



Week 1

Ever had an umbrella or raincoat with you and still ended up soaked? What happened—and what did you learn?

What are some non-school-subject gifts you've seen in people your age (kindness, creativity, leadership, humor, peacemaking, noticing the kid on the edge, helpful with tech, steady when others panic)?

Read 1 Timothy 4:14 together. In your own words, what does "do not neglect the gift you have" mean for a middle-schooler?

What usually keeps you from using your gift (comparison, fear of cringe, forgetting, not sure it matters)? What would help you push past that?

"Fan it into flame" = small reps. What's one repeatable way to practice your gift this week so it grows?

Who's a safe person to help you grow your gift (friend you trust, small-group leader, coach, parent), and when will you ask them one question about it?

Challenge: Use your gift once every day this week—quietly. Encourage, include, serve, create, or steady a moment without announcing it. If you want accountability, send a simple text to your leader (or the parent-approved group chat) each day you "opened your umbrella." No details, no bragging—just the streak.