

"This Year I Will Discover My Gifts" January 19-20, 2019 Pastor Tyler Scott

## INTRODUCTION

Each of us has different natural gifts, talents, and passions. And if you've put your faith in Christ, you also have a spiritual gift (at least one<sup>®</sup>). One of life's greatest joys is discovering your spiritual gifts, and using them to serve God. This week's message was basically a "Spiritual Gifts 101." God doesn't want us to be "ignorant" or "uninformed" about spiritual gifts. He wants us to know what they are, know which gifts He has given to us, and use them to do God's work in the church and the world.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. What is one way you have been blessed by someone else using their spiritual gifts?
- 2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-11; and Romans 12:6-8. These are the two most prominent biblical passages about spiritual gifts.
  - a. Using these two passages —or another resource that lists the spiritual gifts found in Scripture—go around to each of your group members: What spiritual gifts do you see in each other? Share some examples/evidence of where you have observed these gifts in each other's lives.
  - b. What spiritual gifts do YOU believe God has given to you?
- 3. Read 1 Peter 4:10-11. This passage encourages us to use our gifts to serve one another and bring glory to God. How have you used your gifts to serve others in ministry? In what ways did you see it make an impact on others, or on yourself? How has this helped you to experience joy (whether serving or being served)?
- 4. Some common "traps" to avoid re: spiritual gifts are **comparison** (comparing your gifts to other people), **projection** (wishing/expecting/preferring other people had gifts more similar to yours) and **rejection** (refusing to discover or utilize the gifts God has given you). Which do you see yourself most easily falling into?

- 5. In 2 Timothy 1:6, we are encouraged to "fan into flame" the spiritual gift(s) God has given to us. What are some simple ways to discover your spiritual gifts? How have YOU discovered and developed/grown your spiritual gifts?
- 6. One of the best ways to discover your spiritual gifts is by serving. If you are not currently involved in serving, where do you think you could begin?

## COMMIT TO ACTION

If you have yet to take an assessment to help you discover your spiritual gifts, go to cpcdanville.org/spiritualgifts and follow the simple directions.

## PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Spend time thanking God in prayer for giving you spiritual gifts to do His work and bring you joy. Ask him to reveal and grow your unique gifts through serving in the church and the world.