

Improving Your Serve Discussion Questions

Ephesians 4:7-16

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1. Read Ephesians 4:11, 1 Corinthians 12:8-10, 28-30, Romans 12:6-8, and 1 Peter 4:11. What gift or gifts do you think God has given to you? How are you using gifts to benefit God's kingdom?
2. What does your gifts tell you about the character of God?
3. Why does each person's gift vary? What would it be like if we each had the same gift? What benefit is there to each of us having different gifts?
4. Do you view yourself as a minister of the gospel? Why or why not?
5. Why did God give us gifts to use for His kingdom?
6. How do you equip someone for a job? Why is this important? What happens if someone is not properly equipped to do the job?
7. How is your gift "building up the body of Christ?"
8. What are some benefits that come from people using their gifts in the church?
9. Are you the type to pitch in and serve or sit and complain about how things are being done? Why?
10. How does using our gifts cause us to mature in our faith?
11. How does using our gifts help us to become more like Christ?
12. How does using our gifts help us to be stable and not be blown around by every wind of doctrine?
13. Why is it important to speak the truth in love? What happens if there is too much focus on truth and no focus on love? What happens if there is too much focus on love and none on truth?
14. How does working together with each of our individual gifts make for a healthy church?
15. How does working together form a bond with those you are working with?
16. What do we learn about and from people as we work with them? How does love come into play?