

Rock Solid

The Foundation of Serving

How does the Bible explain SPIRITUAL GIFTS?

1 Cor. 12:1-26; 1 Peter 4:10-11

- Your gifts are to lift up the LORDSHIP OF JESUS vs. 1-3
- Your gifts are PREARRANGED by the Holy Spirit vs. 4-6
- Each INDIVIDUAL believer has a gift or gift mix vs. 7-10
- Your gifts are to serve the FAITH COMMUNITY
vs. 7; 1 Peter 4:10-11
 - Gifts are expressed through WORDS or through ACTIONS
- The HOLY SPIRIT allocates the gifts as HE desires vs. 11
- All service is to be equally RESPECTED vs. 14-20
- All service are to be equally REQUESTED vs. 21-24
- All service has desired TWO OUTCOMES
 - Your service results in the PROGRESS of your Faith community vs. 25-26
 - Your service results in the PRAISE and GLORY of God
1 Peter 4:11

How do we IMPLEMENT spiritual gifts at AGCC?

- DISCOVER, DEVELOP, and DEPLOY your Spiritual gift!
 - Experience the JOY of the Holy Spirit using you to IMPACT others!
- ENGAGE regularly within your faith community
 - THREE spiritual meals each week:
DINE at two, SERVE at one

Auburn Grace Community Church – August 28th, 2022

Life Group Discussion Questions – August 28, 2022

1 Peter 4:10-11; ¹⁰ As each one has received a *special* gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. ¹¹ Whoever **speaks**, *is to do so* as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever **serves** *is to do so* as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; **so that in all things God may be glorified** through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

DISCOVER

1. What is your history in regard to studying Spiritual gifts? If you grew up in church was there an over emphasis or an under emphasis of the spiritual gifts?
2. How many spiritual gifts can you name?
3. Have you ever personally taken the steps to discover your spiritual gift? If so how/when did that take place?

EXPLORE

1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-7 and 11. Who is the great orchestrator of spiritual gifts? If the Holy Spirit knows which gifts, ministries, and effects **He** wants within a local church community, then that means He has intentionally brought people with those gifts into a local church. Could there be a reason God has you at AGCC right now?
2. Read the lists of gifts in Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:7-11; Ephesians 4:11-12. Which gifts stand out to you? Do any of them resonate with you or could be the one you have been given?
3. In the above verses (1 Peter 4:10-11) we are told ALL the gifts fall into one of two expressions, either expressed through speaking or expressed through serving. In 1 Corinthians 12:7 we are told the gifts are for the **common good**. How do these two ideas work together within a local church?

EXPERIENCE

1. When was the last time you engaged in a Spiritual Gift assessment test to discover or confirm your gifting? (This is Workshop 3 on Connection Sunday)
2. Remember the areas of ministry that God has orchestrated to take place within a local church: Leadership, hospitality, administration, giving, teaching, serving, etc. What areas of church ministry resonate with you? Are you willing to share your gifts with others at AGCC?
3. Serving on an AGCC team is the means to discovering the joy of using your gift to help others grow in their walk with Jesus. Each team has a different level of service, but there is a place for everyone. Is there something holding you back from serving your faith community?

PRAY

Pray...Our Gracious God and Father, thank you for gifting me to impact our faith community. Help me to discover, develop, and deploy my gifts. Help me to carve out time to regularly serve You by serving Your people. I want the joy that comes with exercising the gifts You have given me. Show me how to accomplish this on a regular basis. Thank you for gifting me. Amen.