

## Study Guide - “The Avengers” from 9-2-2018

**Key Scriptures:** “I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.”  
John 17:20-23

- 1 Peter 4:10-11 “As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.”
- 1 Corinthians 12:18 “But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.”
- Ephesians 2:10 “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”
- Revelation 22:12 “And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.”
- Romans 12:4-5 “For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.”
- Ephesians 4:11-12 “And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.”

### Start Talking:

- Do you tend to encourage others to work as a team or is it uncomfortable to you yourself to work closely with others? Share.
- How active would you describe yourself in the war between Satan, “The Enslaver”, and Jesus, the One Who sets captives free? Why do you think many Christians don’t acknowledge that they are in a war zone?

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- Pastor Bobby pointed out that past pains led to the power of many super heroes. Is there a past pain of yours that God can use to make you a superhero? Share.
- Pastor Bobby said that one key of avengers is to care about the captivated. Do consider yourself one who cares about the captives, or are you too busy with your own stuff? Be honest.

### Start Thinking:

- What are some ways that Satan enslaves so many people? Be specific.
- Pastor Bobby said, “We don’t determine or decide our gift, we discover it” and “You don’t have to find the will of God. It will find you.” Read Ephesians 2: 10. What do these statements and this verse say about the plans God made for you beforehand?
- Are you surprised that your calling was determined by God? Are you willing to make yourself available to find it and live it out?

### Start Sharing:

- Read Revelation 22:12. Discuss your thoughts about getting a reward from Jesus when He returns “according to your work”? How is this different from working to get saved? Share your thoughts.
- Romans 12:4-5 reads, “For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.” Can you describe your calling and your gifts? How do you function within the body of Christ? Share.

**Start Praying:** “Lord, Jesus prayed that we would be one, even as He and You are One. Help us to find ways to experience perfect unity, so that the world will know Who You are. We are ready. Change us. Free us from our stubborn independence. We ask in the Name of Jesus. Amen.”

### Start Doing:

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- Have you ever seen something great happen as a result of a prayer of agreement? Share. If not, are you willing to pray in agreement and faith with someone in need?
- How committed are you to the mission of Life Church to make a difference together in our communities? What can you do to connect even more?