

The Heart of the Matter

14. What is superior to all the spiritual gifts (12:31-13:10, 13)? What is the “more excellent way”?

15. While the Holy Spirit distributes different gifts to believers, what fruit does He seek to produce in each of our lives (Gal. 5:22-23)? What kind of fruit has He been developing in your life lately?

16. How are you utilizing your spiritual gifts to serve the body of Christ at Bethel church?

Praises and Prayer Requests



Life Group Study Guide

Our Fellowship is a
Body
1 Corinthians 12

For the Week of February 28, 2021

Getting Started

1. What idea, thought or application stood out to you from this past Sunday's message?
2. What are different analogies for the church? How do you view our church?
3. When you think of Bethel as a “body”, what thoughts come to mind?
4. What are implications of our church being a “body”?

Digging Deeper

5. Read 1 Corinthians 12. What do we learn about the church and spiritual gifts in this chapter?

6. In writing to the Corinthian believers, what background did the Apostle Paul acknowledge that they came from (12:1-3)? What does he want believers to understand? Why?

7. Who is the source of all spiritual gifts (12:4-6)? Why is this important to keep in mind?

8. What is the purpose of spiritual gifts (12:7)? What are the various gifts given to us (12:8-10; Romans 12:6-8)? What gifts do you have?

9. Who empowers us with our gifts (1 Cor. 12:11)? On what basis are we given gifts?

10. How is there unity yet diversity in the body of Christ (12:12-14)? Why are both essential? Who unites us together into one body?

11. Why are different parts needed in a physical body (12:14-20)? Why are different parts necessary in the body of Christ? What role does God play in this?

12. While there is diversity with parts of our physical bodies, how is there a corresponding mutual dependency (12:21-26)? What causes division in the body of Christ? How are we obligated to one another?

13. What gifted individuals does God place in the body of Christ (12:27-31)? How does God's ranking of these individuals differ from people's rankings? Which are the gifts that we should desire most?