



Rock Point Church

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Big Idea: God gives us gifts for gift-giving.

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NLT)

⁷ A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.

1 Corinthians 12:12–27 (NLT)

¹² The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ. ¹³ Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit.

¹⁴ Yes, the body has many different parts, not just one part. ¹⁵ If the foot says, “I am not a part of the body because I am not a hand,” that does not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear says, “I am not part of the body because I am not an eye,” would that make it any less a part of the body? ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, how would you hear? Or if your whole body were an ear, how would you smell anything?

¹⁸ But our bodies have many parts, and God has put each part just where he wants it. ¹⁹ How strange a body would be if it had only one part! ²⁰ Yes, there are many parts, but only one body.

²¹ The eye can never say to the hand, “I don’t need you.” The head can’t say to the feet, “I don’t need you.” ²² In fact, some parts of the body that seem weakest and least important are actually the most necessary. ²³ And the parts we regard as less honorable are those we clothe with the greatest care. So we carefully protect those parts that should not be seen, ²⁴ while the more honorable parts do not require this special care. So God has put the body together such that extra honor and care are given to those parts that have less dignity. ²⁵ This makes for harmony among the members, so that all the members care for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad. ²⁷ All of you together are Christ’s body, and each of you is a part of it.

We're built to...

- **Belong.**
- **Need each other.**
- **Give ourselves away.**

1 Corinthians 13:1-7 (NLT)

¹ If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn’t love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God’s secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn’t love others, I would be nothing. ³ If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it;[a] but if I didn’t love others, I would have gained nothing.

⁴ Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud ⁵ or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it

keeps no record of being wronged. ⁶ It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. ⁷ Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

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GROUPS QUESTIONS:

1. What stood out to you most in this week's message, and why?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:4–7. What do these verses teach us about where our gifts come from and why God gives them?
3. Why do you think it's so tempting to compare our gifts or abilities with other people's? How does that affect the way we serve?
4. Talk about a time when someone used their gift in a way that strengthened or encouraged you. How might you be able to use your gifts to strengthen or encourage someone in your life?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12–20. What picture of the church stands out to you most from this passage, and how does it challenge the idea of just attending church versus belonging to it?
6. "Just because your gift isn't seen doesn't mean it isn't significant." How does that truth challenge the way we often value certain roles in the church more than others?
7. Read 1 Corinthians 12:21–25. Why do you think Paul emphasizes that every part of the body is needed? How might pride or insecurity keep us from serving the way God designed us to?

8. The message said, “We grow when we give ourselves away.”
What’s one area of your life where you sense God inviting you to serve or share your gifts more intentionally?