

BEYOND SUNDAY

10.20.24

G: Give (Week 1) — Dan Perkins

- 1. Scripture Reflection:** In James 4:13-14, it says, "*What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.*" How does this perspective on the brevity of life influence your understanding of how to spend your time?
- 2. The 3T's:** Dan mentioned time, talent, and treasure and how there are real differences in how they can be used. Talk about the differences between these three, and why is it essential to consider giving your time in addition to your talents and treasures?
- 3. Living Generously:** Reflecting on 2 Corinthians 8:9, how can you apply the concept of giving your time to enrich both your life and the lives of others? Where have you seen that happen?
- 4. Genuine Hospitality:** Romans 12:9-13 encourages us to practice hospitality from the Greek (to love strangers). In what ways can you actively show hospitality to those who are different from you both within the PCC community and outside of it?
- 5. Intentional Community:** Have you seen that spending time with others fosters a sense of intentional community at PCC? Describe your experience. What steps can you take to create or participate in such experiences?

- 6. Challenge of Giving Time:** Dan challenges us to give at least one hour a week to serve others at PCC. What specific ways can you envision fulfilling this challenge within PCC?

- 7. Using Your Gifts:** Reflecting on 1 Peter 4:7-10, how can you identify and use your unique gifts to serve the church and the community? What barriers might you need to overcome to do this?

- 8. Balancing Time:** How do you balance time spent with family and time spent serving in the church? What can you do to ensure both areas receive the attention they deserve?

- 9. Long-term Impact:** How does the idea that giving time can lead to a "time affluent" feeling challenge your current understanding of busyness and productivity?

- 10. Call to Action:** After reflecting on this message, what commitment are you willing to make regarding your time, and how can you share this commitment with your family or the PCC community for accountability?