

Specific Questions: Text: 1Peter 4:10-11

1. Think back to the years of your youth. Recall a time when an older person, (perhaps a teacher, coach, aunt, or uncle) affirmed a positive trait they saw in you. What was the trait, how did the affirmation affect you?
2. Peter says “each one has received a spiritual gift” (see also 1Cor 12:7). According to this statement, who has a spiritual gift? Who is included in that?
3. We are instructed in the use of our gifts in the phrase “employ it in serving one another.” How does that shape our attitudes and perspective about our place and participation in the church?
4. What does the concept of “stewardship” mean? According to Peter’s statement about stewardship, what is the substance or content of our stewardship? What does it mean for us to live as good stewards?
5. If you know your gift, is it in the speaking or serving category?
6. How is the glory of God related to the use of our spiritual gifts? If glory belongs to God, what is the effect of not using our gift, or misusing our gift?
7. How have you seen gifts used in Refuge Church to serve others? ... to glorify God?

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

1. What new concept did you learn from this week’s text?
2. Is there anything in the text that you don’t understand?
3. How does this text challenge you to change? Is there anything standing in your way of making that change?