



Gifted to Give Ephesians 4:7-13

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Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin discussing these questions, read Ephesians 4:7-13.*

1. Think of a sport or performance you enjoy: How is the mindset of the audience (people “in the bleachers”) different from those who are “in the game”?
2. How does the previous question relate to life in the church?
3. “No one can do everything, but everyone can do something.” How does this quote apply to serving?
4. What obstacles can keep people from serving others? Which of these obstacles do you relate to, and what can you do (or what have you done) to overcome that obstacle?
5. Look closely at Ephesians 4:11-12. Using language straight from the passage, for what purpose do certain church leaders (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers) serve the church?
6. How does this influence the way you think about church? What does this mean for you? (See especially v. 12.)
7. Read the following passages and share what they add to your understanding of Ephesians 4:11-12:
 - Romans 12:3-8
 - 1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 12
 - 1 Peter 4:10-11
8. Let’s get practical. What specifically might it look like for you to serve, in your particular life circumstances? In what ways have you been contributing? If you’re not currently contributing, what steps can you take in this direction?
9. What joys have you experienced when you’ve used your unique gifts to serve others? Why is it worth it?
10. What other questions do you have about this passage that haven’t yet come up and that you’d like to discuss?
11. What is your biggest take-away from what you’ve discussed so far? Why did this stand out to you the way it did?
12. **Challenge: Memorize Ephesians 4:11-12:** 11 So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works for service, so that the body of Christ may be built up...