

RE-ENTRY

Part 3: Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1: Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7: There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. **5** There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. **6** There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. **7** Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

God's _____ gives _____ Christian the _____ ability to _____ others in a _____ way.

When we use our spiritual gifts, we give others _____.

Ephesians 4:11-13: So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, **12** to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up **13** until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

When we use our spiritual gifts, we make the church _____.

Ephesians 4:17: From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

If you know what your spiritual gift is, _____!

1 Peter 4:10: Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

If you don't know what your spiritual gift is, _____!

1 Corinthians 14:1 (ESV): Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts....

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Questions for Reflection & Discussion

1. How would you define a "spiritual gift"? What Scriptures would you use to support that definition?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-7 and 12:11. Write down everything these verses teach about spiritual gifts. Which truth is most significant to you? Why?

3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12 and 12:27. When has someone given you a glimpse of Jesus by exercising their spiritual gift? When have you done that for someone else?

4. Read Ephesians 4:11-13 and 4:17. What do these verses teach about the purpose of gift-based service? Do you feel you are doing the work God has called you to do right now? Why or why not?

5. Read 1 Corinthians 14:1 and 1 Peter 4:10. What do you feel led to do in response to Sunday's message? What steps must you take to obey that leading?
