## Pursuing

## What Matters

*"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men."* 

1 Cor 12:4-6

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#### Desiring the <u>"what & where"</u> without knowing the "how"

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**Evidence God's love** 

"But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it."

Eph 4:7

Given as God discerns

"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 who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us." Rom 12:4-6a

Serve a common purpose: The Church "Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom...the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit...faith by the same Spirit...healing by that one same Spirit...miraculous powers... prophecy..."

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"... distinguishing between spirits... speaking in different kinds of tongues...the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines... If one part suffers, every part suffers with it, if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it." 1 Cor 12:7-11, 26

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#### 2) Fisherman

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#### 3) Stonemason

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#### 5) Disciple-er

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#### 6) <u>Resouce-er</u>

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Truths: 1) Your have strengths 2) Grow in strengths 3) People build people

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Challenge: 1) Discover strengths 2) Change week plan 3) Build a team

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"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks... serves...so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen." 1 Pet 4:10-11