

**Theme:** Good and Faithful Servants—Faithful with our time

**Objective:** For all believes to be one in heart and mind in serving one another

**Opening Question:** Are you more generous with your time, your money, or your talents? Explain.

**Read Acts 4:32-37**

- What do you think the church meant to the believers in this passage?
- Read Acts 2:42-47 and compare this description of the church with the description in Acts 4. What do you think the church was like for the new believers?
- Why do you think the new church did such a good job of looking after each other?
- If you heard of a group of “religious people” who sold all their stuff and came together to share all they had, what would you think? Would this be a group you would want to join?
- If you were in need, who would you turn to?
- We all know believers who are in need. How should we help them?
- Do we view the church as a place to meet only our spiritual and social needs? What about our physical needs?

**Read 2 Peter 1:3-11**

- Verse 3—What is “everything we need for life”? What does Peter mean?
- What are God’s very great and precious promises for us?
- If we have “everything we need for life,” why must we add to our faith?

Peter provides a specific list of attributes for us to concentrate upon to increase and add to our faith. For each attribute, rate yourself (1—“I got nothin” to 3—“I do concentrate on this”). Next, provide an example of 1) how you can improve in this attribute OR 2) how God is working in your life to sharpen this attribute. Discuss with your group

Attribute	Rating	How to improve OR how God is working in this area of my life
Goodness		
Knowledge		
Self-Control		
Perseverance		
Godliness		
Kindness		
Love		

**Application:** Of the areas listed above, which area will you focus upon this week? Be prepared to share out.

**Worship:** Psalm 116. Focus on how God provides for your needs and how you will serve the Lord

**Prayer Requests**

**Memory Verse:** 2 Peter 1:3—His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness though our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness