



## **GROUP DISCUSSION** | Week 3: One Body, Many Parts

### **SERIES OVERVIEW**

In this series, **Bring Your Brick**, we'll dive into 1 Corinthians and explore the importance of using our spiritual gifts for the glory of God. We will learn how each gift is important for the functioning of the church and how we can work together to build a strong and vibrant community of believers. Gift by gift and brick by brick.

### **HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE:**

Think of this discussion guide as a springboard. Use what's helpful to your group and don't feel like you've got to cover every aspect of the guide. Collective conversation centered on God's truth is the goal.

### **CONNECTION**

Think of a time you played a role on some sort of team (it could be in a play like Philip's example, an ensemble, a club, a sports team, etc.). What was your role? How did that interact and depend on other roles? How were they dependent on you? Why was unity important in that context?

### **TRUTH**

What are some ways that people within a church community can fall into the trap of considering themselves superior to others or feeling unimportant? How can these attitudes be harmful to the unity of the body?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-13. What does Paul mean when he says that we are all baptized by one Spirit into one body? How does this idea relate to the concept of unity in the body of Christ?

What are some potential pitfalls or misunderstandings that can arise when discussing Spiritual Gifts within a church community? How can these be addressed to ensure that everyone feels valued and included in the conversation?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:18-20. Why does Paul use the analogy of the body with many parts to describe the church? What does this analogy teach us about the importance of diversity in the church?

Why is it important to champion unity in the church while also embracing diversity? What can happen if either of these elements is lacking?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:26. How have you seen this idea play out in your own experience?

### **APPLICATION**

How does the analogy of the Millennium Falcon Lego set illustrate the importance of each individual in the body of Christ? What can we learn from this analogy about our own roles in the church and how we're interconnected and dependent on one another?

What are some practical ways that a person can identify their role in the body of Christ and use their gifts to serve others in the body of Christ?

\*\*\*We recommend taking the Spiritual Gifts Assessment at [ncclex.org/series-bring-your-brick](http://ncclex.org/series-bring-your-brick) // If you, or anyone in your group has taken the assessment OR already know some or multiple of your own Spiritual Gifts, spend time sharing those and talking through ways to utilize those for the good of the body and the build-up of the Kingdom.

### **PRAYER**

Spend time praying for unity at NorthEast. Pray for our church leaders, our church body, and that God would continue being glorified in and through our church!