

## BE A BRINGER

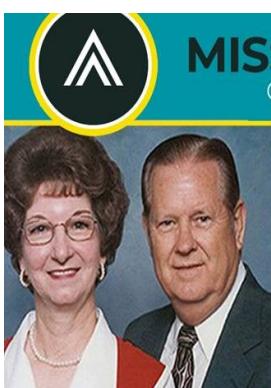
*“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....”* John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

*“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....”* I Samuel 12:23a



# MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

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## PRAISE

- Praise God for a blessed Bible School at Calvary Baptist Church in Rio Bravo. There was a good attendance and 25 souls saved, with several now attending church faithfully.
  - Praise God for opportunities to visit homes and minister to entire families through ministering to the children during Bible School.
- Praise God for the daily protection and care as conditions are still dangerous although, the drug cartels are weakened

## PRAY

- Pray for the churches renewed focus on reaching lost souls.
  - Pray for more laborers to go into the harvest fields.
- Pray for families to be receptive and for parents to follow their children to church.

# THE ASH

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## Unwrap Your Gifts

In 1 Peter 4:10, the apostle Peter instructs believers, “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God” (ESV). The phrase *manifold grace of God* captures the richness and diversity of God’s grace, expressed through the unique gifts and talents bestowed on each believer. Peter’s words remind us that God’s grace is an incredible reality that equips us for various roles within the body of Christ.

The manifold grace of God is evident in the variety of spiritual gifts given to believers. Paul, writing to the Corinthians, explains the diversity of these gifts: “Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone” (1 Corinthians 12:4–6, ESV). This diversity reflects the manifold grace of God, as His grace manifests in many forms, each suited to the specific needs within the Church. This dynamic expression of grace allows the Church to function as a unified body, with each member contributing uniquely to the mission of Christ.

The manifold grace of God is not just about the diversity of gifts but also the different ways His grace operates in our lives. James 1:17 reminds us, “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change” (ESV). The manifold grace of God is evident in how He meets us in different circumstances, providing exactly what we need at just the right time. Whether it is strength in suffering, wisdom in decision-making, or comfort in grief, God’s grace is sufficient and perfectly tailored to our situations.

We are called to be “good stewards” of the manifold grace of God. Stewardship takes responsibility and intentionality. We are not to hoard or neglect the gifts God has given us but rather to use them actively for the benefit of others. As Peter writes, “Whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—so that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ” (1 Peter 4:11, ESV). When faithfully stewarded, God’s manifold grace brings glory to God and edifies the Church.

Resource: Gotquestions.org

## KEY VERSE

I Peter 4:10 (NKJV)

*“As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.”*

Read I Peter 4:10-11 Every Day

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Monday: I Peter 4:10

#### Introduction

1. I Peter 4:10 offers us important insight on *something* God has given to each one of us. *What* has He given us and what are we called to do with it?
2. Paragraph 4 on pg. 1 calls us to be “good stewards” of the manifold grace of God. How according to the rest of the paragraph do we achieve that?

### Tuesday: I Cor. 12:1,7; I Pet. 4:10a; Rom. 5:5b, 6:23; Eph. 4:8

#### The Reality Of Spiritual Gifts Is That Every Christian Has Them

3. While I Peter 4:10a brings our attention to the gift we have received, if used faithfully, for whom will it “*profit*?” (I Corinthians 12:7)
4. Indeed, we know now that a spiritual gift is given for us to use, but what other gifts have been given to us through our salvation? (Rom. 5:5b, 6:23)

### Wednesday: I Peter 4:10b; Ephesians 4:15, 16a, 16b

#### The Reason For Spiritual Gifts Is Ministry

5. I Peter 4:10b gives us a “clear command” as to what we are to do with our gift... “*minister it to one another*.” Are YOU following this command?
6. Church members fall into two categories; Spectators and Participants. How can those who are “Participants” be identified? (Ephesians 4:15, 16a, 16b)

### Thursday: I Peter 4:10c, I Corinthians 4:2; Colossians 4:17b

#### The Requirement For Spiritual Gifts Is Good Stewardship

7. I Corinthians 4:2 states; “*it is required in stewards that one be found faithful*.” How would YOU explain this verse to a new believer?
8. What message is Colossians 4:17b conveying to us about our own specific gifts? What are we being called to “*fulfill*” according to this verse?
9. What steps have YOU taken to “*fulfill*” the ministry that God has for you? If you haven’t taken any...will you take the first one today?

### Friday: 1 Pet. 4:11b; I Cor. 4:7, 10:31, Isa. 42:8; Phil. 1:20

#### The Result Of Spiritual Gifts Is The Glory Of God

10. I Peter 4:11b reveals to us perhaps the most important aspect of our gifts in regard to their use. For *Whom* are they to be used to glorify?
11. What is the message of I Corinthians 4:7? What warning is it offering us in regard to *ill use* of our gifts? Are we to use them to glorify ourselves?
12. What is the instruction given to us in I Corinthians 10:31? As believers, how can we achieve doing all things “*to the glory of God*?”