

EVERYONE IS GIFTED

1 Corinthians 12.14-31

THINKING TOO LITTLE

The Corinthians were divided in their society. Rich and poor, educated and uneducated. This was reflected even at the Lord's Supper, and Paul addresses it. Many believers either saw themselves as second class Christians, or the elite, more gifted Christians, and Paul wants to put that thought to rest.

1. Just because *you* think you don't fit or belong, does *not* make that true.
2. God is the one who arranges the members of the body and their gifts. In *His* wisdom, He has chosen what parts we play.

Making the claim that "I don't fit" or "I can't contribute" is to say that God does not know what He is doing, or is doing a poor job.

Isaiah 45.9, 64.8 // Jeremiah 18.1-6 // Philippians 2.13

THINKING TOO MUCH

Others thought too much of themselves and their gifts. They saw themselves as more "elite" or more "talented" or "favored."

1. Your gift is not enough to make you self-sufficient.
2. Other gifts are *not* inferior to yours. **1 Samuel 16.6, 7**

GOD'S GLORIOUS DESIGN

What we must constantly bring to mind is God's wisdom.

No single particular gift can properly bring God the kind of glory He deserves. We need the diversity of gifts and diversity of people to even *begin* to display the awesome, wise, powerful, and multi-faceted glory of God.

For us to bring the kind of glory God deserves, and to function as a body the way we are intended to, we must remember these things:

1. God is the One who chooses and arranges. **Romans 12.3-8**
2. We must work as a team.
3. We must remember that we are all different.
4. We must remember that this is for God's glory and the good of others, not ourselves.



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Romans 5:6

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **1 Corinthians 12:14-31**. What stands out to you in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

What reasons might God give different gifts to different people?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

What particular reminders of the Good News can you remind yourself of as you consider how God has gifted you, given your particular life circumstances, passions, etc.?

Repent and Confess

Which of the two types of people that Paul addresses do you more easily identify with? Do you need to repent of minimizing God's wisdom in your life? Or repent of thinking too much of yourself or too less of others?

Ask for Provision

Major perspective change is often needed when it comes to our usefulness and "fit" in the body of Christ. What do you need to ask God for as you pursue using your life for His glory and for the good of others?

Your Life Mission

Since your gifts are for the common good of others, one way we can "walk into" our gifts is by praying for those people ahead of time. When we pray for people, we become "otherly-minded," and we go into those meetings with their good in mind. From that place, it is often that our spiritual gifts happen in a "supernaturally natural" kind of a way.

What conversations or social settings with non-believers are coming up that you could use prayer for? How can your group be praying for the people in your life that you love and care for?

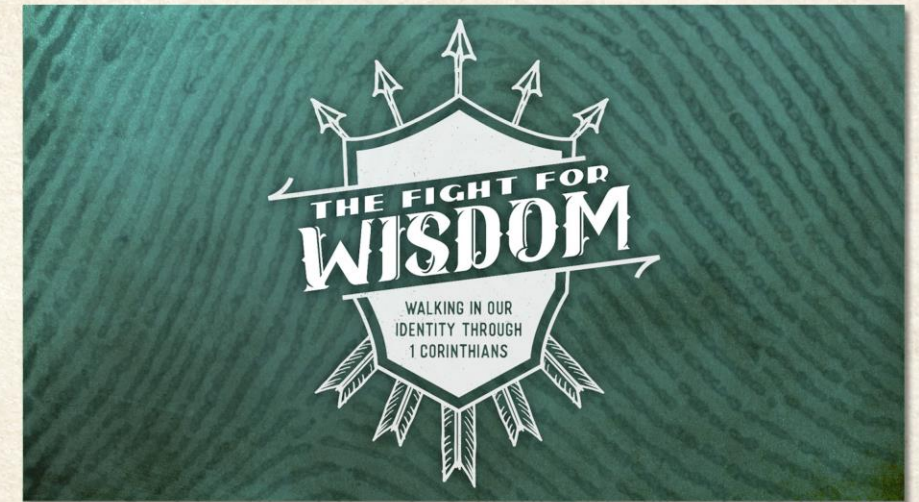
End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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