

The Body of Christ – Finding your Place
1 Cor. 12

1. Where do they come from? – 1-3

Docetism.

An early teaching taught that Jesus only “_____” to be human. His suffering, death, and resurrection were aspects of the human Jesus’ life in which the divine Christ did not participate, it left by then.

Jesus is Lord

“Lord” is the Septuagint translation for the Hebrew name _____. Meaning that Jesus is the true God, the Almighty One.

2. When do you get a Spiritual Gift?

It is clear in 1 Peter 4:10 that every believer has one.

Therefore, it comes at the _____ of salvation.

3. What is a Spiritual Gift?

a. There are two Greek words that are used for spiritual gifts.

i. Pneumatikos

ii. Gifts – Charisma

b. A Spiritual Gift is a God given _____ for service to be used in the body of Christ.

4. What is not a Spiritual gift.

a. It is not an office or position.

b. It is not age relevant.

c. It is not a _____.

d. It is not a natural talent.

The Fruit of the Spirit is demonstrated in the life of a Spirit filled Christian through Spirit given abilities to be used interdependently within the church to advance the kingdom of God.

Is that amazing of what? What kind of church would we be if we were all using our god given abilities together to advance the kingdom of God? The gates of hell would not be able to stop us!

5. What are the Characteristics of Gifts? – 4-7

a. Different _____ - 4

We have three different lists of gifts Scripture.

1 Corinthians 12

Romans 12

Ephesians 4

I believe that every one's gift is different and unique to the person. While we might have a strong gift that we can identify more than others, the mixture and blending of them makes it very unique to you.

b. Different _____ -5

Gifts are not for selfish pleasure of self-gain.

There has never been a self-made Christian.

c. Different _____ - 6

Energema – super human strength or energy given to a Christian by God's grace.

It can be translated results or effect.

d. Same _____ - 7

This terminology indicates that every believer has some display of the Holy Spirit's presence in his or her life.

The emphasis is to the point that the gifts like the fruit are not for ourselves but the good of others.

We are one body.

When you as a believer decide to not be spirit-filled.

Meaning you will not display the fruit of the spirit.

Meaning you will not effectively function your gift.

You not only cripple your own value, worth and purpose but cause dysfunction to the body.

6. What causes dysfunctional in the body?

a. _____ – “I don’t need anyone else.”

b. _____ – “I am needed more than others.”

7. Blessings of a Beautiful Body

1. We were gifted to serve on a team. When the team functions properly, satisfying and _____.

Church was never to be operated by only those who are paid.

2. The superhuman collective power produces _____. Revival and evangelism.

3. We will experience the joy of unity, love and fellowship in ways that no amount of human ability, planning or effort can produce.

Application:

You were “born” to be part of the church.

When we choose not to engage – we make the church lopsided and less efficient and effective for the kingdom of God.

1. How are you demonstrating the fruit of the spirit in the body?
2. What could hinder you from fully functioning your spiritual gift?
3. You cannot use your gift outside of the church. What’s keeping you from being a part?
4. Pray for our church to be a spirit filled fully functioning body that God will create superhuman results that will give Him all the glory.