

Community Groups Discussion Guide

1. Watch the spiritual gifts teaching video on thechapel.com/spiritualgifts. Use the **Video Teaching Notes** to guide your viewing.
2. Discuss the following questions with your Community Group:

Purpose of Spiritual Gifts

- What is a spiritual gift? What are the purpose of spiritual gifts?
- Read Romans 12:3-13, 1 Corinthians 12, and Ephesians 4:1-16. How are spiritual gifts to be used by the body of Christ? What are some examples of spiritual gifts?

Intimacy with God and Trusting in the Holy Spirit's Leading

- Are you pursuing intimacy with God? In your personal time with God, has he revealed your spiritual gifts to you?
- What is (are) your spiritual gift(s)? How did God reveal these gifts to you?
 - How has the Holy Spirit recently been guiding you in your use of these gifts?
 - How can you be using your giftedness in the church or within your home, school, workplace, or community?
- If you don't know your spiritual gifts, how can you foster intimacy with God in your life? In what areas can this group keep you accountable to this?

Validation of Spiritual Gifts through Community

- Are there Community Group members with the same spiritual gifts? How do the spiritual gifts of each group member complement each other?
- How can each community group member be using their spiritual gift(s) within community group?
- How can your group grow together and support each other through each members' spiritual gifts? How can your group engage your neighborhood with the gospel and use your spiritual gifts collectively?

Note – If many members do not yet know their gifting, conversation may end following review of the scriptures. Encourage group members to engage in the action steps below, and revisit this conversation regularly over the next couple of months as group members discover their spiritual gifts.

3. Pray for the following as a Community Group:
 - That each Community Group member be disciplined in their pursuit of intimacy with God.
 - That God reveals to each Community Group member their spiritual gifts and where, when, and how to use them.
 - That as a Community Group, you will be given wisdom and discernment to validate, encourage, and challenge fellow group members' gifting, as well as the obedience to do so.
 - That God reveal how each Community Group member can use their gifting within group and within each group member's neighborhood.

Be sure all Community Group members complete the Discipleship Survey: thechapel.com/survey

Continued Growth in Knowledge and Use of Spiritual Gifts

Following your Community Group discussion, commit to do the following over the next few weeks. Hold each other accountable to these action steps.

- Spend time in communion with God:
 - Review Scriptures related to knowing and using spiritual gifts:
 - Romans 12
 - 1 Corinthians 12
 - Ephesians 4:1-16
 - 1 Peter 4
- Spend time in prayer asking the four key questions:
 - Am I pursuing intimacy with God?
 - Am I trusting the Holy Spirit to lead me?
 - Do I lean into the validation of community?
 - “Lord, how can I help here?”
- Determine an area in which you can serve and practice your spiritual gifts. Visit thechapel.com/serve.
- Be sure to complete the Discipleship Survey: thechapel.com/survey