



GRAB GATHER GROW

Week of December 3rd

Grab this study, Gather a few people, and Grow in faith

SCRIPTURE

(read over the scripture together)

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

From Paul, called by God's will to be an apostle of Jesus Christ, and from Sosthenes our brother. To God's church that is in Corinth: To those who have been made holy to God in Christ Jesus, who are called to be God's people. Together with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place—he's their Lord and ours! Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God always for you, because of God's grace that was given to you in Christ Jesus. That is, you were made rich through Christ in everything: in all your communication and every kind of knowledge, in the same way that the testimony about Christ was confirmed with you. ⁷ **The result is that you aren't missing any spiritual gift while you wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.** Christ will also confirm your testimony about Christ until the end so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ **God is faithful, and you were called by God to partnership with God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

DISCUSSION

Focus on Verse 7: The church and the world need everyone's gifts and talents.

What are your spiritual gifts?

Focus on Verse 9: What does it mean to be called into fellowship?

How do we welcome and encourage people outside of our church walls?

Do we value the contributions of each person? Children too? How can we show that appreciation? How can we affirm and utilize the gifts of differently abled people?

Sunday, was also Global migration Sunday. What does it mean to welcome all gifts?
To contribute toward equality of all people?

Sunday at BUMC we also celebrated music with our Gala Service. What role does music play during the Advent and Christmas season for you? Favorite songs? Carols? Do those around us see Christ in us? In his letter to the church in Corinth, Paul stresses that we can live lives of holiness (a very Methodist word) even in a world filled with chaos. What does it look like? How can we reflect peace and love in a world filled with hatred and avarice?

SERVICE

At BUMC we are using our Change for Change Offering for Heifer Project. Our Sunday School children are leading the way with this mission project. Save your change or make a special donation to Heifer Project at church.

You may also visit their website. They have a wonderful program where you can give the gift of an animal in someone else's name. Check it out, they make great Christmas Presents for those hard to shop for people in your life.

BUMC is also collecting Winter gear for kids and youth. Sponsor a drive at your work or school and bring the items into church.

FAITH FIVE AT HOME THIS WEEK

Share, Read, Talk, Pray and Bless through life this week.

Each day, gather together and share each person's high and low of the day. Read a piece of Scripture; Talk together about the scripture and how it relates to your day; Pray about your highs and lows and where God is leading you; and at the end of the day share the following blessing:

" May God help you discover the true meaning of Christmas."

SUNDAY: I Corinthians 1:7 (Sermon Text)

MONDAY: I Corinthians 1:9

TUESDAY: Mark 13:24-27

WEDNESDAY: Mark 13:28-31

THURSDAY: Mark 13:32-37

FRIDAY: Isaiah 64:8

SATURDAY: Isaiah 40:1-11 (Sunday's Sermon text)