



Date & Sermon Series:

August 26/27, 2017; Time, Talent, Treasure

Speaker: Campus Pastors

Scripture Focus: 1 Peter 4:10

Note to Leaders:

This weekend we talked about what it means to fully utilize the gifts God has given each one of us. These questions provide a framework to prompt or foster discussion. Don't feel you have to use all or any of these questions and you don't have to make it to the end! Use the questions that best fit your group and let discussion flow. You can also use these questions on your own to dive deeper into this week's sermon.

Sermon Series Questions:

1. What did God reveal to you?
2. What are you going to do about it?
3. What is one element of God's character you learned?

Specific Questions:

1. Do you believe that every single person, including yourself, has a God given gift/talent? Why or why not?
2. If your gifts are not just for you but for the building up of the Body of Christ, what duty do you have to use your gifts?
3. 2 Timothy 1:6 says, "Fan into flame the gift of God." Pastor Joel says, "We are helping people find their gifts so that they can serve God and others." How can you fan into flame the gifts that may be lying dormant in others?

4. What power do our testimonies have? Why is it important to share what God is doing in our lives with our gifts and talents?

5. What gift(s) has God placed within you? Are you listening to the Holy Spirit as He reveals it? What are you going to do about it?

6. What does Scripture teach us about stewarding our talents?

7. Joel Buckner stated, "Failures can often be course corrections that put you on the right path for your destiny." What failures have helped you identify your gifts/talents? How could this perspective shift the way you experience failures?

Diving Deeper:

Reread 1 Peter 4:10

Spend some time this week focusing on these key points:

Pastor Joel shared three points that will help you get the most out of serving:

- 1) Remember Who you are serving- you are serving God not man (Ephesians 6:7).
- 2) Add your spice/your uniqueness to it- you have something that no one else can offer because you are unique.
- 3) Insert Prayer- "Prayer opens your eyes up to the needs. It changes the equation from the best you can do in service to the best God can do."

Meet with a couple of people, share what your gifts and talents are, then talk through how we can use our stories and talents to impact the communities we live in!