

DOING AS HE ENABLES

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Introduction

A new grace and glory would come upon the church, if all church people ceased doing things for themselves and did them for God!

Text: I Peter 4:7-11

- 7 The end of the world is coming soon. Therefore, be earnest and disciplined in your prayers
8 Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins
9 Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay
10 **God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts.** Use them well to serve one another
11 Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? **Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ.** All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen (NLT)

Outline

Do not underestimate yourself! "Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around"

I You have something of value others need (v 10)

In the NKJV "As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God"

- a) You are His masterpiece! "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago" **Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)**
- b) God's grace is sufficient for giving away!
GIFT – Grace In Full Totality

II As you do for Him, He enables you (v 11)

"What you'll get in the Holy Spirit. And when the Holy Spirit comes on you, you will be able to be my witnesses in Jerusalem, all over Judea and Samaria, even to the ends of the world" **Acts 1:8 (Message)**

- a) God will not short-change your willingness to be His instrument.
- b) You can only do what God knows you are able to do

III You show off God's glory and power (v 11)

- (a) Others and you will encounter His divine presence
- (b) "This can be an ongoing experience. By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvellous glory and excellence." **II Peter 1:3 (NLT)**

Conclusion

Decide today to do as He enables you