

Gifts of the Spirit

Gifts Given

Read 1 Corinthians 12.

1. What stands out to you in this passage?
2. Why do you think Paul spends so much time clarifying there is "one Spirit" and "the same God at work"?
3. How does Jesus contrast with the polytheism (many gods) that the Corinthians would have been used to?
4. Read the list of gifts mentioned in verses 8-11. Which of these gifts do you know about? Are any of these unfamiliar to you?
5. Why are the gifts important? What do they accomplish?
6. Discuss the metaphor of the body for the spiritual gifts. How does this challenge our individualistic tendencies?
7. Why do people so easily get caught up in comparing gifts? How do we break free from that?
8. Remember a time someone used their gift to bless you. What was that like?
9. Do you 'eagerly desire' spiritual gifts (v. 31)? Why or why not?
10. Do you have gifts you would like to use more or differently? Are there new gifts you'd like to seek God for?