



CRAFTED

Week 4

BREAKING THE ICE

- What was your favorite Halloween costume as a kid, or if you didn't celebrate Halloween, what was your favorite costume you wore for something else?
- What are you most excited to do this week?

MAIN CONTENT

This week, Pastor Kevin Queen brought us into the final week of our Crafted series! He talked to us about what it means to be Crafted through ministry. Kevin spoke of his childhood memory of going to the barbershop with his dad and how the walls were covered with mirrors. If you look at it straight on, you just see your reflection over and over and over. Then there is the idea of the angled mirror. If we change our perspective, the light of Christ reflects off of us and onto other people. In John 14, Jesus says "If you've seen me, you've seen the Father."

1. What are ways we can make the conscious decision to take the attention off of ourselves and onto the Lord?
2. Have you ever looked in the mirror and wondered what your purpose is?

Pastor Kevin then went on to speak on the areas of ministry where we are called to serve others. As representatives of God, we are called to a life of ministry. As believers, we are called to live our lives as a ministry in our jobs and in our schools. It's less about what you do and more about why you do what you do. He told us a story of how a man at the grocery store went above and beyond when Kevin spilled his flowers. The man could have easily done the bare minimum, but he went the extra mile to help. Matthew 5:41, Jesus says "If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles."

3. What does it mean to you when you hear the phrase “life is ministry”?
4. How can you go the extra mile in your work/home lives this week?

Romans 12:4-8 says, “For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”

The Lord gives us all gifts to bring Him glory. God designed each and every one of us with a specific purpose. If we have a pulse, we have a purpose.

5. Have you ever taken a spiritual gifts test? If so, what did you learn about your gifts?
6. What gifts do you feel the Lord has gifted you for His good work?

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, thank you for the opportunity for a life of ministry. You are worthy of all the honor, glory and praise. Guide us, Jesus, as we go into this week. Show us how we may love our neighbors, our coworkers and our families. Help us to take the mirror off ourselves and may we simply be a reflection of your goodness. Soften our hearts to the people around us, and help us to be interruptible this week. We love you, Lord. Amen.

ACTION STEP

- If you haven't already, sign up to take the [spiritual gifts](#) test to get a better idea of what the Lord has gifted you with.
- Find a way to go the extra mile this week for someone.
- Bring extra money starting next Sunday! We will be having a global/local marketplace in the lobby at all Cross Point campuses for you to be able to buy food and goods that will support local small businesses that have a global connection.