

W Equipped for One Another

Week of Mar. 6th
1 Corinthians 12:1-31

The Spirit of God gives us all differing gifts, and though that makes us unique from one another, God has equipped us this way for the common good of the church and for the building up of the body of Christ. While we may have differing roles within the church, we are interdependent and called to honor each other for the important role each plays.

1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.
 - What most stands out to you from these verses and the variety of gifts God gives to each of us?
 - What is the purpose of our spiritual gifts?
 - Do you have an example of a time or season where you really saw the diversity of spiritual gifts in action? If so, share how that played out and the impact it had?
 - Is there a certain gift that you think is more valuable than another, or that you wish you had? Why is that?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-26. Paul uses the example that, just as we have many different parts that make up our physical bodies, each of us is a unique, vital part of the body of Christ.
 - We likely don't think of any part of our physical bodies as unnecessary, but do you ever question whether you are an essential, irreplaceable part of the body of Christ? Why is it often easier to believe and affirm the worth of others, than ourselves?
 - We can tend toward one of these two attitudes – 'I'm not needed', or 'I don't need others.' Which attitude can you more easily fall into and why?
 - Pastor Josh shared the story of him hurting his knee and how his whole body compensated for the part that was hurting. How have you witnessed the body of Christ rejoicing when one person is honored or suffering when one person is suffering? (verse 26).
3. Read 1 Cor. 12:27-31. God created and gifted each of us differently.
 - What gifts has He given you that you can use to build up the body of Christ?
 - How have you seen those in your group use their spiritual gifts to build you or others up?

NOTES:

OTHER RESOURCES

READY TO GO DEEPER?

Studying God's Character and Attributes

Each week we will study a different facet of God's character. Our prayer is that it will enrich our worship of Him, and that our trust in Him will grow as we seek to follow and glorify Him.

This week we will study the Wisdom of God

(written by Tim Davis)

This week, we're discussing God's wisdom. The ultimate revelation of God's wisdom is through the work and person of Jesus. Jesus is God's goodness for us, and through his life, death and resurrection, God's goodness is proven efficacious. While we were sinners and alienated from God, He knew what was best for us and achieved the work in and through Jesus, by reconciling Him to sinful humanity like you and me. This is God's wisdom on full display.

Take some time to read Scripture where the word wisdom is used and then apply your learning to your walk with Jesus!

Proverbs 1
Proverbs 8
Ephesians 5
1 Corinthians 1
James 1

What comes to mind when we discuss God's wisdom?

How have you seen God's wisdom played out in your own life?

How is God's wisdom revealed in the gospel?

Knowing that Jesus is the wisdom of God (1 Cor 1:24), how does this add significance to the way you ask for wisdom (James 1:5)?

Outside our Walls Student Mission Auction

This summer, Woodmen Students will be taking the message of hope to Estonia, Kenya, Guatemala, Mexico, Nashville, Ft. Collins and Salt Lake City.

They are hosting an online silent auction and all proceeds will go towards students and leaders. The auction will be Sunday, March 7th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

www.woodmenvalley.org/studentauction

DIVE IN ON YOUR OWN TO GET READY FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Love is Not Optional

1 Cor. 13:1-13