



Use this guide to help your community group engage further with this week's sermon.

Finish in Faith: Encouraging One Another & Exercising Our Gifts

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Read Ephesians 4:7-16 and discuss these questions:

1. How does "speaking the truth in love" help us understand the heart of biblical encouragement? What is the goal of encouragement?
2. How has biblical encouragement impacted your life? What reasons can you think of for why encouragement is important in the life of our church right now?
3. Who gives gifts to the church, and why are they given? How can remembering these drive us to exercise our gifts for the good of our brothers and sisters in Christ?
4. What are some challenges you face in exercising your gifts? What are some other passages that help us understand and exercise our gifts?
5. How can we help believers from childhood to mature adulthood understand and exercise their gifts? How can your gifts build others up in Christlikeness at Living Gospel Church?
6. How can giving of our time, talents, and treasures cultivate a culture of building one another up in Christlikeness in our generation and the next? What would a church look like where all members actively encouraged one another and exercised their gifts?

Pray for one another according to this passage: How would you like us to pray for you in light of this passage and conversation?

Also, consider praying together through the "Finish in Faith" theme, make disciples (you can access the full Prayer, Fasting, & Reflection Guide here: <https://lgc.church/prayer-and-fasting-finish-in-faith>):

- In this season, ask the Spirit to show you who needs your words, your presence, your hospitality, or your help.
- Pray that our growing church and new building would be filled with conversations that comfort, classrooms that equip, and spaces where gifts are discovered and used for the good of the body and the glory of Christ until He returns.