

DISCUSSION GUIDE



Ministering to One Another,
Part One"
The Monterey Way, Part 6
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WELCOME *Meet at the front of Sanctuary.*

WORSHIP *“Better is One Day – Matt Redman*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N10q5h-tqyU>

WORD [2 Corinthians 3:1-18](#), [Romans 12:1-8](#)

1. What stood out to you the most in the message? Why?

Read 1 Corinthians 3:1-18 and answer the following questions:

2. Discuss what it means to be ministers of the new covenant--not of the letter (the Law) but the Spirit.
3. How is the ministry of God’s Word and ministry of His Spirit synonymous?
4. Where does our confidence to be ‘ministers’ come from?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 together. Discuss the “ever-increasing” glory. What does this glory mean and why should we be “hyped”?!

Read Romans 12:1-8 and answer the following questions.

6. For those who are now under the new covenant and covering of Christ, what are the promises of God implied in verses 1-2?
7. What is Paul (and Pastor Bryan) teaching us to do in verse 3?
8. What are the key points about ‘faith’ that Pastor Bryan taught to clarify what Paul means when he says, “in accordance with the faith God has distributed each of you” (v. 3) and to exercise gifts “in accordance with your faith” (v.6)?
9. Who is absolutely essential when ministering to one another and operating in spiritual gifts? (And what can happen when we attempt to do ministry without him?)

Application: *Apply the message by praying together and asking God to show us where we are ‘in accordance with our faith’—how submitted we are in our life and lifestyle to the Word of God and surrendered to the Holy Spirit. May he help us think of ourselves with sober judgment as we minister to one another and increase our faith where it is needed according to His will and purposes.*

WITNESS Read Isaiah 55:11. Ask Holy Spirit to lead you and give you a Word to share with someone this week and wait. Share boldly, resting in the power of His Word and Spirit that does not return void.