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1 Corinthians 12:28, 11-12; Ephesians 4:6-8

BIBLE VERSE: 1 PETER 4:10-11

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.”

BIG IDEAS

- Spiritual gifts help us grow in humility.
- Spiritual gifts remind us that we belong to God and one another.
- Spiritual gifts are to be used for the good of God’s people.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ROMANS 12:1-9

UNITE - I AM CALLED

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- Every good gift comes from the Father.
- They have been specifically and uniquely gifted to bring God glory.
- Spiritual gifts are given for the edification of the body of Christ.



Every student should feel...

- Thankful for the various gifts God has given their church family.
- Convicted of the ways they bear the fruit of the flesh.
- Secure in their standing as God’s children through the Holy Spirit



Every student should strive to...

- Pursue unity with other members of their church family.
- Use their gifts for the good of God’s people.
- Practice regular repentance and obedience.



Every student should want...

- To be known for loving others like Jesus loves.
- To learn more about their spiritual gifts and the gifts of others.
- To both suffer and rejoice with God’s people

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will consider the ways our gifts can be used for the good of God’s people. We will pray for direction on how to use our gifts and we will practice using our gifts in our local church.

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Read and meditate on Romans 12:1-9 this week.

As you read these verses use these questions to help you ponder the Big Truth:

- What is true humility? How can you humble yourself before the Lord?
- What are some things that keep you from using your spiritual gifts?

Ponder what it means to belong to God and to other believers.

- Do you live like you belong to God? Why or why not?
- How can you live each day in the truth that you belong to other believers?



Pray for a heart that seeks to use your gifts for the good of God's people.

- Pray with your small group leader this week. As you pray together ask the Holy Spirit to guide you to use your gifts for the good of the body.



Discuss with your parents some ways you can use your spiritual gifts for the good of the body.

- Talk through ways that spiritual gifts help you grow in humility. Ask your parents to share some of the ways they have used their spiritual gifts.
- Discuss with your small group leader some ways that you struggle to use your gifts in the body. Make a plan to use your gifts this week.