

**Spiritual Gifts in Action**  
**Live Out God's Purpose – Part 4**  
Life Church St. Louis – February 14, 2021  
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1 Corinthians 12:12 (ESV) For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:18 (ESV) But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.

1 Corinthians 12:27 (ESV) Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

**1. Pursue \_\_\_\_\_**

Ephesians 4:2-3 (ESV) walk ...with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:4-5 (ESV) There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**2. Understand God's \_\_\_\_\_ for the church**

Ephesians 4:7 (ESV) But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Ephesians 4:11-12 (ESV) And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,

Ephesians 4:13 (ESV) until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,

**3. Move in \_\_\_\_\_ gifts**

Acts 19:11-12 (ESV) And God was doing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, so that even handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.

Acts 19:15 (ESV) But the evil spirit answered them, "Jesus I know, and Paul I recognize, but who are you?"

Acts 19:17 (ESV) And this became known to all the residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks. And fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled.

**Action Plan for This Week**

- Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Ephesians 4, Acts 19)
  - Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat  Sun

- Invite a friend to attend the service next week.

- How will I obey God's Word this week? \_\_\_\_\_

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# Spiritual Gifts in Action Study Guide

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Intro. Describe how the members of the church are like the members of a body (1 Corinthians 12:12).

Intro. How does God arrange members in a local church (1 Corinthians 12:18)?

Intro. What are the implications of Christ being the head of the local church and believers being members of that body (1 Corinthians 12:18)?

Intro. How does the metaphor of the church as a body show the importance of every believer being part of a local church?

1A. What are some of the defining characteristics of a person who follows Christ (Ephesians 4:2)?

1B. What is the source of Christian unity (Ephesians 4:3)? How would you define Christian unity?

1C. Why should and must Christian unity be present in the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:4-5)?

1D. What is your role in pursuing unity in the church family?

2A. How is grace given to every believer according to Christ's gift (Ephesians 4:7, 1 Corinthians 12:7)?

2B. What is the purpose of gifted leaders in the church according to Ephesians 4:11-12?

2C. What is the ultimate goal of the Spirit's work in the church (Ephesians 4:13)?

2D. How can a person discover and grow in their spiritual gifts?

3A. What does Acts 19:11-12 tell us about the Spirit's power in the life of Paul?

3B. Why were the Jewish exorcists unable to cast out the demons in the name of Jesus (Acts 19:15)?

3C. What was the effect of these miracles in the city of Ephesus (Acts 19:17)?

3D. Do you think that God desires to move in similar ways today? Why or why not?