

onechurch bigIdea

What kind of person does God use? As you read through the Bible it becomes clear that God doesn't usually use the smartest or the most sophisticated person. He doesn't often use someone who has all the answers or who knows what he is doing.

What does it take for God to do something amazing? All the disciples could muster was five loaves and two fish to feed a hungry crowd of over five thousand. But this was all that Jesus needed. When you do what you can do and trust God to do what only he can do, the results will be astounding. So how will you get involved?



BIG IDEA: You do what you can do and trust that God will do what only He can do.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the one job you got the most satisfaction from?
2. Have you ever been benched during a game? How did that make you feel?
3. Have you ever played with someone who didn't feel like they needed the other members of the team? How did that make you feel?
4. How do you feel about serving others?
 - a. I do it mostly out of obligation
 - b. I seek it out on a regular basis
 - c. I'm uncomfortable stepping into a serving role
 - d. I'll do it when I have the time
 - e. When the opportunity presents itself, I'm happy to step up
 - f. I avoid it at all costs
 - g. Other
5. What do you think is the biggest barrier that keeps people from serving? What most often keeps you personally from serving?
6. Talk about a time when you felt like you were unqualified or didn't know enough. How did you feel? What did your feelings cause you to do?
7. *With your Bible or YouVersion, read Matthew 14:13-21.* What did the disciples learn from this miracle?
8. When have you seen God do amazing things when you or someone else surrendered your time and ability to him?
9. How has your life, or the life of someone you know, been impacted by those who volunteer to serve on Sunday mornings?
10. What could God do if each one of us invested our time and ability into the church?
11. Where have you volunteered in the church in the past? What was your experience?
12. Where in oneChurch do you plan to invest your time this year?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. *With your Bible or YouVersion, read 1 Corinthians 12:1-30.* What does Paul wish for believers regarding spiritual gifts? (12:1) How do we decide what spiritual gifts we will receive? (12:4-6, 11)
2. According to *1 Corinthians 12:7*, how many people have been given spiritual gifts? Why would God see to it that everyone has at least one gift? Why does God give spiritual gifts?
3. What word picture does Paul use to describe the Church? (12:12, 27)
4. How should our spiritual gifts interact with each other? (12:12-20)

5. What do you think are the reasons why churches don't experience a more harmonious interaction of spiritual gifts?
6. *Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-30.* What conclusions can you draw about how the gifts are supposed to function in the church?
7. How would you describe spiritual gifts to a new Christian?

THINK ABOUT IT

Each of us, no matter who you are, have 31,556,926 to spend every year-31,556,926 seconds, that is. Each of these seconds is an opportunity, a moment in time that will never be repeated. Once it is gone, you can't have it back. So how are you currently making the most of these moments? How are you investing your time to making a lasting impact?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

So what are you waiting on? Will you do what the twelve did? Will you do what countless volunteers do each Sunday? Will you take your ordinary stuff—time and ability—and make them available to your Heavenly Father? What is keeping you from being involved on Sundays?

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If you have filled out our spiritual gifts tool, go to this link: <http://serve.onechurchmedia.tv/>

To Join a Team, go to this link: Log on to <https://onechurch1.wufoo.com/forms/join-a-team/> and sign up to volunteer.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." Matthew 14:16

