



**One Small Step – Week 4**  
**Every Moment Matters (Excellent Environments) – Jesse DeYoung**  
**February 6, 2022**

**Group Creed**

We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation--encouraging one another to become the same kind of person Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

**// Bible References**

Ephesians 5:16; Romans 12:4-8; Matthew 20:26-28; Colossians 3:17; John 12:24; 1 Corinthians 10:31

**// Message Summary**

The 'One Small Step' series has given us a chance to review our values here at Flatirons Community Church, where we exist to bring the awesome life of Christ to people in a lost and broken world. When we talk about our values like biblical authority or spiritual formation we're always looking for ways to translate those ideas into actions that show up regularly in our everyday lives. This week, Jesse DeYoung calls our attention to the constellation of things that impact how other people might experience Flatirons Community Church. A moment in the company of Jesus will have profound and far-reaching consequences in the life of someone who needs to meet Him. He does the (momentous) life changing part and invites us to join Him in making ready our environment to receive people *in the moment*.

**// Biblical and Historical Context**

In today's vernacular we usually talk about church as a physical place or building at which we gather on Sundays or for religious celebrations such as weddings. However, the church of the New Testament was described as a body. We learn in Acts that the early believers had everything in common; they attended temple together, ate meals together, and shared their money and possessions. When Paul writes about this, it becomes a beautiful picture of the life of Christ that we are invited to share. Jesus came to serve (Matthew 20:28) so we serve. Jesus gave His life, so we give our efforts, abilities, and talents as a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1). While we are alive it's possible to look back and point to those defining moments that changed us, but we don't what tomorrow holds. That is why Jesus came, to invite us to faith that reconnects us to God, hope for a life spent with Him, and love so that others can know Him too.

## // Community Questions

1. Think of a favorite place you visit frequently: sports bar, vacation spot, restaurant, library, coffee shop, gym, wherever. Share what makes the atmosphere so attractive inviting to you.
2. Share a story about an unexpected first meeting with someone who eventually became an important person in your life.

## // Discussion Questions

1. Read Romans 12:4-8; what word or phrase (or gift) stands out to you?
2. What purpose does God have in giving us these gifts?
3. How do we nurture and cultivate the gifts God has given?
4. Where have you noticed unique talent or ability that can't be explained apart from God?

## // Challenge

No matter where you are in life, the challenge of this series has been to take one small step in the direction of Jesus. Pray that God will make you alert to any opportunity to join Him in serving people. Flatirons is a volunteer-driven community and we need you to make things work! To get involved check out [flatironschurch.com/volunteer/](https://flatironschurch.com/volunteer/)