

A Shift From Me to We

For ALC, Sunday, February 11, 2024

The Big Idea:

Each of us must begin to see our spiritual gifts and others' spiritual gifts essential to our purpose in the kingdom of God.

I Corinthians 12:1, 4-31 New King James Version (Yes, I will be reading most of the chapter.)

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Picture of twins (I can send you the photo of Lydia and yours truly I would like to use)

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There is a difference between natural and spiritual gifts.

Natural Gifts:

- Can be learned/taught
- Can be forgotten/lost

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Spiritual Gifts:

- Given by the Gift Giver, God
- Every believer has at least one
- Come without repentance, Romans 11:29
- Given to serve others and glorify God, [1 Peter 4:9,10](#)

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List of spiritual gifts given in scripture:

I Corinthians 12:27-31

word of wisdom, 8 word of knowledge, 8 faith, 9 healings, 9
Working of miracles, 10 discerning of spirits, 10 prophecy, 10 tongues, 10
Interpretation of tongues, 10

Romans 12:4-8

Prophecy, 6 ministry, 7 teaching, 7 exhortation, 8 giving, 8
Leadership, 8 mercy, 8

Ephesians 4:11-16

Apostles, 11

Prophets, 11

Evangelists, 11

Pastors, 11

Teachers, 11

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We speak Christ's body language when we exercise our spiritual gifts. (LABC)

Sometimes body language speaks louder than words.

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“Shove Under” Gifts

We shove our gifts under:

- Pride
- Fear
- Doubt
- Jealousy
- Laziness
- Selfishness
- Sin

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Everybody has at least one Spiritual Gift!

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Your Spiritual Gift should:

1. Serve others
2. Give glory to God

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What is (are) your **spiritual** gift(s)?

Slide: (this is the church's mission statement)

The Abundant Life Church exists to introduce, develop, lead and empower people to faithfully follow Christ in order to fulfill their purpose in the church, community and world.

ALC is the place where faith and life connect!

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How are you using your Spiritual gift(s) for the body of Christ? The community?

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Spiritual Gifts Discovery Exercise