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11/12/17

10:24-25; 1 Peter 4:8-11; Acts 2:42-47

What are your thoughts or questions about Sunday's message? What specifically stood out or challenged you?

POINT: Be DEVOTED

1. Why is the church important to you?
2. Read Hebrews 10:24-25 and note the words, "let us take thought of how to spur one another on to love and good works." In discipling another, how would you illustrate ways to do this?

3. Read 1 Peter 4:8-11. Peter gives 5 exhortations that recall, in brief, prominent themes in his letter on Christian integrity: pray; love; be hospitable; exercise your gifts; to God be the glory.

Imagine this is a five-point profile of a well-rounded, healthy member of the church. Discuss whether it is complete or what you would add and why.

What do you make of Peter's qualifications in these exhortations?

- Without grumbling, v9.
 - A good steward of God's grace, v10.
 - Relying on God's strength, v11.
4. Read Acts 2:42-47. What does it mean to be devoted? What was the primary motivation then? What should it be now? How does the mutual and shared devotion of the church community make a bigger impact in mutual devotion than individual devotion?