

"Spiritual gifts are special, extraordinary abilities that God gives to build up the body of Christ, the church, for ministry to its members, and through its members, the world." Charles V. Bryant

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**Ministries that Receive: Worship Ministries ·Congregational Care Ministries** ·Relational Ministries

Ministries that Relate: • Teaching and Learning Ministries • Spiritual Growth Ministries • Helping Ministries

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What ministries are you now performingformally or informally-in the Body of Christ?

Are any of these ministries in which you are currently involved, not in your giftedness? If so, God may be calling you to consider changes.

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In light of your gift clusters, in what specific roles in the body of Christ has God possibly gifted you?

Discuss your findings with other believers who know you well in order to evaluate your conclusions. Ministries that Equip: Administrative Ministries: Serving through church & parachurch leadership positions to the people who are part of the organization of the church, the congregation, or those served by the ministry.

Ministries that Equip: Support and Encouragement Ministries: Providing spiritual, social, financial, and/or emotional support for people in mission or in times of stress.

Ministries that Equip: Wholeness Ministries: Relating Creator and creation, providing for healing and reconciliation among people.

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**Ministries that Send:** 

Workplace Ministries: Relating to people in the workplace in ways that reflect our identity as Christians and our personal and social concern.

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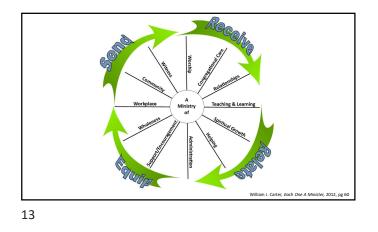
Ministries that Send:

Community Ministries: Being involved in activities exemplify Christian concern and care for social and personal needs in the surrounding community.

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**Ministries that Send:** 

Witness Ministries: Taking advantage of opportunities and techniques for evangelism and faith sharing in varied settings, at home and around the world.





"Ministry is not only what happens within the gathered body of Christ, but what we do every day in all areas of our lives—at home, at work, in our communities, in the world. A "missional" church is a body of people who have been sent on mission [by Jesus Christ] and then gather in community for worship, encouragement, and teaching from the Word. *con't* 

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"This gathering supplements what they are feeding themselves throughout the week and strengthens them for their mission. A missional church is not attractional; developing programming that may entice people to attend, but rather the body of Christ at work in the world as disciples."

Charles V. Bryant, Rediscovering Our Spiritual Gifts, pg 14.

"You lack no single gift while you wait expectantly for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. God will keep you firm to the end, without reproach on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God alone calls you to share in the life of Jesus Christ our Lord; and God is faithful." 1 Corinthians 1:7-9

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"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:8-10

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## Pray in unison:

Our Lord and Savior, Your grace has saved us, we cannot save ourselves. Your grace has made us who we are, we cannot make anything of ourselves without your grace. Prepare us to live lives of good deeds. "But you are the ones chosen by God, chosen for the high calling of priestly work, chosen to be a holy people, God's instruments to do his work and speak out for him, to tell others of the night-and-day difference he made for you—from nothing to something, from rejected to accepted."

1 Peter 2:9, The Message

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Pray in unison:

Dear God, the Giver of every gift, help us to discern our gifts so that we may be willing instruments to do Your work in the world.

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"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will." Romans 12:1-2 Pray in unison:

Lord, accept my life as an offering. As I acknowledge what You have done for me so let me be the best I can for You. Help me to resist the current culture of the world and fix my attention on You. Thank You for all that You have given me through Your grace.

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"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen." 1 Peter 4:10-11

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## Pray in unison:

Lord Jesus, You came to serve, not to be served. Help us to do the same so that Your name will be glorified. In Your precious name we pray, Amen.