesus during this tough season.

SIGNING IN AND ENTERING THIS MONTH'S DRAWING

We are so excited to offer a new way to enter our drawing this year, and to sign in! Guests at your Watch Party or women watching on their own will be able to enter before the Anchor at Home begins until 9pm. This will also help track our growth.

Hosts: we need your help! Please remind your guests to enter the drawing when they arrive at your gathering (in person or virtual).



HOW TO ENTER THE DRAWING

- 1 Visit theanchorgathering.com/raffle or scan the QR code below to access the entry form.
- 2 Fill out the Google form and voilà, you've successfully entered!

DRAWING URL
theanchorgathering.com/raffle

QR CODE



INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOSTS

Hosts will communicate the drawing URL to their guests, and each guest can enter the drawing in lots of different ways. Here are some ideas:

- 1 Read guests the drawing URL and they can visit it on their mobile device to submit the form.
- 2 Forward your guests the Watch Party Kit and direct them to the instructions on Page 9.
- 3 Print this page out and set it with your appetizers. Ask guests to scan the QR code to enter.
- 4 Pull up the drawing URL on your device (iPad, phone, etc.) and pass it around for each guest to enter.

Hosts: you can print this page, fold in half, and display at your Watch Party to encourage women to sign in and enter this month's drawing!

Sign In to Enter

THIS MONTH'S DRAWING!



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