



Serving in the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:1-27
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Breathe Deep: Serving in the Spirit

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Main Idea: The body of Christ is formed by the Spirit so that as individual members work together we might share The Story with others.

Connecting

Have you ever been part of a team that worked really well together? What made the team so effective?

Describe a time when you were unable to use something because a “minor” part broke.

Understanding

Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-27. How does this passage fit into the broader context of Paul’s letter?

What are spiritual gifts? Why does the Holy Spirit give them to believers?

What is the result of being baptized with the Holy Spirit?

In your own words describe how the church, as the body of Christ, is supposed to look and function.

Living

What hinders Christ-followers from functioning as a unified body?

How can we develop a sense of identity that is less individualistic?

How can we identify the gifts God has given us?

What gifts do you see in your Life Group? Take time to affirm one another’s gifts and abilities.

How are you currently using your gifts for God’s purposes? What steps can you take to use them more effectively?

How can our individual gifts work together to accomplish God’s plans for the church?

Praise God for the work of His Spirit. Pray that He will continue to transform us into a more cohesive and loving community.

Sneak Preview:

Next Sunday: **Spiritual Renewal** – Titus 3:1-8; Galatians 5:16-26

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