

Made For More... Created For Impact
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Romans 12:4-8 (NIV)

"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us..."

Main Idea For This Week

- Every believer has been gifted by God to serve.
- Ministry is not about a platform, a title, or a position—it's about fulfilling God's purpose in your life and making a difference in the lives of others.

Living a Life of Impact

1. DISCOVER Your Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 – *"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them... Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good."*

- The goal is not to compare GIFTS but to discover YOURS.

2. DEVELOP Your Gifts

2 Timothy 1:6 – *"Fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you..."*

- Your gift is a SEED—it needs to be watered, stretched, and sharpened.

3. DEDICATE Your Gifts to God

Romans 12:1 – *"Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship."*

- Your gift is not your IDENTITY—it's an INSTRUMENT for God's glory.

4. DEPLOY Your Gifts for God's Glory and People's Good

1 Peter 4:10-11 – *"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others... so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ."*

- God uses ORDINARY people to do EXTRAORDINARY things when they're willing.
- Ministry is not about a POSITION, it's about PURPOSE.
- You don't need a TITLE to make a difference; you just need a willing HEART and obedient HANDS.