



Key References:

1 Corinthians 12:12–26 (ESV)

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴ For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²² On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴ which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵ that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

1 – Our journey in the gifts

Nathan shared an image of a swimming pool on Sunday, with people around the pool in different stages of enjoying the water. **If the pool represents Spiritual Gifts where are you in the picture?**

During the Spiritual Gifts series so far have you received any new information or realizations that you didn't have before?

Read through the list of Spiritual Gifts in 1 Corinthians 12:7-11. **What Spiritual Gift do you have the most questions about and what are they?**

For each of the gifts listed can you think of one New Testament example of where they are used by Jesus or others?

2 – What is your assignment?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:14-20. **Have you found what your role or “body-part” is within the church body? How did you find it?**

For this role, do you feel that you have been spiritually equipped for it? If you don't know, how does God want to equip us through the gifts?

Do you have a story of a seemingly small body part affecting you in big way when it didn't work properly?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:21-26. **What would happen negatively to the church body if you stopped performing your function? If you don't think anything bad would happen is there a function that you would like to step into?**

3 – Pride & envy

Has pride or envying someone else's Spiritual Gifting ever been an issue for you?

Spiritual Gifts are meant for the common good (v7). **How does pride and envy get in the way of us building each other up?**

If we ask for a new or an increase to our Spiritual Gifting, why is it important to make sure only God gets the glory from them?

4 – Growth

How do you feel that God is growing you in your spiritual gifting? If you don't know; can we ask God for growth, and how might He bring it about?