

March 3, 2024

Your Heavenly Dad gives good gifts (James 1:16-18)

Warmup: Talk about a gift you received that you had little use for, but at some point you began experiencing gratitude for the gift and gradually grew to appreciate it.

READ Eph 1:17, James 1:5, 16-18, Romans 12:3-8

- How does James describe God in v 16-17? Discuss your answer to the first question in relation to your ability to trust God. How do your answers support one another?
- What tends to surprise you in contemplating James 1:16-18?
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

REFLECT

- According to the Romans passage what clues do you see for using your spiritual gifts?
- Break into groups of 3. Name a spiritual gift your Heavenly Dad has given you? Does your spiritual gift complement a natural talent? Explain.
- Are you fully using your spiritual gifts? Is there anything holding you back?

RESPOND

- Do you remember a time of walking in your spiritual gift and not petitioning God for wisdom? Have you leaned into the wisdom verses this week, Eph 1:17 and James 1:5? When have you prayed for and received God's wisdom?
- How do you plan to use your spiritual gift this month to point others to Jesus? Spend at least five minutes praying in pairs or groups of 3 for courage to fully operate in your spiritual gift this week.
- How is the Spirit leading you to respond this week?

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