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**Walk In Your Giftedness**

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

**Key Truth:** Like the human body, every believer is necessary for the church to function properly.

**The Problem In Corinth:**

1. Charismatic chaos = Pride, ignorance, and confusion.

**Definition:**

Spiritual Gifts – Are a grace given God ability endowed upon every believer for the purpose of serving other believers and bringing glory to Jesus Christ.

**How Spiritual Gifts Work:**

1. Spiritual Gifts are not meant to divide the body of

Christ but to unite us in service to our Lord

Jesus Christ.

2. Spiritual Gifts do not equate to spiritual maturity

nor spiritual importance.

3. Every Christian has at least one spiritual gift.

**How To Identify Your Spiritual Gift:**

1. Walk in the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

2. Do something.

3. Follow your passions.

4. Follow your success.

5. Listen to spiritual counsel.

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Thank God for His many blessings and gifts, and pray that He will help each of us live with a fresh commitment to not waste a single opportunity He has given us. Pray that you will honor God by serving the church with the gifts He has given you.

**Connection Group Homework**

Looking back at your notes, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Have you ever known someone who thought they should play a certain position or fill a role, when they were actually far better fit for a different position or role?

Have you ever experienced this in your own life?

This weekend we heard how as followers of Christ we all have a unique position to play on God’s team. 2 Corinthians 12:12-26 gives further details and insights into how an effective team functions. As you read this passage, what are some of the things that catch your attention in regards to the various roles we play?

Read Ephesians 4:11-16: Can you think of any examples of how the body of believers might be hindered when someone isn’t willing to play their role?

None of us want to be categorized as someone who failed to fulfill their role or was too self- absorbed to serve others. Yet all of us can, at times, lack the motivation to get involved or sense that we really do make a difference. How might the following verses motivate us to stay in the game and play our role?

Matthew 25:37-40

Ephesians 2:10

2 Thessalonians 3:6