

Sermon Notes August 6, 2023

Spiritual Gifts How God Uses Them Week 2

The purposes of the spiritual gifts in the Church are:

Ministry - to do the ministry work _____ the Church

Maturity - to help you to grow _____ spiritually

Mission - to go _____ from here to bless others.

Ephesians 4:11-16 "So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

Apostles are those who were sent out as _____ to unreached peoples around the world.

Prophets will boldly _____ what is true from God's Word.

Evangelists are those who spread the _____.

Pastors and teachers a _____ role to gently, positively teach the Word

Why did God give these gifts?

Ephesians 4:12: "for the _____ of the saints for the work of the ministry,

for the _____ of the body of Christ."

Ephesians 4:13, "so that the body of Christ may ... become _____, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."

Ephesians 4:16b, every Christ follower "does their work."

1 Corinthians 15:8-10 "I am what I am by God's _____"

Romans 12:3-8 "For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all 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, according to the grace given to each of

us." *"If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy [tell forth the truth with conviction] in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully."*

These gifts work the best when done _____.

Start at opposite ends on this list.

_____ is the first and _____ is the last in the list...

_____ is second and _____ is next to last...

_____ and _____ go together as the next set.

_____ cheerfully is there in the middle but applies to all of them.

God did not grace us with spiritual gifts to bring glory to _____ but to God.

Romans 1:11-12 - *"I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you*

_____ - *that is, that you and I may be* _____

_____ *by each other's faith."*