

## THE GIFT CHAPTER

Use the following notes in your Growth Group or for further personal study of today's message. We hope these will enrich and deepen your walk as you study God's Word.

### GETTING STARTED:

1. How has this sermon confirmed, changed or challenged your perspective on ministry within the church?

### DIGGING DEEPER

2. What needs to change in order for your life to shine God into the lives of others?
3. How do you feel the Lord has wired you to serve in the church?
4. How did you come to your conclusions about how you are wired to serve?
5. If you are not serving, what sort of ministry within the church energizes you?

### APPLICATION:

6. Are you exercising your gifts in alignment with the mission of the church? Why or why not? What needs to change?

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As a believer in Jesus Christ, we each possess a unique giftedness and are therefore a valuable piece of the body of Christ. Today's great chapter (*1 Corinthians 12*) is the most comprehensive chapter on the subject of spiritual gifts. Following an overview let's all increase our use of our gifts for the benefit of God's mission to reach the world with His love.

1. **What in the world are "spiritual gifts"?** - (*1 Corinthians 12:1-6; 1 Peter 4:10; Romans 12:3-6*) Spiritual gifts are the God-given capacity of every Christian to carry out their function in the body of Christ.
2. **Why are believers given spiritual gifts?** - (*1 Corinthians 12:7; 1 Peter 4:10-11*) To serve one another and to bring glory to God.
3. **Is there a target, or end game in regard to spiritual giftedness?** - (*Ephesians 4:13*) We work together uniquely to build one another up into the fullness of Christ.

### - To Consider -

Are you exercising your gifts for the building up of one another and for reaching our community for Jesus Christ?

**NEXT WEEK 18/20 • THE LOVE CHAPTER • (*1 Corinthians 13*)**  
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