

TEAMWORK #2

February 7, 2021 Romans 12:1-8

You are the Body of Christ. “For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts...” Romans 12:4-6a. **Gifts are given so you can serve others in love and bring glory to God.**

1. USE YOUR GIFT Paul gives us a sampler of gifts

- The gift of prophecy/preaching – appeal to the heart like Peter in Acts 2.
- The gift of serving – meet practical needs like Martha. Luke 10:38-40
- The gift of teaching – appeal to the mind and bring understanding & insight.
- The gift of encouragement – like Barnabas in Acts 4:36
- The gift of giving – like Dorcas or Tabitha in Acts 9:39
- The gift of leading – like Nehemiah organized others to work together
- The gift of showing mercy – like the Good Samaritan in Luke 10:25-37

2. HOW TO USE YOUR GIFT

- You first commit yourself completely to God – Romans 12:1
- You pray and spend time in God’s word. 12:2 Listen to God. Ask God, “What do you want me to do?”
- You don’t lose sight of God’s grace in your life. As you serve, humbly give all the glory to God.
- If you serve by faith (12:3,6), God will empower you and you will leave the results up to God.
- Use your gift generously, diligently and cheerfully – 12:8, Luke 6:38