

**Key Truth/Principle:** SELF FIRST OR GOD FIRST?

**Key Verse(s):** See PowerPoint

**Suggested format:** Social time/ice-breaker, Word, worship with communion and prayer

**Key Point(s)**

* Self First or God First?
* Self Dependent or God Dependent

**\*\* TOP TIPS \*\***

**Remember people are indwelt with the spirit – expect them to have something to bring – most just need permission and clarity, and yearn for depth.**

* **WELCOME:** Have fun, involve everyone, keep it moving
* **WORSHIP:** Deliberately LEAD people into stepping out – most people appreciate specific guidance and feel released to know how to participate (e.g. let’s read a Psalm together and use the words to help us worship, let’s listen to this song, let’s sing now, let’s have a time of prophecy and hearing from God, if you feel you want to start a song please do). Encourage gifts!
* **PRAYER:** Weave into all you do, respond to things as they come up and help people by being specific (e.g. let’s all go round and pray shorts prayers thanking God for a particular characteristic
* **WORD**: Some folks would not have been there on Sunday – don’t; worry too much about recapping, just dive into questions. Splitting people into pairs/small groups with specific question and a time frame usually brings out the best discussion and involvement of everyone.

**KEY QUESTIONS**

What struck you during the preach on Sunday?

2. Does God get your FIRST & BEST or your LEFTOVERS?

* In what areas does He? In what areas does He not?

3. What is your approach to giving financially to God?

* What do you think the bible says about it?
* How do you feel about that?
* Does God get your FIRST & BEST in relation to your money?
* What do you find hard about this and what will you do about it?
* 2 Cor 8:7 – why are we so comfortable encouraging each other to excel in all these areas but shy away from the money question?

4. Give thanks for God’s provision and share needs.

**WHOSE YOUR ONE?**

This is a good time of year to revisit WY1? And get everyone to think deliberately about missional relationships this year. If you are not familiar with WY1? You can find resources at [**redeemerchurchcolchester.org/one**](https://redeemerchurchcolchester.org/one)**.** Encouraging weekly stories around WY1? Is a great way to build a culture of expectation and investment.