

COMMUNITY GROUP GUIDE

DEMYSTIFY Message Series

Gifts of the Holy Spirit

for the week of February 23, Graham

For the week of March 1, Parkland

1. What is a gift that you've received that was special to you? What made it special?
2. When you hear about "gifts of the Holy Spirit," does that bring up positive, neutral or negative feelings for you? Why do you think you feel that way?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:19, Ephesians 4:11-12

3. Why do you think Christians sometimes elevate pastors and other leaders to "super Christian" status? What causes people to view leaders in a church as 'holier' than others?
4. Do you view yourself as equally valued and gifted by the Holy Spirit as the pastoral staff or key leaders in the church? Why or why not?
5. Do you have a regular place you serve others? If so, when or where do you do that? If not, are there any areas you think could be a spot to begin serving? (If you haven't found a place to serve, plan to attend the Next Steps Experience on March 29 at 10:30.)
6. Ephesians 4 states that the leadership's primary job is to equip those in the church to do work of service. Is there any area you feel like you could use help in growing in your ability to serve others? What method would be helpful to you (ex: videos, "on the job" coaching, books, etc)?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:7

7. Jeff shared that the word "common good" comes from the Greek word sympheron, which we can see relates to our English word symphony. Do you ever struggle wondering about if your contribution of service matters? How does thinking about serving at RVCC as playing in part of a symphony encourage you?
8. Did you read 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 yet this week? If so, did the Holy Spirit help bring any insights on confirming where you are serving? Did He lead you to consider serving in a new way?
9. If you have not sat with the passage this week, when will you do so before next Sunday?
10. Close by praying for God to confirm and lead each member of your group to be able to either discover the way they are to use their spiritual gifts, or pray that God might refresh them as they use their gifts in their current area(s) of service.



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