

Devoted Next Steps | Prioritize

Next Steps Review: What bold move is God calling you to take that will require you to trust Him?

Ice Breaker: Do you schedule down-to-the-minute, or prefer to do things by the seat-of-your-pants?

This Week's Big Idea: Devoted next steps take prioritizing what is most important and urgent
What do you remember most, or what stuck with you from the weekend's teaching?

Scripture: Matthew 6|31-34

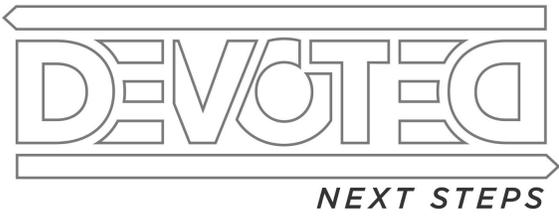
1. Do you organize yourself on paper or electronically? Wherever it is you schedule life, what are the top two things that take up the most time on your calendar?
2. Our calendar is a reflection of our priority. The scripture talks about seeking his Kingdom first and all these things will be given to you as well. Looking at the good things that make up your schedule, what are the "these things" in your life?
3. What does it mean to you to seek God's Kingdom first when you plan out your time? What would change about your schedule if you wrote it out with a Kingdom perspective?

Scripture: 1 Peter 4|10-11

4. Do you have a story of a time when you were entrusted with something precious? What did you do with it, and what was that like?
5. The word "gift" in this verse comes from the root for "grace." When you think of our gifts as an act of grace from God, how does that have an impact on how God wants you to use your gifts?
6. In what ways can you use your gifts that we don't usually think of as Kingdom work?

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 16:1-4 → 2 Cor 8:10-12

7. 2 Cor 8 refers back to instructions Paul wrote in 1 Cor 16 about how to collect offerings for the Christians in need in Jerusalem. What things did Paul tell the Corinthian church that we can apply to our own giving?
8. Is God challenging you in any area of generosity? Share it with your group.



Next Steps: Rewrite your schedule for next week. Place God at the front of it and make a commitment to stick to it. Also, pray about the commitment card you took this week.