Gifted
Do you ever wonder if you're living up to your potential? Life can sometimes be discouraging because we feel we have more to give in life than we are. We have been given life, but how do we know what to do with it? How do we know we are using our abilities and our lives in the way that God intended?

Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30

Ice Breaker
What's one quirky, irrational fear you've had for as long as you can remember?

Discussion Questions
1. Read Matthew 25:14-30. What stands out to you in this passage? What themes do you see as you read this? Feel free to list as many as you can.

2. On Sunday, Mark talked about living faithfully or living fearfully. He listed that fear distorts reality, abdicates responsibility, and makes us defensive. Which of these resonates with you the most? In what other ways does living in fear impact our lives? Would you say you are a person that lives in fear?

3. Mark also listed that living faithfully leads us to action, produces perseverance, and give us peace. Which of these resonate with you the most? In what other ways does living faithfully impact our lives? Do you have an example of where by living faithfully, you were rewarded with any of these attributes?

4. Read Hebrews Chapter 11. Which example of faith in action stands out to you the most? Why?

Moving Forward
Read 1 John 4:18. What does perfect love mean and how can it drive out fear in your life? Be as specific as possible. How can we apply these things to our lives this week?