

Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

Date 11/5/23 Bryce Taylor

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BIBLE PASSAGES - Ephesians 4:11-13, 1 Peter 4:7-11

Eph. 4:11-13 "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, 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."

1 Peter 4:7-11 "The end of everything has come. Therefore, be self-controlled and clear headed so you can pray. Above all, show sincere love to each other, because love brings about the forgiveness of many sins. Open your homes to each other without complaining. And serve each other according to the gift each person has received, as good managers of God's diverse gifts. Whoever speaks should do so as those who speak God's word. Whoever serves should do so from the strength that God furnishes. Do this so that in everything God may be honored through Jesus Christ. To him be honor and power forever and always. Amen."

Other Passages: Matt. 23:37-40, 1 Cor. 12:8-10, Acts 13:1-3

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

The list of gifts Bryce mentioned Sunday is: leadership, administration, teaching, knowledge, wisdom, prophecy, discernment, exhortation, shepherding, faith, evangelism, apostleship, service/helps, mercy, giving, hospitality.

1. Do you know your spiritual gifts? If so, share with each other. If not, one of the best ways to discover spiritual gifts is to notice what naturally occurs in your group. How do show up in your group? What are things others see in you?
2. How are you currently stewarding your gifts for God's glory? What are some recent examples of you using your gifts?
3. How are you serving on the team at MBIC? Where might God want you to step up and utilize your skills for His team here at MBIC?
4. What gifts might easily get overlooked in the church, and what would it look like for us to honor and care for them instead?
5. Read 1 Peter 4:7-11 together to close. How can you commit to love each other better and thereby honor God in your actions?

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS