LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION

Jesus gives gifts to grow His church pt. 2

- 1. The function of these gifts: feeding (v. 11)
- 2. The focus of these gifts: equipping (v. 12a)
- 3. The fruit of these gifts: edification (v. 12b)
- 4. The fruition of these gifts: maturity (vv. 13–14)
- 1. God's grace is given to the church to protect her from dangers on the outside and dangers on the inside. Grace orients, helps renounce worldliness, grants Spirit enabled living, and affirms Jesus as God. As a member of the body of Christ how can you come alongside and encourage others in the grace that has been given for the body?

2. Like a parent with their child, Jesus wants His church to mature. 1 Peter 2:1–3 affirms growth can happen through the Word of God. What does it look like to strive, labor, and be devoted to grow in godliness look like according to these verses?

3. What happens to the church if it neglects the gifts given or avoids implementing and upholding the offices established? How can we uphold and support biblical values to guard what we think, speaks to the motives of the heart, and trains us all for ministry?



| 4. | Consider ways we | could r | misdiagnose | the condition of a | spiritual probler | n ? |
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| | Why might this be | e a prob | olem when it | comes to offering | spiritual counse | ۱? |

5. Considering the fact that the bible wasn't written in English but translated into what we have today. How does grammar, in the process of bible translation, lay the foundation to ascertain the singularly inspired meaning of a passage. How does this differ from application?