

BECOME | GIFTED

SERIES SUMMARY: Be, come, and me. In other words, “Becoming who God has called me to be.”

ICEBREAKER

Insecurity comes from putting your identity in things that can be taken away. Has there been a time when you thought, ‘If I only get that, I’ll be happy and content.’ And after you got what you wanted, your fulfillment began to fade over time?

VIDEO MESSAGE

As a group, watch the ‘Gifted’ video of the BECOME message series.

Link: <https://youtu.be/GtyjVO1G4KY>

READ ALOUD

You should not compare yourself to others based on the individual talents you each have. Again, your security comes from the fact that God made you differently for a reason. If you spend all your energy focusing on what others can do, you lose sight of your own gift and what you are meant to do.

Remember that while everyone is equally anointed, we are all uniquely gifted. If Anointed is everyone’s last name, your first name is the unique gift you have. Your talent could be your intellect, athletic ability, cooking, building things, communicating—whatever comes natural to you. But your security is not and should not be rooted in your talent; this can be taken away. Instead, be comforted in the fact that your identity is rooted in your spiritual identity and is eternal.

DISCUSSION

With the Gifted video fresh in everyone’s mind, discuss the following topics as a group.

- Is there anything in your identity you feel insecure about?
- Was there ever a time when you felt God did not love you?
- Have you ever felt intimidated or envious of another person’s gift?

CLOSING PRAYER

There’s nothing you could do that would cause God to stop loving you. The moment you stop anchoring your identity in the gift you’ve been given, you will start using it for the glory of God and find fulfillment. You will grow in your gift and not feel threatened by the gifts of others. First Corinthians 12:4-7 says, “There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. A spiritual gift is given to each of us so that we can help each other.”