

Means of Grace Within the Church

A. Definition - the means of grace are any _____ within the fellowship of the church that God uses to give more grace to Christians.

B. Specific Means of Grace

1. _____ of the Word ([Acts 12:24](#), [Hebrews 4:12](#))
2. _____ ([Matthew 28:19](#))
3. The Lord's _____ ([1 Corinthians 10:16](#))
4. _____ ([Acts 4:31](#))
5. _____ ([John 4:23-24](#))
6. Church _____ ([2 Corinthians 7:10](#))
7. _____ ([2 Corinthians 9:7](#))
8. _____ Gifts ([1 Peter 4:10](#))
9. _____ ([Acts 2:42](#); [Hebrews 10:24-25](#))
10. _____
11. Personal _____ to Individuals ([Ephesians 4:29](#); [1 John 3:17](#))

Discussion Questions

1. Why is involvement in the local church so important for spiritual growth according to this lesson?
2. Which of the eleven means of grace stands out most to you personally, and why?
3. Why do you think the teaching of God's Word is described as the "first and most important" means of grace?
4. [Hebrews 4:12](#) describes the Word of God as "living and active." What are some ways you have experienced Scripture working in your life?
5. Why is the Lord's Supper meant to promote unity and reflection within the church? What dangers come when it is treated carelessly?
6. The lesson says, "We don't give to be blessed, but we are blessed by giving." What does that statement mean to you?
7. What is the difference between biblical fellowship and simply socializing or friendship?