

A Servant's Heart: Spiritual Growth

Life Steps | August 12 & 13, 2017

Daily Prayer: "God, expand our hearts, patience, flexibility, wisdom, awareness of those around us, generosity and readiness to serve so we can make room for our ever growing church family. Expand our capacity to love. In Jesus name, amen."

Monday

I Corinthians 12:1-11

What are your first thoughts and feelings when hearing the term spiritual gifts? Why does Paul want the church to not be ignorant of spiritual gifts? Compose your own definition of spiritual gifts and their purpose in God's design?

Tuesday

I Corinthians 12:12-31

Reflect and journal on the wonder of your own physical body, how each part functions and impacts your daily life. Write a prayer of thanksgiving. Reflect and journal on your church family as the Body of Christ, how each part functions and the impact your church has on your daily life. Write a prayer of Thanksgiving for your church family.

Wednesday

I Corinthians 13

How do you read verses 1-4 in the context of our spiritual gift learnings? In your own words, rewrite verses 4-8 through the lens of Pathway adding a worship time to connect more people to the unconditional love of God.

Thursday

Ephesians 4:1-6

What does the word "calling" in verse 1 mean to you? What is God's "Call" upon your life? How is God "calling" you to serve in the body called Pathway? Which directive in verse 2 most challenges you? Why?

Friday

Ephesians 4:7-16

See your message notes. Objectively discern where you are on the spiritual grow path? Why this conclusion? Ask the opinion of someone who really knows you. What is your next growth step?

Saturday

I Corinthians 12

Review your message notes and identify someone you know who has each gift. Pray they will recognize the gift God has given and will deploy their gift for God's purpose. Which of these gifts might you have received? We will learn about other spiritual gifts in the next two weeks.

Sunday

Ephesians 4:1-16

Read several times if needed. What is God saying to you today through this passage? Revisit your determined next growth step, Friday, and ask someone to hold you accountable.