



awaken the leader within

“You Are a Gift Waiting to Happen”

‘Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.’ (1 Peter 4:10 NIV)

In the final message in the ‘Awaken the leader within you’ series Julia A’Bell reminded us that God has called and commissioned us to be leaders in life and has given us gifts and empowered us for that.

Consider the following questions in relation to your own life.

1. We have been given spiritual gifts

- **Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-25.** The spiritual gifts are designed to be used in community. What does Paul have to say about our tendency to compare our gifts with the gifts that other people may have? How should we view our gifts?
- **Read 1 Corinthians 12:25-27.** Discuss the different gifts described in this passage? Which gift or gifts do you have? (e.g. What do we do naturally? What do other people recognise in us?) How can your gift complement other people’s gifts?
- **Read 1 Peter 4:10-11.** What is the purpose of our gifts?

2. We are a gift waiting to happen

- **Read 2 Corinthians 9:8.** Where does your gift come from? How should that affect your attitude towards it?
- **Read 2 Timothy 1:6-7.** How can you stir up the gift that you have?

3. Love is the greatest gift of all

- **Read 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13.** Why is it so important that the practice of our gift is founded in love? How can you make sure you are leading with love?



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Action: What can you do to stir up the gift God has given you?

Prayer: Pray for each other that God would help you to recognise and use your gifts.

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