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### Sermon Evaluation's

1. Pastor Carter- Time's Square Church, 10am Service/ March 8- "The Joy of Asking"

Pastor Carter clearly set the context of the passage. There was opportunity to explain the topic of the passage. The Joy of Asking the Lord for the things we desire for ourselves and others. Verse John 16:1-4 was used during the introduction of the sermon. Asking brings a full joy from God. I believe the sermon revealed the main point of the text. Pastor Carter clearly preached Jesus from the text, this is the strength within the sermon using Jesus as the prime example and teaching. John 2:11 was also used, when Jesus turned water into wine. That first time we realized we were forgiven and have God in our lives. The starting to believe. A weakness during the sermon would be multiple scripture and not being able to follow along. The scriptures are not repeated or posted on the screen. A threat is Pastor Carter did not have any personal reference for the members to relate to the sermon. The approach was engaging and the clear. As we explore the verses, we are able to witness the glory of God. We discover during the sermon the flow of Pastor Carter's teaching which flowed smoothly. When we assume responsibility during this sermon and personally intake the message being taught, we see that there has to be a sense of confidence when coming to the throne of God. We have to be confident in our relationship with the Lord. This sermon was encouraging to be in constant communication with our Father God.

2. Pastor Alexander Rivera/ Pastor David Vazquez- Park Slope Christian Center- March 1- "Spiritual Gifts" (Pt 2)

Pastor Alex starts out by stating God wants us to use our gifts. Scripture 1 Corinthians 12:1. The Lord did not want us to be ignorant of the spiritual gifts. God does not desire for us to be unaware of the gifts and calls He bestows upon us. Pastor Alex also references to the prior week of part 1 of this teaching. 1Peter4:10. The approach he takes during this teaching is given on a solid foundation of scripture and reference to the prior week. There is no rush when teaching this sermon because it is

stated how God takes steps to bring us within His will. During this sermon with Pastor Alex we are led to explore the scriptures based on spiritual gifts. We discover when Pastor Alex begins what scriptures we will go through the entire service so us as members can follow along accordingly and they are also posted on the screen for those who may or may not have a bible or phone to follow along. This is very helpful, there are some that do not have the resources to follow along in their bible. The Pastor is not worried about time but more about the message the Lord is speaking through him. Pastor Alex mentions it is his responsibility to communicate a clear message in order for us all to be on the same page and to understand what God is translating to us as a body of Christ. I found during this sermon it was encouraging how the Lord was teaching us in class Teaching in the Church about spiritual gifts this week and when I showed up for service this Sunday it was about spiritual gifts. Pastor Alex makes clear the message and has helpful personal examples that we can relate to as the church. This sermon was more than engaging it was exciting to hear about the spiritual gifts God has for us as His children. Pastor Alex always make's sure to mention how important our faith is when in relationship with the Lord. This sermon was full of strength and opportunity to understand a bit of Gods ways. Our weakness will be our lack of faith in God and knowing God's ways. If we do not know or understand what God has for us it can become a threat. It is talked about how to obtain and operate within these spiritual gifts as well. Very informative sermon.

3. Pastor Peter Collins- The Upper Room Fellowship of Jesus Christ- May 1- "Removal of Idols" (Pt.2) Leviticus 19

During this sermon Pastor Peter goes into the teaching of removing Idols. There will be discussion of revelation regarding how the Lord removes Idols within our hearts. Pastor Peter starts out by taking a first look at Ezekiel's journey as well as the book of Ezra to reveal a process of sanctification. This sermon goes on to uplift and encourage. James 3:1 is used during this sermon as well Hebrews 12:6-7. The word of the Lord came to Ezekiel. He was visited by four living angels. He was called to be a Prophet to warn Israel about impending judgement. After 7 days he became a watchman. He had to bear the iniquity of the people. Pastor

Peter uses PowerPoint while teaching his sermons. This is very helpful to have a picture in mind of what's happening according to scripture. Pastor Peter clearly sets the context of this sermon about Idols. He also makes it personal to different people in the bible and himself as well. The strengths during this sermon are the notes and references to God's ways vs. those who worship Idols. Our weakness is when we turn away from God and believe in other things such as Idols. Idols can be simple things that we put before our Lord God. When we turn away from God and put people, places or things before Him we threaten to lose our faith in the Lord. This can lead to spiritual death.