



Week of January 16, 2022

Discussion Questions:

1. Share an area that you serve in our church. Why did you start serving and what keeps you motivated to continue serving?
2. Paul said, "You are important to people experiencing Jesus." Is that a new thought to you? How are you indispensable to people experiencing Jesus?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:11-12, 18-19. Why do you think God uses the word picture of a "body"? It says that God distributed and determined the gifts. How does that make you feel? What does it communicate about God's intentionality and His purpose for each individual?
4. How has God gifted you uniquely? Do you know your personality, spiritual gifts and unique passions? What is the difference between knowing them and actively using them? What might be limiting you from maximizing the purpose God has given you?

5. Paul asked this question: “What would people experience if everyone served like you?” How can this group work together to serve a need in our church or our community?
6. In your prayer time, remember to pray for people who are unchurched and those your group is inviting.

Moving Forward

This body (the church) needs everybody. Sometimes it is easy to be in a small group, and to become more of a consumer (what can this group do for me?). Do you recognize that tendency in yourself? Decide to actively engage and start serving by using your gifts as part of the body.

1 Corinthians 12:7,11-12,18-20,27

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines. ¹²Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

¹⁸But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, but one body. ²⁷Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.