APPLICATION

- Do you want to honor God through your life and service? How can you begin looking beyond your own needs and plans this week, and choose to serve others and glorify God?
- Tell us about one gift, talent, or ability God has blessed you with. How are you using it to serve others? Where can you serve or volunteer to use this gift from God?
- Do you rely on the strength from God or your own strength? What habits or perspectives do you need to change so you can rely on the strength that God gives you?

PRAYER

- Thank God for the gifts, talents, and abilities He has blessed you with. Pray that you would serve faithfully and rely on the strength He gives you every day.
- Ask God to lead you as you use your talents and abilities, that you
 would know how and where you are called to serve. Pray that you
 would learn to love and serve others as Jesus did and that you
 would honor Him in everything you do.
- Pray for more opportunities to serve and that others would be blessed through your life. Pray that your friends and family members who do not know Christ would be drawn to Him as you serve them.



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WEEK 4

Honor God with Your Service

INOTES		

WARM-UP

- What are your talents? Tell us about them.
- What is your dream job? Why do you like this job?
- Tell us about the most difficult task you had to do this week. How were you able to do it?



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¹¹whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. . . . 1 PETER 4:10,11

To live a life that honors God means to live a life of love and service. We honor God by using everything He has blessed us with to do His work and to serve His people. In this lesson, we will reflect on three truths about honoring God through our service.

1 I have a gift from God.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace . . . 1 PETER 4:10

God blesses us with different gifts. Each person is unique, and
God entrusts a gift to each one of us for a specific purpose. Our
talents, skills, abilities, and interests are from God and He expects
us to use them for His glory. Share how you discovered one of your gifts. How have you learned to use it for God's purpose?

2 My gift is to be used to serve others.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace . . . 1 PETER 4:10

Our God-given gifts are not meant to be hidden or simply used
for our own pleasure or recognition. The purpose of our gift is to
serve others. We receive our gifts as God's stewards, and we are to
honor Him by faithfully serving others. What are <i>stewards</i> ? How are you being a good steward of the gift God has given you?

3 My service glorifies God.

... whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. . . . 1 PETER 4:11

Our gifts are from God, and they are for God. The goal of everything we do is the honor and glory of God. It doesn't matter how greatly skilled or poorly skilled we think we are—it is God Himself who gives us the ability and strength. When we faithfully serve God, when we use our gifts for others, and when we rely on the strength He gives, God is glorified. How has God given you the strength to serve? Share about how God enabled you to honor Him and make disciples.